Moon rises 8.31 pm sets 6.11 am (Sat)

One Penny

RUMANIA

Stalin

tanks

roll in

BUCHAREST JOY From E. D. MASTERMAN

STOCKHOLM, Thursday night.—Stalin has

just announced that the Red Army has entered Bucharest

following the rout of

the Germans, who

made a last stand to

the north of the city. The victory was achieved

MOLOTOV SEES

RUMANIANS

AS GUNS ROAR

MOSCOW, Thursday,-M. Molo-

tov, Soviet Foreign Minister, met

the Rumanian armistice delega-

FOR GERMANY ITSELF: Lightning tanks cross the Meuse, reach Sedan and roll on: British are chasing north up rocket coast from the Somme

BOLGIANDRONI CROATIA

FRONT LINE REPORT AT MIDNIGHT:

70 miles to the east.

Ardennes Forest.

the Allied sweep.

the race to Germany.

pursuit instead of a battle."

of the Maginot Line has been outflanked.

First U.S. Army to date now total 115,520.

Montgomery's men, chasing

From the nine

Seine crossings

CHARLEROI

TROYES

AVALLON

CLAMECY (

BRUSSELS

for them is a flight into Belgium.

It is now a pursuit of completely routed army

THE Allies are driving into Belgium. Dramatic midnight messages say that the Americans have crossed the Meuse, are in the outskirts of Sedan, and are on the Belgian frontier. Before them a routed German army is fleeing, and formal announcement of the entry into Belgium is expected at any hour. On the British front, tanks are pouring over the Somme towards Belgium. Here, too, the Germans are in rout. Yet another tremendous drive is being made. It has brought the

Germans made their shattering advance into

France in 1940. They are menacing Charleville

as well as Sedan and are approaching the

NOW A PURSUIT

"It is no longer a drive against armed opposition, but a chase of thoroughly demoralised and con-

fused German armies. It has turned into a

Huge bodies of German troops are scattering before

The Germans are fleeing so fast that it is becoming

Remnants of the German Seventh Army, which had

The advance to Sedan was made in a secret 50-mile push from the Rheims area. As in 1940, what was left

Helping the Americans were French Forces of the

So disorganised is the German retreat that in one bag of 400 prisoners an American division captured

FRENCH CLEAR MINES

Interior, who cleared roads of mines and secured bridges for the U.S. tanks and motorised infantry to keep up

elements of 64 different units. Prisoners have poured into American camps at the rate of about 2,000 a day-

a figure which would have been much higher if contact

could have been maintained. Prisoners taken by the

Patton swung 30 miles east through Chalons to reach

the Argonne Forest. This attack also was made in

bridgehead they established yesterday at Amiens after

As General Hodges stormed to the north, General

Back near the coast British tanks and infantry are flooding over the Somme and thrusting out from the

most difficult for the American forces to maintain

This authoritative statement was issued:

Americans to the Forest of Argonne, and the Siegfried Line lies only

Allied officer, the Germans are utterly disorganised, and all that is left

The Battle of France is in its last hours. Everywhere, said a high

NO BIG BATTLE BEFORE REICH

By MORLEY RICHARDS

LAST night's great news amply confirms the military appreciation given to me by a high Allied military authority yesterday that the next major battle will be fought on German soil

The Allies, driving through the Sedan gap, have chosen for one of their britzkrieg moves on the Reich the shortest possible way.

If they maintain their momentum north-east to pass through Liége they might reach German territory round about Aachen.

It would be a turning of the whole of the fixed German defensive system, because their Siegfried Line never properly covered Belgium and Holland, which were neutral until May

Going east

More than that it would force the enemy from any attempt at defensive battle in the highly built areas of Belgium, the kind of house-to-house fighting which can so delay an advancing army. Belgium, of course, must be cleared of the enemy but there are few combatant troops in the country and those that are there may reasonably be expected to be moving eastwards as fast as they

The powerful Belgian underground movement can be relied upon to do the rest.

There is reason to expect—while the broken elements of the Wehrmacht make their dash for home—that the enemy will attempt a last-ditch defence of all the ports along the northern French coast in the same way as he has defended those of the Brittany

Somme defence

This would include the Pas de Calais area, where the remaining Calais area, where the remaining The remaining The remaining flying-bomb sites in France and man panzer forces are in four V2 installations are situated.
But one side of the Pas box is the flight.
Somme itself.

Battle reports indicate signs of a them back towards the Belgian Somme defence having been pre-pared. But General Dempsey's speed may have overwhelmed the enemy.

If it has, the German position in the Pas is going to become

And it leaves out of account the array of armour commanded by General O'Connor.

Put them together and there is the spectacle of a steeled steamroller against which the Germans cannot hope to offer prolonged resistance. The news is as good as that.

Jap seavacuees

CHUNGKING. Thursday .-

Japanese civilians mostly women

and children, are being evacuated

from Shanghai and Amoy, on the

China coast, following raids China-based Liberators.—Reuter.

CALAIS

S" OMER

PAS DE CALAIS

ARRAS.

YPRES

ENGLAND DOVER

LISIEUX

SEDAN American troops of General Hodges's First U.S. Army crossed the Meuse between Sedan and Charleville, to the north-west, where the

1940 in reverse THE same Sedan gap we are driving through the Germans used for their panzers breaking into France in 1940.

Luxemburg, pushed the B.E.F. and the Belgian armies westward towards the coast. The French, to the east, were pinned in the Maginot main defences.

already been cut to pieces in two traps, have now lost

'Don't know where to'

WITH THE BRITISH, Thursday.—A senior officer said today that there was no evidence that the Germans were thickening up, and he did not foresee great trouble. Asked whether he thought the Germans would fight on after they had been thrown back into Germany, he said he would like to shell them. In 1918 the Germans marched back into Berlin with bands playing. They needed to hear the march of an invasion army inside the Reich.

army inside the Reich.

Another officer, at Amiens, said:
"I don't even know where we're going. We're just going on until we bump into the Russians. There's nothing ahead of us."—A.P.

Curtain

BOMB SITES ARE BLOWN UP

Many crews pack up and go

continuous advance since the landing, have liberated Amiens and thrown a bridgehead across the Somme.

The remainder of the German 15th and 7th Armies are everywhere falling back before us. Only rain, distance and occasional rearguard skirmishes hold back

> It is hard to see tonight where the Germans have any defen-sive position at all in Western

made to hold parts of the Somme. Sections of the valley have been

against German troops.

The radio said:

"New and significant war events are threatening your country. The arm is of North American Imperialism are trying to conquer the West of Europe.

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will remain unmolested for a little time yet

But at the rate we are going on now every bomb site crew between here and Calais must be under orders to be ready for evacuation. Many of the crews east of Dieppe have already packed up and gone. All yesterday in the drizzling rain British vehicles streamed in thousands across the Seine and soon they were out-stripping both the Canadian and American armies PARIS. Thursday.—More than 1.700 Consul in Paris. Alfonso Fiscovitch.

Field-Marshal

The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the promotion of General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, K.C.B., D.S.O., to be field-marshal supernumerary to establishment as from September 1, 1944.



Express Military Reporter

GENERAL MONTGOMERY has been made a field-The King's highest military

The King's highest military reward is announced with the ending of the phase of the European campaign when Montgomery was overall commander in the field and brought about the defeat of the Wehrmacht in the West.

There is precedent for this step. Haig was made a field-marshal in 1917 when he still had his greatest battles to fight. It was the mark of the Government's confidence in him. In this case the honour has been during the last four years.

Pavelic, the Croat quisling Premier, was a Ustachi leader before the war.

With the Russians and Rumanians closing in on Hungary from the east, Slovakia in revolt to the north, and Croatia facing crisis in the south, Hungary's position becomes daily more precarious.

SLOVAKIA

the second communication to the campaign is still raging because from now onwards Montgomery shares the command at the front with General Bradley, leading the Americans. It is the immediate reward of King and Cabinet for the immeasurable services that "Monty has given to his country.

His men will be delighted. There has never been a man so popular as he is with his troops. Their feelings will be shared among all ranks of the American Army who have learned to appreciate his great mastery of the art of war.

TALKS AT FRONT

While he commanded them as well as the British and Canadians in the field, he made many visits to their forward posts and held his impromput talks "to put them in the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture," which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the picture, which is his invariable technique for letting all the formation to be freed.

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Hungarian officials in Istanbul have received a report that Hungarian officials in Istanbul have received a report that Hungarian this life. That is why it is usually given to generals at the end of their military careers.

Budapest Radio said at midnight that Allied planes were over several parts of Hungary at 11 p.m.

French drive near Spain

It was revealed from Rome last night that the French invasion favourable Russian reply to the latest Finnish peace tecler is said. They have taken Montpeller, week and Marshal Mannerheim Beziers and Narbonne without opposition.

MOST OF THE BOMBS FELL IN FRANCE

'Ten round me' says Mayor of Rouen ROUEN, Thursday.-Three out of every four flying bombs

launched from sites round Rouen landed in France, the Mayor of Rouen said tonight.

The mayor added: "We saw the first bombs launched a few days after the invasion. Most of these fell on French soil. I have had ten round my house. "A fortnight ago the Germans started dismantling and blowing up the sites in this area."—B.U.P. The Germans yesterday claimed that all V1 equipment had been removed from captured bases.

Canadian and American armies PARIS, Thursday.—More than 1.700 Consul in Paris, Alfonso Fiscovitch, either side of the race towards people accused as collaborationists has protested to the French Foreign

LEADERS

HITLER faced a new crisis among his Central European puppet States last

This time it is Croatia, quisling satellite carved out of north-western Yugoslavia, bordering on southern Hungary.
The Croat commander-in-chief
and War Minister has been relieved

and War Minister has been relieved of his duties, two members of the Cabinet have left the Government, and a new police president has been appointed in Zagreb.

The changes were announced by the German News Agency.

New appointments include Admiral Steinfel as War Minister, Colonel Lissak as Chief of Public Order and Security, and Major Ivan Kirin as Police Chief of Zagreb.

Lissak and Kirin are members of the Ustachi terrorist organisation, which has played a sinister part in the German organisation of the Balkans during the last four years.

Montgomery was a temporary major-general when war broke out. His advance into the history books has been almost as spectacular as Napoleon's. He came back from Dunkirk in 1940 a corps commander, with a battle lost.

He has never lost another. Alamein, Mareth, Tunisia, Sicily, Italy—he won them all in conjunction with the other great British discovery of the war General Alexander, now attacking the Gothic Line in Italy.

Monty's record has scarcely any parallel in modern military history. The King will personally present the baton to him. The tangible part of the honour is that a field.

MUNGARY

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A German broadcast heard by the U.S. Office of War Information Runmanian hands, and that its airfield to the north had been captured by Runmanian Guards after heavy fighting Marshal Antonescu is reported to be a prisoner of the Runmanian in the royal palace, and is likely to be the first of the Axis leaders to fall into the hands of the Allies

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The Russians advanced on Bucharest against a background of flame and smoke from the burning oilfields of Ploesti.

Rattles reged all night in an in Battles raged all night in an in-ferno of burning streets.

FINLAND Reply good

Ploesti was guarded by the S.S.. who did not trust the Rumanians and tried to get all Rumanian troops out of the town.

"Very heavy wounds were inflicted on Ploesti and a great number of enterprises were put out of action," says one Russian report. The Germans did their best to destroy the wells and pipe-lines

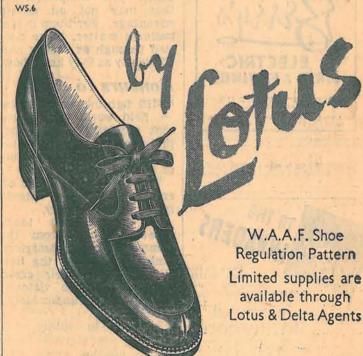
destruction is not complete. Rumanian civilians helped the Red Army men to put out the fires and led the Russians to where the Germans were hiding.

Some wells intact

FOOTNOTE: Just 750 miles now separate the Red Army's bridge-head across the Vistula from the Allied spearheads in France.

ANOTHER BAN OFF

The general ban on camping within 10 miles of the east and south coasts has been revoked, says the Ministry of Home





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marshal.

They were led by Rommel. It was a gap because it was at this point that the Maginot Line proper ended; its continuation to the coast had never been completed. The Germans, swarming through

Rommel, completely disregarding the potential danger to his flanks, went straight forward until he had created the historic bulge. There was still time for the Allies to recover if they could have attacked in strength against the sides of the bulge.

This, Weygand attempted to organise, but the counterattack was never delivered, and the buffer eventually became the overrunning of France.

evidence that the Germans

All German, Czech and Alsatian theatres closed yesterday following Goebbels's total mobilisation orders

their record 60-mile dash in two days.

the Pas is going to become extremely sticky very soon.

German reports say the Americans alone have 11 divisions of armour in their attack. That would be a tremendous weight—somewhere between 2,000 and 2,500 big tanks.

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the advance.

Some pitiful attempts are being flooded and mined. A screen of

Death for Belgians

-by order As news came last night that Allied forces were nearly into Belgium, German-

controlled Brussels radio threatened death to Belgians for sabotage or any action

against German troops.

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WATNEY COMBEREID & CO. SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

The ordinary general meeting of Watney Combe Reid & Co., Limited, was held yesterday in

London.

Colonel O. P. Serocold, C.M.G. (the chairman), said that stock-holders would observe that the profits had been satisfactory. That result had been obtained in the face of the difficulties imposed by war conditions. He could not say that those difficulties had been by any means overcome.

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Their chief trouble was shortage of labour, a shortage which had in recent months materially affected their output and was likely to continue to do so in the future. They did not appear to be the only brewers in that predicament, as complaints from the public of the stringency of beer supplies were widespread.

He would like to see the public

widespread.

He would like to see the public house opened as long as possible, whether for the sale of intoxicating liquor during permitted hours or of other articles of food and drink beyond those hours. That could not always be done according to hard and fast rules of the present time. It seemed to him that the best plan in the circumstances was that the licence holders within convenient areas should agree as to the hours which they were to observe generally.

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The trading profit had gone up by £211,000, to which had to be added increases of £34,000 on investment income, £30,000 from rents and £2,500 more brought in a round total increase of £278,000. The report was adopted, and a final dividend of 9 per cent, making 15 per cent, and a bonus dividend of 5 per cent, on the de-ferred ordinary stock was approved.



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Honour in the field FIELD-MARSHAL SIR

BERNARD MONT-GOMERY! The whole free world will join with the men and women of Britain who call him their own in hailing this new honour. This is the man who

beyond all others deserves recognition—the man whose leadership and generalship have now brought in sight the end of the Battle of France.

Rarely is such high military distinction nowadays conferred upon a general serving in the field. Never have the crossed batons been more gloriously earned.

Monty is a leader of men in much more than the technical, military sense. His words go home to the people and the Tommies and the G.I.s alike with pungency and force. And his deeds go home too—into the vitals of the Wehrmacht.

The blunder

DOWN the wind goes the world's traditional awe of German generalship. Long-term, short-term, it fails abysmally.

The big mistake is now revealed. It lay in sending the whole strength of the Wehrmacht across the Seine to throw the invaders into the sea, or at least to pin them down into a narrow bridgehead. Those tanks should never have crossed the river.

But that is only part of the story. Allied generalship proves itself supremely capable. Each false move of the enemy is pounced on and exploited.

Great generals

LET the truth be spoken about Allied generalship, that used to be dismissed by the knowing ones in the days before the war as hopelessly amateur and incompetent.

The Montgomerys and the Tedders, like the Eisenhowers and the Bradleys and the Pattons, do not crop up by accident. Picked with care and trained to the latest modification of mili-tary theory, they end once and for all the idea that latest modification of military theory, they end once and for all the idea that Britain and America cannot produce great military leaders.

This Western team out-

This Western team outthinks and outfights every-thing that the Nazis put

Planned move

Now there is a reorganisation of leadership in the field, and Field-Marshal Montgomery and General Bradley will carry on in equal partnership. Praise be that General Eisenhower decided to dispel in advance the bunkum that might have been forth-coming from the armchair commandos.

This change was planned.

The proceedings of the ex-Eisenhower decided to dispel

This change was planned last January, to take place at a certain stage of the operations. That time has now arrived.

Churchill and the Fleshell their forthcoming meeting. Consultation may be speeded up to enable them to issue some joint statement.

America in thinking that Monty is "one of the great soldiers of this or any other

Anglo-American rivalry in money. (My banker congetting the war over in the west is pernicious nonsense.

For two and a half years

For two and a half years Eisenhower has organised his mixed team with consummate skill. They have lived together, worked together, pooled their brains and their personalities in

sort of sporting contest in to be restored. which this competitor or that may get an unfair advantage. For them it is a business matter, to be carried through as swiftly and efficiently as they know how.

efficiently as they know how.

Honours to come

The fighting men in the field would bitterly resent any airing of civilian prejudices about their military leadership at this time of high success.

They are out to make an end of a horrible episode in the world's history.

As the British tanks sweep north from the Somme and the American tanks roll on over the Belgian frontier, their crews are proud of the victories they have won under Montgomery.

GENERAL

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FORCES

(3.30 a.m.—News; Records
(3.45 — Sports-men's Corner, 10.45 — Health Magazine.

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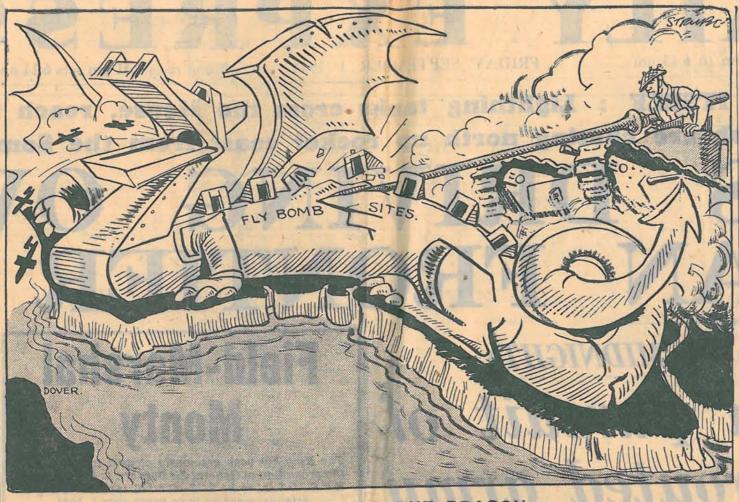
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And if, in future, the honours are divided, there will be nothing wrong with that either, so long as the Germans are smashed as quickly as possible.

7 a.m. — News:
Exercises.
7.30 — Elgar (records).
7.55 — Lift Up
Your Hearts!
8—News; Kitchen
Front.

8.20 — Song and Dance.
9—Little Orch.
9.40 — Kreisler and McCormack (records).
10.15—Service. And if, in future, the quickly as possible.



COMEDY at the Ritz Hotel, W., yesterday morning on the occasion of welcome thrown for Fred Astaire, now in London. It took place in ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGON marched Five years ago today the Germans

into Poland-World War II. had begun NOW WE PLAN TO STOP WORLD WAR III.

FTER five years of war the diplomatic A scene, like the military, is more pleasant to contemplate.

Five years ago, half a generation of unavailing "protests" and of empty "triumphs" came to an end when the guarantee which we had given Poland, and which we were powerless to earry out, was called in. Today British diplomacy, because of the strength of British arms, is strong The Dumbarton Oaks con-

ference on the future of world security continues its secretive way. Mr. Stettinius thinks it may way, Mr. Settlinds thinks that yellow last another fortnight or three weeks. Our own Sir Alexander Cadogan, head of the Foreign Office and the British delegation, thinks that "unduly pessimistic."

THE drill now will be as

follows :--

When the three main delegates have agreed their views as to how to avoid a third World War, they will say good-bye to each other and get the agreement ap-proved by their own Foreign Ministers. That agreement is not likely to be published until the other United Nations have been brought in.

The proceedings of the experts will certainly be before Mr. Churchill and the President at

Some of my American col-GENERAL EISENHOWER joins with every man and woman in Britain and America in thinking that

Loans for damage

war."

Of course he does! And, of course, any suggestion of Anglo-American rivalry in

The economists are divided

and their personalities in the common cause.

Neither they nor the fighting men they control regard this war as some created by the Germans will have the restored.

These loans will enable the individual Governments to

and US: WORLD Daily Express review of foreign affairs by JOHN GAUNT

pay their nationals their war damage claims and start think-ing about how they can get it back out of the Germans later.

Past mistakes

THAT will not be easy. Bismarck made the mistake in 1870 of fixing French reparations at too low a figure (though he thought that it was high enough to enable him to keep his armies in France for a much longer

Then the French dur down into their stockings for their gold, soldy their towello y for melting down, paid up—a d Bismarck had to get out. After the last war

made the mistake of fixing reparations at a ridiculously huge. figure—which enabled the Germans, by inflation on the one hand, and by borrowing from the people they were supposed to be paying on the other, to avoid paying almost anything.

This time I think it will be found that the United Nations, will have no fixed reparations

figure—just as they will have no peace treaty with Germany. Instead, a nicely graded system of services and requisitioned goods to make good damage.

What about the systematic looting being practised by the Germans everywhere before they go? How will the owners get their belongings back?

The Governments are already making plans for dealing with this. They have set up commissions for this purpose. These commissions will consider the preliminary claims, whether from individuals or public bodies.

When they have been sifted to see that nobody is "swim ing anything"—the claims will be forwarded to the Allied commissions in Berlin and elsewhere. These Allied commissions will hale any German they think fit before them, and have the before them, and have right to enter any German home and investigate the origin of their possessions.

If they find an art treasure looted by Goering, or your grandfather clock, which you have listed as having been loaded on to Obergruppenfuehrer Schweinhund's lorry, the

Think yourself to sleep

by the Daily Express Doctor

O not be done out of muscular relaxation by suitable your sleep; you can-not do without it. And you need not. Here's

1 Avoid a heavy meal, or much fluid, late at night, but don't go to bed on an entirely empty stomach.

2 Avoid working your brain last thing at night.

3 Avoid excessive smoking.

4 Take a brisk walk before turning in.

5 See that your bedroom is well ventilated, quiet if possible; if not, plug your ears with cotton wool.

6 Beware of the sagging bed and also of too heavy bed-clothes. Have a well sprung, not too soft, bed.

7 Draw the blood away from the head—by a hot foot bath, or in colder weather by a hot bath, or by a thorough and rapid massage of abdomen, thighs and

Thinking can do this, too;

that is to say, controlled think-ing. Spend ten minutes before going to bed ensuring complete

relaxation exercises, then try to visualise your blood vessels with the blood flowing along them from the top to the lower parts of the body. It may sound stupid, but it is not as stupid as it sounds

8 Go to bed at approximately the same time each night; habit plays a large part in the function of sleep.

O Don't try to get to sleep. Sleep
is as natural a process as the
tides. The harder you try the
more difficult it will be. Just
stretch, and relax, and forget all
about it until next morning.
If you are properly relaxed you will not need tricks to
get you to sleep. But it does

get you to sleep. But it does help to count slowly and evenly, one, two, three, four, and so on, keeping time with your deep and regular breathing. (Breathing must be deep and it must be

regular.)

Probably before you have counted 100 you will be asleep. Keep the eyes closed with the eyeballs turned upwards and inwards

inwards

10 Avoid tea or coffee as a nightcap. Milk may be unsuitable for delicate stomachs. Sometimes a half-tumberful of hot water with a pinch of bicarbonate of soda acts like a charm, particularly when there is a digestive disturbance.

Alternatives are arrowroot, warm soup, and weak alcohol, if you can get it.

hol, if you can get it.

Both lettuce and hop-tea.
have an old-world reputation as cures for sleeplessness. Why not try them?

Germans will have to disgorge— as far as possible making good any damage.

any damage.

Of course, there are a lot of things, clothing, books, drinks, cars and so on, that will be difficult to recover, or not worth recovering. These, as far as the individual or public body is concerned, will be dealt with by putting in a claim to the appropriate war damage commission, who will make money payments.

Cairo come-back

DON'T expect much more hard news about the Bulgar armistice for a day or two. 'The talks have gone to ground, but the results will be

ground, but the results will be the same.

Incidentally, Cairo, where the talks are being held, must be grateful for a temporary comeback. Two years ago Cairo was right in the centre of things—the diplomatic capital of Asia and Africa, and the nerve centre of the Mediterranean and Southern Europe.

With the rise of Algiers some of the glamour vanished. Now, with the liberation of France—Ichabod, the glory has departed. As soon as Greece and Yugoslavia are liberated the last vestiges will disappear. It should even be possible to get a room in

even be possible to get a room in a Cairo hotel easily—and some service. One "Cairo spokesman'

who is on the move is Prince Stirbey, the Rumanian who ini-tiated the talks between the Allies and the new Rumanian Government. He has moved to

The reason? It is on the air route to Russia, whither Rumania must go to sign the armistice terms.

Finns next?

WHO will be next out? Difficult to say. In spite of their erratic showing in the Peace Stakes gallops, I plump for the Finns. They are coming along nicely-

though they still have the belief that Germany may even now win the war.

When they have finally made up their mind they will have to get in touch with that remarkable woman, Mme. Kolon-tay, the Soviet Minister in Stockholm, and take the road to

Don't expect much from the Hungarians. Their new Government is a colourless affair —nonentities without strong political opinions.

The Hungarians are the most war weary and the most justifiably apprehensive people in Europe. They are now heavily garrisoned with German troops withdrawn from Rumania and Bulgaria, and they have as little inducement to come out of the war as to stay in it. They are apathetically hedging the bets—in the knowledge that they are each-way losers.

Changes in Spain WHILE on the subject of

W bets - hedgers, what about Spain? The British and American Governments were getting extremely impatient about the way in which the Spaniards were carrying out the May agreement, the principal conditions of which were the stopping of the export of wolfram to Germany and speeding up the export of German agents to that country.

Well, no more wolfram can get out—and neither can the German agents The pro-German members of Franco's Cabinet—who, as I revealed last week, think that Germany will still win before Christmas with the secret weapons—are now the secret weapons—are now cut off from their German news-papers; 1940 is again reversed.

Four years ago Spain was for us barely accessible, hostile territory. The picture has changed, events have moved—but the Spanish Government has not moved as fast.

For that Government the choice today is simple: get in or

that a stuffy little gilt-and-plush hereby room often set aside for old castom whereby soldiers throw out their pennies from troopships on

WILLIAM HICKEY

Penny wise

ISAPPEARING:

to the quays as they sail from home ports. They said it brought them luck. But the boys back from Normandy have tipped them off other-

The Germans, when they cleared out of Normandy, took all French coins along with them for munition purposes.

British troops, however, were advised to take over no British money; were issued instead with French notes, smallest value being five francs (6d.).

Hence a fearful shortage of small change in France, particu-larly when the troops settled down to a game of Housey

such affairs.

Astaire hid himself in a corner of the corridor away from it all, feeling rather embarrassed. Eventually he walked into the room with a bodyguard of several bemedalled officers, in

several bemedalled officers, in whose charge he is.

One of them got up to introduce the officer who was to introduce Astaire. Then the officer who was to introduce him made a speech, too. Finally Astaire was motioned to a tapestried chair, from which he backed away in consternation, preferring to sit on a table-top.

He talked about the theatre, audience looking increasingly confused. For instance, "I shall be giving shows all over the theatre," he said. Officer at last got up, explained: "Mr. Astaire is referring to the European Theatre of Operations, ..." down to a game of Housey
Housey.

Problem has now been solved
by Naafi, exercising their
imagination for the first time in
five years. Naafi have minted a
number of half-franc token
pieces. They are made of cardboard, brown-coloured, look like
those dodecagonal threepenny
bits. Housey stakes are back to
normal.

N August 23, when
every Englishman
was rejoicing in
the news that the Maquis had
liberated Paris, the Daily
Express published an Opinion
column starting: "What of
Britain's other armies...
the men who fight the
Japanese?"
That column made the men

That column made the men of the 14th Army out East very proud. Their daily newspaper SEAC has reprinted it fully on its front page, with the com-

ment:—
"The Daily Express does a bold thing. In its leading article the newspaper bypasses Paris and devotes its entire length to and devotes its entire length to the 14th Army. . . Thanks, Daily Express. Half a million of the best would drink your health in beer—if they had the beer."

CONFUSING notice in a Rome hotel inhabited by the RAF: "Shortage of water in the Rome area will affect the running of the hotel insofar as the usage of water is

as the usage of water is concerned.

"An order has been given to fill all baths in every bathroom in the hotel immediately. This water is to be used only for washing purposes. Water for cooking purposes is being made available through the mobile bowser supply. This water will be used for drink-This water will be used for drink-

"It is to be noted that in respect of the water in baths, such water is to be used in the rooms. . . From the date of this order the baths will not—repeat not—be used to wash in." Oh, there's always the Tiber.

AFTER using —, my face started to clear up at once, and after using two jars of ointment it was gone altogether. Your ointment did what injections . . failed to do."—Advertisement. Invisible man?

Rupert, Beppo and the Duck-23



The road back to Nutwood is longer and dustier than Rupert had expected. "It didn't seem any dis-tance at all when I was in that car." he sighs. Then he has a bright idea. 'I'll rest here and see if I can get a lift in a car going the other way," he thinks, as he finds a convenient boulder to sit on. He keeps a firm hold on Beppo, who still seems very active, but no car comes. At length a sturdy countryman appears striding down the road and carrying a large check bag.

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colours.

As to sheep-roasting, the soldiers dug a small pit, lit a fire in it, and suspended the animal above the fire by resting the spit on two large stones, one each side of the blaze. The taste was horrible

was horrible.

By the Way by Beachcomber by the Spahis, who were on army manœuvres up there. The main street of Briançon is as steep as a mountain, and anybody who wants to become an expert on the history of the town and the Durance Valley will find a library stuffed with thousands of books on the subject. In the higher part of the town you will come across Italianate houses in gay colours. realise that he was using only

French sounds and not French

In the old days of the Follies,

his turn was announced on the

programme thus: Morris Harvey

IT is a remarkable fortified town, with tall houses and narrow streets, and ramparts. By the Echelle pass it is only a few miles from Italy, and not much more by the Mont-Genèvre pass. Under the Lautaret, in 1938, I ate a lump of a sheep roasted whole

words.

cannot sing.

Briangon

ONCE again I have heard an old story which never fails to make me laugh, and as all old stories are new to somebody, here it is, A hostess had engaged a famous vlolinist to entertain her guests, but he failed to turn up. As the hour grew later she became more and more distracted. As she fidgeted about the music-room she saw what looked like a kind of eager sympathy and a longing to help in an extremely foolish face. Hardly knowing what she was saying, she said, "Can you play the violin?" "No," said the fool eagerly. "But if you like I'll try." as all old stories are new to

Morris Harvey

EVERY admirer of Morris Har-wey, who died the other day, will recall one of his most amusing feats. He would come on to the stage dressed as a Frenchman, and with the appro-priate gestures would let loose a torrent of what sounded like French, but was gibberish. That sounds easy, and it is easy to do badly. But Morris Harvey did it with genius. All the inflexions of his voice were right. flexions of his voice were right. People often asked him how it was done, and some wondered whether it really was gibberish. One day when I was with him I determined to find out the secret, and I asked him to perform. He at once obliged me, and though I was only a foot away from him, and although I have a good knowledge of French, I found it hard to

CROSS WORD 13. Taken from the farm owned by Tom, (4)



14. Sing round this when transmitting. (3)
15. How a nymph might describe a small uninteresting advertisement. (5)
18. Broken tines. (5)
19. Initially he might endorse the serviceman's pass. (3)
20. He's in the house that Jack built. (4)
21. Lour. (5)

Down

1. Grown at a sugar spa? (9)

2 and 17. Raw story theme (anag.).
(6, 7) 3. A broken elbow. (5)

4. A fine clay. (5)

6. The colour of things tanned. (5)

7. O! deer all mixed up. (5)

8. In turn. (8) 10. Muse. (6)

12. What a pest it is. (6)

16. Very often spotted. (4)



I'me no moungster, but when my three boys joined up I thought it was time I did something more, so I joined the 600,000 Savings Workers. There's no pay and no medals in that Army, but it's helping to win the war and I mean to stay in it after the war. Our savings will still be needed then, when the damage inflicted by the war must be repaired and the peace-time life of the nation built up again. So our motto should be "Keep on Saving !" 9

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Macpherson: organ.

5.20—Children.

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Across

1. How fair she is, (3, 6)
5. You might call elastic one, but not of the carrying sort, (9)
9. A watery collection, (4)
10. This found is a deep one, (3)
11. Is this where the bow's partner grows? (9)

Issued by the National Savings Committee

MY FRIEND MONTY—BY EISENHOWER

Inquiry into colliery is ordered TOWN'S LIVING DEPENDS ON IT

Express Staff Reporter NEWCASTLE, Thursday. MEMBERS of a commission of inquiry set up by Major Lloyd George, Fuel Minister, arrived here tonight to begin investigations tomorrow into the low output of Whitburn Colliery, Durham.

Upon their findings depends whether Whitburn Colliery, one of the largest coal mines in the county, employing more than 1,400 men, will be closed. Commission members are Mr. William Harley, London mining engineer (chairman); Mr. Arthur Horner, president of the South Wales Miners' Federation; and Mr. J. M. S. Coates, an accountant.

There have been several strikes at Whitburn, and Ministry officials have alleged that the miners are not "pulling their

Lord Hyndley, former Controller-General of the Ministry of Fuel, is chairman of the Harton Coal Company, Ltd., which owns the colliery.

NOT TOLD YET

The inquiry will be held at the Newcastle office of the company. Evidence will be taken from representatives of the Ministry of Fuel, of the company and of the miners. An official of the Durham Miners' Association said tonight: "We have not been informed of the inquiry. It is a serious matter for the men, and we should have been notified. We shall take an active interest in the result."

If the Commission recommends that Whitburn should close down this mining town of 5,300 inhabitants will lose its sole means the No. 2 man.

of livelihood. The Commission's findings will immediately be sent to Major Lloyd George, who will make the decision.

BOY CHARGED WITH MURDER

A 16-year-old boy was remanded in custody at Ipswich yesterday accused of murdering Mrs Leah Hickey, of Myrtle-road, Ipswich, a 29-year-old orippled kitchenmaid at the Great White Horse Hotel.

Ipswich.

Mrs. Hickey collapsed and died in the yard of the hotel on August 26.

At a special sitting of Ipswich Juvenile Court, Detective Inspector Henry Harrington alleged that when charged with the murder the boy said. "I did not intend to kill her."

At the inquest later in the day a pathologist said that an abdominal wound which penetrated to the spine was the cause of the woman's death.

An official said yesterday: "The cut will ensure plentiful supplies for the troops abroad. There will be no general shortage."

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WHOLEWHEAT

and no

cooking needed!

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BREAKFAST

'One of the great soldiers of this or any other war'

By MORLEY RICHARDS: SHAEF, Thursday GENERAL EISENHOWER, the Allied Supreme Commander, boarded his aircraft on a French field last night, said laconically "London," and flew home to defend his friend "General Monty," as he always calls him.

Eisenhower faced us this morning, a superbly confident man in American battledress. His language was more vigorous than ever. Under his good humour there was a streak of anger.

He is bitterly resentful that because General Brad-ley and General Montgomery. ley and General Montgomery, commanding the 12th and 21st Army Groups, have now been given equal status, suggestions are being made that "Monty" has been demoted, or that there is trouble in the Allied camp.

For once Eisenhower did not chain-smoke as he talked. He stood facing the company of war correspondents, his feet apart, and at them, on the edge of the platform was his Deputy Supreme Commander, Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder. Here, indeed, was Allied co-operation,

As "Ike" talked he often paused to murmur, "Am I mak-ing sense of that, Arthur?" "Is that your figure, Arthur?" "Do you agree, Arthur?" with whispered, sometimes caustic comments-as is Tedder's way-from

The fellow'

IF you had listened for an hour, as I did, to the Supreme Commander, you would have had no doubt about three things:—

He believes with all his heart that "General Monty" is one of the greatest soldiers in history.

2 He is completely sure "the fellow"—his invariable way of referring to the enemy—is

He is certain that the British-Canadian victory at Caen and Falaise was the decisive battle of the campaign. Eisenhower stood by his prophecy that if everyone did his full duty the war would end this year. He made some other prophecies, but they are off the record. He said he was not taking any chances, but his fascinatingly mobile mouth curved atingly mobile mouth curved with glee as he indicated the fate in store for "the fellow."

Tobacco supplies

Will be cut

More for the troops
Retailers' supplies of tobacco and cigarettes are to be cut by six to seven per cent., announces the Tobacco Controller.

An official said yesterday: "The cut will ensure plentiful supplies in store for "the fellow."

This is what he had to say about Montgomery: There were three ways leading to Germany, where they had to go to beat the Germans on the left, General Bradley had to beat them in the centre, and the Mediterranean Command had to bring up troops from the south (According to Washington reports, not confirmed here, they will be under Eisenhower's command when they make contact with the northern armies.)

It was the British Government

An official said yesterday: "The cut will ensure plentiful supplies for the troops abroad. There will be no general shortage."

His native soil

Soil brought from Poland by the underground movement was sprinkled on the coffin of a Polish soldier, buried at Oxford yesterday.

It was the British Government which nominated Montgomery as over-all field commander of the Empire troops. It was Elsenhower himself who ordered that he should also command the American troops tactically while they were constricted in the bridgehead.

The decision to nominate an American commander for equal

KIA-ORA

looks

group command was left to him following United States' custom, and after D Day he selected Bradley. Leading a team

"IKE" said he had no right to appear before us as an American general, and he did not do so. He was an Allied soldier, leading a team which had worked together for two and a half years without any disagreement which had led to discomfiture or embarrassment to agreement which had led to discomfiture or embarrassment to
any one member of that group.

Every decision they had taken
had been approved by all of
them, and even if contrary
opinions had sometimes been
held, he had never had an instance where a subordinate commander had not carried out his
task loyally and fully.

"General Monty" was his
warm and close friend. He was
not only one of the great soldiers
of this war, but of any other war
in history.

Bradley was now to report to Supreme H.Q. directly as the campaign developed, and Montgomery was to carry on his work commanding the 21st Group front as had always been con-

If anyone interpreted that as

If anyone interpreted that as demotion, he simply was not looking facts in the face, and he would be creating an atmosphere to draw a great team apart and make for mutual jealousy Somebody wanted to know if it was General Montgomery who had been responsible for the breakthrough at Ayranches, the Falaise pocket, the crossing of the Seine and the sweep east of Paris.

the Seine and the sweep east of Paris.

"Ike" grinned, and wryly commented that reporters seemed to want every answer oversimplified. "General Monty" saw those opportunities as quickly as any man, and advocated them. He was as responsible as any man for them, but it was team-work—men discussing and taking decisions together. It was "General Monty" who had the job of executing those moves, and it was he who saw that the British, American and Canadian troops went in the right direction

who were collaborationists; some were armed. There was trouble. The only British people at Headquarters were a small staff group waiting to go in to see certain papers. There were not enough on hand to carry a large flag.

Americans were all around that Americans were all around that sector. So he deployed two American divisions through the city on their way to the front It was not a parade. It was a march through the city to make General de Gaulle's particular problems easier.

Many Parislans had asked him "Ou est M. Churchill?" (Where

"Ou est M. Churchill?" (Where is Mr. Churchill?), but in rather different an accent from that.

Victory of Caen

A BOUT CAEN: General Eisenhower said he could not understand why some British correspondents seemed to be writing apologetically about the British slow progress there when they ought to have been bragging. they ought to have been bragging

Every foot of ground lost there was like losing 10 miles anywhere else to the enemy. Every piece of dust was worth a diamond to

The Germans put tremendous defensive powers into the Caen-Falaise line—the whole of their Fifth Panzer Army and the 15th Army as well as the Seventh. They staked everything on holding that region—it was for-tunate for the Allies that they did-and it was a great victory for the Empire troops

'The damned line'

A BOUT THE FUTURE: The enemy, he thought, would true to draw troops from Norway and Denmark by abandoning those countries. We should not those countries. We should not make it any easier for him to do that. We had not merely air supremacy but air might It was a pretty sight to watch In France he would withdraw if he could to—"What do you call the damned line, Arthur? I always forget"—the Siegfried Line but he might he so de-

Tilling's insurance deal

The Frame Minster who will with raw in France he would will to do you call the damned line. Arthur? I always forget"—the Siegried Line, but he might be so demoralised and weakened by then that he would have difficulty in reorganism; the company of th

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British troops did this

Lord Croft, the Under-Secretary for War, last night told the 61st, War Office Battalion, Home Guard, which he com-

Office Battalion, Hollie Guard, which he commands:

Never in this war on any front has the German army assembled so immense a force of armour as it did against the British army from D Day in Normandy.

in Normandy.

Rommel concentrated the whole of his available armour against the British half of the bridgehead. Montgomery had one object

Montgomery had one object
—to destroy the German
army. That he had largely
achieved, thanks to the
British Second Army, the
Canadian First (which includes several British divisions), and the American
First.

The British army had

The British army had driven the great mass of the enemy across the Seine, but still most of the remaining German divisions were facing

DSO general wore a beret into battle

MAJOR-GENERAL who, A wearing a beret, walked into the middle of a battle in Normandy to encourage his men, has been awarded the

D.S.O.

He is Major-General Richard Nelson Gale, O.B.E., M.C., commander of an airborne division.

The battle was during an attack by a battalion of the Parachute Regiment against Breville, east of the Orne, on June 12.

The citation says: "His presence among forward elements, still wearing his beret, combined with the utmost coolness and calmness suggesting more an exercise than

suggesting more an exercise than the middle of a very bloody battle, had such an amazing effect on the troops that wounded and attackers alike cheered and attacked with such elan that nothing could

resist them.

"General Gale's popularity with
the troops and his cool and calm
manner have on several occasions
been an inspiration to officers and
men alike." A pioneer of airborne warfare, General Gale, who is 48, was in September 1941 appointed to raise and command a British parachute brigade, which he took to North

POTATO CROP THREATENED

10-minute part for a star

Express Staff Reporter

Laurence Olivier, returning to the London stage for the first time since the war, appeared for just ten minutes in the streamlined, all-star version of Ibsen's "Peer Gynt," produced by Tyrone Guthrie at the New Theatre last night.

In the true repertory theatre tradition, Olivier as the button moulder played a small part, supporting Ralph Richardson, who gave the greatest performance of his career as the poetic and finally pathetic Peer Gynt.

Sybil Thorndike, once more

Sybil Thorndike, once more staking a claim as England's first actress. was superb as Peer's

Steel man to pay £1,005 fines

Fines totalling £1,005 were imposed at Wolverhampton yesterday on Sidney Alwyn Grayson, trading as Associated Steels and Tools Company, Pipers-row, Wolverhampton on 16 summonses under the Iron and Steel Order, to

which he pleaded guilty
Three summonses were for acquiring and disposing of high-speed steel without a licence, and on these he was fined £10 each.
The other 13 summonses were for selling steel above the maximum prices, and on these he was fined £75 each.

In applies and dismassion to mankind.

Bombed farms will be repaired free Farms in the Hailsham, Sussex area damaged by enemy action area damaged by enemy action.

Tilling's insurance deal

Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, makes his way through the crowded dance floor to open London's Stage Door Canteen. Mrs. Eden is with him

Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, Deputy Supreme Commander, was there. He and Lady Tedder are trying out the canteen's chipolatas here. . . .



quarrel-'

By Quintin Hogg, M.P.

CAPTAIN QUINTIN HOGG, Conservative M.P. for Oxford, said in London yes-terday that if the present collaboration between Britain, the United States and Russia broke down, no League of Nations could avert a further catastrophe.

If, however, the collaboration succeeded, the future of mankind was assured

There was, he said, a great deal of talk about the terms to be im-posed on a defeated Germany. But whatever terms were imposed, if we quarrelled with the Russians, the Germans would

Politicians of the extreme Right

Politicians of the extreme Right and the extreme Left were living in an idle dream.

They thought they could put their dreams into practice, but a period of revolutionary change was likely to continue for generations—probably for two centuries—and any idea that society could be made stable on some doctrinaire principle could bring only unhappiness and disillusion to mankind.

E75 each
It was said that the over charge of £490 lls. 1ld. had since been credited to the firms involved will also pay the costs.

Farms in the Hallsnam, Sussex want cheap corsets will not suffer. They will get better quality."

Public places, including railway stations, may have more light. It is almost certain that the rules for car lights will be eased; so will those for buses, trams and trains.

ends—it is just possible even be-fore that—all the blackout rules will be swept away overnight hold the balance of power in Europe and would use it in exactly the same way as they had done so often before.

Entirely that the blackout rules will be swept away overnight being made for that.

Corsets will be 'utility plus'

Corsets will be utility, but a better quality utility than anything so far produced, for some time after the war, Sir Thomas Barlow. Director of Civilian Clothing, told a deputation from the Corset Guild of Great Britain recently. be repaired free

Farms in the Hailsham, Sussex rea damaged by enemy action

Bombed farms will

Mr. E Ferguson, vice-president of the guild, said yesterday: "These utility-plus corsets will bridge the gap between the end of the war in Europe and the removal of all production control. Women who want cheap corsets will not suffer

Luton prepares to turn up lights

SERVICES' FREE SHOW HAS GREAT SEND-OFF

By ERNEST BETTS

LONDON'S biggest first night of the war was at 201. Piccadilly, last night, when Bing Crosby made his first appearance over here for the opening of Britain's Stage Door Canteen-free show for non-commissioned

officers of the Allied forces. officers of the Allied forces.

The crowd in Piccadilly milling round the doors of the Canteen—the old Popular Restaurant of peace-time—went wild with excitement when Bing arrived. Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, could hardly get into the building to open the show.

As he walked through the ballroom looking like a film star himself, the dancers shouted their applause.

It was a friendly and fashion-able scrum. Air Vice-Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder and his wife could not get seats and they just stood. The stars, Bing Crosby, Dorothy Dickson, Beatrice Lillie, Fred Astaire (just from Hollywood), and Jack Buchanan, gave the show, which lasted an hour, and then the R.A.F. dance the checker a struck up again.

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applause.

At least 1,000 Service men and the solution of the solution of

The jeweller freed two towns-then went back

From LAURENCE WILKINSON: San Sebastian, Thursday

GERMANS and runaway Frenchmen who reached Spain with their documents in order before the patriots, with pitchforks and rifles of the last war, closed the frontier, have walked straight into a world of social junketing that has had few parallels in Europe since the war began.

Their arrival coincided with raised 50 per cent and where a the transference of Spain's lunch can cost 30s., a dinner £2.

Many blond heads are sprinkled among the dark-haired Spaniards in any gathering in this town or its any gathering in this town or its any through the specific properties. They went to Hendaye. There, from a list long kept double-locked in a safe, they read the names of 150 citizens who were secret mem-

EASED

By GUY EDEN

Two blond men pointed out to me in the Café Galle Miracruz this afternoon arrived at the Irun frontier bridge with a car loaded with personal belongings and a crate marked "Works of Art Handle with care"

The crate held oil paintings of Hitler, Goering and Goebbels, but the men were French.

They brought sufficient money to allow them to move with confidence in this town where, by decree, the already high hotel prices have been went behind his counter again.

In a sate, they read the names of 150 citizens who were secret members of the resistance movement. The crowd told them to scratch off some of the names as victims of German firing squads. The remainder were sworn in as special constables.

From there they went to St. Jean de Luz and did the same.

On the way back they met two lorders with heavily armed Germans. The Germans asked to be allowed to surrender, and were led to the nearest jail.

Then the jeweller came back and went behind his counter again.

MACKESON'S STOUT does you pouble good

ROWNTREE'S PERSONAL POINTS WAT HES

Owing to Zoning, the distribution of Rowntree's Chocolate and Clear Gums is now limited to certain parts of the country, mainly in the North and East. We are optimistic enough to hope that our products will soon be available again everywhere.

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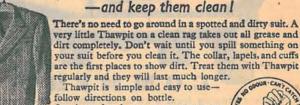
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THEY'RE BEAMING ON THE BOULEVARDS . . . PARIS HAS ITS FIRST GERMAN-FREE SUNDAY

Rhone is now rout

MEDITERRANEAU H.Q., Thursday.—The Germans are in headlong retreat up the Rhone Valley and the battle of Southern France is now a real rout.

Prisoners taken since the Allied landing 16 days ago have already passed the 50,000 mark and are still mounting.

The count of losses inflicted by ground troops in smashing at the flainks of the fleeing column caught in a pocket along a ten-mile stretch south of Livron has risen to:

Two thousand materials to the fleeing column caught for some hours.

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Along the southern seaboard American forces have passed through the famous Rivera city of Nice, which is little damaged except in the port area, and are moving on towards the Italian frontier only about 15 miles distant. They met with no opposition.—

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LUFTWAFFE
LOSE 3,545

The Luftwaffe has taken a fearful beating since D Day (June 6), says General Eisenhower in a report to the combined chiefs of staff, in which he analyses the German losses of more than 400,000 men and 1,300 tanks already announced.

Altogether 3,545 German planes have been destroyed in less than three months' fighting.

The equivalent of five panzer divisions and 20 infantry divisions have been wiped out.

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AS GERMANS FLEE

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Defeat on RHEIMS GETS OUT THE SOUVENIRS

This despatch was received in London last night before the news that American forces had reached the frontier of Belgium.

From Reuter's Correspondent with Gen. Patton's Third Army, 10 a.m. Thursday

A T this moment we are 30 miles from the Belgian border. I cannot predict where General Patton's forces will be at breakfast time tomorrow.

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The battered remnants of General Blaskowitz's 19th Army have broken off contact with their American pursuers and their one atm is to keep open their escape route towards Lyons.

They made a temporary stand north of Livron, on the right bank of the Drome, and there was some sharp fighting. Then they fled again.

Tonight it is announced that the Americans have occupied Valence, 56 miles south of Lyons.

It means that the battle has left the narrow section of the Rhone Valley. We can now spread out to round up the Germans.

Enormous damage and destruction have been inflicted on them, but by accepting heavy casualities in the past few days a substantial portion of the force, which was estimated several days ago at 15,000, has reached the Lyons area.

This residue, stripped of the bulk of its air support, equipment and transport, is now in a region which the Maquis claim to have controlled for the past week.

HUGE LOSSES

Time tomorrow.

In perfect formation and as well supplied as in Normandy, our armoured unit has rolled through forests, our armony forests, over hills, across grain fields where combine harvesters are working, down small country roads and over speedy macadam highways.

Rheims was by-passed by this unit at such a pace that the troops did not even see the famous cathedral except from a distance.

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All right then, go ahead and tell me what YOU think a Bulgarian peace-feeler looks like."

DOLAND is anxious to establish friendly relations with the U.S.S.R. and wants an alliance with her, said the Polish Prime Minister, M. Mikolajczyk, in a statement on his Government's aims in London last night.

Russia is being kept informed of on as the war reached Poland.

Instructions for which the code

Bomb sites blown up

PARIS for the Parisians. Victory Sunday in France's capital . . . The first Sunday, in four years, unmarred by the presence of strutting "overlords." The white-coated waiter dashes around with a new zest. The little "account mats" pile up again on the tables. The aperitif hour takes on a new meaning.

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As the refugees come out of the houses the boulevards have become a river of bicycles that keep dodging with frantic haste around the American tanks

Headlines with letters up to two inches tall * proclaim the British advance in France in all New York's evening Examples: "British Seize Amiens in Robot Coast Drive" —New York Journal-American;

"British Take Amiens Flanking
Robot Coast"—New York WorldTelegram;
"British Win Amiens, Cross
the Somme"—New York Sun.
"British Drive into Amiens"—
New York Post.

HUGE TYPE

ACCLAIMS

NEW YORK, Thursday .-

Pictures show Montgomery and Bradley standing together.

* The type used is the size of the story above.

Air lines demand competition

SEVENTEEN U.S. air lines today demanded "regulated competi-tion" for all American companies on post-war international air

They protested against the suggestion by Pan-American Airways and United Air Lines that foreign freight and passenger-carrying problems be solved by the forma-tion of one community U.S. air

Alexander Royce, chairman of the Air Lines Policy Committee, declared that the U.S. air lines wanted competition, irrespective of other countries' plans.

He said he thought Great Britain "is really undecided and is going to be influenced by what we do."

The air lines, he explained, do not want wildcat competition, but if there is room for more than one air line to carry traffic on any new route overseas, all American companies should have the right to bid for business.

What's for pudding today? In peace-time you could make the family's mouths water simply by

opening a can of luscious DEL MONTE Peaches or perhaps DEL MONTE Pineapple, or any other of the host of delicious DEL MONTE varieties. Now, it's a matter of using what you have, in as many different ways as you can. Here's a recipe which can add to your menu something of that variety, that extra healthfulness and flavour which you had in DEI, MONTE, and which you know you always can rely upon in and which you know you always can be back again:

DEL MONTE when these famous foods come back again:



NOW MAKE THE BATTER: 2 oz. margarine, 2 oz. sugar, pinch of salt, 2 dried eggs, 5 oz. plain flow, oz. sugar, pinch of salt, 2 dried eggs, 5 oz. plain flow, sugar until very creamy. Add salt. Stir in the dried eggs (dry), and beat thoroughly. Add the flour and baking-powder (sifted twice) alternately with the water. Pour into the prepared dish and bake for 45-50 minutes in a moderate oven. Turn out and serve hot with custard sauce.

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ender.

The armistice proper is not for the Warsaw rising was not expected to be signed immediately. It is possible that it may be signed elsewhere than in Cairo.

Only three left

Two thousand motor vehicles,
1.000 horses, 20 75mm, anti-tank
guns, 12 75mm, guns, three
batteries of field artillery, six
railway guns, 40 20mm, antiaircraft guns, eight self-propelled
guns and a trailer, a complete
printing set.

Along the southern seaboard

Only three left

I got there later and found that almost the entire German garrison, which was the H.Q. for the area, had pulled out on Sunday. Only of flagrant violation of her profession of flagrant violation of her profession of flagrant violation of her profession of neutrality by:

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Joe Mercer is new SPORT England Soccer captain

ENGLAND'S new Soccer captain is Joe Mercer, the Everton half-back who has been appointed in succession to Stan on September 16.

Mercer will play at right half in this game to accommodate Don Welsh (Charlton) at left half.

The team includes two new season, is on leave and plays left centre half, who has made his name in wartime games, and Mortensen, the Blackpool inside left.

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