

# More Airborne Landings Reported

## Churchill Says War In Europe May Last Several Months in '45

## Yank Sniper Hunt

## Berlin Says Allies Extend West Flank Of Dutch Corridor

### Reports U.S., British Casualties in Exact Ratio to Strength

By Fred Schouman  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Prime Minister Churchill, who in May, 1940, offered England only "blood, toil, tears and sweat," told a crowded House of Commons yesterday that the war in Europe may be over by the end of 1944, but that he can't guarantee "that several months of 1945 may not be required" to end it.



Winston Churchill  
Between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 Allied troops are now on the continent.

#### German Losses 1,100,000

Germany has lost 400,000 killed and wounded and nearly 500,000 prisoners, with probably another 200,000 cut off in the coastal area of Holland.

British losses in killed, wounded and missing total 90,000, while American losses total 145,000—235,000 in all. The casualties almost exactly follow the numbers engaged.

Great Britain will pursue the war against Japan with all her strength and resources to the very end. A large part of the modernized British fleet already is assembled for this purpose in the Indian Ocean.

Russia is holding and beating far larger hostile forces than those which face the Allies in the West and has, through long years, at enormous losses, borne the brunt of the struggle on land.

In the first 24 hours in France, a quarter of a million men were landed in the teeth of fortified and violent opposition; by the 20th day, a million men were ashore.

After 120 days of fighting, the British still bear in cross-Channel troops a proportion of two to three in personnel and of four to five and a half in fighting divisions in France.

On peace, the Prime Minister said he hoped to arrange a meeting with President Roosevelt and Marshal Stalin "before the end of the year," but that he does not believe the Dumbarton Oaks Conference ought to be "hurried into momentous decisions."

#### Every Seat Filled

Every seat was taken as Mr. Churchill began his speech in the imposing Gothic hall which ordinarily houses the Lords but whose red morocco benches have been used by the Commons since bombs destroyed their meeting place during the blitz.

And on the sturdy table of the House, in front of which Mr. Churchill spoke into overhead microphones, rested the heavy golden mace which signifies the House is in session.

Speaking quietly to an expectant House in whose galleries sat U.S. Ambassador John G. Winant and M. Feodor Gusev, the Ambassador of the Soviet Union, Mr. Churchill declared that the "fruit of the world-famous Battle of Normandy, the greatest and the most decisive single battle of the entire war," has "completely changed the face of the war in Europe" during little more than seven weeks.

Paying tribute to the leadership of the  
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U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

Cautious, alert American airborne infantrymen, their weapons poised for instant action, move against snipers while advancing in a Dutch town. They crouch close to the burned out truck to provide themselves with partial cover.

### Yanks Hold Jewish Services in Germany

BELGIUM, Sept. 28—The first Jewish services were held in Germany in two places by U.S. troops yesterday.

It was Yom Kippur and 300 soldiers gathered on a hillside in Kornelmunster for morning services by Chaplain Sidney M. Lefkowitz, of Richmond, Va. In the afternoon, 150 men heard the chaplain in a wool mill at Roetgen. Lefkowitz serviced three divisions and one corps yesterday.

### Accord Lacking As Parley Ends

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (ANS)—Officials of the U.S., British and Russian governments wound up their world security planning at Dumbarton Oaks today without reaching the complete agreement they had hoped for when the conference opened six weeks ago.

Under-secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr., chairman of the meeting, summed up the 90 per cent agreement he said had actually been accomplished as extremely satisfactory progress toward reaching a basis for a world organization.

The main point left over is whether one of the great powers, if accused of aggression, should have the right to vote in the proposed world council on whether the accusation is to be sustained or rejected. Russia is understood to have favored such a right, while the U.S. and apparently the British also argued against it.

### Heavies Bomb Reich 4th Day; 9th Blasts Panzers for Patton

While more than 1,000 Eighth Air Force Fortresses and Liberators yesterday plastered the Reich for the fourth day in a row, nearly 200 French-based Ninth Air Force Marauders and Havocs attacked a German concentration of troops, tanks and supply installations hidden in the Foret de Parroy, 50 miles southeast of Nancy.

Forty-nine heavies and 12 fighters were lost, although some of the pursuits are believed to have landed in friendly territory. Thirty-six enemy planes were shot down.

For the second consecutive day there were great air battles as the escorting fighters tangled with the Luftwaffe which concentrated their attack on small elements of the bomber forces.

#### Oil, Rail Targets Hit

Between 500 and 750 Mustang, Thunderbolt and Lightning fighters escorted the heavies, which bombed a synthetic oil plant and railroad yard at Magdeburg and tank works at Kassel, as well as targets at Merseburg, visually and by means of instruments.

The medium and light bombers' assault was designed to soften a strong armored pocket of resistance in the path of the U.S. Third Army. The panzer concentrations were described as forming a threat to the right flank and rear of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's forces.

British-based Marauders and Havocs for the third straight day dropped about 4,000,000 leaflets on Nazi troop concentrations in France and Holland.

In Wednesday's Ninth fighter-bomber operation the explosion of a large enemy ammunition dump 15 miles north of Strasbourg was so tremendous that a fighter-bomber flying at 8,000 feet was wrecked by the force of the blast and another plane suffered damage.

### Soviets Press Hungary Drive

Hungary's government has ordered civilians to be evacuated from Szeged, her second largest city, now threatened by the Soviet advance, Ankara heard yesterday as Marshal Malinovsky's troops pressed forward along a 100-mile front in southeastern Hungary.

The German communique at the same time announced Malinovsky had crossed the Danube into Yugoslavia at Orsova, a few miles above the gorge of the Iron Gate.

The battle for Riga advanced another stage with the link-up of Gens. Govorov's and Maslennikov's armies 21 miles north of the Latvian capital. The two groups, averaging 15 to 20 miles a day, were within field glass range of Riga yesterday.

At Warsaw, where a news blackout has veiled Marshal Rokossovsky's operations for many days, the Polish underground army reported it had lost the southern part of the suburb of Mokotow to a "heavy and violent" German attack.

### Airman Falls 4 Miles From Plane—Lives

NEW YORK, Sept. 28 (AP)—Entangled in the severed tail of a Flying Fortress, Sgt. Eugene Moran, of Gays Mills, Wis., fell four miles into a tree—and lived to become a prisoner in Germany.

Sgt. George Fisher, of Roslindale, Mass., recently repatriated in a prisoner exchange, told about Moran's escape today. Fisher met Moran in a German prison camp.

The incident happened last Nov. 29, he said. Moran believed he escaped death only because the rudder and stabilizer surfaces slowed the tail section's drop.

### Plan To Release Unfit Without Authorized Jobs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (ANS)—The War Department announced today a plan to discharge enlisted men in United States and overseas who fail to meet minimum physical induction standards and for whom no appropriate assignment is available.

The Department said, however, that where men are serving in authorized jobs they will not be discharged solely on the ground of failure to come up to minimum physical standards.

### Move Presses Trap On Nazis Backed To Coast

New Allied airborne landings in Holland were reported yesterday by the German News Agency, which said the fresh troops were dropped to strengthen the corridor on its western flank, where British ground troops were already pressing an estimated 200,000 Germans back against the sea.

Berlin said fierce fighting raged after a new airborne force landed on the road between Nijmegen and Hertogenbosch. On the same road, Allied ground troops were at Oss, 12 miles from Hertogenbosch, which lies less than 20 miles from the mouth of the Maas River.

#### Other Offensives Mount

Faced with the danger of Allied forces reaching the mouth of the Maas, and cutting off all Nazis in the area west of the Holland corridor, the Germans also declared they were menaced by mounting offensives east of Aachen toward Cologne, against the Moselle barrier to Metz, and beyond Nancy on the way to Strasbourg.

Hard and bitter fighting was in progress in all main sectors of the Allied battle-front. It became clear that the Germans intended to fight for every inch of ground.

Against stiff opposition in their eastward drive from the Holland corridor British troops gained a 14-mile stretch of the Maas, with the German border almost parallel three miles farther east.

U.S. First Army troops pushed ahead through the heavily-fortified six miles of the Hurtgen Forest, 14 miles southeast of Aachen. An unconfirmed report from Brussels Radio last night said American



troops had breached the Siegfried Line at a new point south of Aachen.

Third Army troops were forced back from a moat-ringed fort in the concrete chain guarding Metz, but beat back three German counter-attacks there and east of Nancy.

#### Calais Citadel Taken

Calais citadel was captured by Canadian troops, but the Germans still fought fiercely for possession of the town and port.

Although the bridge at Arnhem was lost, it was considered unlikely that it would be of use to the Germans. Reports indicated that the British Second Army had sufficient strength on the south bank of the lower Rhine to prevent the Germans from sending troops or supplies across the bridge.

The over-all airborne operation which opened the way into mid-Holland was described officially as 85 per cent successful at Field Marshal Montgomery's headquarters.

The U.S. 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions took part in the Eindhoven-Nijmegen landings, SHAEF disclosed.

### Allied Aircraft Strafe Batavia

The first Allied air attack on Batavia, capital of the Netherlands East Indies, since the Japanese occupied the city in March, 1942, was reported yesterday by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Reconnaissance planes made a surprise strafing attack on enemy-occupied buildings in the Batavia area, on Java island, the communique said. It gave no details.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz meanwhile announced that U.S. Marines now control all of Peleliu island, in the Palau group, except for a small pocket at the north-eastern tip.

Tokyo reported 100 carrier-based planes attacked Koror and other Palau islands Monday.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (Reuter)—The U.S. 14th Air Force has sunk, probably sunk or damaged 1,083,880 tons of Japanese shipping since March 10, 1943, the War Department announced.

### Airborne Hospital Is Tested; Will Soon Join the Sky Troops

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (ANS)—Airborne armies, which have the highest rate of casualties, will soon have a complete medical and surgical unit, the 130th Evacuation Hospital, first mobile hospital to be transported by air.

The 130th was tested for the first time this week in airborne maneuvers at Camp Mackall, N.C., when 55 transports flew the entire hospital into an airfield and three hours later it was ready to handle casualties.

Parachute and airborne troops in Nor-

mandy and Holland have had medical aid men with them who have been able to give emergency treatment but serious cases had to be evacuated by air. Now an evacuation hospital can be flown to the wounded.

A 400-bed hospital flown by C47s in two echelons, it can support 25,000 troops, the equivalent of three paratroop or two regular divisions.

In the hospital, 38 medical officers, 40 nurses and enlisted medical technicians work in six operating teams.



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THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

A.C. Lieut. Blows Back Sept. 26, 1944.

Dear Stars and Stripes, Captain Houle talks too much through his GI hat, set at just the right angle, no doubt, and with a grommet inside. Furthermore, he is forced to capitalize many of his words for emphasis. If The Stars and Stripes had red printer's ink, he'd have utilized that, too.

Listen, Houle. We don't look upon flying as a "job," no more than Marty Marion considers holding down shortstop a job, or Don Budge playing tennis a job, or Duke Ellington composing a tune a job, or Ernest Hemingway writing a book a job. But this is probably too deep for you.

Listen, Houle. We are not arrogant. Coming from a supercilious guy like you, such an adjective is hard to take.

Call us "cocky," if you please. We get that way on the ground because that's how we have to be in the air: sure of ourselves, confident that we've got enough brains and coordination and guts to shoot down a Jerry or strafe a troop train or dive-bomb a bridge or go through a sea of flak or land a plane when you can hardly see the runway. Perhaps you can turn bravado off and on like a faucet. We can't.

Listen, Houle. We're commissioned officers and we prove it every day, not in dress or military courtesies or pulling our rank, but in the deeds we perform. Your big worries were over after O.C.S. Well, we got a new test on every mission. We aren't busted or reclassified or fined if we fail. You know what happens to us.

Listen, Houle. We, too, pay tribute to the R.A.F. But not as well-dressed, gentlemen officers. We respect them as pilots, and we're willing to acknowledge their greatness even if they run around in underwear. Remember that we're also proud—too proud to be patterned after anybody but ourselves. Hell, you probably don't know what a Spitfire looks like.

Listen, Houle. In our game there is neither need nor desire to be GI towards enlisted men. We're too interdependent, have too much common understanding and spirit. We're a team and whatever doesn't help us win is cast overboard. They know the score, brother. They may not salute us constantly nor "Sir" us to death, but they keep us flying and there's no scent of pretence in the way they sweat us out. We don't talk of it, Houle, but we are aware of fundamental truths and act that way. Too deep? We thought so.

We're sorry that we contaminate the ground forces. We're sorry if our behavior is detrimental to the war effort. We're sorry if you are, quite possibly, jealous, and express that attitude indirectly. There just isn't any justice, eh, Houle? Yep, very sorry. But we'll keep on toeing our line our way, Houle. We mean Captain, Captain, O My Captain Houle, sir?—Paul A. Pelon, 1st Lt. A.C.

[Before this gets any hotter, The Stars and Stripes would like to remind its contributors that we're all in the same Army and Germany is the common enemy. How about a truce on this topic?]

Hershey Bars for 4Fs

Sept. 21, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, Lots of guys back home have been sweating this war out buying bonds. They walked off with occupational deferments when they were Key men(?) in vital war factories. Now that production is at a peak, and industry has had ample time to train substitutes, how about Uncle Sam putting the touch on them? We'd like to see them wearing Hershey Bars. They would be good Army of Occupation bait, too. Three cheers for Congressman Phillips, of California, who apparently thinks likewise. We would like to hear more congressmen with his ideas.—Tommy Newman, John Linton, Kenneth Kimler, Harold K. Berger, Herbert Rulim, Thomas Dow, F. P. Gorman, S. R. Kramer, C. T. Cotton, Le Roy L. Farrow.

—That These Dead

Sept. 15, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, I wondered how long we would go on and not mention the question that puzzles all of us. Purple Hearts and Oak Leaf Clusters don't generate enough courage to ask so daring a question. "Let's Set the Post-War Pattern" in your Sept. 15 issue cracked a door that we dared not open, lest we face bare facts.

Well, Fellow Yanks, we had the guts to face Hitler's 88s at St. Lo, and the courage to cling to every tomorrow at the historic Anzio Beachhead. Let's ignore society and face the Negro problem. Let's make sure that this comrade who shared his foxholes with us in France—mingled his blood in death with ours on the immortal shores of Normandy—shares the freedom he died for. "That these dead, shall not have died in vain."—Another Yank who believes in the Four Freedoms.

Hash Marks

Cpl. Ronald Stetzel spotted this amusing "double-feature" program listed in his hometown newspaper. The Uptown Theater intriguingly advertised: "Delinquent Daughters"—"Abroad With Two Yanks."

An unknown contributor sends us his daffynition of a GI meal: "An impossible combination of foodstuffs prepared with complete indifference and served in as unappetizing manner as possible."

Another delightful WAC story from Capt. Jane Mauerhan. Regulations state that enlisted WACs will not "date" male officers and the breaking of this rule is a problem that must be dealt with by WAC officers. Therefore one of the favorite



questions the officer candidate boards put to enlisted WACs who aspire to become officers is: "What would you do if an enlisted woman told you that she had fallen in love with an officer?" The best answer came from a pretty, shy applicant who said, "I'd hand her an application to O.C.S.!" (PS—She passed.)

Ouch! "These foreign cars sure are classy," commented the little moron on reading about a German officer who left town in a huff.

In case you had forgotten—glamor is something that evaporates when the sweater is a little too large.

Shades of the Sad Sack! One night two GIs walked across about 30 feet of freshly laid concrete trying to find a



short-cut to an air force mess hall. Reaching solid ground again, one of the puffing airmen observed, "Damn, that's a muddy stretch!"

Our spy in the air corps tells us this one. A colonel piloting a transport plane was given the all clear signal to land and as he swooped gracefully over the runway he looked from his controls with pride: "One of the smoothest landings I ever made!" he chortled. The engineer sergeant standing behind him cleared his throat. "Sir," he said timidly, "you're still 15 feet off the ground!"

Being an Army man, we are staying in a neutral corner on this; but a Navy guy requested we publish this daffynition of a First Class Petty Officer—"A mobile unit consisting of a one-cylinder mind and a two-legged chassis, propelled by three stripes."

Who said that? A GI haircut is a patch of hair with white sidewalls. J. C. W.

PRIVATE BREGER



"Soldier, drop it quietly, piece by piece! The colonel is taking a nap!"

An Editorial

First Class Fighting Men

NINE days they fought the Hun to a standstill. Crouching, cold, drenched to the skin in muddy foxholes, these tough paratroopers were mortared, blasted by flame-throwers, shelled by 88-mm. guns and machine-gunned for days and nights without letup. They ran out of food and water, almost out of ammunition, and they fought on.

A battalion of their wounded with bandaged heads, legs and arms in splints charged and routed a counter-attack by picked SS men, driving them back. The Germans say they "fought like lions."

Out of 8,000 airborne troops who landed at Arnhem, 2,000 walked back through the German lines and were ferried across the Lek river to Allied lines.

These heroic men of the British First Airborne Army made it possible for their comrades, including Americans, to grab the strategic Grave bridge and both the Nij-



megen bridges over the Rhine intact. They held back the German reserves sent to defend these vital crossings. They failed to hold the Arnhem bridgehead only because bad flying weather prevented supplies and reinforcements from reaching them.

And they came staggering back demanding a chance to return and lick hell out of the Huns. That's why GIs everywhere today are proud of these fighting Britishers—proud to call them Allies. That's why we call them: FIRST CLASS FIGHTING MEN

Hitler, Goering Nazis' Favorite Pinup Pictures

Hitler and Goering appear to be the favorite pinup boys of the German Army, but Himmler, Goebbels and von Ribbentrop don't seem to be winning any popularity polls, according to men of a Ninth Air Force Service Command unit who occupied a huge German airfield near Rennes, France.

Hundreds of pictures of the Fuehrer and "the Blimp" adorned the walls of bullet-pocked billets at the field, but there was not one of Goebbels, Himmler or von Ribbentrop.

In the building in Rennes which for four years housed the local Gestapo headquarters, the pictures in every room told the same story.

Other Ninth Air Force Service Command men have discovered that although Hitler burned the books in 1933, he did not destroy the German love of reading, even in his own Army.

Among hundreds of books found at an abandoned Luftwaffe field was "All Quiet on the Western Front," by Erich Maria Remarque. Although this was one of the books tossed into the library bonfire at Nuremberg, a well thumbed copy was in the German officers' quarters when the Americans arrived.

Also found at the field were scores of children's books.

Train Hops Off, On Track

JACKSON, Ga., Sept. 26 (ANS)—The Southern Railway's crack "Royal Palm" apparently is an amazing train. It can run on or off the tracks. The train was northbound near Jackson and two coaches got off the tracks. They ran on the ties for about 2,000 feet and then jumped back on the rails with no damage or injuries.

Add One-Man Armies Lone GI Withstands 36-Hour Siege by Whole Nazi Company

By S. O. St. John Stars and Stripes Special Writer

WITH THE 5TH INF. DIV., France, Sept. 28—The closest thing to a one-man army this division has seen is S/Sgt. Alvin T. Moore, 23, of Cocker-

ville, Tenn. In 36 hours in the Moselle River area, Moore: Knocked off a German tank gunner; wiped out a machine-gun nest; killed a German peeping up a dumb waiter; and in true squirrel-shootin' style, bullseyed a "potato-masher" grenade which, tossed at his room, landed on a window sill and ticked toward explosion while the Tennessee took aim.

For a day and a half Moore remained alone in a village while his comrades withdrew before overwhelming odds. He had been sent out on a reconnaissance mission to find an opening for his Fifth Infantry platoon to withdraw and strike the enemy from the rear.

Sees Nazis Coming

Reaching a hill just east of the town, the sergeant saw a German infantry company approaching. Moore took cover in an empty brick building and hurried upstairs to a musty room with one window and a fireplace. A few minutes later the Germans began working through the village, house by house.

Moore saw two Germans at close range. Two shots from his rifle killed them, and a moment later a third fell before the American's fire. The last round finished his next-to-the-last clip, just as the enemy mop-up party reached his hideout.

Moore edged away from the window and saw the hoist cable on a dumb waiter move. He peered down the shaft and saw a helmeted figure move. A slug in the neck took care of the peeping foe.

Moore looked out of the window again and saw a potato masher headed his way. He dodged back to the fireplace as the grenade exploded in the room, loosening the hearth bricks. Another missile followed, and once again the chimney afforded protection.

Grenade Goes Off

There was a lull. Then a third potato masher raced through the window. It lit, ticking, on the sill. Moore calmly took aim, fired, and the grenade exploded harmlessly.

The three blasts apparently convinced the Germans that Moore had been killed. Moore quietly began building an improvised fort from the loosened hearth bricks. For ten hours he remained in the room, while the Germans threw a party below.

Then came the sound of hurrying feet, and the enemy made a hurried exit. Moore looked out the window and saw the reason: An American patrol was approaching.

Moore shouted, identified himself and a few minutes later was back in friendly company.

GI Deaths in Paris Now Down to 'Normal'

PARIS, Sept. 28 (UP)—Col. E. G. Buhmaster, Seine Base Section Provost Marshal, denied citywide rumors that GIs are being stabbed or shot in Paris after liberation there have been only occasional incidents of foul play, about what is normally expectable in a city days, he said, there was a daily average of four GIs killed by foul play.

Notes from the Air Force

THE Mustang group commanded by Col. Donald Blakeslee, of Fairport Harbor, Ohio, recently became the second Eighth fighter outfit to receive a Presidential citation "for outstanding performance of duty and extraordinary heroism in action."

Operational since October, 1942, the group is Eighth Air Force high-scoring with 701 enemy aircraft destroyed in the air and on the ground. The citation also stated: "On April 8, 1944, the group destroyed 31 planes in the air, thus breaking the Eighth Fighter Command record for the largest number of enemy planes destroyed in the air by one group in a single day." The record still stands.

Abaze from flak bursts which damaged four engines and set fire to a gasoline tank, the Fortress in which Col. Karl Truesdell Jr., of Washington, was flying as command pilot on the Russia-to-Italy leg of the most recent England-Russia-Italy-England mission by Eighth Air Force bombers was forced to drop from formation and fly alone more than 400 miles from the target at Szolnok, Hungary, to a base in Italy.

THE Fortress Five Grand, on which several thousand aircraft workers' names are autographed because it was the 5,000th Fort off the line at Boeing's Seattle (Wash.) plant, got its baptism of fire in the bombardment of German gun positions in Holland preparatory to landings by Allied airborne troops.

Five Grand is in the group commanded by Col. Robert W. Warren, of Big Spring, Tex., which has completed 200 combat missions and holds a Presidential unit citation.

The Lighter Side Over There

THE prescribed uniform for soldiers in Paris has been outlined by Brig. Gen. Allen R. Kimball, whose appointment as headquarters commandant of ETO and Communications Zone headquarters was announced recently.

Until further notice the proper uniform of both officers and enlisted men will consist of helmet liner, OD trousers and OD shirt, field jacket and leggings or their equivalent.

Prior to his new appointment, Kimball was ETO deputy chief quartermaster with headquarters in the United Kingdom. The general is now responsible for the several thousand officers and enlisted men assigned to the headquarters which was transferred to Paris as soon as hostilities in the capital ceased.

To date, 169 hotels have been taken over as billets for the personnel and more than 20 mess halls have been established, many of them with French staffs.



# Tigers Blank A's, Take Game Lead as Browns Lose

## Once Over Lightly

By Charlie Kiley

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—Mention in a recent dispatch of a 29th Infantry Division unit getting a citation for action in France has little connection with sports except that Maj. Gen. Charles Gerhardt, commander of the 29th, is one of the outstanding athletes in the history of the Military Academy at West Point. Some say he was one of the nation's greatest natural athletes.

When the general went to the Point in 1913 he had played little baseball, but in quick time he developed into one of the best infielders which the Kaydets can boast. He had played no football whatsoever, yet became a star quarterback in his first season and at the end of the second crowded the All-America field generals for top recognition. While the stocky Blue and Gray Division boss was an excellent horseman, he had never played polo before entering the Academy. But the Army needed polo players badly at that time so naturally called on Charlie Gerhardt. In a few months he became the star of the team and subsequently a seven-goal man.

Baseball, football and polo are as different as day and night, but with practically no previous experience he became a standout in all three.

Gen. Gerhardt, who marked his 49th birthday leading men onto and off the Normandy beaches on D-Day, was a staunch supporter of sports within the 29th, frequently ringsiding at Rainbow Corner to watch the Pat Gallaher-coached undefeated division ring team in action. It was natural for an athlete like Gerhardt to have held championships in baseball, football, softball and boxing.

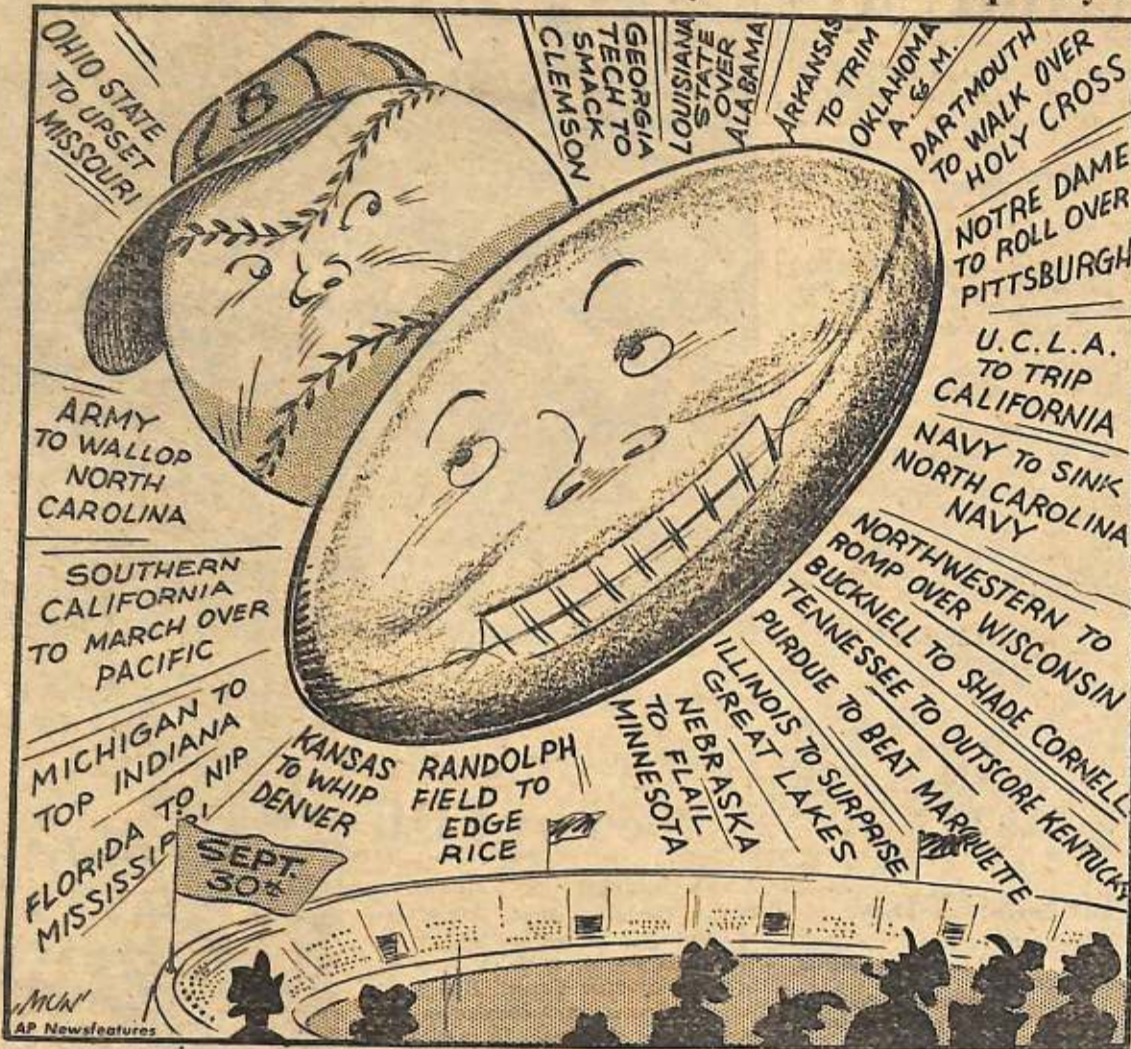
Tim Mara says he's been laughing so hard the last few days he's got hiccupps. The New York pro football Giant chief is hysterical over the formation of three more pay grid circuits known as All-America, Trans-America and United States leagues. Monsieur Mara wants to know where they got all those "millionaires" to start the new leagues. Moreover, he laughs off competition from two other teams in New York. Mara also declares that the biggest joke of all is the new leagues' boasts that they have "concrete plans" when the long-established National League, with 11 clubs, is trying to get one more solid entry and having trouble. He says he's laughing so hard he hasn't time to worry.

Personally we think Timothy is whistling in the dark.

**SHORT SHOTS**—Richard the Rifle Wakefield has never bunted since he's been in organized baseball. The reason: He doesn't know how. . . The 16 baseball writers who pick the National and American Leagues' most valuable players will make more enemies than Hitler has right now, no matter who they pick. . . Sammy Baugh's draft board says that football is not an essential occupation. Danny Litwhiler's board not long ago said baseball was an essential job. How come? . . . They're calling Lou Little's Columbia eleven Lou Little's Lilliputians, because the starting backfield averages 153 pounds. . . Not that we have any reason to believe the Yanks will beat the Tigers out, but we aren't eating any hats to pay off bets until the race is decided.

## Partial Eclipse

By Mun and Chip Royal



## Yankees Pound White Sox, 7-2, To Stay in Race

### Red Sox Subdue St. Louis In Postponed Tilt, 4-1

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—Manager Steve O'Neill, who has been reported worried about Hal Newhouse's leaky heart, "took another chance" yesterday, pitched Prince Hal with only two days' rest and was paid off with a five-hit masterpiece as the Tigers blanked the Athletics, 4-0, and jumped into a full-game lead over the Browns, who lost a night contest to the Red Sox, 4-1. The Yanks slapped Chicago, 7-2.

The remainder of the American League schedule is all to the Tigers' advantage, as they play the Senators down the stretch while the Browns take on the still-in-the-race Yankees in a four-game series.

Newhouse sent nine of Connie Mack's sluggers back to the bench via the strike-out route and was out front all afternoon as he registered his 28th win of the season. Richard the Rifle Wakefield was again the big noise with the willow, connecting for three straight singles and driving in the first two Bengal runs in the opening frame. Victim of the Detroit triumph was Bobo Newsome, the man who hurled the Bengals to their last flag in 1940. Bobo was touched for 11 blows and walked four.

### Pinky Woods Victimizes Sewellmen

The Red Sox-Browns' game, originally scheduled for the afternoon, was delayed and finally got started at 9:30 P.M. Pinky Woods, making his first start since Sept. 2, turned the Brownie's back in order until the eighth, when they got to him for their only run, and Frank Barrett finished up. The Sox picked up a single run in the first, two in the sixth and one in the ninth, with Denny Galehouse the victim.

The Yanks brought out their heavy sticks in registering their 7-2 victory over Chicago, banging Jake Wade and Bill Dietrich for 13 hits, six for extra bases. Johnny Lindell started the bombardment in the first, when he homered with Hershel Martin on base, and sparked a four-run rally in the seventh with his 16th triple. Floyd Bevens was the winner and Dietrich the loser.

Manager Lou Boudreau, whose three hits in four trips gave him a firm grip on the American League batting lead, drove in three runs and scored one as the Indians stooped the Senators, 6-4. Youthful Earl Henry, pitching his first complete major league game, was the winner over Olivrio Ortiz.

### Another for Bucky Walters

Steve Mesner, Cincinnati first-baseman, hit his first major league homer with the bases loaded in the first inning at New York yesterday to spark the Reds to an 8-1 win over the Giants and hand Bucky Walters his 23rd decision of the season at the expense of Billy Voiselle.

The Dodgers stopped the Cardinals, 3-2, with Clyde King, rookie right-hander just back from Richmond, allowing seven hits and only one earned run, a seventh-inning homer by Whitey Kurovski.

They were outit, 12-7, but the Braves piled up an early lead on Nick Strincevich, scoring all their runs and all their hits in the first four frames, to win, 4-3, over Pittsburgh. It took the Cubs 11 innings to defeat the Phillies, 5-3, Dominic Dallesandro's triple scoring Bill Nicholson with the clincher.

## Orioles Smash Bears; Colonels Cop Crown

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—The Baltimore Orioles routed the Newark Bears in the first game of the International League Shaughnessy Cup playoffs, mauling four Bear hurlers for a 14-3 victory, while Sam Lowry, Baltimore right-hander, had an easy time in allowing but five hits. Major offensive blow was Frankie Skaff's homer with the bases mobbed in the second.

The Louisville Colonels finished up the American Association playoffs by defeating the Saint Paul Saints, 3-2, to take the series four games to two. The Colonels reached the finals by bowing over the Milwaukee Brewers and the Saints previously bested Toledo. In another playoff game yesterday San Francisco took a 1-0 lead in the Pacific Coast League finals by topping Los Angeles, 4-0.

## NBA Head Accuses New York Moguls Of 'Duplicitous' Talk

PATERSON, N.J., Sept. 28—Former featherweight champion Chalky Wright, who will attempt to regain his title tomorrow night at Madison Square Garden, has been indefinitely suspended by the National Boxing Association, along with his manager, Eddie Walker, for failure to go through with a fight against Jackie Wilson at Washington last week because it was "too close" to the title battle.

The District of Columbia commission immediately suspended Wright and requested the New York commission to follow suit. But the New York body said Wright would be suspended immediately AFTER he fought Pep.

"If the New York commission really wants to show good faith in boxing," Abe Greene, NBA head, said, "it will order the winner—not just Wright—to box Jackie Wilson in Washington three weeks after the Pep bout. Any other decree would be just another bit of duplicitous double talk. (Ed. note: What the word duplicitous means is something Noah Webster forgot to include in his well-known dictionary.)

## Haegg's Boss Throws Hitch Into Plans for Tour of U.S.

MALMOE, Sweden, Sept. 28—Secretary of State Cordell Hull and the boys who see to it that Uncle Sam's relationships with the people of other countries aren't snafued, were given another problem today. The gentlemen were faced with the task of producing a substitute super-salesman of suits for Swedes, with their only alternative a thumbs down order on Sweden's Gunder Haegg's scheduled appearances on American tracks.

It all boils down to this. Some people figure that there are other things in this world just as important as running around cinder tracks, and one of those things is the selling of suits. And one of the people who happen to think this way is a Mr. Sture Ohlsson.

Who is Mr. Ohlsson? Well mate, he just happens to be the leading seller of suits here. That wouldn't mean so much, perhaps, but one of Mr. Ohlsson's very best salesmen happens to be this same Gunder Haegg.

Where the trouble all comes in is that nobody thought to tell Gunder's boss about the Flying Swede's coming trip, and Mr. Ohlsson is more or less sore: "I must see that my business is attended to and now we are about to begin the Christmas season, which will give me back what I previously lost when Haegg was running around."



### American League

Detroit 4, Philadelphia 0	W L Pct.	Cleveland .72 .78 .480	W L Pct.
Cleveland 6, Washington 4		St. Louis .85 .65 .567	Chicago .69 .81 .460
New York 7, Chicago 2		New York 83 .67 .553	Philadelphia 68 .82 .453
Boston 4, St. Louis 1 (night)		Boston .75 .75 .500	Washington 62 .88 .413

### National League

Chicago 5, Philadelphia 3 (11 innings)	W L Pct.	St. Louis 103 .47 .687	New York 65 .85 .433
Cincinnati 8, New York 1		Pittsburgh 89 .61 .593	Boston .62 .88 .413
Brooklyn 3, St. Louis 2		Cincinnati 87 .63 .580	Brooklyn 61 .89 .407
Boston 4, Pittsburgh 3		Chicago .74 .76 .493	Philadelphia 59 .91 .393

St. Louis at New York  
Cincinnati at Brooklyn  
Other teams not scheduled.

### Leading Hitters

#### American League

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Boudreau, Cleveland	145	567	92	186	.328
Johnson, Boston	140	507	107	166	.328
Doerr, Boston	125	468	93	152	.325
Stinewiss, New York	150	628	124	200	.318
Fox, Boston	121	496	72	156	.315

#### National League

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Walker, Brooklyn	143	521	77	188	.361
Musial, St. Louis	144	559	109	191	.342
Medwick, New York	126	489	65	165	.337
Hopp, St. Louis	135	517	105	173	.335
Cavarretta, Chicago	152	612	107	195	.315

#### Runs Batted In

American League—Stephens, St. Louis, 103;	
Johnson, Boston, 100; Lindell, New York, 100.	
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 116;	
Elliott, Pittsburgh, 107; Sanders, St. Louis, 102.	

#### Home Run Hitters

American League—Etten, New York, 22;	
Stephens, St. Louis, 19; Lindell, New York, 18.	
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 33; Ott,	
New York, 26; Northey, Philadelphia, 20.	

## Eddie Mayo Puts Claws in Tigers

NEW YORK, Sept. 28 (AP)—The finger pointers are coming up with many heroes for Detroit's pennant surge. Even Stout Steve O'Neill, who certainly is a candidate for the manager-of-the-year honors, has thousands of supporters.

And so have pitchers Dizzy Trout, Hal Newhouse; catchers Paul Richards, Bob Swift; outfielders Dick Wakefield, Doc Cramer; infielders Rudy York, Pinky Higgins and Eddie Mayo.

With all these candidates for the Tigers' most valuable player there's bound to be a big difference of opinion among the fans. There are some who have eyes only for the battery, others who can't see past the infield, and the far-sighted ones who first scan the outer gardens.

Trout and Newhouse are usually mentioned together as the win twins. They certainly can't be ignored or separated when their records show 27 and 28 victories respectively.

Richards is generally given the credit for making Newhouse a winning pitcher. Hal was a disappointment last year. Paul took him in hand, cured him of his nervous disposition, gave him a needed lift



Eddie Mayo

he did Dick lifted a load from York's shoulders.

Cramer's hitting was so bad early in the season O'Neill sought to make a pitcher out of him. Doc reneged, figuring it would shorten his life in the big time.

York was a marked man during the first stages of the championship fight. But when Wakefield came back it took a lot of pressure off Rudy.

That leaves Mayo as the other candidate for most valuable honors. And how many times has the last been first? Oh! skip it, but listen to what Manager O'Neill has to say about Eddie:

"Eddie has been a big help to us, a real sparkplug. He reminds me a lot of 'Rowdy Dick' Bartell, who played a big part in bringing the 1940 pennant to Detroit. Eddie has done likewise."

Some of Mayo's teammates are all for voting him the biggest H they can find for hustle.

"The guy never stops," smiles York. "He's all over the infield pepping us up and, when he gets on the bench, he's the chatterest chatterbox in the league. He's got superb spirit."

### Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, 37, Upper Brook St., London, W.1, or APO 857, U.S. Army, Telephone, ETUSA, Ext. 2131.

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### Photographs Found

FOUR PICTURES of "Betty," one taken at Doehline, Ala., found in Leicester Sq., London, on Sept. 17.—James Benjamin, c/o Help Wanted.



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In Those United States

V-Day Will Put 4 Million Out of Jobs, McNutt Says

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (ANS)—Manpower controls as a national requirement will end with the defeat of Germany and at the same time 4,000,000 workers will be thrown out of jobs and the munitions industry will be cut back by 40 per cent, Chairman Paul V. McNutt of the War Manpower Commission said today.



Paul V. McNutt

"The forthright decision of the Government to strip away its control on V-Day," McNutt said, "is a decision that, in effect, declares: American management will now pilot American people back into civilian production."

Meantime, James F. Byrnes, War Mobilization Director, warned that wage and price controls must be continued until Japan is defeated "because stable economy is the cornerstone of post-war prosperity upon which the world bases its hope for a lasting peace."

Byrnes said that hope can be gained if the nation uses its productive powers for peace as it has used them for war.

Elsewhere on Capitol Hill: AFL leaders testifying before a Congressional committee reported that the cost of living has increased from 23 to 45 per cent since wage ceilings were fixed as of Jan. 1, 1941.

War Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson is being mentioned as the nation's Director of Mobilization and Post-war Adjustment when President Roosevelt signs a bill creating the office.

President Philip Murray urged the calling of a United Nations' labor conference as quickly as possible to discuss problems arising from "the approaching victory over Nazi Germany and the swift march of Allied forces through Europe."

Whitney Promotes More Lemons

NEW YORK, Sept. 28 (ANS)—Richard Whitney, former president of the New York Stock Exchange now on parole from Sing Sing prison where he served a sentence for grand larceny, is in Florida to organize a citrus fruit company, it was revealed today. If the venture is a success, Whitney is to return to Massachusetts as a sales representative of the concern.

Flier Court-Martialed

SELRIDGE FIELD, Mich., Sept. 28 (ANS)—Lt. Kenneth W. Wassing of Minneapolis, has been sentenced to 18 months at hard labor and dismissed from the Army by a court-martial for leading a formation of training planes in a flight so low over a lake at Grayling, Mich., that a 72-year-old woman was struck and killed. The plane which hit the woman was piloted by a Free French flier.

Safety Group Campaigns for Sober V-Day

CHICAGO, Sept. 28 (ANS)—"Don't make V-Day a Spree Day." That's the slogan suggested by the National Safety Council to set the tune for the national celebration on the day Germany surrenders. "There very evidently is a definite feeling throughout the nation that too many American boys have fallen and too many are still in danger to make V-Day a day of carousal," Col. John Stilwell, council president, said. A Council survey indicated a virtually unanimous sentiment in favor of celebrating V-Day with Thanksgiving prayers and sensible rejoicing. Meantime, in New York, Mayor Fiorella H. LaGuardia asked New Yorkers to observe the day the European war ends with prayers of thanksgiving and confine their exhilaration to rejoicing in a "sublime sort of manner."

Doolittle a Grandfather

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Sept. 28 (ANS)—Lt. Gen. James Doolittle, head of the Eighth Air Force, now is a grandfather. Mrs. James S. Doolittle Jr., wife of Capt. James Doolittle who is stationed with his father in England, has given birth to a six-pound 13-ounce son, named James III.

First Series Fan in Line

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 28 (ANS)—To keep his record intact, Arthur Felsch, of Milwaukee, arrived outside Sportsman's Park today to wait for the World Series opener next Wednesday. Felsch, who claims he's been first in line for 16 straight years, took up the stand despite a heavy rain.

Dorsey and Wife Ordered to Trial in Nose-Slicing

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 28 (ANS)—A Superior Court judge today ordered Band-leader Tommy Dorsey and his wife, the beautiful Pat Dane of the movies, to stand trial Nov. 14 on charges of trying to slice off Actor Jon Hall's nose with a butcher knife—or maybe, they say now, it was a broken beer bottle—during a brawl on the Dorsey's balcony Aug. 4.



Paulette Goddard

The court, however, gave the Dorseys one break. It ruled that neither they nor their neighbor, Allen Smiley, would be tried on a second count of kicking Movie Actor Eddie Norris in the face. The action followed Norris' telling the court he wasn't sure who did the kicking.

Elsewhere in the film colony: Paulette Goddard now is taking ballet lessons—"it helps me with my acting," she said. . . . Reports are that Bette Davis will marry Cpl. Lewis Riley, of Ft. Benning, Ga. She currently is visiting Riley. She has been married twice before. Blonde Actress Bunny Waters and Music Supervisor Johnny Green, who met during the filming of "Bathing Beauty" and were married a year ago, became the parents of a daughter this week. The infant weighed seven pounds four ounces.

Draft 70,000 Monthly

BUFFALO, N.Y., Sept. 28 (ANS)—The armed forces now are inducting men at the rate of about 70,000 monthly, Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, head of Selective Service, said. He added that discharges average about half that number and he doesn't anticipate that "the end of the European war will affect the rate of inductions."

AFN Radio Program

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8 Nations Agree to Pool Shipping Against Japan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (ANS)—Eight nations reached an agreement today to muster the might of practically all of the merchant fleets of the world against Japan at the end of the war in Europe, the State Department announced. Signatories to the pact are the U.S., United Kingdom, Canada, Belgium, Greece, the Netherlands, Norway and Poland.

The new agreement forestalls the possibility of any breakdown of controls and return of ships to private operation until the war with Japan is won.

Special agencies are set up by the new agreement to regulate use and movement of Allied shipping.

Plan to Reduce Reich to Farm Vetoed by FDR

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28 (AP)—Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau appeared today to have lost his fight with War Secretary Henry L. Stimson and Secretary of State Cordell Hull for an American government decision in favor of reducing Germany to agricultural status after the war.

President Roosevelt has indicated to peace planners that while he originally supported certain Morgenthau criticisms of German military occupation policy as evolved by the War and State departments he does not subscribe to the whole German plan of his Treasury secretary.

Slated to Pass Out

The President's cabinet committee on the peace policy, which was composed of the three secretaries and was split wide open by Morgenthau's proposals, is slated to pass out of the picture as Hull and Stimson take the reins firmly in their own hands again. In high official quarters the impression is strong, however, that as long as the cabinet retains these three members sharp differences developed over this critical issue will scar their relationship.

The President's method of finally disposing of the issue may consist either of pigeonholing the Morgenthau plan, saying nothing about it formally, or he may issue a specific policy order to those directing work on the German peace policy so that no doubt remains of the line which American planning should take. It is expected the President will meet with the three Secretaries soon, possibly tomorrow.

GIs Take Key Town in Italy

ROME, Sept. 28 (AP)—American troops of the Fifth Army have captured Castel del Rio, 12 miles from Imola, an important town on the Rimini-Bologna highway in Italy.

At the same time American troops



Stars and Stripes map

regained Monte Sasso and other important heights which were lost to a Nazi counter-attack three days ago.

On the Adriatic sector Canadian troops have cleared Bellaria, a small seaside town seven miles beyond Rimini, and crossed the Rubicon near its mouth.

Keeping Open Lifelines of Supply



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The Nazis tried to choke off an Allied supply line (picture above), and accounted for several wrecked British vehicles along the roadside, but U.S. airborne infantry quickly opened the convoy routes and soon had other vehicles moving to the front. One way or another, the supplies move forward. Pvt. Oscar Mendoza, of Los Angeles, Cal. (lower photo), carries airborne rations from the plane to distribution points via his bicycle and cart.

PM Says War May Enter '45

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Supreme Commander, Gen. Eisenhower, and to the "chaos and destruction wrought by the Allied Air Forces behind the battlefield," Mr. Churchill said:

"The vast and brilliant encircling movements of the American armies will ever be a model of the military art and an example of the propriety of running risks not only in the fighting—because most of the armies are ready to do that—but even more on the 'O side' or, as the Americans put it, the logistic side.

Commenting on the American landing of "every imaginable contrivance of modern war, an immense artillery supported all operations and enormous masses of armor of the highest quality and character," Mr. Churchill said:

"I must pay my tribute to the United States Armies, not only in their valiant and ruthless battleworthy qualities, but also in the skill of their commanders and the excellence of their supply arrangements.

"When I think of the measureless output of ships and munitions and supplies of all kinds with which the United States has equipped herself and has sustained all fighting allies in generous measure, and of the mighty war she is conducting with the troops of our Australian and New Zealand Dominions over the spaces of the Pacific Ocean, this House may indeed salute our sister nation as being at the highest pinnacle of her power and fame."



Dallas News for Dewey GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 28 (ANS)—Solidly Democratic throughout its 108-year history, The Galveston News today announced it will support Gov. Thomas E. Dewey in the November election.

The News—oldest paper in Texas—said in an editorial that since the Texas Supreme Court had ruled anti-Roosevelt electors off the November ballot in Texas, "Anti-New Deal Democrats were left no reasonable choice but to vote for Gov. Dewey."

Anti-Roosevelt Move Crushed BATON ROUGE, La., Sept. 28 (AP) An attempted revolt by Louisiana's ten Presidential electors to cast their votes for Democrats other than President Roosevelt and Sen. Harry S. Truman fizzled out today when the State Central committee gave the electors ten days in which to pledge their votes to the regular nominee, or resign.

