

3,000 Allied Planes Blitz Ruhr, Luftwaffe Airfields 66-Mi. Smokescreen Hides West

Few Enemy Planes Up, 22 KO'd

Heavy bombers of the 8th Air Force and the RAF again lent their crushing weight yesterday to the great tactical blitz on Nazi military and communications zones in the Ruhr. More than 1,300 Fortresses and Liberators of the 8th, with a cover of some 700 Mustangs, lashed out in excellent weather at nine Wehrmacht administration and supply centers ringed Essen in the Ruhr and continued to blast enemy airfields, striking four more near Frankfurt-on-Main and Stuttgart and one at Ahlhorn, near Bremen, which had been pummeled in Wednesday's big blow.

RAF heavies were out in great strength and with strong escorts, indicating the 8th and Bomber Command had well over 3,000 aircraft out. The British heavies threw their punches at three Nazi advance bases for the lower Rhine near Wesel—Bocholt, Dorsten and Dulmen—hit the railway center of Hildesheim, near Hanover, and climaxed the day with a Lancaster-borne assault with 11-ton bombs on railway bridges in northwest Germany.

Thunder Up from Italy

From the south, Forts and Libs of the 15th thundered up from Italy to bomb the Ruhland oil refinery, 70 miles south of Berlin, and oil refineries and railroad yards in Vienna. At Ruhland, Libs picked up part of the escort of 8th Mustangs for the bomb run, thus capping a big day for the fighters, too.

The Mustangs had the distinction of providing protection for three separate forces, for in addition to shielding the 8th and 15th, some went along to defend the RAF's Lancasters which poured 11-tonners on the bridges. Some scattered enemy air opposition was met but no passes were made at the heavies and 8th fighters KO'd 13 in the air and shot up nine more in strafing attacks on fields in central Germany.

The 4th Mustang Group, which met the 15th Libs over Ruhland, bagged ten of these planes in a fierce battle with 15 FW190s which had just taken off from an enemy airfield. Lt. Col. Sidney S. Woods, of Somerton, Ariz., who led the group, shot down five for his first kills in the ETO after shifting here from the Pacific.

The specific targets for 8th heavies around Essen were at Bottrop, Gladbeck, Barminghotten, Dorsten, Westerholt, Mulheim, Hinsbeck, Hattingen and Geresheim. Ack-ack over these objectives was particularly heavy but over the four airfields in the Frankfurt and Stuttgart areas—Kitzingen, Giebelstadt, Rhein-Main and Schwabisch-Hall—there was only light opposition.

One Worry Less



Keystone Photo
Two U.S. engineers hug the ground closely as a Nazi mine they exploded mushrooms up in thick black smoke. Tank next to exploding mine is a KO'd German vehicle.

But Where We Make Them Jerries Ache Ain't the Head



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photos

Deadly sniper fire is still one of the biggest headaches for U.S. troops driving Nazis back into their Festung Europa, and advance patrols suffer most from this migraine battle disorder. In the top photo, three 3rd Division soldiers move cautiously through a shattered street in Zweibrücken, Germany, scouring the place for snipers. Building at left still burns from air and artillery bombardment. Lower, a 45th Division dough charges along in Nieder-Wurzbach, Germany, covered by snipers.

Planes Hit Kuriles, Bonins; Japs Under 'Invasion' Law

While a veil of radio silence obscured the further movements of the U.S. 5th Fleet after its crushing two-day carrier attack on Japanese naval units and port installations on the Inland Sea, land-based planes struck renewed blows against enemy depots from Rangoon to the Kuriles, far to the north. Meanwhile, Gen. MacArthur announced the end of virtually all organized resistance on Panay in the central Philippines and the collapse of the Japanese Shimbu line east of Manila, on Luzon.

Adm. Raymond A. Spruance, 5th Fleet commander, said his preliminary report of 15 to 17 Japanese warships damaged in the Inland Sea was an incomplete estimate, indicating that still more enemy vessels may have been knocked out.

Pacific Fleet HQ told of air attacks on Japanese installations on the Kuriles Islands, north of Japan; the Bonins, next link in the island chain extending northward toward Japan from the Marianas; and on Wake, far to the east. India-based Superforts, probably more than 100 in number, blasted Japanese storage areas at Rangoon yesterday for the second time in less than a week. While Tokyo Radio told of additional U.S. bombing attacks on Hainan Island off the South China coast, the Japanese Diet (Parliament) rushed through an "anti-invasion" bill establishing what amounts to martial law throughout the country.

U.S. troops in the Philippines captured the harbor at Bojjo, capital city of Pamp, finding the docks intact. The Japanese, however, destroyed 70 per cent of the city of 90,000 by fire and electrically controlled mines before pulling out.

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Anspacher estimated that when put into full swing the gliders could evacuate between 600 and 700 wounded every day in good weather. Ten shuttle gliders could evacuate the same number; it would take 1,500 ambulances to do, and in minutes instead of hours. High Army medical authorities believe the use of gliders will virtually eliminate ambulances for hauling wounded long distances to hospitals. The gliders serve a dual purpose. When they are being towed into the battle area they carry 4,000 pounds of medical supplies. On the return trip they bring the wounded, who are given only temporary first aid in the battlefield area. Maj. Howard McCloud, of Louisville, Ky., who piloted the first glider today, said that the trip and take-off were perfect—"we just couldn't miss."

Air Blow Cuts Ruhr From Reich

Field Marshal Montgomery hid 66 miles of the northern end of the Western Front under the war's greatest smokescreen yesterday, cutting off from enemy view the final preparations for what the Germans themselves have called the major Allied thrust into the heart of the Reich. At the same time, Allied airmen, out in record strength and operating in ideal weather conditions, hammered enemy positions, rail and road communications and oil dumps all the way from Frankfurt to north of the ravaged industrial Ruhr valley, virtually cutting off that area from the rest of Germany.

Only the Allied command knew the purpose behind the swirling man-made mists shrouding Montgomery's front. Correspondents with the 21st Army Group said the fog was so dense that the soldiers couldn't see the sun or the hundreds of planes that droned overhead.

German broadcasts quoted official spokesmen as saying that the Canadian 1st Army, the British 2nd Army and considerable elements of the U.S. 1st Army were lined up between Dusseldorf and Arnheim ready for an offensive.

Kesseling Reported Boss

Clearing up the "is he is or is he ain't" question whether Field Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt was the German commander in the West, 21st Army Group HQ announced officially that Rundstedt "ain't" and that Field Marshal Albert Kesseling, commander of German troops in Italy since September, 1943, had replaced him. Indicating the power of the Allied air



blows were reports that the U.S. 9th Air Force had flown more than 1,800 sorties by 1 PM yesterday. In the combined Allied sweeps, dispatches said, more than 100 locomotives and perhaps 1,000 railway cars were knocked out as the pilots concentrated on the Ruhr and on the northern sector of the front. The daylight assault followed night operations by British tactical planes.

The strength of Zhukov's force would indicate that the battle for Stettin is the prelude of a breakthrough into Germany's northern plain and a sweep to cut off all the Baltic ports.

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3rd Gain Six Miles
In the Saar-Palatinate, where only a small corner in the southeast remained to be cleared, 3rd Army troops gained six miles. Mainz was almost completely mopped up, though the fight against fanatical SS troops had been the sharpest met since the drive to crush the Saar began a week ago. Only a narrow escape gap still had to be sealed off to complete the entrapment of the remnants of the broken 1st and 7th German Armies. Wednesday's 3rd Army toll of prisoners was 11,300, raising to better than 50,000 the number

Nazis Report Reds Fight Inside Stettin

Marshal Stalin last night announced that Russian troops had launched a new offensive in Silesia, but German commentators centered attention on the northern front where they claimed Marshal Zhukov had hurled 300,000 men and at least 800 tanks into the battle for Stettin—described by the Nazis as "the key to north Germany."

In his Order of the Day, Stalin revealed that Marshal Koniev's men sliced through the German defenses west and south of Oppeln, 47 miles southeast of Breslau, and advanced 25 miles to capture 400 towns including Neustadt, Cosel and Ober Glogau—all on the railway which cuts across the southern tip of Silesia.

The thrust also netted 15,000 German prisoners and nearly 500 guns, Stalin's Order said.

The drive on the southern flank of the central front was reported several days ago by the Germans.

At the northern end of the front, the Germans said 25 Russian infantry divisions and four armored corps were making an all-out attack on the blazing, shell-torn port of Stettin. One broadcast hinted that Soviet troops were fighting in the city's streets.

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Gliders Fly Wounded GIs Out of Remagen Line

By John McDermott

United Press Correspondent

U.S. AIRFIELD IN GERMANY, Mar. 22—The Army's first glider-ambulance service went into action in Europe today when a big American transport plane swooped low over the Remagen bridgehead, snatched up 12 patients on board a glider and dropped them nine minutes later less than 20 yards from the entrance to an evacuation hospital some 50 miles behind the lines.

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Joins Chennault's 14th AF

FAR EAST AIR FORCE HQ, Leyte, Mar. 22 (Reuter)—Brig. Gen. Donald Hutchinson, deputy commander of the Far East Air Force, revealed last night that this air force is now operating in conjunction with the 14th Air Force based in China under the command of Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault.

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BLOW IT OUT HERE

Dough for Doughs

Mar. 13, 1945

To the B-Bag: Who "gooled up"? Though it doesn't affect me, may I act as an unsolicited mouthpiece for quite a few sad sacks in a B-Bag crusade?

I have seen numerous unhappy warriors just ejected from hospitals and battle-line bent. Some generous soul granted them a week delay en route. Then some less competent authority turned these sour Joes loose without adequate funds for their well-deserved furloughs.

Are hospital authorities to blame or are the finance sections under-staffed? Something should be done immediately, even if it means that we, the chosen chair-borne troopers, are denied prompt payment. Personal investigation revealed that Red Cross field directors are doing a gallant job in relieving some of the pressure, but why should the Red Cross, with limited lending funds, have to finance this part of the war?

And I don't believe unit commanders are to blame as these convalescent heroes apparently are carried on Army books as detached orphans.

Will some able authority please do something about this?—Sgt. C. H. G., AFSC.

[Although UK hospitals usually use the partial payment method for paying patients, the amounts they can draw depend on the circumstances. If his records are available, a GI is usually paid as much as possible. Without pay records, however, the amount is limited, depending primarily on accurate information the patient himself can furnish and on his record of rear-echelon hospitalization. The time-consuming process of regular payment has proved impracticable since men are usually transferred before a regular payroll could be processed and paid—Ed.]

That Cap Again

Mar. 12, 1945

To the B-Bag: We're hoping that Uncle Sam's little nephews in the Infantry have found enough towels to dry the tears they shed for the Air Forces' glamor boys. We feel for you fellows, but all we can do is "keep 'em flying."

A uniform represents America just as much as the red, white and blue. And wearing pajamas off the base represents a P-P soldier, regardless of the circumstances. When the medics feel you are eligible for a pass, they'll give you one—and a uniform with it.

If you invested money in a garrison cap or sent home for one, how would you feel about the deal the 8th AF pulled? After all, there was no order forbidding us to buy or send home for them.

Quit your bitching. You know that at one time you could have enlisted in the Air Forces too. Or did you play for the Brooklyn Dodgers? We feel for you, but not in a jealous way.—M/Sgt. Adams, T/Sgt. Kissel, S/Sgt. Baumgardner, Sgt. Pentz and Cpl. Black (RA), B.A.D.

Mar. 12, 1945

To the B-Bag: If you will glance at page 40, AR 600-35, dd Mar. 31, 1944, you will see a picture of a service cap (with visor) and a garrison (overseas) cap. The garrison cap is an item of issue to all Air Force personnel and COs and MPs will be only too glad to see "Glamor Boy" Rump wearing his garrison cap.

As for Sucker, Station Complement, so far as I know no one compelled him to buy a service cap. A GI can wear any issued item, but they should have known that items purchased are purchased and worn at the owner's risk, so they have no kick coming.—T/S John B. MacMillan, ADG.

[Although Sgt. Rump was aware of the official nomenclature, he used the term "garrison cap" because it seemed to be more commonly known as such. We take the blame for not clarifying the matter.—Ed.]

What Are the Symptoms?

Mar. 18, 1945

To the B-Bag: Yesterday's editorial "After the Last Shot is Fired" concluded with the warning that Hitler will probably win the war in the long run "if you don't watch out."

Watch out for what—for another Hitler? His type doesn't spring up overnight. There is an accumulation of symptoms which lead to such cancerous growths in society, but too often people don't understand these symptoms, even when they see them.

When you tell us to watch out without telling us what to watch out for, and without explaining the causes and remedies, it is, in effect, to leave us as we were.

What does it take to make an editor specific? To what extent would such editing be guilty if Hitler does win the war in the long run?—Navy GI.

Hash Marks

A Pic we know declares that Lauren (The Look) Bacall climbed the ladder of success stare by stare.

Our spy on the home front reports that draft boards are getting so polite that they always say, "Present company accepted, of course." (You're in, Joe.)

The little moron just dropped in to remind us that the reason ideas die quickly in some heads is that they can't stand solitary confinement.

Drama on the Home Front. (Or, Oldest Gag of the Week.)

Pretty Caller: "Do you think the manager will see me now?"



Secretary: "Certainly. He always has time to see pretty girls." Pretty Caller: "Well, tell him his wife is here."

At the suggestion of Aviation Galt (of "Galt Is My Co-pilot" Fame) and the boys in Flack Shack 1, the title of the popular song "Irish Lullaby" has been changed to "Tour The Ruhr-Alura."

GI Philosophy. Some people try to chisel a niche in life instead of carving one.

Overheard in the Blackout. "She's the kind of girl who can only be kissed on two occasions—when it's raining and when it isn't."

T/S Soupy Campbell, influenced by the comics, wants to rewrite the history books. He sez, "George Washington didn't say he chopped down the cherry tree—he said, 'Pop-eye did it.'"

Overheard in the Blackout. "If they



call sailors 'gobs'—I guess the Waves are 'gabs.'"

Shed a tear in your beer for a certain captain in the ETO. His wife is expecting, and in anticipation of the blessed event, he had a box of cigars sent from the States. But he got so nervous sweating out the arrival of the off-spring, he's smoked up all the cigars ahead of time.

Daffynition (by Lt. W. T. Dixon). Hat: Anything that a woman puts on her head. J. C. W.

Home Front May Gripe—But It Obeys That Curfew

By William R. Spear, Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Mar. 22—What's this? The home front can't make the "sacrifice" of drinking up by midnight to help the war effort without a lot of griping and evasion of the rules? This GI, who listened to the "Time, gentlemen, please," of English pubkeepers at 10 o'clock and who watched buzz-bombed Belgians stumble home in the blackout of a 10 o'clock curfew, got the idea while still in the ETO that the U.S. curfew business was sort of a sorry spectacle.

But on this side the picture looks different, and this is the way it looks: In the first place, the curfew question is one that concerns cities alone. The vast majority of America outside the cities always did take in the sidewalks before midnight anyway. So the curfew makes no difference.

Outside of New York City nation-wide surveys made by press services and by Variety, the theatrical trade journal, show that the curfew is being observed 100 per cent. In the face of these reports, the situation in New York—where



New York's Cafe Zanzibar garbs one of its employes in town crier costume, with bell and placard, as a grim reminder to patrons that those first four a.m. hours are Byrned up.

Mayor May Drink Alone

NEW YORK, Mar. 22 (AP)—Thirty-five members of the Allied Food and Entertainment Industries of Greater New York voted to ignore Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia's "hour of tolerance" and revert to the midnight curfew closing.

The association, which includes many of New York's best-known night clubs, announced its action shortly after the Army and Navy directed servicemen to abide by the midnight closing.

Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia has granted "an hour of tolerance" until 1 A.M.—assumes a disproportionate prominence. It is unrepresentative and the mayors of other cities have been denouncing LaGuardia for his action. So while America keeps the curfew, let's look at New York, which doesn't. There are three things to be considered in New York's case:

1—Thousands of visitors always throng Gotham and entertainment is one of the city's biggest and most important industries.

2—Curfew easing was the work of just one man—unorthodox, individualistic LaGuardia. The City Council raised the roof but could do nothing else about it.

3—New York has a mayoral election next Fall. The New York Times saw in LaGuardia's action a bid for political support for another term.

America obeys the curfew but some grumble about it, and maybe there shouldn't be any grumbling. Maybe.

The same kind of grumbling—discussion would be a better word—attended gasoline rationing and every other step the nation took for waging war.

Maybe that's the way America has always done things. Maybe it's a good way to do them.



And here's just about what's left to do along the main stem. Olsen and Johnson don't bring their gags and gals to the Automat every night, but you can always get a salami sandwich and a mugga java.

Gave the Jerries a Hand—Grenade

Wanna Good Burgomaster Job? This GI's Got Business Elsewhere

By Pat Mitchell, Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 3RD ARMY, Mar. 21 (delayed)

—T/Sgt. Byron Hoover threw one grenade and became the Mayor of Kaiserslautern and the temporary Fuehrer of more than 45,000 dazed burghers.

Hoover, a nimble platoon leader from Chicago, roared down on Kaiserslautern with his 25-man I and R platoon of the 317th Regiment, 80th Infantry Division, shortly after the infantry, riding on 10th Armored Division tanks, rolled through the city at 1000 hours without meeting any determined resistance.

"We moved fast from the north, and because we didn't know what sort of resistance might have cropped up since the 10th Armored tanks went through we got set to take the burg by storm if necessary. It wasn't necessary because the Germans are just bowled over by the speed of this whole advance," Hoover said.

After detailing his men to give the town,

which had a pre-war population of more than 60,000, a quick frisk, Hoover set up his CP in the town square and awaited results.

S/Sgt. John E. Daugherty, 19, of Dunmore, Pa., Hoover's chief of staff, said, "The other 80th Division doughs were coming toward the town from the west and so we expected some resistance from the eastern, or escape, end of town. We got it. There was a house down there loaded with Kraut officers, and the townspeople must have known about it because as soon as Hoover whipped down there and heaved one grenade through the window, a German colonel and his staff walked out and surrendered. From then on the natives knew that U.S. Intelligence and Reconnaissance boys were in charge."

Survey's His Catch

In the Kaiserslautern center square, Hoover stood in front of the Chase National Bank and surveyed his catch—one colonel, four majors, five captains, ten assorted lieutenants, 20 noncoms and 60 privates. Hastily-fashioned white surrender flags drooped dejectedly from second-floor windows and the 20 noncoms stood in ragged ranks with their backs to the 30-foot-high stone statue glorifying the Wehrmacht. Across the town square several hundred women and children, the frauleins and kinder of the Jerry prisoners, bunched together and wept noisily.

All the German vehicles—Nazi Volkswagens, horse-drawn carriages and trucks—were headed eastward. Strafing Thunderbolts and tank column points caught up with the Germans and nailed them. Thirst- and hunger-crazed horses, with bits of harness dangling, roamed the roadsides. Dead horses, some gory in their traces, were stiff, and holding in their rigor mortis poses the final sculpture of death.

German stragglers occasionally stopped to butcher one of the dead horses, cutting into the blood-coated haunches for stringy pieces of horse steak.

Capt. Charles Jones, Raleigh, N.C., 1st Battalion CO of the 317th Regiment, said, "No army can lose the equipment found along these roads and continue to fight effectively, much less exist."

Hoover said, "We got places to go. Who wants to be Mayor of Kaiserslautern? Here are the keys to the joint."

Duck Into Rhine Saves Two GIs Of Patrol's 16

By Ernie Leiser, Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

URDINGEN ON THE RHINE, Mar. 22—Sixteen of them crossed the Rhine to probe the German outpost line on the east bank. Twenty-six nightmare hours later, two of them returned.

They were on a night patrol, one of many searching out the Nazi river-edge defenses, and had almost reached the far bank when the Germans heard them coming and daylighted the sky with flares.

Then machine-guns and burp guns opened up on the patrol. "There wasn't anything to do except jump under the water and stay there," recalled Pfc Mario Di Leonardo, of Providence, R.I., one of the pair who made it back. "They always said that bullets won't do much harm if you're a foot under water. The system worked."

It worked for Di Leonardo and for his buddy, Pfc Edward Smith, of Crossville, Tenn. They don't know, though, how it worked for the 14 others—because they never saw them again.

They tried to make their way back to the American side, despite the swift current, but they had to give up. Smith headed for a barge on the German side and hid inside, to be followed later by Di Leonardo.

With a trench knife and a .45, their only weapons, they decided to hole up in the barge's cabin, putting a couch and table against the door and, according to Di Leonardo, "just sweating it out in the dark until midnight," while their own artillery tossed shells all around the barge.

This was about 24 hours after they had started across—24 hours without food, water or even a smoke. When the moon went down at two in the morning they decided they couldn't stay there for ever and now was as good a time as any to make a break.

So they sneaked from the barge and crept down to a wrecked railway bridge. There they found a boat and rowed out to a spot where they could crawl up and scramble back to their own side.

"When we were stopped by an artillery officer, one of our own, I could have kissed him," Di Leonardo said.

"By the way," he added, "yesterday was my first wedding anniversary. What a hell of a way to spend a wedding anniversary."

UP FRONT WITH MAULDIN



"Sergeant, go requisition that fire."

AFN Radio Program

Friday, Mar. 23

- 1200—World News. 1205—Duffie Bag. 1300—Headlines—John Charles Thomas. 1330—Saludos Amigos. 1400—World News. 1410—Glen Gray. 1430—Globe Theater. 1500—Headlines—Strike up the Band. 1530—On the Record. 1630—Cavalcade. 1700—Headlines—Yank Bandstand. 1715—Phil Green Orchestra. 1745—Rhythm Musicale. 1800—World News. 1805—Mark up the Map. 1810—American Sports Roundup. 1815—GI Supper Club. 1900—Headlines—Command Performance. 1930—Kate Smith. 2000—Headlines—Combat Diary. 2015—Johnny Mercer's Music Shop. 2030—American Band of the AEF. 2100—World News.

Saturday, Mar. 24

- 0755—Sign On—Program Resume. 0800—Headlines—Combat Diary. 0815—Personal Album. 0830—Music from America. 0900—World News. 0905—Spotlight Band. 0930—Canada Dance Orchestra. 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Command Performance). 1030—Army Talks. 1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 1105—Duffie Bag.

Reinforcements of Another Kind



CAMP ELLIS, Ill., Mar. 22—These physically deficient work-or-fight inductees undergo a special four-week training course in the Army, after which they have their choice of getting into essential industry or taking an Army assignment. Life in these pup tents will help them make up their minds.

Ticked off the Global Wire

See Ed Flynn's Visit to Pope As Try for Soviet Accord

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (ANS)—Edward J. Flynn, President Roosevelt's personal representative, who is believed to be attempting to bring about a closer relationship between the Vatican and the Soviet Union, conferred today with Pope Pius XII and Monsignor Montini, Acting Papal Secretary of State.

Flynn, who accompanied the President to the Yalta Conference, recently arrived in Rome from Moscow, where he conferred with Patriarch Alexei of the Russian Orthodox Church. Although the exact nature of Flynn's mission remained an official secret, there was speculation in diplomatic quarters here that the Bronx political leader was trying to bridge the gap which separates the USSR and the Vatican.

According to the Associated Press, there was little prospect of an accord between Communist Russia and the Catholic Church as a religious institution, but it was not considered out of the question that some form of political or diplomatic arrangement could be attained. Both Rome and Moscow have denied that any sort of an agreement was being negotiated.

Dutch Queen Visited Home

Queen Wilhelmina has recently completed a ten-day visit to Holland, her first since the country was overrun by the Germans five years ago, it was disclosed in London yesterday. She talked to underground leaders and inspected Dutch resistance forces in the areas liberated by the Allies. She flew back to England.

Dulles Declines Frisco Bid

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (Reuter)—John Foster Dulles, foreign policy counselor to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, has declined an invitation from Michigan's Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg, a Republican delegate to the San Francisco conference, to act as his adviser, it was announced today.

Urges Franco Give Way to Spanish Monarchy

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Mar. 22 (AP)—Prince Juan, Count of Barcelona, a son of the late King Alfonso XIII, today called on Chief of State Francisco Franco to resign and leave the way open for a restoration of the monarchy "which alone can provide an effective guarantee for religion, order and liberty."

In a statement issued a week before the sixth anniversary of the ending of the Spanish Civil War, Juan charged that the Franco regime is modeled on the Axis totalitarian system and promised that, if he became king, he would seek to form a political constitution by popular vote. Alfonso, who died in 1941, quit the Spanish throne in 1931.

The present Spanish government, Juan declared, is "fundamentally inconsistent with conditions prevailing in the world as a result of the present war" and "compromises the future of the nation."

'Norway Liberation to Wait'

NEW YORK, Mar. 22 (UP)—The task of clearing out the Germans from Norway will be left until after the collapse of the Reich, Maj. George Fielding Eliot, military commentator of the New York Herald-Tribune, said today, adding that the only threat to this program would be a major U-boat assault from Norwegian bases launched to imperil the attack on Germany itself.

Condemned GI Awaits Action

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (AP)—The White House today informed Rep. Edward McCowen (R-Ohio) that the case of William Harrison, an American soldier under death sentence in Ireland, is "still under consideration."

McCowen, who is trying to arrange an interview between President Roosevelt and Harrison's mother, said he was not told whether the case had been brought to the President's attention.

Harrison, from Haverhill, Ohio, was convicted by an Army court-martial on a charge of attacking and killing a girl.

Finn Parliament Scored

MOSCOW, Mar. 22 (AP)—Izvestia, the official Soviet newspaper, expressed dissatisfaction today with the results of the recent Finnish election in which the left-wing bloc of the Democratic Union won one-fourth of the seats in Parliament.

"The election has shown that those elements which are in opposition to the progressive development of the Finnish state are still strong," said Izvestia.

100,000 Burma Japs Killed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (AP)—Maj. Frank Owen, former London newspaper editor, here on a visit from Burma HQ, estimated today that 100,000 Japanese have been killed in Burma and that 40,000 more will be slain in mopping up the pocket below the Mandalay area.

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune

De Paul Routs Rhode Island, 97-53, As Mikan Runs Wild With 53 Points

Players Not Job-Jumpers

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22—The War Manpower Commission ruled yesterday that baseball players who have been working in war plants are free to return to the diamond in season without clearance from the U.S. Employment Service or fear of being drafted as job-jumpers. The WMC said in effect that baseball is the principal occupation of these men and that they have a right to work at it.

Paul V. McNutt, chairman of the WMC, said the action was taken after he had satisfied himself that there was a widespread demand both among servicemen and civilians for the continuation of baseball.

It was pointed out that the commission's action does not affect a player's legitimate draft status and that he leaves his off-season employment at his own discretion. Precedent for the action on

baseball was cited in a former decision which allowed school teachers to leave off-season jobs to return to the classrooms.

The immediate effect of the ruling is expected to be a wholesale return to baseball by players who have remained on their war jobs feeling that they would fall prey to the draft boards and aroused public opinion if they left to play ball.

Exceptions were made in the case of players embarking on professional careers, groundkeepers, ushers, etc., who may be hired on jobs connected with baseball only after processing by the U.S. Employment Service.

At Bear Mountain, N.Y., Dodger President Branch Rickey, who previously had tabbed manpower as baseball's most pressing problem, took a rather dim view of the order. "Of course it helps," Rickey said, "but only those who are 4-F. If they hold deferments on war jobs and are otherwise 1-A they will be placed in 1-A for quitting."

Larry MacPhail, Yankee president, said that the ruling "will clarify the status of many players. Some players who were doubtful and sitting tight will undoubtedly return."



PAUL V. MCNUTT

Diamond Preview

Oris Hockett May Hold Key To White Sox '45 Campaign

By Charlie Slocum

Special to The Stars and Stripes

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Mar. 22—Jimmy Dykes visualizes something better for his White Sox this year than their seventh-place finish of '44, and a glance around the training camp here would indicate he has good reason. The Sox have suffered their quota of draft losses and retirements, but Dykes and the front office were unusually active during the off-season and have gathered what looks like a much stronger club.

Nelson Annexes Charlotte Open

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Mar. 22—Toledo's Byron Nelson came through with a four-stroke victory in his second 18-hole playoff round with Sammy Sneed here yesterday and lugged off the \$2,000 first prize in the Charlotte Open golf tournament. Nelson completed the 18 holes in 69—three under par—while Sneed went one over with a 73 to win 1,500.

Nelson's long straight drives were combined with the best putting he has enjoyed in several rounds while Sneed's short game deserted him completely. Byron had a 36 at the turn to Sneed's 38.

Dobbs and Minor Lost To Cadets '45 Eleven

WEST POINT, N.Y., Mar. 22—Bobby Dobbs and Max Minor, Army backfield stars, will not be on the Cadets' football team next fall, although both presumably will return to schools. Col. Lawrence "Bill" Jones, graduate manager of athletics, has disclosed that both players have exhausted their four years of collegiate athletic eligibility.

Dobbs played two years at Tulsa and Minor played two at Texas before entering West Point, where they've both earned two major As for football.

Flynn Upsets Lee Murray In Cleveland Ten-Rounder

CLEVELAND, Mar. 22—Lee Q. Murray, Norwalk, Conn., Negro, fighting a white man for the first time in his career, lost a ten-round upset split decision to Johnny Flynn, of Rochester, N.Y., here last night before 6,400.

Murray was a 3-1 favorite and was way ahead after the first four rounds, but Flynn came back to plaster him all over the ring in the last five.

By Chester Gould

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Dick Tracy



L'il Abner



By Al Capp

Bowling Green Triumphs Over St. John's, 57-49

By Jay Barnes

SPECIAL TO THE STARS AND STRIPES
NEW YORK, Mar. 22—A one-man hurricane roared through Madison Square Garden last night, leaving in its wake a mass of broken records, a shattered Rhode Island basketball team and 18,000 frantic fans. The human blitz was six-foot-nine George Mikan, DePaul's All-American center, who pushed through 53 points as the Blue Demons sank the Rhode Island Rams, 97-53.

In the opener Bowling Green of Ohio started off a miserable night for Eastern teams by belting out the two-time defending Garden Invitation Tourney champion St. John's Redmen, 57-49.

Bowling Green's upset victory would have been a big story if Mikan hadn't

Total Third Highest In Collegiate History

The 53 points which big George Mikan tossed through for DePaul against Rhode Island in the Garden Wednesday night was the third highest total ever racked up in a single college game, according to the Basketball Guide. Back in 1903 Bucknell's Anderson scored 80 points against Philadelphia Pharmacy, in '43 Robertson of North Carolina College got 58 against Shaw, and in '42 Abramovic of Salem equalled Mikan's total against West Virginia Wesleyan.

been around, but the DePaul giant relegated the Bowling Green triumph to page two stuff on his performance. Mikan's 21 field goals and 11 fouls broke the tournament scoring record of 37 points held by Bob Gerber of Toledo, broke St. John's Harry Boykoff's Garden scoring mark of 45, and gave DePaul a death grip on all the tournament team scoring records as the Demons still have the final game to go.

Floorwork Outstanding
And that only tells part of the story. Mikan gathered in practically every rebound all evening, set up plays and generally steered his Demons into the biggest margin of victory in tournament history.

Rhode Island trailed from the opening gun as Mikan tossed in his first fielder in 20 seconds. Jack Allen added a free throw and then Ernie Calverley hit the first Rhode Island basket to make it 3-2, DePaul. Mikan then flipped in three straight pivot shots and DePaul was off to the races.

Big George totaled 21 points in the first half and led his mates to a 42-25 edge. After intermission it was more of the same and plain brutal as Mikan racked up his staggering total.

Defensive Shift Halts St. John's

St. John's started off well against Bowling Green in the opener and with only four minutes left in the half led, 28-19. But at this point Bowling Green shifted from a zone to a man-to-man, blanked the Redmen, the rest of the period and tied up the ball game, 28-28, at intermission.

The Ohio team went into the lead a minute after the second half opened and never lost it as Wyndol Gray, All-American forward, led the attack with 17 points and Don Otten, six-foot 11 1/2 in. center turned in a brilliant job of controlling rebounds. Hy Gotkin was high for St. John's with 16 points.

Barons Clout Bisons, 5-1

CLEVELAND, Mar. 22—The Cleveland Barons evened up their Governor's Cup semi-final series with Buffalo Bisons with a 5-1 rout in the second game of the playoffs here last night.

CAGE RESULTS

- DENVER AAU TOURNAMENT**
- Cesina Aircraft 60, Ft. Wayne Moose 37
 - Camp Robinson 62, Ft. Collins 60
 - Ft. Lewis 80, Peoria Diesel 56
 - Phillips Oilers 54, Los Angeles Cliftons 43
 - San Francisco AC 59, Ft. Warren 40
 - Allen Bradley 64, Fees Music Makers 45
- PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT**
- Ft. Wayne Zollners 63, Oshkosh Stars 52
 - New York Rens 61, Pittsburgh Raiders 52
 - Dayton Aces 52, Dow Chemical 50

Behind the Sports Headlines

MONTREAL—The Montreal Canadiens' powerful front line of Elmer Lach, Maurice Richard and Toe Blake finished in that order in the National Hockey League's '45 scoring race, and Lach set a new record for assists with 54. Richard hung up a new mark for goals with 50 in 50 games.

BOSTON—Willie Hoppe wielded his well-educated cuestick into the record books here last night with a high run of 20 in three-cushion championship billiards against Welker Cochrane.

NEW CUMBERLAND, Pa.—Danny Litwhiler, St. Louis Cardinals' outfielder, was accepted by the Army yesterday after being reclassified five times, once by his draft board for being "essential to civilian morale." Danny smiled when notified of his status, and said, "I'm certainly glad that's over with."

When Litwhiler was put in 2-A last year he said it was ridiculous, applied for another classification and wound up 4-F. His most recent 4-F was referred under War Department policy to the AGO in Washington and he was pronounced 1-A.

BEAR MT., N.Y.—Athletes who laid down their gloves to take up arms will be interested in the progress of Elmer "Red" Durret, 25-year-old former Marine who is being groomed for an outfield job with the Dodgers. Durret, who fought at Guadalcanal and still suffers from occasional recurrence of malaria, may wind up in the Dodger outfield through the impending induction of Howie Schultz. Present plans call for Augie Galan to play first base, and that will leave the center-field job in a scramble among Durret, Goodie Rosen and Frenchie Bordagary.

Around the 48 Yesterday

Senate Committee Votes To Keep Draft Law As It Is

WASHINGTON (AP)—Complying with the wishes of the Army, the Senate Military Affairs Committee approved a measure which would extend the Selective Service law for one year after May 15, when the present act is due to expire.

The Committee accepted the current measure without alterations despite desires of some members to (1) bar all draftees under 20 from combat, (2) make a year's training in the States compulsory for all teen-age youths, and (3) give all draftees now at the fighting fronts a furlough under a rotation system which would consider the length of time the man has been out of the U.S.

However, the Army declared that any such actions would impair its war operations.

CAPITAL RAMBLINGS: Stephen T. Early, the President's press secretary, returned to the White House after spending over a month at SHAEF in Europe. . . . The War Department announced that from Pearl Harbor to Dec. 31, 1944, 1,716,000 were discharged from the Army. . . . OPA Chief Chester Bowles again urged price ceilings on amusement tickets and barber and beauty shop services.

The War Production Board, moving to increase tire production in the shortest possible time, appointed John L. Collyer, president of the B. F. Goodrich Co., to head a special rubber program for three months.

Sister Kenny Wants to Quit

MINNEAPOLIS (ANS)—The Board of Directors of the Kenny Infantile Paralysis Institute refused to accept the resignation of Sister Elizabeth Kenny as the organization's head. Sister Kenny had announced that she not only would sever connections with the Institute, but also would leave the country. She said that the failure of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to approve the Institute's application for a grant of \$840,000 played a part in her decision.

Boys Will Be Boys

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (ANS)—Two softball fans, aged 84 and 80, appeared in court after the older had socked the younger in an argument over a grandstand seat. However, the "youth" wasn't eager to press charges, so the court dismissed the case after the two shook hands.

Donahue Made N.Y. Bishop

NEW YORK (ANS)—The Most Rev. Joseph P. Donahue, a native of the Bronx, was consecrated Auxiliary Bishop of New York.

Movie Strikers Defy WLB Order to Work

HOLLYWOOD (ANS)—Ignoring a mandate from the War Labor Board, Herbert Sorrell, president of the Conference of Studio Unions, said the strike of 14,000 workers would continue. WLB Chairman George W. Taylor telegraphed Sorrell from Washington that the strike constituted "a flagrant disregard of Labor's no-strike pledge" and directed it be terminated.

Sorrell replied that as long as the producers "continued to defy the authority of the WLB" the workers would remain away from their jobs.

The strike was called 10 days ago when the producers refused to grant the Painters Local—a member of the nine-local Conference—jurisdiction over the Set Decorators Union as recommended in a WLB arbitrator's decision.

Honest Crook

WALTHAM, Minn. — Gas station operator Clayton Moore was visited by a thief—but he liked it. The visitor apparently was returning a professional call made six years previously. This time he left \$10 and a note saying that the money would pay for the damage caused when the station was robbed in 1939.

30 Days to Dress

PASADENA, Cal. (ANS)—Francis McGough, 54-year-old Pasadena Junior College instructor who was found nude in an auto with one of his female students, was sentenced to 30 days in jail and two years probation after pleading guilty to a morals charge.

Manpower Shortage

STONEHAM, Mass. (ANS)—Unable to work since Christmas because he had to stay home and look after the kids, Basil Trasker, who was divorced a year ago, advertised for a wife. So far he has had 50 offers, including one from a Back Bay divorcee, who said she had two automobiles and two country estates.

T/S Furlough

JOLIET, Ill (ANS)—Marine Pvt. Leo Kurtz' ten-day furlough is getting bigger, but he's not enjoying it. His six-year-old daughter has the smallpox and he's quarantined and probably won't be able to get out for three weeks. Kurtz is worried over getting an extension to his furlough.

Hi, Ike, Which Way Did They Go?

FORT HAMILTON, N.Y. (ANS)—Cpl. Bryan McKeogh of the Special Services Section here shipped off some Wild West magazines in answer to a request from his brother Mickey, a master sergeant, overseas. Here's the answer he received, according to Broadway columnist Ed Sullivan:

"Dear Corporal, Mickey has just given me the Wild West stories you were kind enough to send me. I am most appreciative. Sincerely, Dwight D. Eisenhower."

(M/Sgt. Mickey McKeogh is Gen. Eisenhower's chauffeur.)

Ha, Ha

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (ANS)—Michelle Paige, Congressional Medal of Honor winner, and his bride of two weeks are having a ding-dong race for rank. When Paige married Navy Nurse Genevieve Albers they were even up—he a Marine lieutenant and she a Navy lieutenant jg. This week Mrs. Paige was promoted to full lieutenant, but she had been giving orders to her husband just 24 hours when he received a promotion to captain.

N.J. Goes to School

TRENTON, N.J. (ANS)—Because highly specialized training in the armed forces has stimulated interest for higher education, New Jersey will have to spend more money for higher-grade schools, the State Board of Regents reported to Gov. Walter E. Edge and the Legislature. The Board also endorsed a proposal to consolidate all State educational facilities and to designate Rutgers as the State University of N.J.

No Toys

MACON, Ga. (ANS)—A coroner's jury called to prove the deaths last week of four boys in an explosion was directed to inquire also into reports that the youngsters traded and played with grenades in their classrooms.

Protest Night Riders

CHICAGO (ANS)—Sleepy residents of one northwestern Chicago district asked for a law prohibiting horseback riding after midnight. They complained that saddle and bridle enthusiasts had been taking advantage of the leafy lanes and spring-like nights to canter along the bridge paths at all hours, giving vent to giddaps, whoas and even—from the more exuberant—an occasional yippee.

Not So Wacky

CAMP WHEELER, Ga. (ANS)—Asked in a personnel survey what their post-war plans were, WACs here overwhelmingly replied: Housewife.

Miracle Men of Mars

Rescued Men From Mars

By John Grover

Associated Press Correspondent

ALLIED HQ, Burma, Mar. 22 (AP)—Medical men of the Mars task force, who marched more than 300 miles over northern Burma's nearly vertical scenery, performed miracles of surgery under fire, it was revealed today.

Two occurrences typical of the gruelling business of saving lives in the mountain jungle under most primitive conditions were told by Lt. Gen. Daniel I. Sultan, commander of the India-Burma theater.

Maj. Paul Meccray Jr., of Philadelphia, kept one Burma grave empty when a young lieutenant was brought in with his windpipe shattered by shrapnel. Meccray tried with his finger to remove the blood-clots choking the wounded man, but the man stopped breathing. Meccray unhesitatingly placed his mouth over the wound and sucked out the clots and then proceeded to keep the patient breathing

by blowing to inflate the lungs until surgical repair was possible. The lieutenant is now convalescing in a rear area.

Capt. Joseph P. Worly, of Indianapolis, crawled through raking Japanese fire to a wounded man with a heavy log jammed across his leg. Efforts to release the man had failed. S/Sgt. Anthony Scarpelli, of the Bronx, N.Y., assisted Worly in amputating the leg with a jungle knife, using Scarpelli's belt as a tourniquet. Two quarts of blood plasma were administered. The whole operation was performed under artillery fire.

Men of the task force later donated six pints of whole blood and the patient was flown to the rear where he is now recovering.

Surgeons established a stretcher shuttle service to evacuate wounded men from the rugged country where even liaison planes could not land. The patients often had to be carried for three days to reach tiny evacuation airstrips.

This Isn't Going to Hurt—the Medics



This little Burmese lad shows no such fear as an Army medic, assisted by a Chinese helper, treats his infected leg.



This little Filipino girl doesn't cotton to Seabee Pharmacist Mate Richard Kepple's gentle touch as he treats her for wounds received when American troops chased the Japs out of her village in the Philippines.

Russia . . .

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vessels and armored trains attempting to give support to the trapped garrison.

South and southeast of Danzig, Russian troops were reported within six miles of the city, moving forward steadily through minefields, anti-tank ditches and pillbox defenses. Danzig and Gdynia both were under fire from Soviet big guns which were raking the entire coastal pocket.

In East Prussia, Marshal Vassilevsky's men liquidated pockets of resistance and struck from three sides against Heiligenbeil, the fall of which would leave only Konigsberg and the small peninsula behind it in German hands.

In Hungary, Marshal Tolbukhin pushed ahead toward the Hungarian plain, capturing several towns. These forces were only about 60 miles from the Bratislava Gap leading to Vienna.

On the vital Oder front east of Berlin, the Germans reported increased reconnaissance activity, which they interpreted as the prelude to a coming large-scale offensive toward the German capital.

News Blackouts

Hide Burma Front

ALLIED LAND FORCES, Southeast Asia HQ, Mar. 22 (AP)—News blackouts on three fronts over the Burma front gave indications tonight of imminent furlough developments to drive the enemy from his territory.

The blackouts were imposed on:

1—The British 20th Division driving south to liquidate enemy troops believed trapped in the Irrawaddy pocket. Japanese resistance in the pocket now is almost completely disorganized.

2—News of any movement of Allied troops east of the Kyaukse-Mandalay railway.

3—The 15th Corps on the Arakan front in western Burma.

Smoke Hides West Front

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of captives taken in the combined 3rd and 7th Armies' push.

Elements of nine enemy divisions, it was disclosed, had been liquidated in the trap closed in the Trier-Kaiserslautern area.

Last week's 3rd operations brought about 100 miles more of the Rhine under Allied control, from Coblenz south to Ludwigshafen. In the latter city, U.S. troops captured a chemical factory which had the reputation of being one of Germany's largest poison-gas producers.

In the Remagen bridgehead, 1st Army troops scored a two-mile gain on the Rhine east bank opposite Bonn, seizing several towns. In the push in the other direction, to the south, the Yanks were only 7 1/2 miles above Coblenz. Dispatches revealed that several pontoon bridges were now serving the bridgehead. One span was put across in a record 10-hour operation.

One'Less to Go

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 22 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Tadamichi Kuribayashi, Japanese commander on Iwo Jima, was killed Mar. 17, after he sent his "most profound regrets" to Emperor Hirohito for the loss of the island, Tokyo radio said today.

Colonies Plan To Be Ready For Frisco

NEW YORK, Mar. 22 (Reuter)—Representatives of the U.S., Britain, Russia and China will hold talks in Washington in April before the San Francisco conference to discuss the basic principles of colonies or mandated territories in relation to the proposed new world security organization, it was learned yesterday.

The discussions will concern the position in the new organization of the Permanent Mandates Commission of the old League of Nations, the general terms of such new mandates as may be contemplated and possibly a new system of regional commissions to supervise the mandated territories.

It is understood the discussions will not deal with individual colonies or mandates, but will be confined to outlining a system of international cooperation regarding the mandates for submission to the San Francisco conference.

The U.S. is expected to submit a plan for international trusteeship for many mandated territories, eliminating the practice of granting mandates to individual nations.

Prime Minister Churchill announced in the House of Commons yesterday the composition of the British delegation of nine to the San Francisco conference. Included as chief delegates are Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, Deputy Prime Minister Clement Attlee, Dominions Secretary Lord Cranborne, and Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the U.S. Among the other delegates are Britain's two women ministers, Florence Horsbrugh, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, and Ellen Wilkinson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Home Security.

I Vote Each At Parley

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (ANS)—The State Department said today each of the nations at the San Francisco conference on world security would have one vote. The Department said it was not clear at present whether the decisions of the conference would be made by simple majority vote or otherwise.

Forty-four nations are scheduled to attend the conference. While the small nations outnumber the big, many of them have interests so closely linked with the big ones that they will hesitate to take a firm stand. The small nations have been the loudest critics of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals, but their criticism has been tempered by the realization that no world organization will work unless the big Powers with resources for keeping the peace are in agreement. The big Powers are already agreed that the Dumbarton Oaks proposals form a basis for a workable world organization.

Hull too Ill for Frisco, FDR May Name Another

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22 (ANS)—The New York Herald Tribune said today that President Roosevelt is expected to name another prominent Democrat to succeed Cordell Hull as senior adviser to the United Nations Conference at San Francisco Apr. 25 because of the former Secretary of State's poor health. This followed a White House disclosure that Mr. Roosevelt had visited Hull yesterday at the Bethesda, Md., Navy Medical Center, where the Tennesseean has been under treatment since October.

Moyne Assassins Executed

CAIRO, Mar. 22 (Reuter)—Chanting a Jewish prayer up to the moment of the death, Eliahu Hakim and Eliahu Soufi, the men who shot Lord Moyne, British Minister Resident in the Middle East, in Cairo last November, were hanged here today.

AMG Has to Hop to Keep Up

WITH PATTON'S TROOPS IN GERMANY, Mar. 22 (AP)—Allied Military Government teams are doing a sprightly job of "island hopping" trying to keep up with the thundering 3rd Army and its rampaging tanks.

Armored combat spearheads which have been snatching towns and villages by the hundreds have tossed them nuchalantly toward Military Government with shouts of "Pick them up, boys—they're all yours."

The result is that Military Government teams, trained to take over the administration of conquered territory, are

"hopping about like mad" trying to organize the control of civilian affairs in the archipelago of 4,225 separate communities suddenly cut off from the rest of Germany.

Eventually each team will arrive in the German town or city for which it has long been pinpointed, and then it will settle down.

Meanwhile, there is an enormous job of political mopping up to be done, similar to the mopping up done by combat troops, and Military Government teams are now hopping from one strategic town to another in this process.

Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

By Milton Caniff

