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Landings Cut Off 60,000 N. Guinea Japs

North-South Attacks Renewed

Heavies Hit In Rumania And Reich

Co-Ordinated Thrust One Of War's Biggest; Nazis Tell of Fierce Battles

A force of 3,000 American warplanes yesterday clamped tighter the aerial squeeze on Germany and Nazi-held Europe, striking from north and south in one of the heaviest co-ordinated attacks of the war.

Between 750 and 1,000 Eighth Air Force Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by the same number of fighters, slugged their way more than 500 miles to hit airdromes near Munich and aircraft factories at Friedrichshafen.

From bases in Italy, a force of 500 to 750 Forts and Liberators of the 15th Air Force, with as many fighters, thundered across the Balkans to hit Bucharest, capital of Rumania, targets at Ploesti and an aircraft plant at Belgrade, in Yugoslavia.

As the huge force of heavies from the ETO punched through German defenses over the southwestern Reich, some of the fighters swooped down on German airfields and left scores of parked Nazi planes burning after strafing attacks.

One Mustang squadron, commanded by Capt. Stephen W. Andrew, of Dallas, Tex., claimed 28 enemy aircraft destroyed, 27 of them on the ground, and 1/Lt. Edwin L. Heller, of Schnecksville, Pa., set up some sort of a record by getting seven on the ground—four Me109s, two Ju88s and one Ju52 transport—while Capt. Robert C. MacKean, of Yonkers, N.Y., destroyed five on the ground.

Other fighter groups reported air battles with Nazi interceptors, but a few units made the entire trip without aerial combat.

Sixth Mission in 8 Days

Most of the bomber formations, which split into task forces as they skirted the Swiss borders, found clear weather to pinpoint their targets as they carried out their sixth operation in the last eight days. They were picking up the pre-invasion blitz where the Marauders, Havocs and long-range fighters left it late Sunday evening.

German radio stations described the progress of the bomber formations across Europe as they closed in from north and south, and claimed that "gigantic air battles" were being fought by the Luftwaffe as it sought to preserve some of the battered factories which, it was revealed Sunday, even now are unable to replace current losses.

One Fortress division came back from Friedrichshafen to report not a single attack by enemy fighters, although a few were sighted in the distance, but a veteran B17 division ran into one of the toughest battles of its career, with the Nazis hurling rocket-firing interceptors and single- and twin-engined planes into headlong flight at the bombers.

Liberators flew back to base after what one crewman called "a perfect mission," and reported attacks by only three fighters.

While there was no immediate (Continued on page 4)

The War Today

Pacific—Greatest Allied landing of the Pacific war sets three forces ashore at separate points on the northern New Guinea coast, completing the entrapment of an estimated 60,000 Japs, the remnants of an army whose aim once was the invasion of Australia.

Burma—Details of initial airborne landing behind Japanese lines in Burma revealed by Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters; "substantial reinforcements" for these units now in; Allied garrison at Kohima completely relieved.

Air War—Fleets of U.S. heavy bombers from Italy and Britain strike Germans in one of war's heaviest co-ordinated attacks; targets near Munich and Friedrichshafen hit from Britain; Bucharest, Ploesti area and other targets bombed from south.

Russia—Red Army opens new offensive to take Sebastopol. Only local fighting reported in other sectors.

This Is the Beachhead's 'Capital'



This is Anzio, port south of Rome, through which the Allied beachhead troops are being supplied. The city's battered buildings and debris lining the waterfront show the marks of war. In the foreground two American LST vessels nose up on the beach.

Russians Open New Drive To Capture Sebastopol

After a lull lasting several days, the Red Army has brought up big guns to the hills dominating Sebastopol and has launched a new offensive to capture that port, Berlin reported last night.

Col. Ernst von Hammer, German News Agency military commentator, said strong forces of Soviet tanks, artillery and planes went over to the attack north of the city in an effort to clear the last Nazis out of the Crimea.

He said the fighting was "very violent" but "slight" Russian penetrations were sealed off.

Elsewhere the Eastern Front was quiet except for Red Air Force sweeps behind the German lines. Dive-bombers ranged the Gulf of Finland attacking German convoys and their aerial escorts. In two of these forays, Moscow reports said, 35 German planes were shot down and two trawlers, two cutters and a high-speed landing barge were sunk.

On the southern front, in the Stanislawow area 60 miles southwest of Tarnopol, Von Hammer claimed German and Hungarian troops made further headway "in the face of stubborn Russian resistance."

Moscow dispatches mentioned repeated German tank attacks, but gave no details of the fighting. They added that spring freshets had turned Carpathian streams into "raging mountain torrents," creating fresh difficulties for the Red Army.

Southwest of Narva, on the extreme northern end of the Baltic front, Moscow radio admitted the Germans succeeded in driving a wedge into Russian positions, but said the Red Army counter-attacked from both flanks, surrounded the Germans and then wiped them out.

More Service Insurance Asked

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24—Sen. Scott W. Lucas (D-Ill.) has introduced a bill to permit members of the armed forces to take out additional \$5,000 National Service Life Insurance policies for each of their children.

Lib Group Chief Flying a P47 Joins Zemke in a Dogfight Hunt

A LIBERATOR BASE, Apr. 24—A heavy-bombardment group leader who piloted a Thunderbolt over Germany Saturday with Col. Hubert P. Zemke's crack fighter outfit enjoyed the experience so much that he said today he was looking forward to similar combat missions with Lightnings and Mustangs.

For Col. Leland G. Fiegel, of Rochester, Minn., 29-year-old commander of the oldest Liberator unit in the ETO, it was no mere observation flight. While the Zemke group was nearing the enemy coast on the return flight to Britain, a distress call from part of the force of B17s and B24s which had attacked the German railway center of Hamm sent Fiegel and Zemke tearing back for combat.

However, the enemy fighters broke off the chase and Fiegel came back to this base without firing his guns. "Anyone with 150 gallons of gas follow me," Zemke had called over his

Tokyo Paper Demands Bombing of Washington

Japanese bombardment of Washington and heavy attacks on other points in the U.S. were called for in the Tokyo newspaper Shinbun, quoted yesterday by Domei, official Japanese news agency, and reported by the United Press.

"Our forces must sweep the enemy from the entire Pacific," it said. "Japan should not be satisfied until her air forces are crossing the Rockies and her battle fleet is bombarding Washington."

U-Boat Failure Is Increasing, Admiral Says

Low Declares Nazis Lose More Than One for Each Allied Vessel Sunk

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24—The United Nations "are now in a better position as to the U-boat menace than at any time since the beginning of the war," Rear Adm. Francis S. Low, chief of staff of the U.S. Tenth fleet, told the American Society of Newspaper Editors today.

Asserting that the Germans were losing "more than one U-boat for each Allied merchant vessel they sink," he added: "The German U-boat today is sinking considerably less than one-half of one per cent of the ships being conveyed across the Atlantic by the navies of the United Nations."

"The average combat life of a German submarine today is far less than it was a year ago. We believe it takes the Germans two or three times as long to build a submarine as that vessel may expect to endure on combat patrol. Such a rate of attrition is not conducive to winning wars."

Low forecast "an intensified U-boat campaign" when the Second Front begins. "They will probably throw the book at us," he said. "We are prepared to strike back by also using the book—or, if necessary, by throwing the book away."

He declined to discuss anti-submarine measures, asserting that "one authentic and specific word about our weapons very easily could give our enemies invaluable knowledge."

"Not long ago," he pointed out, "the news did leak out that the Germans were using an acoustic torpedo, an explosive device which tracks a vessel by the noises generated by the target ship."

"Both we and the British were aware of the possibility—the thought is as old as the hills—and we knew what to do about it. But we would have preferred to have the Nazis continue to use this torpedo in ignorance, long after we had learned to counteract its effectiveness."

Losses Are Light; Not a Ship of Huge Armada Is Sunk

ALLIED HQ, New Guinea, Apr. 24—The greatest American force ever to land on hostile Pacific shores, supported by the mightiest fleet ever assembled in those waters, made a three-pronged invasion of the northern New Guinea coast Saturday to complete the entrapment of an estimated 60,000 Japs, the remnants of an army once bent upon invading Australia.

The surprise landings, disclosed in a communique today, were made over a 150-mile stretch of New Guinea's northern coast—at Aitape, in western British New Guinea; at Hollandia Bay, just over the border in Dutch New Guinea, and at Tanahmerah Bay, 20 miles west of Hollandia. The latter two represented the first recapture of Netherlands territory from the Axis.

Tadji airdrome at Aitape was captured 6 1/2 hours after the landing. Patrols have reached out to within six miles of the big Japanese air bases inland from Hollandia, and these were expected to be seized swiftly.

Led by MacArthur Gen. Douglas MacArthur personally supervised the huge offensive from the deck of a light cruiser which took part in the bombardment. Later, wearing his



familiar gold-braided cap and flicking a pair of gloves, he went ashore at all three points, landing with the second wave at Aitape, and trudged through the smelly swamps with the men.

The triple invasion took the Japs completely by surprise and casualties were negligible. At Hollandia the Japs were so surprised that the Americans found their breakfast there all prepared but untouched.

The tremendous fleet, including strong carrier task forces, failed to entice the Jap fleet out of hiding and not a ship was lost. Every type of landing craft was used, from Ducks and Alligators to big floating dry-docks, and supplies poured ashore at the rate of 1,000 tons an hour.

Japanese air opposition also was lacking.

The operation constituted a grim game of leapfrog over 400 miles. By many feints at Madang and Wewak in the last week, including heavy aerial bombardment, the Japs were sucked into concentrating their forces in those areas, to the east of where the landings took place, and leaving vulnerable the vital western sectors in their rear.

Now they find themselves trapped. To (Continued on page 4)

ILO Sees Post-War Need For 30 Million New Jobs

PHILADELPHIA, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Approximately 30,000,000 men and women in the U.S. and 10,000,000 in Britain will want new jobs after the war, an International Labor Office report estimated yesterday. In the liberated countries of Europe, 30 to 50 per cent of the pre-war labor force also will need new employment, the report stated, calling for post-war manpower and economic policies integrated to achieve maximum production and consumption.

U.S. Will Print 37,500,000 Ballot Application Forms

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24—The War Ballot Commission reported that 37,500,000 postcard application forms would be printed so that service personnel may apply for ballots for the coming election. The army will receive 31,000,000 of the forms, the Navy 6,000,000 and the War Shipping Administration 500,000.

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Hash Marks

You will read this in your April copy of Reader's Digest, but in case you miss it we are passing it on to you. A sailor in the S. Pacific commented to his chaplain, "I have given the best years of my wife to the Navy."
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 Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings—Cpl. Daniel D. Palmer was a pretty proud GI. "On furlough in Scot-



land he purchased a snappy pair of kilts and looked so good in them that he had a picture taken and sent it home. Back came a letter from his kid brother: "Dear Dan, you look swell in kilts!"
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 Another ETO-Happy man is Sgt. Robert M. O'Brien, who writes: "I'm always in a quandary. When on a spree I'm bent. Wondering where the money'll come from, And later—where it went."

Thought for Today (by Sgt. Dick Rubin). When it comes to a knowledge of music, most MPs are like policemen. They can't tell how many beats there are to a bar but they sure can tell you how many bars there are to a beat.
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 Life is Like That. The parents of Private First Class Donald E. Hornby of a troop carrier base know the meaning of "patience is a virtue." After waiting fifteen months for word of a promotion, Mr. and Mrs. Hornby have given in and finally decided to call the family pooch (nameless for 15 months) "PFC."

You can shed a few tears in your beer for S/Sgt. William Hazelton, of Sub-depot supply at a Fortress base. It was



a dark and rainy night and Hazelton had a long way to pedal on his bike before reaching his base. A civilian friend offered him an overcoat to keep off the rain. So our hero put it on and started off through the blackout. Out of the darkness loomed what appeared to be a curbstone. Hazelton pulled up on the handlebars and lunged ahead. All went blank for a few seconds and our hero found himself neck deep in water—he had ridden into a static water pool. He is still wondering how to explain the condition of the coat; but the base fire department recovered the bike with grappling hooks. Moral: A short cut may be the wettest way home.
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 A Pfc once said, "Some women show a lot of style—and some styles show a lot of woman." Ain't it so!
 J. C. W.

Sumatra Raid Chief Says: Japanese 'Golden Chance To Take India' Has Gone

Last week's carrier task-force attack on Japanese-held Sumatra, uncovering a powerful Allied fleet in the Indian Ocean, means that Japan's "golden opportunity to take India no longer exists," in the opinion of the admiral who commanded the operation.
 The story of the raid is told below in delayed dispatches from a U.S. carrier which took part and from Ceylon.

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Apr. 21 (Delayed) (AP)—Adm. Sir James Somerville, commander of the carrier force which attacked Sabang on Sumatra Wednesday, in his first press conference in the Indian Ocean area today dismissed the raid as "just an ordinary show—nothing out of the ordinary."
 He added, however, that "now we've got a powerful fleet in the Indian Ocean—which the Japs have tasted—and their golden opportunity to take India during the past two years no longer exists."
 Somerville pointed out that Sabang was a strong outpost, well garrisoned, protecting the Japanese easternmost flank of their captured Malayan empire. He added that it had been used presumably as a Jap submarine base.
 "The destruction of their oil, gas, food and cargo ships hurt the Japs," he said, "particularly the loss of the oil tanks, which means the Japs must divert many tankers to Sabang, and they can ill afford that because American submarines are taking such a heavy toll of them in the Pacific."

Surfaced Sub Saves Flier; Planes Protect

By Eugene Burns
 Associated Press Correspondent
 ABOARD A U.S. CARRIER, Off Sumatra, Apr. 19 (delayed)—Under the guns of Japanese coastal batteries a surfaced British submarine today made one of the most dramatic rescues of the war, picking up an American pilot—Lt. (jg) Dale Christian (Klondike) Klahn, of Laramie, Wyo.—while 12 Hellcats spread an umbrella over Klahn's liferaft, the rescuing submarine and an enemy airfield.

(Klahn was part of a U.S. carrier task force which joined British, Dutch and other units in a heavy attack on the Japanese base at Sabang off enemy-occupied Sumatra last week. Dispatches from Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters yesterday said the planes left Sabang "a miniature Pearl Harbor.")
 A Japanese destroyer which tried to close with the surfaced, comparatively slow-moving submarine was stopped "dead in its tracks" by the Hellcats, directed by fighter-skipper Lt. Cmdr. Robert G. (Bob) Dose, of Coronado, Cal.
 The Japanese, who reckon life cheap, must have been amazed at the rescue. For a solitary pilot the submarine risked its entire personnel by closing within point blank range of the coastal guns while the 12 fighter pilots risked their necks for 90 minutes to cover the gun batteries, strafe the closing destroyer and explode aircraft warning up on the near-by field.

Klahn's plane was hit while he was flying low focusing the lens of his camera to photograph damage done by British and American planes. Flames broke out, but Klahn stayed at the controls until there was a gasoline explosion. Then he took to his parachute, broke out a liferaft and waited for the submarine—racing on the surface for maximum speed—to come up from 12 miles away.
 The raiding carrier-based planes—Hellcats, Dauntless Avengers, Corsairs and Barracudas—pinned down the Jap air force and destroyed military installations at Sabang to their hearts' content in a furious 15-minute attack.

The raid was launched from Allied carriers screened by battleships and lighter units under the command of Adm. Somerville. Almost 80 per cent of the planes were American-made.

The Japs failed in an attempt to cut into our force in reprisal. By day the foe could not penetrate our Hellcat screen, and our barrage fire stopped him by night.

It was bang-bang at Sabang. Every military installation, two airfields, two or three cargo ships of 4,000 to 5,000 tons, three corvettes, three huge oil tanks, docks, barracks, a radio station and a power plant received our personal attention—to say nothing of the personal quarters of the Jap commander-in-chief which four early-rising Hellcats riddled.

Returning pilots saw the flames 40 miles away, and kept a smoke column in sight for 60 miles.

Division's Lobby Art Gallery Keeping GIs Up on What's What

AN INFANTRY DIVISION HQ, Apr. 24—To keep the men of this outfit posted as to what is going on in the division the lobby of the headquarters has been transformed into a combination exhibition hall and art gallery.
 The idea started a couple of months ago when one man stopped a fragment of 105-mm. shell with his head. The impact chewed him up pretty badly but the fact that he wore a helmet saved his life. The next week the battered headpiece was placed on display with the simple inscription: "This helmet saved a man's life."
 Since the exhibits have ranged from serious displays of water-color paintings to a unique display of the largest and smallest shoes worn in the division. The largest is a pair of size 16 canal boats that had to be sent over from the States. The smallest is a dainty pair of fours created by a British bootmaker.

Sizes like this, it was explained, are obtained upon special requisition by the quartermaster. As soon as a pair comes through, another requisition is immediately put in, to be sure that the man won't be walking around barefooted.
 Innovations in field equipment are displayed in the lobby. One week it was a combination shovel and pickmatic. Another time it was an ingenious hand trailer, which operates on a 24-inch wheel base and can be used to carry heavy equipment in the field.

Now on exhibit is a glittering display of cups and trophies won by the division athletic teams.

Lined up in front of the huge competitive cup donated to the division by Lady Nancy Astor is an impressive assortment of trophies and autographed balls which bear evidence that the outfit in its two years in this theater has won the ETO championship in boxing, football, basketball, soccer and baseball.

Also on exhibit in a corner of the lobby are the new combat gas mask, a compact affair weighing about a third as much as the former type, and a futuristic-looking stove known as the submersion heater.

HUBERT by SGT. DICK WINGERT



"I can't imagine what she sees in that Yank!"

This Is The Army

INSTEAD of using mother's cellar washtubs, soldiers stationed in North Ireland let their clothes dry after a rainy day in special "drying rooms."

In one area the rooms have been improvised in castle dungeons and Nissen huts by Capt. Frank A. Gaidas, of Baltimore.
 The rooms are equipped with wall pegs on which damp GI gear is hung to be dried by hot stoves. Soldiers are required to use them at the end of a rainy day.

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 Dan'l Boone is still pioneering new trails. This time it is 1/Lt. Daniel Boone, of Blytheville, Ark., direct descendant of the original pioneer of the West, who is presently occupied with the Army Transportation Corps running supplies by GI truck instead of covered wagon, from ports to depots to troops. Lt. Boone is one of five brothers in service.

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 WHEN eight Army carrier pigeons operating with a Signal Corps unit in Britain recently made forced landings at several points off course, T/Sgt. John Fitzhugh, keeper of the flock, who received from several sources messages of their off-base landings and "slight" damage to the birds, charged it off to "spring fever."

From a Troop Carrier Base, however, came a subsequent report that may alter Fitzhugh's convictions. Back from a practice flight, a C47 reported to operations: "Enemy air opposition encountered; one flight of pigeons." The report further stated that the pigeons hit the side of the carrier like "a squadron of fighter planes."

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 Pvt. Raymond J. Cass, of Brooklyn, recently was rushed to a station hospital for an appendectomy. It was performed by a medical officer who happened to be visiting the hospital—Lt. Col. Pedro L. Platau, Cass' own family doctor. He not only had performed three previous operations on members of the Cass family, but attended Mrs. Cass at the birth of two children.

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 JOE Louis met Baer in the ETO last week, but the only decision reached was that champ or no champ, the Brown Bomber could have only seven packs of cigarettes, one stick of gum and the rest.

The meeting was promoted by Sgt. John A. Cuzzo, of Boston, exchange manager, and W/O Fred K. Brown, of Trenton, N.J., PX officer, at their new EM's PX in Knightsbridge, London. The Baer was no Max, or even Buddy; it was Ray, a sergeant from New York, who now flashes a Louis autograph.

Notes from the Air Force

THE Marauder Mild and Bitter roared over Europe Sunday on its 90th mission despite 20 large holes made by flak in its fuselage the day before.

Its engines were undamaged, however, and in four hours T/Sgt. William L. Stuart, crew chief, who named the bomber, had the B26 ready for its scheduled raid.

Mild and Bitter, which has been on more raids than any other bomber, was piloted on its 90th assault by Lt. Lloyd C. Lubensky, of Marshall, Mo. No crew member ever has been injured in the B26's long tour.

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 The men of Col. Lance Call's Thunderbolt group figure they have set some sort of record. In less than two months they completed 28 fighter and fighter-bomber missions, averaging 48 aircraft each time, without losing a plane to enemy action.

In that time the Houston (Tex.) colonel's group destroyed seven enemy aircraft, and probably destroyed three others.

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 CAPT. Jerry, a Troop Carrier Command mascot, has been grounded by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries after chalking up 1,024 hours in the air.

A short-snorting Dalmatian, Jerry is now sweating out a six-month quarantine sentence in spite of a flawless 201 file, the anguish of his whole group and an appeal by his squadron leader, Maj. Lewis S. Fredericks, of Shelbyville, Ky.

Jerry was inoculated against rabies in Amarillo, Tex., in 1943 and again last January when he received his sailing orders, but British law as administered by the Ministry of A and F ordered Jerry into the doghouse for six months for observation.

Fredericks said that Jerry had his own chute and Mae West and loved flying. "As soon as we made for the plane he'd run ahead and be first in. In flight he sat between the pilot and co-pilot."

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 Here's one for the books: T/Sgt. Paul Gervasi, whose home and Army addresses have been the same for 26 years, has been on Army service overseas for 19 years—without a furlough.

The 48-year-old Joe joined up in 1918, took a short leave in Savannah, Ga., in 1925, then headed for overseas stations all over the world. At present he is holding forth at a Ninth Air Force Fighter base.

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 LT. John P. Godfrey, Mustang pilot, of Woonsocket, R.I., has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action while supporting bombers on a mission over Germany Mar. 8. He destroyed two enemy fighters and shared with his section leader, Capt. Don S. Gentile, in the destruction of a third as the Nazi planes sought to attack the formation.

ARMY POETS

Message Home
 When "Uncle" called this nephew
 Saying, "Boy, there's work to do—
 I'll need the best that you can give
 Before this job is through."
 I thought, "OK, I'm with you,
 Even though it will be tough.
 My life's been easy going,
 But I can get mad and rough."
 Well, Uncle trained this nephew
 For the job he needed done,
 Schooled and drilled and marched me
 Then he said, "You're ready, son."
 "These tools that you've been handed
 Are the finest, that is true,
 And you know just how to use them;
 Now, the rest is up to you."
 Well, we tried those tools in battle,
 And against a vaunted foe,
 That was dogged in resistance
 And we slugged it toe to toe.
 And the smoke of battle, clearing,
 Showed that we had cleared the way,
 Showed the road to peace and glory
 Coming closer every day.
 We will smash the sneaks and tyrants,
 That I'm certain, for I am
 One of millions of such nephews
 Of my good old "Uncle Sam."
 Capt. Teild.

Pro Footballers Open 100-Game Season Sept. 17

Pittsburgh and Chicago Cards Combine; Rams To Resume Play

PHILADELPHIA, Apr. 24—The National Football League announced its season will open Sept. 17 and close Dec. 10 as club owners headed homeward today after their six-day confab which ended yesterday.

Fifty games have been arranged on a home-and-home basis in each division, while each team was given two inter-division games. The Cards-Pitts, name given the team organized from combined talent of the Chicago Cardinals and Pittsburgh Steelers, will play the Green Bay Packers and Chicago Bears at Chicago and will face the Bears, Cleveland and Detroit at Pittsburgh.

The only night game, also being the only midweek affair, will be between the Philadelphia Eagles and the Boston Yanks at Boston, Sept. 26.

The championship playoff between the eastern and western finalists will be played Dec. 17 in the eastern city.

With the Cards-Pitts playing in the western bracket, the league lineup will be as follows: WESTERN—Bears, Packers, Cleveland, resuming after a year of inactivity, Detroit and the Cards-Pitts. EASTERN—New York, Washington, Philadelphia, Brooklyn and Boston.

Bertelli Chosen by Boston

The draft of college graduates was determined during the meetings, although it was nothing more than a case of wishful thinking because most of the draft-eligibles are in the armed forces. The newly organized Boston Yankees caught the prize when they grabbed Angelo Bertelli, ex-Notre Dame All-American quarterback and last year's "football player of the year."

The Cards-Pitts, having second choice, selected Pat Harder, former star Wisconsin fullback. Both Bertelli and Harder are in the armed forces, but they will be available to the teams after the war—if they decide to join the play-for-pay gentry.

Harder was the Cardinals' No. 1 selection and the Cards-Pitts also drew

Cardinals and Browns Sweep Twin Bills

Ray Mack Gets Okay To Play With Indians

CLEVELAND, Apr. 24—Ray Mack, Cleveland Indians second baseman employed in a war plant, is free to play ball during his leisure time, members of his draft board have ruled. They denied Mack would be reclassified I-A for joining the team.

Working at the Thompson Aircraft Products Company, Mack said he intends to play in Cleveland's home night and Sunday games.

Pukka Gin Gets One More Try

Whitney to Scratch Derby Entry Unless He Runs Well in Chesapeake

NEW YORK, Apr. 24—From early winter book favorite to just another scratched Kentucky Derby hopeful will be Pukka Gin's fate if the Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney three-year-old repeats his disappointing Wood Memorial performance in Saturday's Chesapeake Stakes at Pimlico, according to Trainer Andy Schuttlinger.

"We are sending Pukka Gin to Pimlico Wednesday," Schuttlinger said, "and if he does well in the Chesapeake we will send him to the post in the Derby. But if he runs a dull race like he did in the Wood, he will be withdrawn."

Meanwhile, two other Derby favorites, beaten with Pukka Gin by Stir Up in their section of the Wood Memorial, were declared out of the Derby. William Helis said Olympic Zenith wouldn't go to the post and Mrs. Tilyou Christopher said Bel Reigh would be scratched. And Free Lance, which also-ran in the Wood event won by Lucky Draw, has been withdrawn from the Derby too.

Minor League Results

International League							
Buffalo 4, Syracuse 3 Other games postponed.							
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Toronto	2	0	1.000	Montreal	1	1	.500
Buffalo	2	1	.667	Rochester	1	1	.500
Newark	1	1	.500	Syracuse	1	2	.333
Baltimore	1	1	.500	Jersey City	0	2	.000

American Association							
Milwaukee 11, Minneapolis 0 (first game) Milwaukee 16, Minneapolis 0 (second game) Other games postponed.							
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Milwaukee	4	0	1.000	Columbus	1	2	.333
Louisville	2	1	.667	Minneapolis	1	3	.250
Indianapolis	1	1	.500	St. Paul	0	1	.000
Toledo	1	1	.500	Kansas City	0	1	.000

Pacific Coast League							
San Francisco 4, Oakland 2 (first game) Oakland 3, San Francisco 0 (second game) Los Angeles 6, Hollywood 3 (first game) Los Angeles 6, Hollywood 0 (second game) Sacramento 2, Portland 0 (first game) Portland 4, Sacramento 2 (second game) Seattle 5, San Diego 4 (first game) Seattle 2, San Diego 0 (second game)							
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Los Angeles	11	4	.733	Hollywood	8	9	.471
San Francisco	11	6	.647	Seattle	8	9	.471
San Diego	10	7	.588	Oakland	5	12	.294
Portland	8	8	.500	Sacramento	4	10	.286



Johnny Podesto

Johnny Podesto, of Pop Stagg's College of the Pacific eleven. He was Pittsburgh's first choice.

First selections by other owners were Brooklyn, Creighton Miller (Notre Dame); Detroit, Otto Graham (Northwestern-Colgate); Philadelphia, Steve Van Buren (LSU); New York, Billy Hillenbrand (Indiana); Green Bay, Mervin Pregulman (Michigan); Washington, Mike Micka (Colgate); Chicago Bears, Ray Evans (Kansas); Cleveland, Tony Butkovich (Purdue).

During their sessions, the owners also adopted rule changes intended to make for a more wide open game. Out-of-bounds kickoffs have been banned; coaching from the sidelines will be permitted and all post-season games after the championship match will henceforth be taboo.

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Lost
PICTURES, four about 5 x 7, one of brunette in black and striped blouse, another of same girl in street dress, third of middle-aged woman sitting in a white lawn chair with black and white dog near by, and the fourth of the girl and white dog near by, and the fourth of the girl and white dog near by. Lost in London, Mar. 22.—Pvt. Otto J. Fair Jr.

Found
WRIST watch belonging to E. Rotha.—Lt. J. A. Mitchell
PICTURE folder with U.S. Army insignia on outside and photograph of woman and two girls in color, lost by officer departing from Replacement Depot.—S/Sgt. Don W. Stecie, 31093882

Covering Ground

By Pap



Pro Golfers Will Split \$42,500 In Tam O'Shanter Meet in Aug.

CHICAGO, Apr. 24—Described by George S. May as the most lucrative meet in history, the Tam O'Shanter All-American golf tournament will be held here Aug. 24-27, with purses totaling \$42,500 in War Bonds (maturity value).

The first prize will be bonds worth \$13,466.67, which, according to May, tops any previous purse.

The tourney will have three divisions, professional, amateur and women. All events will be on a 72-hole medal basis and all divisions will be staged concurrently during the four-day meet.

Meanwhile, the Professional Golfers' Association announced a ten-tourney summer program. Including the Tam O'Shanter event, it will offer leading golfers a chance to slice up more than \$150,000 in War Bonds. Competitors are arguing, however, that you can't eat bonds, and they want some cash thrown into the bargain.

The summer whirl gets under way with the \$17,500 Philadelphia Invitation, June 8-11. Four players, Craig Wood, Jug McSpaden, Byron Nelson and Sammy Byrd, threaten to monopolize the tour, having won seven of nine winter titles among them. Others scheduled to make the golfing junket include Willie Goggin, Johnny Revolta, Tony Penna, Harry Cooper, Jimmy Hines, Ed Dudley, Gene Sarazen and possibly Walter Hagen.

Joe McCarthy III

BUFFALO, N.Y., Apr. 24—Joe McCarthy, Yankees manager, is recovering from an influenza attack complicated by neuritis. In his absence, Coach Art Fletcher is running the team.

HOW THEY STAND.

American League							
Detroit 6, Cleveland 2 (first game) Detroit 4, Cleveland 3 (second game) St. Louis 5, Chicago 2 (first game) St. Louis 4, Chicago 3 (second game) Other games postponed							
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
St. Louis	6	0	1.000	Detroit	2	4	.333
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	Washington	1	2	.333
New York	2	2	.500	Chicago	1	3	.250
Boston	2	2	.500	Cleveland	1	3	.250

National League							
Boston 5, Philadelphia 0 (first game) Philadelphia 3, Boston 0 (second game) St. Louis 11, Chicago 3 (first game) St. Louis 5, Chicago 4 (second game) Other games postponed							
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
New York	5	0	1.000	Brooklyn	2	3	.400
St. Louis	5	0	1.000	Chicago	1	5	.167
Cincinnati	3	1	.750	Boston	0	5	.000
Philadelphia	3	3	.500	Pittsburgh	0	3	.000

Hal's Headaches Ditto for AL Hurlers

CHICAGO, Apr. 24 (AP)—Manager Jimmy Dykes, the little round man with the big cigar, is risking his blue chips on a veteran of nine seasons with the Cleveland Indians to parade the Chicago White Sox to the American League pennant.

The oldster Dykes has planted at first base is Hal Trosky, a long range slugger who hasn't played since 1942 when severe headaches forced him to retire. The doctors call it migraine and they admit there's not much to do for it except to take B-1 injections. But it keeps Hal out of the Army and puts him in the Chisox infield.

Trosky, who poled a three-run homer Friday to make Dykes quit puffing on his over-sized stogie for a few seconds, is quite proud of his nine-year batting average of .313. His best year was in 1936 when he slugged .343 and led the league in runs batted in with 162. He also poled 216 home runs in nine years with the Tribe.

Dykes is certain that Trosky will help a lot. "He'll supply a long-needed distance power in the cleanup slot."



Hal Trosky

At the plate, Trosky doesn't look any different than he did before quitting the game. His timing isn't up to snuff as yet, but he still takes that terrific swat and when he connects—it's goodbye baseball!

Hal has one baseball ambition he hopes to fill this year. "I hit three home runs in one game twice," he says proudly. "I had a chance to make four in a game once and failed. I'd like to make four in one game before I'm through."

About those headaches? "I've been taking the injections two years now and I think they have helped me a lot," he declared. "I'm not cured because there is no cure for the headaches, but I think I've improved enough to play regularly."

Trosky has been pounding outfield fences since he reported to the club for spring training. If he can maintain the pace, Comiskey Park fans will soon forget what Uncle Sam did to the team when he transferred Luke Appling from his familiar perch at shortstop to the Army.

Jim Tobin Hurls One-Hit Contest As Braves Split

Tigers Snap Losing String With Double Victory Over Tribe

NEW YORK, Apr. 24—The powerful St. Louis Cards and redhot Browns enjoyed a field day yesterday at the expense of Chicago teams, sweeping twin-bills against the Windy City clubs to headline an abbreviated card marred by rain which washed out two double-headers and two single games.

The Cards clawed the Cubs twice in Chicago, 11-3 and 5-4, running their unbeaten record to five in a row. In the opener, the Red Birds chased Hank Wyse with three runs in the third inning and added five more in the next two frames off Paul Erickson and John Miklos, collecting 18 hits during the tilt. Max Lanier spaced 12 Bruin hits over the route, including Catcher Roy Easterwood's homer in the seventh. It was Lanier's second victory and Wyse's initial setback.



George Kuroski

The Cards had to come from behind to take the nightcap, staging a four-run outburst in the sixth that featured Whitey Kuroski's three-run circuit clout. Harry Gumbert started for the Cards, but departed in the second when the Cubs clustered four runs. George Munger pitched the remainder of the game to get credit for his second relief triumph, while Ed Hanyzewski was touched for seven blows as he suffered his second reversal.

Phils Bounce Back

In the only other National League activity which escaped the weatherman, Boston and Philadelphia split a double-header at Boston. The Braves captured the first decision, 5-0, behind the season's best pitching performance—a one-hitter—by Jim Tobin, but the Phils bounced back to grab the finale, 3-0.

Rookie outfielder Ford Mullen cracked a sharp single in the eighth inning of the opener to keep 15,000 fans from seeing a no-hitter. The Braves tagged Dick Barrett and Chet Covington for ten hits.

Buster Adams settled the issue in the first inning of the nightcap when he slapped out a home run with a mate aboard. After the four-bagger, Nate Andrews blanked the Phils for seven frames, but the Braves were thoroughly shackled by the air-tight hurling of Al Gerheuser, who set them down with six safeties. Ira Hutchinson relieved Andrews in the ninth and yielded the third run.

The Browns dumped the Chisox twice, 5-2 and 4-3, to lengthen their winning march to six for the only unblemished slate in the American League. Jack Kramer registered his second success of the season in the inaugural and provided the winning punch with a homer in the second with one man on, after the Brownies had reached bespectacled Bill Dietrich for a single run in the first. Kramer stopped the Sox with eight hits, while the Browns got nine off Dietrich, the loser, and Floyd Speer.

Orval Grove Beaten

Two runs off Orval Grove in the eighth on a walk, infield miscue and two singles brought the Browns from behind to win the second game. George Caster replaced Al Shirley in the eighth and received credit for his first victory.

The Detroit Tigers snapped their four-game losing streak in convincing fashion at Cleveland, spanking the Indians in both ends of their twin feature, 6-2 and 4-3.

The Tribe assumed a 2-0 lead in the first inning of the opener, after which Dizzy Trout tossed shutout ball the rest of the way. The Bengals tied the score in the third and jumped ahead with one in the fourth. They chased Ed Klieman, charged with the loss, with three runs in the eighth before Vern Kennedy quelled the uprising.

The Tigers adhered to the same pattern in the second tussle, erasing a three-run deficit with one counter in the seventh and three in the eighth on Catcher Bob Miller's round-tripper with two on. Ruffus Gentry started for the Bengals, but was spelled by Hal Newhouse in the seventh, Newhouse being the winner. Al Smith pitched eight innings for the Indians, absorbing his second loss.

By Al Capp

Li'l Abner



500 Men Flown Into Burma in Cochran Thrust

Details of Initial Landing Far Behind Jap Lines Are Revealed

Fresh details of Col. Philip Cochran's sensational setting up of a jungle "beach-head" behind the Jap lines in Burma by glider were disclosed yesterday as an official statement from Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters reported that a "substantial force" of troops now had been flown into that area to reinforce Chindits operating in the enemy's rear.

The War Department in Washington revealed that 26 C-47 transport planes towing 54 gliders took part in the first night's operation Mar. 5. They landed 500 men, including fighters and engineers, along with bulldozers and other equipment.

By the following night the airfield had been built and hundreds more men flown in by transport plane.

For the next seven days thousands of men climbed out of an uninterrupted chain of planes shuttling back and forth from India. Half a million pounds of supplies, 1,183 mules and 175 ponies were delivered by air.

On the initial glider landing, 30 men were killed and 33 injured, and almost all the gliders were damaged or destroyed.

Besides reporting substantial reinforcements to the Chindits, Mountbatten's headquarters also announced yesterday that the garrison holding the India frontier base of Kohima, 6,000 feet up in the mountains, had been completely relieved after nearly three weeks of constant Japanese pressure.

Meanwhile, Gen. Stilwell's headquarters announced that Liberators under Gen. Chennault attacked Japanese shipping in the Saigon area of Indo-China for the first time Saturday, sinking six vessels totaling about 20,000 tons, including three tankers.

Army Is Hunting Cameras and Will Gladly Buy Yours

A shortage of cameras for the coverage of pending military operations has prompted Col. W. W. Jervey, director of the Army Pictorial Division, to ask soldiers in the ETO to sell certain types to the Army. A fair price, subject to British price ceilings, will be paid.

Needed are Medalists, Super Ikonta Bs, Rolleiflexes, Rolleicords, Icaflexes, Leicas, Contaxes, Ektras and similar types.

Men wishing to sell such cameras have been asked to send a complete description as to type, normal and supplementary lenses, condition of repair and price wanted to the Supply Branch, Army Pictorial Division, APO 887 or phone ETUSA 1523. Cameras themselves should not be sent.

Sugary Jap Peace Offer Is Predicted by Grew

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Japan will try to make a compromise peace, Joseph C. Grew, former U.S. ambassador to Japan, predicted in a broadcast last night.

Grew said he believed peace terms would be offered the moment Japanese military authorities became convinced they couldn't win. "The pill," he said, "if presented, will be beautifully sugared."

Grew said the Japs had underestimated us, but warned: "There exists too much wishful thinking that once we have defeated the Germans we shall mop up the Japs in short order. I think we should be prepared for a long, hard pull."

AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial
- 1325 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 25
- 1100—Spotlight Band.
 - 1115—Personal Album.
 - 1130—Great Music.
 - 1150—French Lesson.
 - 1200—Noon Edition.
 - 1205—Barracks Bag.
 - 1300—World News (BBC).
 - 1310—Melody Roundup.
 - 1330—Chamber Music Society of Lower Basin Street.
 - 1400—News Headlines—Norfolk Hotel Orchestra.
 - 1430—Visiting Hour—Aldrich Family.
 - 1500—Music While You Work.
 - 1530—Off the Record.
 - 1630—Midland Light Orchestra.
 - 1700—London Column.
 - 1715—Miss Parade and Program Resume.
 - 1730—Gay Nocturne Revue.
 - 1755—Quiet Moment.
 - 1800—World News (BBC).
 - 1810—G.I. Supper Club.
 - 1900—Seven O'Clock Sports.
 - 1905—Carnival of Music.
 - 1930—Great Gildersleeve.
 - 2000—News From Home—Nightly Roundup of News from the U.S.A.
 - 2010—Fred Waring Program.
 - 2025—Calling APOs.
 - 2030—Comedy Caravan.
 - 2100—World News (BBC).
 - 2115—Hit Parade.
 - 2145—USO in the ETO.
 - 2200—Duffy's Tavern.
 - 2225—One Night Stand.
 - 2255—Final Edition.
 - 2300—Sign Off until 1100 hours Wed., Apr. 26

Spring Comes to Times Square



Spring in New York came in with a snow storm, as evidenced by these girls slushing through wet snow at 42nd St. and Broadway, Mar. 20.

Philippines Soon May Be Bombed

1,000 Miles from Hollandia Fields Whose Capture By Allies Looms

NEW YORK, Apr. 24 (AP)—Bombs from land-based Liberators may soon be telling the long-suffering Filipinos that Gen. MacArthur is beating his way back. The Japanese conquerors of the Philippines soon will be within range of MacArthur's long-range bombers, once the impending capture of three airdromes on invaded Hollandia is accomplished.

Mindanao, in the southeastern Philippines, is little more than 1,000 miles northwest of Hollandia.

That is a long overnight flight, but American Liberators from the Marshalls proved a few days ago that this could be done when they hit at Saipan and Tinian in the Marianas—a round trip of 2,400 miles.

From airdromes on Hollandia bombers could menace Japanese shipping around Minandao and in the Celebes Sea.

The big Japanese naval base of Palau, which was attacked for the first time in March this year from aircraft carriers, is about 800 miles from Hollandia. Its ships and phosphate industry may soon become regular targets which will be pounded with the same frequency as Truk.

Palau is the gateway to the Philippines. Its lagoon in American hands could serve for massing naval invasion forces.

If War's Still On, 55 Pct. Will Favor FDR—Gallup

NEW YORK, Apr. 24 (UP)—The latest Gallup Poll forecasts that if the war still is in progress when the presidential election takes place, 55 per cent of U.S. voters will prefer President Roosevelt and 45 per cent Thomas E. Dewey, assuming they are the candidates; if the war is over, Dewey will poll 58 per cent to President Roosevelt's 42 per cent.

A third set of figures indicates that if the war still is on but the end in sight within a few weeks or months, the division will be 51 per cent for the President and 49 per cent for Dewey.

\$500,000 Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—A \$500,000 fire which swept a shipyard and adjacent coalyard last night destroyed about 225 pleasure boats and consumed 2,000 tons of coal. More than 300 firemen fought the flames.

Strikers Return to Work

CHICAGO, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Striking members of the CIO union at the Montgomery Ward and Co. mail-order plant voted today to return to work in compliance with President Roosevelt's request.

Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

Kiss for Every Score—Fighter Record Zooms

AN EIGHTH MUSTANG BASE, Apr. 24—"A kiss for every pilot who shoots down a German today," was the farewell of blonde Ada Wattenmaker, Red Cross clubmobile gal from Charleroi, Pa., as she waved goodbye to the pilots at this base this morning.

The pilots went out on their job of escorting the Forts and Libs to southwestern Germany, met the Luftwaffe and came home.

To blonde Ada's coffee-and-doughnut wagon came 22 pilots, not for coffee and doughnuts.

Triple Invasion On New Guinea

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their west are the strong American forces freshly landed. To their east are the Americans and Australians. To their south are rank, impenetrable jungles. To their north is the sea, controlled by the U.S. fleet. And over all is Allied air mastery.

That estimate of the enemy's hopeless strait was given by the jubilant MacArthur himself in a communique which added this outline of the Japanese 18th Army's situation on the New Guinea beaches:

"With communications and supply lines severed, its condition becomes similar to that of the beleaguered 17th and 8th Japanese Armies in the Bismarck and Solomons archipelagoes. Its present strength is estimated at 60,000.

"The total remaining forces of these two armies, which were those destined for the invasion of Australia, but which are now themselves surrounded, is estimated at 140,000: 50,000 in New Britain, 10,000 in New Ireland, 20,000 in Bougainville, 60,000 in New Guinea.

"Since the start of the campaign they have lost 110,000 men—44 per cent of their original strength of 250,000—and the remainder are now neutralized and strategically impotent."

The communique added that "time and combat will be required to accomplish annihilation, but their ultimate fate is now certain. Their situation reverses Bataan."

Income Taxes Pouring In

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Income-tax collections in the first nine months of the current fiscal year amounted to \$12,869,000,000, three times the amount collected a year ago, the Treasury announced yesterday.

North-South Air Blows Resumed

U.S. Heavies Strike Targets In Reich, Rumania in Big Co-ordinated Thrust

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announcement of losses or claims, it seemed likely from unofficial reports that, including planes destroyed on the ground, the fighters had experienced one of their best days.

Nor was there any announcement of specific targets other than Friedrichshafen, but from Switzerland came reports that big fires could be seen burning across the Swiss-German border at Oeberlinger, Meersburg, Markdorf and Amzell, all within a 20-mile radius of Friedrichshafen.

Other Swiss dispatches said that at least eight U.S. bombers had crash-landed on neutral territory. One message said that Swiss fighters had herded damaged American bombers to forced landings and internment.

The Forts and Libs went out to Europe early in the morning after the RAF had kept the offensive going with night blows on Bilvorde, a German communications depot near Brussels, in Belgium, and Mannheim, in Germany, for the loss of six aircraft.

The Luftwaffe, for its part, showed it was still a fighting force to be reckoned with when it sent night bombers against southern and southwestern England, losing five planes in what may have been a reconnaissance in force to check British port activity.

With yesterday's simultaneous heavy blows from Italy and Britain, the main weight of attack was getting back to inner Europe, following the two-a-day raids by Marauders and Havocs on Sunday, which kept up the hammering of the Atlantic Wall invasion defenses.

Rail Yards Blasted

After a morning foray against targets in northern France, the B26s and A20s went back to the offensive against railway targets, hitting the train-packed yards at Namur, in Belgium, in their tenth operation in six days.

Allied reconnaissance planes late Sunday afternoon had gone snooping over Belgium and came home just before dusk with the discovery of the jam-packed freight yards at Namur. Weary Marauder ground crews, having prepared nine hauls in six days, rushed a battle fleet to readiness, and air crews took them off to the junction point of the five rail lines from Brussels, Mons, Luxemburg, Cologne and Liege. When they turned away from Namur, without loss, the Ninth Air Force bomber men could see at least 14 fires, and one train apparently laden with ammunition had exploded with devastating effect over the whole area.

NEWS FROM HOME

65 Lose Lives In Foundering Of Liberty Ship

Blasts on Vessel Laden With Explosives Blamed In Alaska Sinking

SEATTLE, Wash., Apr. 24—Sixty-five of a crew of 80 aboard the Liberty ship John Straub are presumed to have been lost when the vessel foundered last Wednesday off Sanak Island south of the tip of the Alaska Peninsula, the owners announced yesterday.

The War Shipping Administration announced in Washington that the tragedy, in which the ship broke her back and sank, was caused by one or two explosions. The vessel, making her third voyage, was carrying explosives, according to E. M. Murphy, superintendent of the Alaska Steamship Co., owners.

Valedictorian in ODs

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Apr. 24—The valedictorian at Syracuse University's May Commencement will be Pfc William Haven Dizer, although he has been absent from the campus for more than a year. Dizer left school after three years to join the Army and was assigned to the ASTP. His Army marks were added to his college record and he still leads his class.

Right Way to Celebrate

SAMPSON, N.Y., Apr. 24—William P. Hitler, nephew of Adolf Hitler, celebrated his uncle's 55th birthday by completing boot training in the U.S. Navy and moving on to an advanced naval training station. Also transferred with Seaman Hitler were Charles W. Fuhrer and W. W. Messerschmidt.

Written by a Cub Reporter

PHILADELPHIA, Apr. 24—Sultan the lion died Feb. 21 at the age of 22, but Thursday an undetermined number of his cubs were born at the Philadelphia Zoo. The mother, Fawsa, retired to a specially-prepared room, and zoo attendants said it wouldn't be safe to approach her for several weeks. She already has borne 25 cubs by Sultan.

Lonergan's Counsel Jailed

NEW YORK, Apr. 24—Edward Broderick, counsel for Wayne Lonergan, who was sentenced to 35 years to life for murdering his wife Patricia, has been sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment for his conduct at the trial. Judge John J. Freschi found him guilty on a four-count contempt citation.

Eight Killed in Explosion

COFFEYVILLE, Kan., Apr. 24 (Reuter)—Eight persons were killed and ten seriously injured yesterday in a series of explosions in a co-operative refinery. Bodies were burned beyond recognition, it was said. Cause of the explosion has not been established.

Two Thrusts Beaten Off By Allies in Anzio Area

ADVANCED ALLIED HQ IN ITALY, Apr. 24 (Reuter)—An early-morning visit from the Luftwaffe, with the probable loss of two enemy bombers, and two unsuccessful small-scale German attempts to pierce the defenses comprised yesterday's action in the Anzio beach-head.

On the main Fifth Army front, Allied gunners blew up an ammunition dump in Cassino and the Nazis again fired a barrage of leaflets.

Aircraft continued their sweeps against enemy rail targets northeast of Rome and also hit airfields and shipping.

Plan to Pay Its Members Incenses a Draft Board

PHOENIX, Ariz., Apr. 24—Asserting that "there's not enough gold in Fort Knox to hire us to do the unpleasant tasks we are doing," Maricopa County's Selective Service board indignantly rejected a proposal by Sen. Alexander Wiley (R.-Wis.) that draft-board members be paid.

In a telegram to the Senate Military Affairs Committee, the board's five members said:

"Cash compensation, no matter how well intended, would constitute prostitution of patriotism. It is far more insulting than flattering."

By Milton Caniff

