

Ich hab's eilig
Ish habb's ailig
I am in a hurry

C'est dans mes moyens
Say don may mwah-YAN
I can afford it

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News Blackout Imposed in West

Death Rides a Mission and Ends It



The valorous risks of airmen who range enemy skies are grimly portrayed in this photo. An Eighth Air Force Liberator burns in France where it crashed returning from a mission. Bodies of crew members, extricated from wreckage, lie in foreground.

Tokyo Hints New U.S. Strike In Philippines

Japanese broadcasts indicated Monday that U.S. forces in the Philippines, with the southern section of Mindoro secured by an 11-mile inland advance from their San Jose beachhead, were ready to strike at another point in the island chain, already split by Friday's westward thrust from Leyte to Mindoro, 150 miles south of Manila.

Tokyo said Jap planes had sighted and were attacking a strong Allied fleet in the Sulu Sea, south of Mindoro, declaring: "The enemy is apparently planning to move into other areas, using Mindoro as a base." The Jap radio said the Allies' apparent design to wedge into the northwestern Philippines—which would mean Manila—"is not to be taken lightly."

Still another American fleet, said Tokyo, had been discovered in the Surigao Sea, south of Leyte. This force was said to include a battleship, several aircraft carriers, five cruisers and 13 destroyers.

Doughboys on Mindoro advanced against light opposition, but fighting was still hot on Leyte, where the 77th Infantry Division gained seven miles in the north-west corner of the island, outflanking what was left of the Yamashita Line, while the First Cavalry Division sliced through the enemy defenses farther north.

Commanding the Allied ground troops on Mindoro, it was disclosed, is Brig. Gen. William C. Dunkel, of Northumberland County, W. Va., who was wounded in Jap air attacks against the convoy en route.

Allied Fronts Joined On North Burma Scene

SOUTHEAST ASIA HQ., Dec. 18 (AP)—North Burma's scattered fronts became a single line facing the Japanese today after Scots troops pushing south linked up with 14th Army elements driving east of the Chindwin in the jungle area west of Indaw, 150 miles above Mandalay.

Pinlebu, Jap base from which the invasion of India was launched last Spring, was captured in the current operation.

Plastic Surgery on Blitz Scars



U.S. engineers repairing bomb-damaged homes in London's Lambeth area cleared this blitzed site and erected a temporary house in seven days.

Partition OK With U.S. If Poles Agree-Stettinius

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (ANS)—Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. told a press conference today that the U.S. would indorse the Anglo-Russo scheme for reshaping Poland's boundaries, provided all the United Nations directly concerned—including Poland—agreed.

Stettinius' statement followed a report in the New York Times today that Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin had arranged for the partition of Poland during the Teheran Conference without the assent of President Roosevelt.

The Times said: "Premier Stalin would not agree to coordinate the Red Army's operations with those of his Western Allies until he had a definite assurance Britain would support Russia's claim to Polish territory as far west as the Curzon Line."

Stettinius' three-point statement had been awaited anxiously since Friday, when Churchill told the British House of Commons that England had agreed that the eastern third of Poland should be turned over to Russia in exchange for a substantial portion of eastern Germany.

(Reuters reported that the Stettinius statement was communicated to the British government in advance of its release in Washington. The news agency added that it was welcomed in London since it represented substantial agreement between the two nations.)

While avoiding direct approval of Poland's partition, Stettinius promised U.S. aid for Poland in any transfer of peoples caused by the proposed changes.

Stettinius said it had been the "consistently-held policy of the American government that questions relating to boundaries should be kept in abeyance until the termination of hostilities."

However, he recalled a statement by his



STETTINIUS

Hit Rail Points In German Rear

Important rail centers supplying counter-attacking German forces on the Western Front were hammered Monday by approximately 500 Fortresses of the Eighth Air Force, escorted by more than 600 Mustang fighters.

Unopposed by enemy fighters, the heavies struck at marshalling yards at Cologne, Coblenz, Mainz and elsewhere in western Germany. All bombing was done in adverse weather. Flak was light.

A group of patrolling P51s reported bagging three Me109s over the Ruhr. The Eighth's losses were three bombers and five fighters.

Meanwhile, a tabulation of the results of Sunday's fierce air battles disclosed that Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers shot down 97 German planes, probably destroyed five and damaged 61 for a loss of 31 U.S. aircraft, as the Luftwaffe, with an estimated 450 fighters in action, made probably its greatest tactical effort since D-Day to support attacking Wehrmacht elements on the U.S. First Army front.

An AP dispatch said that Allied airmen shot down 194 enemy planes in the first 36 hours of the attack.

An additional 48 enemy fighters, out of an attacking force of over 100, were bagged Sunday by MAAF bomber-gunners and fighter-pilots while the heavies were on their way to bomb synthetic-oil plants in Silesia. MAAF losses were 29 planes.

Germans Hold At Budapest

With the battle for Budapest reported deadlocked, Marshal Malinowsky's Red Army troops seized a fortified point six miles northeast of the Hungarian capital yesterday in one thrust of a two-way drive aimed at Vienna. The other point of the Russian offensive was northwestward from Lake Balaton, where the German communique claimed strong Soviet attacks had been thrown back.

Malinowsky's troops advanced across muddy flats north of Budapest after Soviet troops had laid corduroy roads at breakneck speed.

Northeast and northwest of Miskolc, the Russians were mopping up in the industrial areas near the Czech border, and at several points the Nazis were forced back across the frontier.

Flip Corkin Here in the Flesh

Flip Corkin has hit the ETO—bouncing into it not out of Milt Caniff's famous cartoon strip, Terry and the Pirates, but from a desk job to Washington. The news came in an announcement Monday by Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commanding the First Allied Airborne Army, that Col. Phillip G. Cochran—who but Flip?—had been assigned assistant G3 (operations).

Nazis Hurl Reserves Against 1st Army In 'Last-Ditch' Bid

Security silence was ordered at 4 PM Monday concerning battle-line reports of operations along the length of the First Army front, where the German commander, staking Germany's military fate on what may be one last great bid to prolong the war and break the Allied drive for the Rhine, has thrown in an estimated half of his tactical reserves into three thrusts into Belgium and Luxembourg.

Dispatches filed prior to the imposing of the rigid censorship said the Americans were hitting back hard at the enemy and that front-line officers did not try to minimize or underestimate the seriousness of the situation, which was described as "fluid" at some points as the Germans struck with strong numbers of infantry, tanks and armored vehicles, backed up by the heretofore carefully hoarded Luftwaffe.

'Those Dirty —!'

Nazis Turned Machine Guns On GI PWs

By Hal Boyle

Associated Press Correspondent

AN AMERICAN FRONT-LINE CLEARING STATION, Belgium, Dec. 18—Muddy, shivering survivors, mad with rage, told today how German tankmen tried with machine-guns to massacre 150 American prisoners standing in an open field.

"Those of us who played dead got away later," said Cpl. William B. Summers, of Glenville, W. Va. "But we had to lie there and listen to German noncoms kill with pistols every one of our wounded men who groaned or tried to move."

"Those dirty —," Summers said. "I never heard of anything like it in my life. Damn them. Give me a rifle and put me in the infantry. I want to go back and kill every one of those —"

Trapped at Road Fork

Summers, who escaped with a gashed hand, is a member of an artillery observation battalion which was trapped at a road fork by a powerful German armored column which drove several miles into Belgium when the Nazi counter-offensive started yesterday.

The enemy's Tiger tanks quickly shot up more than two dozen American trucks and light armored vehicles. The captured Yanks then were led into a field and as the German column moved past, less than 50 yards away, the Nazi gunners deliberately raked the defenseless group with machine-guns and machine-pistols.

The survivors expressed hope that perhaps a majority of the men had escaped by diving to the ground and lying still, but three hours later, after the mass slaughter was attempted, less than 20 had made their way back to their own lines.

Jap Nisei May Return to Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 (ANS)—Persons of Japanese ancestry who were removed from their Pacific Coast homes early in the war may return to them after Jan. 1, Western Defense Command Headquarters announced yesterday.

Maj. Gen. Henry C. Pratt said the Army had decided to revoke its security order under which the Nisei, or American-born Japs, were evacuated because of "the favorable progress of the war in the Pacific, as well as other developments."

The West Coast met with contrasting reactions the revocation of the order which since March, 1942, had kept persons of Japanese ancestry from strategic areas.

Gov. Earl L. Warren of California appealed for "an attitude that will discourage friction and prevent civil disorder."

Benjamin Smith, of Kent, Wash., president of the Remember Pearl Harbor League, said his organization had pledged 500 persons not to sell, lease or rent farms, homes or stores to returning evacuees.

New Nazi V-Weapon Hits Behind West Front

NINTH ARMY FRONT, Dec. 18 (AP)—The Germans launched a new V-weapon against the Western Front today, bombarding rear areas by day and night.

were knocked out. Monschau, which is in Germany close to the Belgian border, still was in U.S. hands.

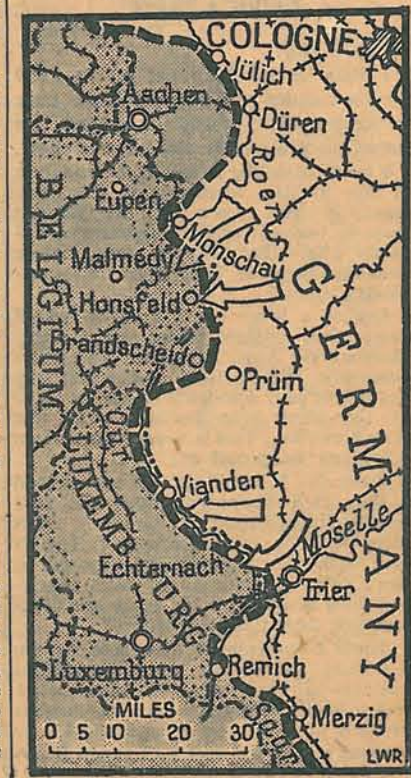
A Reuters correspondent who toured the First Army front Monday said he saw U.S. troops digging in to meet expected panzer thrusts, and tank destroyers firing at enemy armor. Bad weather impeded Allied fighter-bomber support, though the fliers were up in numbers to meet the Luftwaffe challenge.

Dispatches said that the German drive, which began early Saturday with probing stabs all along the Ninth and First Armies' positions before the thrusts into Belgium and Luxembourg, had been resumed Monday after what was described as a 12-hour lull, not otherwise explained.

Spearheading the German blow, it was said, was a panzer division which has seen action on half a dozen other battlefronts in the war. Quick action rounded up most of the Nazi paratroops dropped behind both the Ninth and First lines. Prisoners said they had been formed over a month ago into special teams for the operation. The paratroops' mission apparently was a diversion to screen the Germans' main effort.

Monday morning, it was announced that disclosures of where the German

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GIs in British Factories
Nov. 22, 1944

To the B-Bag:
The Ministry of Labor, announcing
priority for work in shell-making and
filling factories, is quoted in the Express
as saying that the number of extra
workers needed to put through the shell
program "will be considerable." My
idea is that noncombatant troops in
England should be given an opportunity
to volunteer to help out doing whatever
jobs are needed. The work could be
done on Sundays and in the evenings
without interfering with our duties dur-
ing the daytime. If the men at the front
need shells and are not getting enough
from home, the least we can do is help
with production here in England. Any-
thing that helps finish the war and brings
that ticket on the ship back home a day
nearer is worth doing. And how!

Will someone who knows how to get
this thing in the right channels do some-
thing to put this idea across! Since there
appears to be plenty of precedent (even
at home GIs have helped with harvests
during emergencies) it shouldn't be so
difficult to arrange. What we want to
know is how we can get in touch with
factories needing help, etc.—J.A.C.,
T/Sgt.

Bob Hope and 'The Pilot'
Dec. 8, 1944.

To the B-Bag:
Why do people jump to outlandish and
over-extended conclusions? The "Old
Timer" from the Bomb Sq., it seems to
me, has certainly done this relative to
"The Pilot," a Catholic publication.

As I recall it, "The Pilot" had no argu-
ment against Bob Hope's toil expended
in the task of making the burden of
American GIs lighter. Nor do I recall a
thing being reported by The Stars and
Stripes about C. McCarthy et al as being
mentioned by "the Pilot" and certainly
no suggestion that hymn singing be sub-
stituted. But he is most off the beam
when he starts talking as if it is now a
matter of having Hope or not.

In the second place, since the "old
timer" is a Catholic, he ought to know
by now that his conclusions are not in
harmony with the spirit of his Church,
since she is far from being a sour puss.
She desires all men to be happy and to
laugh and to enjoy life to the utmost. At
the same time, she desires the welfare of
immortal souls. If at times she—or one
of her publications—tries to balance these
desires, let's not be too hasty in shout-
ing "Last Straw."—An old timer (also); a
Hope fan and a Catholic Convert, Lt.
C. W. Strangohr, Repl. Depot.

Dec. 13, 1944.

To the B-Bag:
When did Bob Hope and his dirty
remarks ever win a battle? A combat
soldier on the line is interested in spiritual
assistance only, and not a lot of immoral
jokes. I've seen four campaigns, exclud-
ing the African landing, and never have I
seen any filthy joke help us to win the
war. So for the benefit of all combat
men lay off the religion, and if you're
too dumb to realize the value of it may
God have mercy on your soul.—S/Sgt.
M. J. Baran, one who knows.

Labor's Share
Dec. 1, 1944

To the B-Bag:
I want to take my hat off to PRO
for their order to Congresswoman Luce
to "keep quiet." It was a brave and wise
act which will greatly aid our war effort.

I would also like to call to the attention
of our visiting members of Congress,
especially Mrs. Luce and R. Thomas
Parnell, two extremely important docu-
ments that they should read before
making any more "Labor Baron" state-
ments.

One is a letter of instruction to all
Orientation officers issued by General
Marshall on Aug. 21, 1944. This letter
condemns labor-baiters and specifically
states that only one-tenth of one per cent
of the total time available was lost
through strikes. This is a record American
labor can be proud of.

Secondly, I should like to recommend
a War Department pamphlet No. 20-3
called "Information Materials." This
valuable book would serve our friends
very well. For example, on page one it
says, "The presentation of facts is self-
justifying only when the facts are devel-
oped in their true proportion."

These Congressmen were sent by the
American people to study conditions
overseas and to make a constructive
report to help end the war in the shortest
possible time—not to smear labor. Labor
is doing its share.—Sgt. M. Chaves, BAD.

Hash Marks

Shed a tear in your beer for Capt.
Sydney J. Rose. After sweating out a
letter from his wife (who had been writing
daily) for three months, the captain re-
ceived a big, fat envelope. Eagerly open-
ing the letter, he found two samples of
wallpaper from his new home—but nary
a word.

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Overheard. A pensive combat en-
gineer suddenly exclaimed, "If they won't
let me buy the Brooklyn Bridge—why
can't I buy a Bailey bridge?"

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This week's sad sack. A corporal was
drowning over a beer in a Paris cafe and
his buddy gave him a hot-foot. The



manager immediately rushed up, tapped
the gyrating GI on the shoulder and said,
"I'm sorry, but there's no dancing allowed
in this establishment."

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And then there was a guy named Joe
Pterojynskovich who went to court and
had his name changed to Bill. He was
tired of people saying "Hello, Joe, what
do you know?"

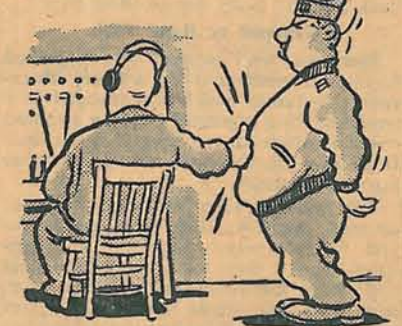
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Sgt. C. J. Husak sends this verse,
which presents an encouraging slant on
the home front:

Said the slick 4-F to the girl so shy
With an evil light within his eye:
"This is the life. I like this plan.
There're now two girls for every man."
But the girl so shy, to a 4-F guy
With a haughty sniff made this reply:
"Your arithmetic's a swirly-whirl,
There's only half a man for every girl."

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Signs of the times: T/5 Pashkowitz of
a 95th Division artillery outfit answers
all telephone calls "Pashkowitz speak-
ing. You see 'em. We shoot 'em.
Twenty-four hour service."

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We have been asked to repeat this bit
of GI philosophy. As far as many of
us are concerned, chemistry's greatest con-
tribution to modern warfare is blondes.

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Embarrassing moments. Pvt. J. M., a
switchboard operator for an engineer
aviation battalion, was busily engaged



placing calls and chewing the rag with a
buddy who possessed a typical "middle-
age paunch." The CO entered and the
buddy made a hasty exit. Thinking his
pal was still standing behind him, the
operator rapped the CO on the stomach
and quipped, "Say, pop, you're doing
Okay for yourself on K-rations." Pvt.
J. M. now sez it doesn't pay for a switch-
board operator to get his wires crossed.

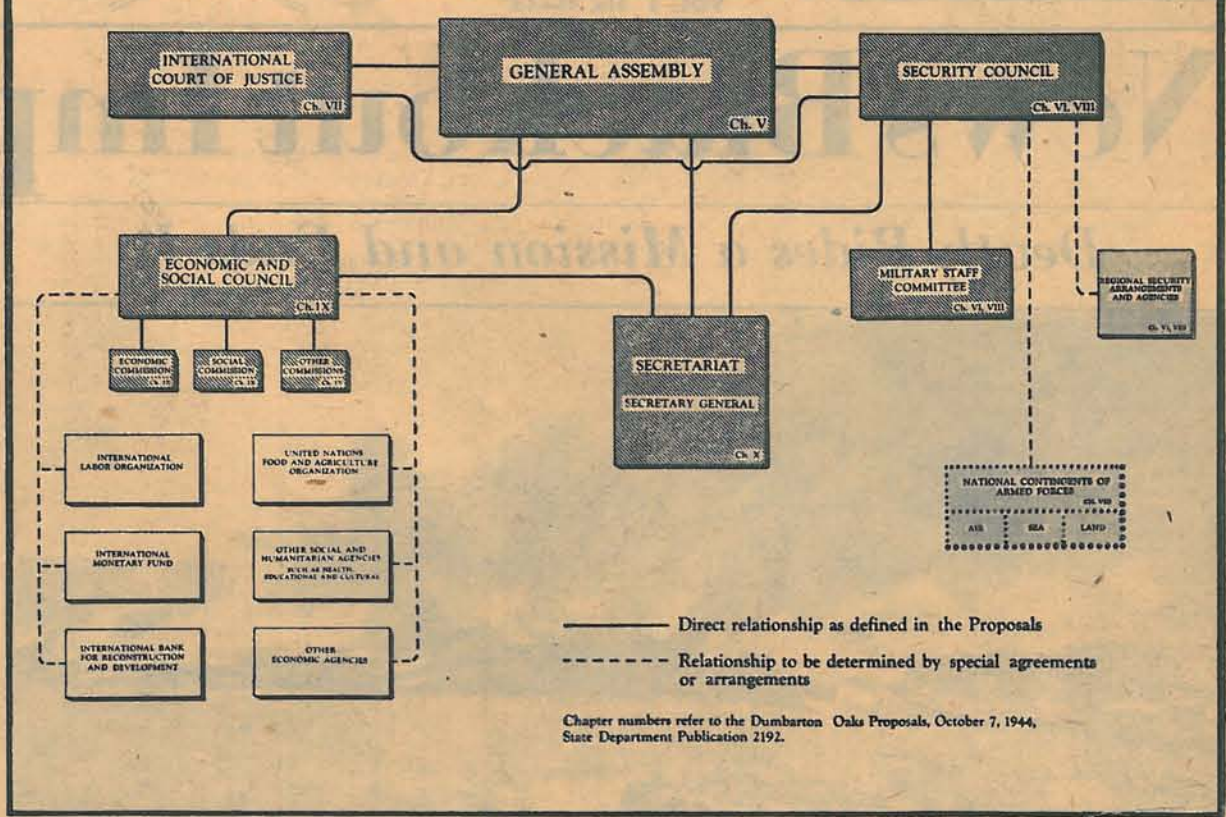
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Today's da'nyntion. Rain—something
that when you take a raincoat it doesn't.
(But it usually does over here anyway.)
J. C. W.

PRIVATE BREGER



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**THE UNITED NATIONS
DUMBARTON OAKS PROPOSALS FOR
THE GENERAL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION**



Here is the plan drawn up at the Dumbarton Oaks conference for insuring world peace. After weeks of discussions, delegates from most of the countries of the world agreed upon this post-war general international organization. The main body will be the General Assembly, with the International Court of Justice and the Security Council functioning separately but on equal par. Outgrowths of the General Assembly are the Economic and Social Council and the Secretariat. The Military Staff Committee stems from the Security Council directly. To be determined by special agreements or arrangements is the relationship of the other departments to the main bodies.

**Wooden-Shoed Away
Off-Limits Signs Are Placed
On Dutch Girls by Dutch**

MAASTRICHT, Holland, Dec. 18—A distinct and growing movement backed by Church officials to prevent Dutch girls from associating with American troops has come to light with the appearance of unsigned posters warning girls seen in the company of GIs that their heads would be shaved as were those of women who had collaborated with the Nazis, according to John Mecklin, Chicago Sun correspondent.

An American civil-affairs officer who found one of the posters on the door of a Maastricht store tore it off and went inside. When he came out ten minutes later, an identical poster had been tacked up in its place. Others appeared on public bulletin boards and on the walls of buildings at busy corners.

The campaign started a few weeks after Maastricht had been taken by the Americans on Sept. 14. It has spread through most of the liberated sections of Holland, which are populated almost exclusively by Roman Catholic Dutch. It is definitely having an effect on the attitude of many girls toward Allied soldiers and is creating fierce resentment among Yanks.

Liaison officers attached to the office of the Maastricht civil-affairs officer, Lt. Col. P. Senecal, of Chicopee, Mass., said that people were being exhorted almost daily from the pulpits of local churches to keep their daughters away from Americans. The local newspaper, Veritas, has published editorials supporting the position.

The argument is admittedly based on the natural fear that many girls who fall in love with Americans will be disappointed when the war moves on and they are left behind.

The church also claims there would be a rise in illegitimacy and venereal disease if Dutch girls yielded to "temptations of American chocolates and cigarettes."

AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial**
1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc.
218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 19**
- 1200—News.
 - 1205—Duffie Bag.
 - 1300—Headlines—Sports News.
 - 1305—NBC Symphony.
 - 1400—Headlines—Visiting Hour.
 - 1500—Headlines—German Lesson.
 - 1505—Strike up the Band.
 - 1530—On the Record.
 - 1625—Saludos Amigos.
 - 1700—Headlines—Concert Hall.
 - 1715—Canadian Guest Show.
 - 1755—American Sports News.
 - 1800—World News.
 - 1805—Mark up the Map.
 - 1810—GI Supper Club.
 - 1900—Headlines—GI Journal.
 - 1930—Here's To Romance.
 - 2000—Headlines—Combat Diary.
 - 2015—Johnny Mercer's Music Shop.
 - 2030—American Band of the AEF (Major Glenn Miller).
 - 2100—World News.
 - 2105—Charlie McCarthy.
 - 2135—Dinah Shore Show.
 - 2200—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.
 - 2205—Listen Characters.
 - 2300—Final Edition.
- Wednesday, Dec. 20**
- 0755—Sign On—Program Resume.
 - 0800—Headlines—Combat Diary.
 - 0815—Personal Album.
 - 0830—Music in the Modern Manner.
 - 0900—World News.
 - 0905—Song Time.
 - 0925—Music from Canada.
 - 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Major Glenn Miller).
 - 1030—Strike up the Band.
 - 1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.
 - 1105—Duffie Bag.

**Notes from the
Air Force**

The 351st Bomb Group, a Fort outfit commanded by Lt. Col. Robert W. Burns, of Ecu, Miss., recently held a two-year party. Activated in November, 1942, at Geiger Field, Wash., the group started operations in the ETO in the spring of 1943.

In 229 missions, the 351st has dropped more than 12,900 tons of bombs, the gunners have shot down 303 German fighters, probably destroyed 49 and damaged 177.

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Seven Eighth Air Force fighter pilots told how they played nursemaid to a crippled, flak-ripped B17 as it limped for miles at rooftop level over enemy territory.

Returning from escorting Second Bombardment Division Liberators to Merseburg, the fighters spotted the clay-pigeon Fortress from 20,000 feet.

"We came down to zero altitude and buzzed him to see if he was all right," said 2/Lt. Robert J. Bain, of Pitts-burgh. "He had a three-foot hole in his tail, one engine was out and he was well peppered with flak hits."

While the fighters tried to draw heavy enemy ack-ack fire on themselves, to spare the battered Fort, the B17 dodged in and out of valleys, scraping treetops and houses as it pushed westward.

After the Moselle River had been crossed, the fighters had to leave the Fort because they were short of gas. Later they heard it had belly-landed in Belgium. "That clay pigeon had the coolest pilot I've ever seen," said 2/Lt. Harry M. Chapman, fighter pilot from St. Augustine, Fla.

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T/Sgt. Bob Dunster and Sgt. Georganna C. LeTourneau, both of Hayward, Wis., were married recently. He's with the 78th Thunderbolt Group.

S/Sgt. John S. Wyrsh, of St. Louis, Mo., was best man and S/Sgt. Meriam E. Hopper, of New Britain, Conn., was maid of honor.

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In England, T/Sgt. William E. McDonald, of Ashland, Ala., and Cpl. Frank W. Cooper, of Amsterdam, N.Y., both of the 20th Mustang Group, are buddies.

Somewhere in Germany, S/Sgt. Albert L. McDonald, who is William's brother, pals around with Frank's brother, S/Sgt. John Cooper, both serving with the same infantry division.

**Newman's
Yankee Doodles**

'WHATCHA GONNA DO
AFTER THE WAR?



"... and, lieutenant, I'll certainly get you a ticket to see me race at Indianapolis after the war."

Fritsch Leads Packers to 14-7 Nod Over Giants

Once Over Lightly

By Andy Rooney

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—There were scenes in the locker rooms at the Polo Grounds after the Packer-Giants battle for the professional football title yesterday which were not strange scenes at all.

"I am definitely through this year," Don Hutson, the great Green Bay end, was telling reporters. It was Hutson's fourth annual retirement speech and no one was surprised to hear him make it. "This time I mean it," the league's leading scorer said. "So help me, I'll jump off the Empire State building if I play again."

WHILE pulling on his pants, teammate Charles "Bucket" Goldenberg, veteran Packers guard, said, "Don, you quitting again this year? Why, I'm just beginning to like the game. If I can talk my wife into it I'll be playing again next year." This was Bucket's 13th year in the circuit. He is 33 and a former Wisconsin lineman.

Other veterans were talking retirement in the Giant locker room, too. This was Mel Hein's 14th year in professional football and he has been great at center every one of them. It was Ken Strong's 11th year, although he was only kicking points after touchdowns and field goals. For Arnie Herber, former Packer and present Giant, this was the twelfth year, and for Joe Laws, Packer back, it was the 11th. The two oldest men in uniform were Strong, 38, and Ade Schwammel, Green Bay tackle, 36.

ARNIE HERBER

SHORT SHOTS: Steve Owen, Giant coach, used Lt. Al Blozis on defense only. Every time the Giants got the ball Tackle Vic Carroll would rush in for Blozis. . . . Johnny Weiss, Jersey City kid, played a great game at end for the Giants, but he was disappointed once. All of a sudden he broke out of the pileup and started running. He thought he had stolen the ball, but it turned out to be Ted Fritsch's helmet and he threw it down in disgust. . . . When Bill Paschal's legs buckled under him before he hit the line early in the game he was carried off the field. Announcer Carl Waite asked the crowd to "give Bill Paschal a big hand" and the crowd did—and down on the field Packer back Irv Comp clapped too. He had good reason to. . . . Despite the four men the Giants had covering Hutson, he still showed the New Yorkers how to catch them. . . . The first Packer touchdown was due to the Giants' fear of Hutson. They put so many men on him no one was left to cover Fritsch who caught the pass and went over. . . . Ward Cuff played the best offensive game on the field.

East's Eleven Leaves For Shrine Contest

CHICAGO, Dec. 18—The All-East football stars were headed westward for San Francisco today where players from eight eastern states will meet the best of the western intercollegiate football in the Shrine benefit game New Year's Day.

Les Horvath, Ohio State's All-American, was missing as the squad entrained. The player of the year stayed at Columbus, Ohio, to clean up some scholastic work and will leave for the game on Christmas Eve.

Coaches Andy Kerr and Bernie Bierman gave the 20 players making the trip diagrams of the plays they will use in the annual charity game.

Spiders Notch Fourth Straight

507th PAR. INF. BASE, Dec. 18—The unbeaten, untied, unscored on Spider eleven of this base yesterday defeated the —Port eleven, 43-0, for their fourth triumph.

Help Wanted

—AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, The Stars and Stripes, 37, Upper Brook St., London, W.1, or APO 413, U.S. Army. Telephone U.K. Base HQ, Ext. 2131.

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London Chapter No. 198, National Sojourners, Inc. DINNER, business and social meeting. Senior Officers' Club, 45, Park Lane, 1845 hours, Wednesday, 20th December. Reservations may be made with Capt. John N. Langitt, Telephone U.K. Base, Ext. 656, or 1065. All National Sojourners and Officer Masons welcome.

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Fields allied to advertising, are invited to participate in the organizing of the Army Advertising Club of the U.K.—Send your name and address to Mr. Arnold Deutsch, c/o Help Wanted.

AN American watch, in London. Will anyone who has lost a watch recently send full particulars of the watch including the inscription engraved on it and the time and place it was lost, to M/Sgt. Leonard A. Waas, c/o Help Wanted.

Packer Plunger

By Pap



Canadiens Pound Rangers, 4-1, To Strengthen Hold on First

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—The Montreal Canadiens increased their lead in the National Hockey League last night by defeating the New York Rangers, 4-1, in a game which was featured by a fair fist fight between Maurice Richard of the Canadiens and Bob Dill of the Rangers.

Dill was floored by a haymaker after a scuffle back of the cage in the second period, and in a few seconds players of both teams were in a free-for-all. Dill returned to the ice in the third frame with tape over and under his right eye, but a Ranger player explained that Maurice hit Dill while the referee held him in trying to break up the skirmish.

Grant Warwick put the New Yorkers in the lead early in the first period, but that was all—except bumps and bruises—

Hockey League Standings

	W	L	T	P		W	L	T	P
Montreal	13	4	2	28	Boston	7	10	1	15
Toronto	10	6	2	22	New York	2	9	4	8
Detroit	9	5	3	21	Chicago	3	10	2	8

for New York. Richard, Hillier, Filion and Majeau banged home the Canuck goals.

Black Hawks Topple Detroit Red Wings, 2-1

CHICAGO, Dec. 18—The Chicago Black Hawks scored goals in the first and second periods to upset the Detroit Red Wings, 2-1, last night and draw into a tie with the New York Rangers for fifth place in the National Hockey League.

Earl Siebert tallied for the Hawks in the first stanza, Sid Howe tied it up for the Wings early in the second frame, and Mosienko came back to clinch it for the Windy City pucksters.

Twilight Tear Named 'Horse of Year' by Scribes

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Twilight Tear brought to Calumet Farm horse-of-the-year honors for the third time in four years today when she was named by 154 sport and turf writers in the annual poll conducted by the Turf and Sports Digest. The Daily Racing Form had already chosen Tear as 1944's outstanding horse.

The three-year-old filly won 14 of 17 races in 1944 and succeeds the incomparable Count Fleet as the best in turfdom.

Conn Rescues Fighter Pilot

ROME, Dec. 18—An American fighter pilot owes his life to swift action by Cpl. Billy Conn, world heavyweight contender now on an exhibition tour of air bases in Italy. En route to a base, Billy and his troupe saw a fighter plane crash into a nearby swamp and burst into flames. Leaping out of their jeeps, Billy and his fighters dragged out the unconscious pilot and rushed him to the nearest hospital.

Wilmington Pro Eleven Victor

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18—The Wilmington Shipbuilders capitalized on a bad pass from center and defeated the Harrisburg Governors, 7-0, here yesterday in the Eastern Professional League playoff. Bruno Turi, Wilmington star, scooped up a bad pass from the Harrisburg center on the two-yard line in the first period and stepped across the goal line.

American Hockey League

	W	L	T	P		W	L	T	P
Buffalo	4	8	2	30	Providence	7	15	2	16
Indianapolis	6	8	2	25					
Cleveland	6	8	2	25					

By upsetting DePaul, 43-40.

Illinois won the hard way. They trailed, 15-3, at one part of the opening half and never drew even with the Blue Demons until only three minutes remained in the game. But though victorious, they couldn't stop DePaul's towering George Mikan, who dumped in 26 points.

Iowa and Ohio State came through their pre-season games unbeaten but not in the manner of the speedy Illinois quintet, even though Iowa did preserve

Fullback Scores Twice As Giant Attack Falters

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Chunky Fullback Ted Fritsch scored two touchdowns in the second period at the Polo Grounds yesterday to give the Green Bay Packers a 14-7 triumph over the New York Giants and the championship of the National Football League before 46,016 fans. The victory gave the Packers the league title for the sixth time, tying them with the Chicago Bears in winning championships.

The Giants beat the Packers, 24-0, a month ago in the major upset of the pro season, but yesterday Steve Owen's charges couldn't get going until the second half, and then it was too late. The second period had hardly begun when Joe Laws, veteran Packer quarterback who was playing right half because of Lou Brock's leg injury and turned out to be the game's leading ground gainer, shot 15 yards to the Giant 17 after the Packers had taken a New York punt on the Giant 47. Fritsch then tore the right side of the Giant line apart and galloped 27 yards to the Giant one. On fourth down he went through center for a touchdown and Don Hutson converted.

Just before the end of the half Hutson snared a pass from Irv Comp on the Giant 30 for a gain of 24 yards, and then Fritsch again took command. He made three through the line, then pulled down a heave from Comp that was good for 27 yards and the score that proved to be the clincher, Hutson again converting.

Rookie Howie Livingston set up New York's touchdown in the first three seconds after the fourth period opened when he intercepted Lou Brock's pass on the Giants' 45. A couple of plays later Arnie Herber rifled a pass to Frank Liebel, who went out of bounds on the one-yard marker. Ward Cuff plunged over on the following play and Ken Strong converted.

The Giants were handicapped by the loss of two key players. Fullback Bill Paschal, the league's leading ground-gainer, took part in only three plays in the first half and one in the second because of a sprained ankle suffered against the Redskins last Sunday, and Len Calligaro, blocking back, suffered a shoulder injury on the third play of the game.

Legal Battle Halts Agua Caliente Races

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 18—Horse racing was suspended at the Agua Caliente Jockey Club yesterday by George Schelling, director of racing, pending settlement of litigation involving track and properties.

Mexican government officials, acting on orders of the Supreme Court, seized the three-million-dollar plant last Wednesday in the name of the Arguello family, and a receiver was appointed.

Two groups of heirs are involved in the fight for possession, and S. P. Barrish, Los Angeles real estate broker, contending he represented 95.6 per cent of the heirs, said he would file a petition to seek possession.

Seahawks Snap Olathe Streak

OLATHE, Kan., Dec. 18—Iowa Pre-Flight's basketball team snapped Olathe Naval's six-game winning streak with an easy 41-29 victory last night as Jim Klein, formerly of Pittsburgh, led the attack against the Clippers with 12 points. Harvey, Olathe center, scored nine points.

its scoring record of more than two points per minute by tallying 249 points in three games.

Northwestern's Wildcats, considered out of the running in the coming Big Ten race, put on a scoring spurge in the final minutes to defeat Marquette, 58-44, Saturday night, and many fans have begun altering their opinions. Wisconsin's young team didn't show much and neither did Indiana's. Minnesota surprised by extending Great Lakes, 46-43.

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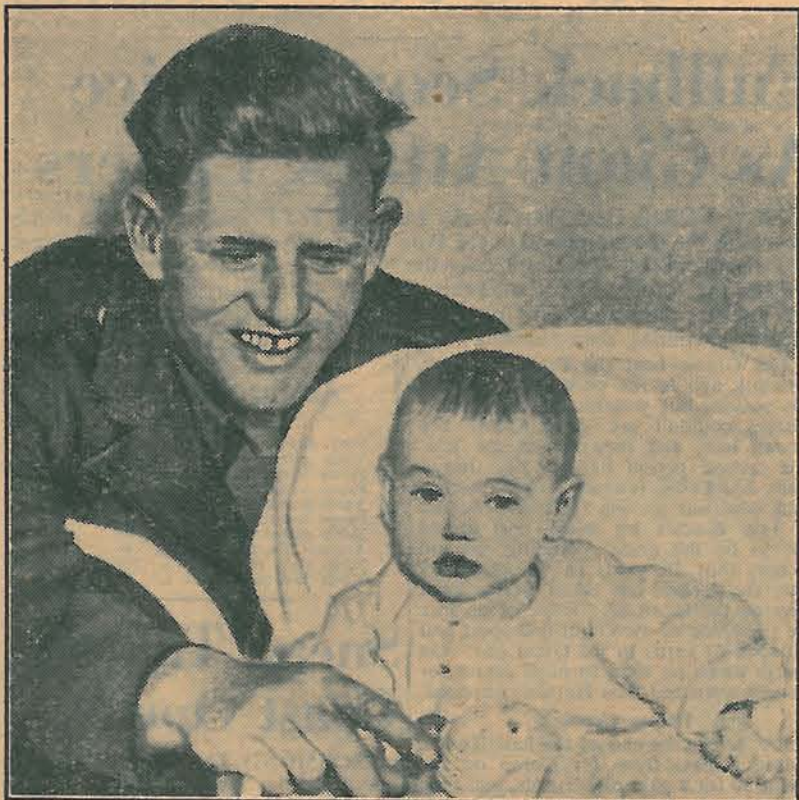
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A Pawn of War—Redeemed



This is Baby Geraldine Whitehouse—described in the American press as “the Newfoundling”—and her soldier-father, Pfc Arthur Whitehouse. The baby’s mother was a Newfoundland nurse. The soldier’s wife, Mrs. Rose Whitehouse, agreed to bring up the baby as her own, giving the much-publicized war-time romance a happy ending.

Life in Those United States

Senate Battle Looms On State Dept. Nominees

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (ANS)—Despite approval last week by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee of six nominations by President Roosevelt for posts in the State Department, indications were today that a battle would be forthcoming on the Senate floor proper before the group was OK’d.

While the debate was scheduled to get under way today, the possibility loomed that this matter might not be settled before the Senate adjourned for the Christmas holiday late this week. In that event, it would be up to the new Congress, which assembles Jan. 3, to make the decision.

Apparently the chief targets for debate were Joseph C. Grew, ex-ambassador to Japan, and poet-librarian Archibald MacLeish. Sen. Joseph Duffey (D-Pa.) announced he wanted to make a speech against Grew which would last four hours.

Beside Grew and MacLeish, the prospective appointees are William L. Clayton, James C. Dunn, Nelson A. Rockefeller and Brig. Gen. Julius Holmes, the latter a member of Gen. Eisenhower’s SHAEF staff.

Meantime, the Senate approved President Roosevelt’s selection of Robert A. Hurley, ex-governor of Connecticut, and Lt. Col. Edward Heller, Army finance officer at San Francisco, as members of the Surplus Property Disposal Board.

A Corsage for the Flower

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—For rising in defense of Brooklyn soldiers after author Noel Coward had referred to them as “cry babies” in “Middle East Diary,” Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia today was named as “the man who has done the most for Brooklyn in 1944.”

The award was made by the Society for the Prevention of Disparaging Remarks About Brooklyn, which made no effort to conceal its irritation over Coward’s statement.



LA GUARDIA

Liberty Bell Stays Cracked

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18 (AP)—Mayor Bernard Samuel said today that Americans preferred the Liberty Bell as she was—crack and all—in declining an offer from a London (England) foundry to recast the bell as a gesture of Anglo-American friendship. The company said it originally made the bell in 1752.

Vets Favor Peace Draft

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 18—Discharged veterans of World War II have voted 84 per cent in favor of compulsory peacetime training for American youth, in a poll conducted by Northwestern University. The ex-servicemen agreed almost unanimously that world peace could be maintained only through the use of armed forces.

Rita Hayworth a Mother; Veronica Lake a Bride

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 18—Actress Rita Hayworth presented her actor husband, Orson Welles, with a 6½-pound baby girl last night when doctors performed a Caesarean operation on the film star at Santa Monica. The child is the couple’s first.

Meantime, elsewhere in the film capital: Actress Veronica Lake and Director Andre DeToth were married last night at the home of Ed (Archie) Gardner, star of the Duffey’s Tavern radio show. . . . Actress Georgia Davis announced she was engaged to comedian Red Skelton, now an Army private.

Lupe Velez, who took her own life Wednesday because of “shame,” will not be buried from a Catholic church with formal rites, although friends had attempted to obtain dispensation, Associated Press said. . . . Actress Trudy Marshall was married to Phillip J. Raffin, a Los Angeles restaurateur, a few hours after her divorce from Leland Lindsay became final.



RITA HAYWORTH



VERONICA LAKE

Jews Volunteer for Yule KP

CAMP BLANDING, Fla., Dec. 18—Members of the Christian faith here will pull no KP on Christmas. Jewish trainees have offered to do the kitchen work—an offer which has been accepted by Maj. Gen. E. W. Fales.

Penalty for Parents

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 18 (ANS)—Parents whose children under 16 are found roaming the streets after 10 PM hereafter will be fined \$50. The city has had the curfew law for some time, but never invoked it.

News Story

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18—More than 30 calls were received in response to a newspaper ad offering for rent “a newly-decorated single apartment” for a family with a baby. A soldier’s wife got the place.

Ten Cents, but No Dance

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—State Supreme Court Justice William T. Colwins has upheld Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine’s decision denying a license to a taxi dance hall. Colwins cited the police report of “shockingly indecent” conditions in many such spots, which were described as a “substitution for public prostitution.”

Mexicans Sell U.S. Butts

CALEXICO, Cal., Dec. 18 (ANS)—Transcontinental train passengers reported here today they were offered cigarettes at \$1.80 a carton. Boys from Mexicali, Mex., they said, were swarming across the international line to sell American butts to the passengers. Customs officials are interested because of the tax of seven cents a package due, it was announced.

Partition OK If Poles Agree, Stettinius Says

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predecessor, Cordell Hull, that some such questions might be settled immediately by “friendly conference and agreement,” and said the U.S. would “have no objection” to the changed boundary policy provided the Polish government accepted the Curzon Line as the country’s eastern border.

He reiterated that the U.S. could not guarantee specific European frontiers, but noted that America was working for the establishment of a world-security organization and suggested that the Polish-Russian frontier settlement could make an essential contribution to the successful prosecution of the war.

Meanwhile, a journalistic bombshell was exploded when the Times printed the story of the alleged Churchill-Stalin deal at Teheran. The story was written by Raymond Daniell, Times’ London correspondent, who based his statements on diplomatic sources “with no axe to grind.”

“According to testimony now available,” Daniell said, “there was considerable bargaining between Russia and Britain, while the U.S. maintained what has been described as a neutral attitude.”

Daniell said President Roosevelt’s part “in the deal in Teheran” was “not quite clear,” but “it appears he was not present at the time Premier Stalin and Churchill reached their understanding.”

Divided Europe into Spheres

“It is quite clear now that, in Teheran, Churchill and Stalin divided Europe into spheres of British and Russian influence,” Daniell said.

However, he continued, Churchill was stricken with pneumonia and it was not until Feb. 6 that the Prime Minister told Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, then Polish Premier, that the Curzon Line should be the basis of negotiations.

“Churchill,” Daniell wrote, “has said: ‘At no time in all the negotiations to induce the Polish government in London to acquiesce in the deal has Mr. Roosevelt indicated definitely that he would not go along.’”

“That is not to say he approved,” Daniell added.

The Times dispatch suggested that Churchill, in attempting to persuade the Poles to give up the eastern third of their country in exchange for a slice of eastern Germany, “overlooked” the city of Lwow and eastern oil centers “when he matched the worth of the Pripiet marshes against the beauty and importance of Danzig as an economic asset to new Poland.”

Athens-Piraeus Road Cleared

Breaking the unofficial “peace parley armistice” in Greece, British troops opened up a lightning “gloves-off” offensive Monday and cleared the road between their island in the center of Athens and the capital’s port of Piraeus.

Meanwhile, hope continued that some settlement in the undeclared civil war could yet be arranged. The main holdup in negotiations seemed to be the ELAS (resistance) reluctance to surrender their arms, plus uncertainty over the appointment of a regent pending a plebiscite.

Both the government and the ELAS groups seemed largely agreed that Archbishop Damaskinos of Athens would be the best man for the regency, but King George of the Hellenes would have to abdicate before such a step could be taken. The King, now in London, was reported seeking advice from Greece.

Path of Love—Even if Free—Never Runs Smooth

Co-Ed Battles LSU ‘Attitude’ On Campus Sex—and Is Fired

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 18—The subject of hot kisses brought hot words to Louisiana State University last night when three student organizations voted to ask the Civil Liberties Union, Nelson Rockefeller and others to investigate the case of an 18-year-old co-ed who was asked to “resign” from school because she criticized the university’s attitude toward sex.

President W. B. Hatcher told the LSU board of supervisors he had given Gloria Jeanne Heller, of Havana, the choice of “resigning or being dropped from school” after she admitted writing a leaflet in which he said, “she discussed the university’s attitude toward sex.”

“I told her,” Hatcher said, “that we couldn’t have promiscuous kissing on the

campus and couldn’t have people who advocated free love.”

Gloria Jeanne, announcing she had “resigned as ordered,” denied she advocated free love. “All I did—and Dr. Hatcher wouldn’t let me explain,” she said, “was to attempt to show that I thought the university dealt with sex problems in such a way as to overemphasize them,” she said.

The New York-born co-ed, 5ft. 7in. tall and 125 lbs., added: “We have been told by other school officials that a good-night kiss was all right if it wasn’t of the passionate kind, but Dr. Hatcher just said, ‘No kissing.’”

She said she wrote the leaflet “because some of my friends had been reported for kissing their dates good night and sitting with them on park benches on the campus.”

Terry and the Pirates



Shelter Is Where You Find It



Second Division infantrymen of the First Army crouch in a snow-filled ditch inside Germany while seeking shelter from an enemy artillery barrage.

West Fronts -

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columns had smashed through or how far they had advanced would not be allowed. On Sunday, however, it was revealed that the Nazis had fought into Honsfeld, Belgium, west of Monschau, and into Luxemburg below both Vianden and Echternach, both border towns. Monday’s dispatches indicated that thrusts elsewhere along the front had been sealed off.

German broadcasts claimed that Field Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt’s troops already had crossed most of Luxemburg and hinted at new surprises by saying: “British soldiers who have been promised leave in January may have to do without it.” British troops hold positions above the Ninth Army in Germany and along the Maas in Holland.

UP dispatches said the German drive had come as a surprise, quoting reports from troops that in one instance enemy tanks had rolled into a town just as the Yanks were finishing chow.

Meanwhile, elements of four divisions of the Seventh Army inched into the first of the three-belt layer of 20-mile-deep Siegfried defenses before the southern approaches to the Saar Palatinate. Others, still on French soil, overran two Maginot forts near Bitch.

The Third Army made some gains in both Dillingen and the Sarreguemines area. Air reconnaissance was said to have shown the heaviest enemy railway movement yet spotted behind the Third Army front.

U.S. Subs Add 33 To Toll of Jap Ships

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—U.S. submarines have sunk 33 more Jap ships, including a light cruiser, three destroyers, six escort vessels, a minesweeper and a minelayer, the Navy Department announced tonight. This brings the total of Jap ships sunk by U.S. submarines since the start of the war to 907, including 94 warships.

B29s Hit Nagoya And Hankow

An estimated 200 Superforts struck Sunday against Hankow, in Jap-held central China 500 miles west of Shanghai, and at Nagoya, aircraft production center southwest of Tokyo, flying from bases on the Asiatic mainland and from Saipan, the War Department announced Monday at Washington.

Hankow was a new target for the B29s, but Nagoya, under fire for two hours in the most recent attack, had been hit less than a week ago when, according to reconnaissance photographs taken later, 47 direct hits were scored on the Matsudoki plane plant. Nagoya is Japan’s third largest city, with a 1940 population of 1,328,000.

Jap broadcasts admitted the Nagoya raid—carried out by Saipan bombers—saying that 70 planes were over the city and that smaller groups were over the Kinki-Osaka region, south of Nagoya.

Vignette of War

2 Quit Battle To Learn It

WITH AN INFANTRY DIVISION, Dec. 18—The CO wanted these two guys and he wanted them in a hurry. The two guys were out fighting the war some place, but this was important. Messengers were sent around to find them.

It wasn’t so tough to locate and bring back the first one—Pfc John L. Tischer, of Gotebo, Cal. He was crouching in the mud near the forward CP, sweating out the day, when he was tapped on the shoulder and told that the Old Man was waiting.

But Pfc Hugh C. Butler, of Helena, Mont., was not so accessible. He was flat on his belly in an open field, pinned down by withering enemy machine-gun fire. Butler had crawled out on a patrol job and was in the middle of nowhere when the Jerries opened up.

Butler’s platoon leader swiftly organized a second patrol, which filtered into the field, scattered the enemy fire and brought Butler back safely to see the CO.

Both men thereupon received orders directing them to report to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for the full course.

Hillman Back in U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Sidney Hillman, chairman of the CIO’s Political Action Committee, returned to the U.S. yesterday from London.

Crossword Puzzle Solution

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By Milton Caniff