

Verdun Falls; Meuse Crossed

Reds Drive 10 Mi. Past Bucharest

Reach Bulgarian Border; Nazi Offensive Near Warsaw Peters Out

With all Rumania's main strategic points now in Russian hands Soviet tanks and motorized infantry thrust on swiftly beyond captured Bucharest yesterday in a lightly opposed advance that promised a quick link-up with Tito's Yugoslav Partisans and conquest of the whole Danube Valley as far as the "Iron Gate" 100 miles east of Belgrade.

Spearheads of Gen. Rodion Malinovsky's army had pushed ten miles southwest of the Rumanian capital within a few hours of its fall and other units reached the Bulgarian border in the neighborhood of the Danube port of Giurgiu, 36 miles south of Bucharest.

Berlin reported "major battles" north of fallen Ploesti, where Malinovsky launched a secondary thrust to penetrate the Carpathians into Transylvania and attack German and Hungarian concentrations at Brasov, some 58 miles north northwest of the Rumanian oil center.

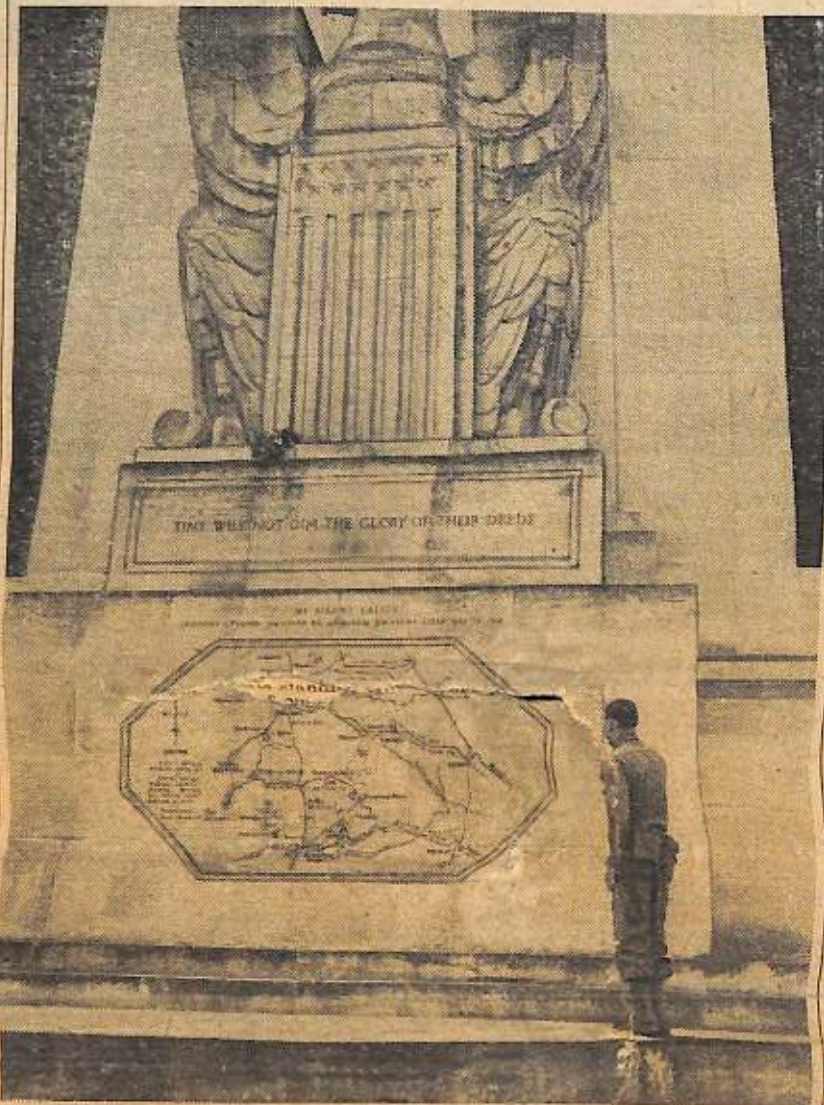
Gains Near Warsaw

Simultaneously, Moscow correspondents reported that east of Warsaw heavy German counter-attacks in progress for nearly a month had collapsed and that the tide had now turned in the Russians' favor with the capture of a ring of towns that had formed the Nazi defense line north and northeast of the capital. Soviet advance forces were less than nine miles from Warsaw.

A Wilhelmstrasse military spokesman, reporting that powerful Soviet forces had gone over to the offensive north of Warsaw, forecast massive new Soviet drives all the way from the Carpathians to the Gulf of Finland.

Gen. Feodor Tolbukhin ranged a frontier guard along the Rumanian-Bulgarian border south of Constanta and sent the bulk of his Third Ukrainian army (Continued on page 4)

His Heritage



A fighting American of World War II, Sgt. Chester A. Dahlmeyer, of East Orange, N.J., inspects the Aisne-Marne monument near Chateau-Thierry to fighting Americans of World War I.

Yanks Sweeping On; British, Canadians Seize Arras, Dieppe

Across the last war's bloody battlegrounds, through the mighty fortress of Verdun into St. Mihiel and over the River Meuse, Gen. Patton's Third Army smashed ahead yesterday on the last 50 miles to the border of Germany.

And their Allies on their left flank rolled in high gear up the flying-bomb area at a mile-an-hour clip. The British pushed well into the Pas de Calais inland from the coast and reached Arras, 28 miles from the Belgian border, after pushing forward better than 30 miles from Amiens in 24 hours. The Canadians, without firing a shot, captured Dieppe, where the commando raid of two years ago cost them so dearly.

It was the fifth anniversary of the day Hitler started the war with his attack on Poland, and it found the Allies farther east at some points, the United Press said, than the line the Germans held when they asked for the armistice in 1918; the particular points were not specified.

Along the whole 130-mile arc of the U.S. 12th Army Group, the Yanks thrust forward during the day an average of more than 20 miles. The Nazis' blitzkrieg to Paris looked impressive in 1940—but the Americans were covering the same ground in the other direction in just half the time.

From Verdun, according to German Radio, the Yanks drove into the Lorraine basin, which presumably meant the big coal and iron industry area in this region. The radio said American forces established three bridgeheads across the Meuse River south of Verdun.

St. Mihiel, 20 miles southeast of Verdun, was the scene of an important American victory in September, 1918.

The Americans forged ahead all along their assault arc from north of Laon to Bar-sur-Seine. This put one force, after a 20-mile advance from Troyes, within 160 miles of a link-up with the Allied Seventh Army coming up from the Mediterranean area.

Supreme Headquarters said that the Germans seemed incapable of any further organized resistance in France. A dispatch from the U.S. First Army sector, bearing out the SHAEF announcement, said the Germans were fleeing so fast that it was becoming difficult for the Yanks to keep contact with them, and quoted a military observer as saying: "It has turned into a pursuit instead of a battle."

Nazis Refuse the Challenge

A Berlin military spokesman admitted that "the German Command refuses to accept the Allied challenge to fight a decisive battle in France," and spoke of a big withdrawal "which would bring the German troops nearer to their reserves and their own network of communications."

Word was expected at any hour that American soldiers had entered Belgium, Luxembourg or even—if the rate of progress was kept up—Germany itself.

One U.S. thrust was almost at Compiegne—where Hitler forced the French to sign away their freedom, and where the Germans themselves signed the armistice in 1918.

Tanks with Yank infantrymen riding (Continued on page 4)

B26s Pummel Nazis at Brest

Ground Push Follows Attack; Raid Isle Off St. Malo

In answer to Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley's request for aerial aid in freeing the prize Atlantic harbor of Brest for use by Allied forces 9th Air Force Marauders blasted the Germans there yesterday, searching out concealed gun positions, motor parks and two forts. The Marauders, unopposed by enemy fighters or flak, attacked only minutes ahead of an all-out ground push, which it was hoped would crush the resistance of the fanatical Nazi defenders who had been holding out against Allied troops for more than four weeks.

The 9th Air Force also dispatched Lightning fighter-bombers to team up with RAF bombers and American artillery to the Isle De Cezembre, just off the important port of St. Malo.

Eighth Air Force P47s attacked German transportation in the area of Mons, Belgium, northeastward to Roermond, Holland, blasting rolling stock, locomotives and freight cars, trucks, autos, half-tracks and other vehicles.

Several squadrons of RAF Mosquitoes, carrying 4,000-pound bombs, attacked Dusseldorf Thursday night.

50,000 U.S. Troops in China?

Japanese newspapers estimate the number of American forces in China, without taking into account the 14th and 20th Air Forces, is now about 50,000, the German official news agency said.

Verdun and Its Million Dead Mute Witnesses to Blitz of '44

U.S. Armor Speeds Past Last War's Graves as It Takes Historic Town

By Robert Miller

VERDUN, Sept. 1—Verdun was taken after a 65-mile lightning attack across the famous battlefields of World War I and the Argonne Forest.

Rheims and Verdun were linked in less than 24 hours and at the cost of only a few tanks and amazingly light casualties. (The same country in World War I cost the lives of nearly a million men.)

There was no fight for Verdun and its great ring of forts. It was simply a chase with tanks and motorized infantry hot on the heels of the disorganized Germans.

This is the story told by Lt. Col. McConnell, who led the first units across the River Meuse below Verdun and then came in behind it while another column made an approach from another front.

"Neither of the two columns met any great resistance and except for some 88-mm. guns and anti-tank guns outside the city no defense was put up. Most (Continued on page 4)

The U.S. Soldier's Pack Is Now 'Only' 95 Pounds

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (ANS)—The GI is carrying 15 pounds less in clothing and equipment today than he did in 1941, the War Department said today.

The reduction of the load from 110 to 95 pounds was accomplished by reducing a number of items carried and cutting the weight of others by redesign or substitution of lighter material.

Speak for Yourself, Dr.

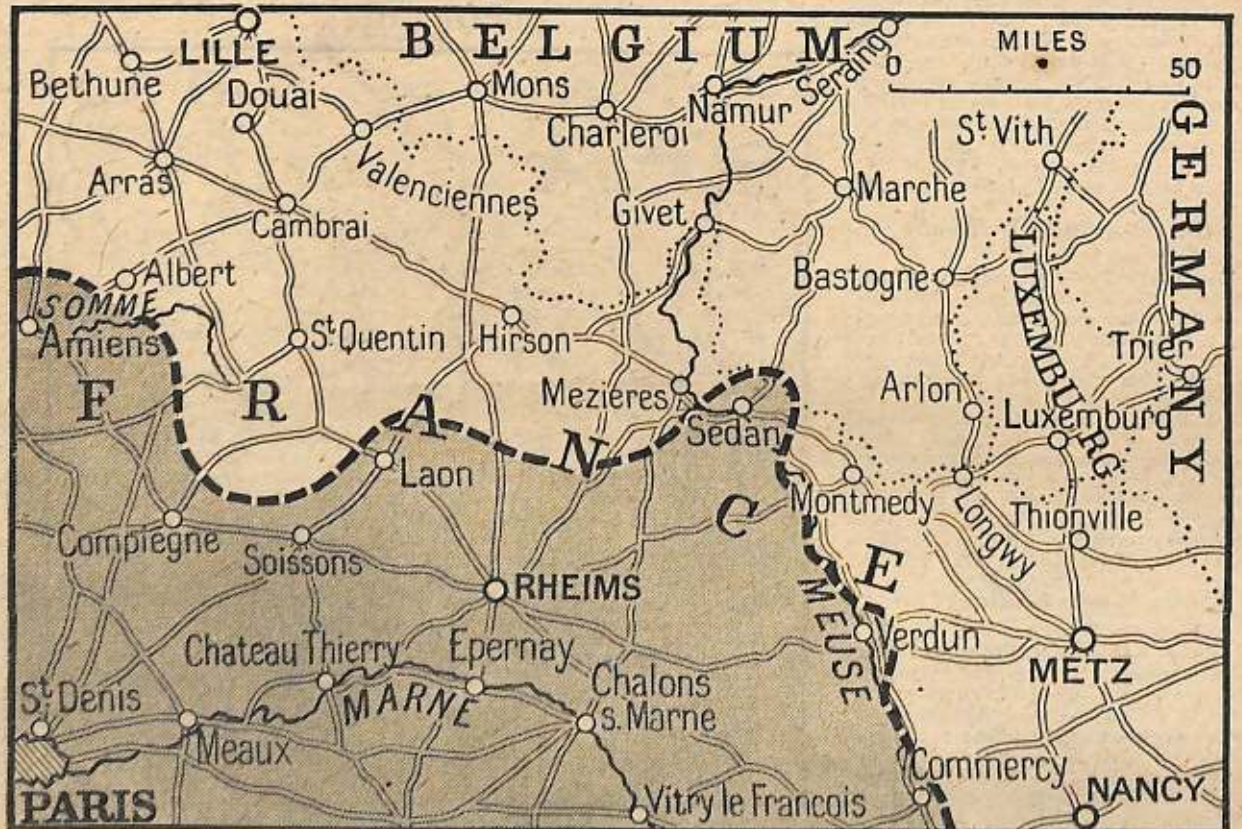
CHICAGO, Sept. 1 (ANS)—Dr. William J. Stickle, executive secretary of the National Association of Chiropractors, says there's nothing attractive about shapely legs on a woman. He claims men could also have feminine-like limbs if they wore high-heeled shoes and that "women's curvesome calves are just distorted muscles bulging."

Demobilization Bill Gets Restricted OK in House

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (ANS)—The House yesterday passed by voice vote a sharply restricted version of the Senate demobilization bill after overwhelmingly defeating attempts to expand government aid for discharged war workers. The Senate is expected to reject the House version and thus throw the issue into a conference committee.

Both House and Senate left unemployment benefits to individual states.

A 1940 Map With 1944 Directions



Stars and Stripes Map

The War Today

France—Americans push east after capturing Verdun, 50 miles from Germany. . . . Canadians capture Dieppe. . . . British enter Pas de Calais after 22-mile advance from Amiens. . . . SHAEF announces that the Germans seem incapable of any further organized resistance in France. . . . U.S. 12th Army Group gains an average of more than 20 miles along 120-mile assault arc. . . . German radio says Americans drive from Verdun into Lorraine basin. . . . Yanks at Bar-sur-Seine, after 20-mile advance from Troyes, are within 160 miles of link-up with Allied Seventh Army coming up from Mediterranean. . . . Algiers Radio reports Seventh Army troops in south France pushed five miles into Italy.

Russia—Red Army strikes west beyond Bucharest along Danube Valley toward Yugoslav border and linkup with Tito's Partisans. . . . Moscow dispatches report German counter-attacks broken down east of Warsaw and tide turned with seizure of Nazi strongpoints nine miles north and east of city.

Italy—British and Poles, aided by systematic bombing, occupy half of Pesaro, Adriatic anchor of Gothic line and key to Po Valley. . . . Other Allied troops puncture Nazi defense line at four different points west of Pesaro. . . . Eighth Army patrols enter Angelo, 10 miles inland from port.

Pacific—Jap destroyer and four merchant ships sunk or damaged off Celebes by Catalina flying boats. . . . Jap News Agency forecasts B29 shuttle raids over Japan from China to Saipan. . . . Mass bombing raids on Japan comparable to Allied air assaults on Germany predicted by Lt. Gen. Millard Harmon, commander of Pacific Army Air Forces.

Asia—Japs cleared from west bank of Chindwin River north of Tahn and resistance reported to have ceased on Kabaw Valley track leading to Thangud. . . . Japs open offensive designed to trap Chinese threatening Hengyang from southwest. . . . Japs report Allied raid on Formosa and claim destruction of four of 10 attacking aircraft.

THE STARS AND STRIPES

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Eisenhower Reports

Gen. Ike, with usual zest and a flair for the dramatic, has brought tidings of great victories from the front line where Verdun has fallen and Gen. Patton's army—beyond the 1914-18 battlefield—is hell-bent for Berlin.

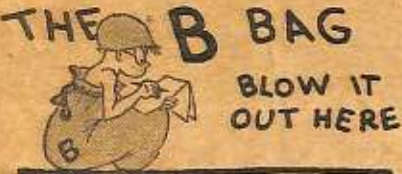
Graphically the General set forth, in his London conference, the details and magnitude of the Allied campaign to liberate northern France which he said is running well ahead of schedule.

As the Germans draw back into the Reich, General Ike said, they are bound to try to pull their troops out of Norway, Denmark, Holland and Belgium to defend their homeland.

No better commentary on British-American friendship could be found than the confidence in Gen. Eisenhower expressed in London newspapers.

Speaking of the change that placed Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley in full charge of the American forces—a position equal in rank to new Field-Marshal Montgomery who commands the British armies in the field, the General explained that this division of command had been long envisaged and was scheduled to take place when the French campaign reached its present stage.

Gen. Eisenhower's name is certain of remembrance wherever in the world men love freedom. He is a soldier with the rare genius of friendship.



Money Not Peanuts After War

Dear Stars and Stripes, You pretend to represent the ordinary GI, and in most respects you do a pretty fair job. But let us not kid each other.

Naturally what goes to soldiers will have to be paid back in taxes. Also the cost of the war, including the high wages of war workers and the huge profits of manufacturers, contractors, et al, will have to be paid through taxes.

Personally, I feel the Army has never seen fit to give me a decent pay check. I still have to do KP and other such details.

On Snagging Fly-Bombs

Dear Stars and Stripes, Here's how I would combat the flying bombs. Take two dirigibles or other self-propelled lighter-than-air craft each carrying a wire from a winch.

Nazis, 'God's Chillen' Too

Dear Stars and Stripes, I couldn't help but notice when Father Kiniry was holding mass here in France that among the heads bowed in prayer were 20 of Hitler's so-called God-less lads.

Hash Marks

Ripley, please copy! R. C. "Pop" Warner tells us that one morning at his Mustang base the mess hall ran out of powdered eggs and served—you guessed it—fresh eggs!

The little moron dropped by the office today and claimed that the less material there is in a modern girl's bathing suit, the more expensive the suit is.

Pfc William O'Mara, a graduate of the Fort Custer Provost Marshall school, carries the "spec" number of an investigator; and he beefs a lot because his present clerical work is a far cry from sleuthing.

The punchiest war slogan we have spotted yet is on an English postcard: "TNT—Today, Not Tomorrow."

Spencer Davis, one of the AP's news-hawks in the Pacific Theater, says the



following was scrawled on a 500-lb. bomb dropped on the Japs in the Marshalls: "Listen to This; It'll Kill You!"

Dinah Shore, bless her, was singing for some of the boys in France. After several renditions, she asked if anyone in the audience had a special request he would like to hear.

A lieutenant stepped up to a GI bus driver and asked, "Can you take me to London, chop-chop?" At this point the Quartermaster Transportation officer interrupted in a very serious tone of voice.

A bus was moving along its London route when a steady buzzing began overhead. "Is it a buzz-bomb?" asked an old lady. "No, ma'am," replied a fellow



passenger, "it's one of ours." Snapped the old lady, "What do you mean, one of ours. They are all ours—none of them go back!"

In answer to the verses we "find in our typewriters," Cpl. Frank Cady sends this note "found in a critic's hind-pocket":

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Pvt. Joseph P. Yoney, a Paratrooper, claims the distinction of being the first GI to jitterbug with a French girl in France. Any challengers?

PRIVATE BREGER



"You say it keeps following you around since you returned from your furlough!"

How New York Got the News of Paris

Collage of newspaper headlines: 'The New York Times', 'PARIS IS FREED; RUMANIA QUILTS; MARSEILLE AND GRENOBLE WON; GERMAN FLIGHT NEARS A ROUT', 'Herald Tribune', 'Paris Frees Itself. U.S.-French Troops Sent In; Marseille and Grenoble Fall, Nazi Rout Grows', 'Daily Mirror', 'French Liberate Paris; Marseille, Grenoble Fall'.

Collage of newspaper headlines: 'New York Post', 'EXTRA', 'PARIS FREED!', 'FRENCH PATRIOTS DRIVE OUT NAZIS', 'Associated Press Photo'.

Straight From the Front

By Ernie Pyle

PARIS—As we drove toward Paris from the south hundreds of Parisians, refugees and returning vacationists rode homeward on bicycles amidst tanks and big guns.

Some Frenchmen have the facility for making all of us nervous Nellys look ridiculous. There should be a nonchalant Frenchman in every war movie. He would be a sort of French Charlie Chaplin.

I have seen that very thing happen about four times since D-Day and you can never see it without laughing. Well, the crowds were out in Paris like that. While shooting was still going on people on bicycles would stop with one foot on the pavement to watch the firing that was going on right in that block.

Baby Carriages and War

There also were a good many pet dogs riding into battle on top of tanks and trucks. Amidst this fantastic Parisward battle traffic were people pushing baby carriages full of belongings, walking with suitcases and riding bicycles so heavily loaded with gear that if they were to lay them down they had to have help to lift them upright.

You never saw so many bicycles in your life as in Paris. They rig up the funniest contraptions on them, such as little two-wheeled carts which they tow behind. We saw a wagon rigged up so it could be pulled by two bicyclists riding side by side like a team of horses.

For 24 hours tanks were parked on the sidewalks all over downtown Paris. They were all manned by French soldiers and each tank immediately became sort of a social center. The kids were all over them like flies.

girl climbing sleepily out of a tank turret. The French soldiers of the armored division were all in American uniforms and had American equipment. Consequently most people at first thought we Americans were French, then puzzled they would say, "English?" and we would say, "No, Americans," and then we would get a little screech and a couple more kisses.

One elderly gentleman said that although we were long in reaching France we had come swiftly since he said people hadn't expected us to be in Paris for six months after invasion day.

Few Yanks Around

There are not many American soldiers in Paris and it's unlikely there will be, at least for some time, because they are out over France going on with the war.

The armies still fighting in the field were practically deserted for a few days by the correspondents as we all wanted to get in on the liberation of Paris. There were so many correspondents it got to be a joke, even among us. I think at least 200 must have entered the city that first day, both before and after the surrender.

Hotel life seems strange after so long in the field. My own room is a big corner one with easy chairs, a soft bed, a bathroom, and maid and hall porter service. There is no electricity in the daytime, no hot water any time and no restaurant or bar, but outside of that the hotel is just like peacetime.

Notes from the Air Force

CAPT. Ira L. Sullivan, of Waco, Tex., piloted the Eighth Air Force Service Command and Transport Service plane which took Gen. Koenig, new military governor of Paris, to the French capital. He and his important passenger first landed at Chartres in a C54. Sullivan contacted French authorities and was taken on a conducted tour of Paris airfields to select his own landing field.

Eleven Mustangs of Col. George R. Bickell's Ninth Air Force group were attacked over Epervain by 40 Messerschmitts. In the battle which followed two Me109s were shot down and the rest dispersed.

Victories were scored by Capt. Robert W. Stephens, of St. Louis, Mo., and Capt. Glendon J. Buer, of Lomita, Cal.

AFTER completing 45 missions in the Mediterranean Theater S/Sgt. Martin Liebenhaut is now flying in the ETO on the B24 Twang in the group commanded by Col. F. H. Miller.

The quick-thinking of a GI truck driver, whose vehicle was parked on a landing strip in Normandy, possibly saved the lives of the A20 Little Rocket II crew—1/Lt. Leon R. Robinson, pilot from Little Rock, Ark.; S/Sgt. Benjamin E. Moja, of Hayward, Cal., and S/Sgt. Dempsey H. Clotfelter, of Scottsdale, Ga., gunners. His right engine knocked out by flak, Robinson had to chance a landing on a strip not fully constructed.

V-for Vim, Vigor and Vimmen Le Tomahawk Tells The Liberators How To Knock 'Em Dead

A little out of breath from the wear and tear of the French welcome, Editor Roy D. Craft of the XIX Corps' mimeographed newspaper Le Tomahawk has published an SOP (standard operating procedure) for responding—so as not to expend all our energy on the first half dozen wellcomers.

The Craft "save-your-strength" plan for taking bows:

(A) The casual or Bored-Acknowledgment V-sign, delivered from the wrist with just a slight lift of the chin, for small groups of children or a brace of oldsters.

(B) The Winston Churchill, or We-Are-In-This-Thing-Together-And-Will-Indubitably-Win V-sign, delivered from the elbow and with just a hint of the shoulder brought into play, together with a wide smile and raising and lowering of the head, for larger groups such as assemble at road intersections and throw flowers and vegetables into passing trucks in exchange for cigarettes, bon-bons (hard candy) and canned goods.

(C) The All-Out or Shoot-the-Works V-sign, the arm completely outstretched and waved from the shoulder, with such impromptu interpolations as the hands clasped together over the head in the manner of a prize fighter, accompanied by Vivas and whistles, to be used only in case one or more pretty girls are spotted in the group.

"This latter greeting, delivered with great enthusiasm, is a great help to those traveling behind in the convoy, since it alerts the whole line to the fact that they had better be on their toes or they will miss something pretty nice."

The Life of Riley Is Not So Bad—for One Pvt. Rooney

Sgt. James F. Monroe passes along this account from the Topeka (Kan.) Daily Capital of how Mickey Rooney is serving his country at the Cavalry Replacement Training Center, Fort Riley Kan.:

Soldiers at Fort Riley have decided being a private is all right if you can be Pvt. Mickey Rooney. "That distinction gives a rookie the right to slap an officer on the back instead of saluting," soldiers on pass in Topeka explain. "He can call a three-striper 'bub' and usually get away with it, although he may have to dodge the sergeant for a week or two by hiding out in the station hospital on sick pretense."

A private's 50 bucks a month, the boys say, wouldn't even pay for Rooney's kitchen police duty.

He reportedly shovels out the greenbacks to get some of the other GIs to handle that little job for him—as well as keeping his life free from barrack detail and a hundred other jobs which have belonged to the buck private since wars began.

ARMY POETS

Answer, Please It isn't like you, dear—so please explain So many letters I have written—all in vain; At least you might acknowledge with a card—I'd understand, my darling, though it's hard; And if you're busy, dear, why just a line To let me know that everything is fine Will help to ease the fear that distance brings; When one is far away—these little things Can mean so much—and so, impatiently, I wait your answer—please, dear, write to me. Pvt. Elizabeth K. Hamilton.

Once Over Lightly

By Gene Graff

EN ROUTE to Italy to report the war, Sid Feder, the Associated Press turf expert, stopped in the ETO just long enough to sample the mild and bitter and to give readers of the Stars and Stripes his Kentucky Derby selection—Warren Wright's Pensive.



Sid Feder

When Pensive won the battle of bourbon and roses, a bankrupt GI bookie burned the telephone wires between their newly opened poor houses and this office, but to no avail because Sid already was flying to Italy.

During his brief sojourn here the AP handicapper told everybody who would listen that he had bet \$50 on Pensive to win in the winter books when the backroom gentry was offering odds of 8-1. Feder, so it seems, had a pipeline through to the stables; he was mentally spending the profit a week before the race.

Sid arrived at Naples a few days before the Derby, unpacked his bags, wrote an urgent cable to the States which read, "place ten ten ten Pensive," then went up to the front line, where he stayed for several weeks.

His mail didn't catch up with him but he did learn from a later arrival that Pensive had won the race. After that he was the happiest correspondent in the world—until he returned to Naples.

First off, there was a letter from his wife, bearing the news that she "had misplaced the winter book ticket. The valuable pasteboard could now be reported as missing and no doubt dead." A gulp of vino and a stream of salty tears got Feder past that crisis, but not even a double zombie could help him when the censor dropped around.

"Do you remember that cable you left here, Sid?" the censor queried. "Well, it sounded like code to us so we held it here waiting for you to come back."

After a dash of water revived the fainting writer, he explained in race track jargon what "place ten ten ten Pensive" means. The censor was unimpressed, as all good censors usually are.

SHORT SHOTS: Joe, the office clown, who is "typewriter happy," is strictly on the beam when it comes to boxing. Just the other day he perfected an intricate right-faint-with-left-hook which he immediately dubbed the "Marijuana Maul." Perfected? Well, not quite. In the middle of the maneuver something went awry and Joe knocked himself out. "Guess I need more practice," the ETO barweight champ ruefully remarked.

The 1944 college grid season got off to an early start this week when Michigan Central rolled over Alma, 20-14. It was the earliest opening in Michigan history.

Williams to Meet Angott PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1—Ike Williams, dusky lightweight from Trenton, N.J., will make his last ring appearance before entering the Army here next Wednesday when he fights Sammy Angott, former world's lightweight champion, at Shibe Park.

Minor League Results

Table with 3 columns: League, Team, W, L, Pct. Includes International League, Eastern League, and American Association.

Help Wanted AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, 37, Upper Brook St., London, W.1, or APO 887, U.S. Army, Telephone, ETOUSA, Ext. 2131.

Plebe Linemen Key to Army's '44 Campaign

WEST POINT, N.Y., Sept. 1 (UP)—Lt. Col. Earl "Red" Blaik, coach of Army's football forces, would like to put an advertisement in the newspapers: "Wanted—Linemen—with brains."

For Blaik and Army are virtually destitute along that line as plans are made for a rugged nine-game schedule. And all the aid must come from the new class of plebes, or those who stay eligible.

"That's the real difficulty," the genial redhead explained. "We'll probably get a fair line out of the new candidates, but then you never know how many of them are going to stay eligible."

However, Blaik has no complaints about his backfield material. Six veteran ball carriers are returning, plus several promising additions. The best news for Army men is that Glenn Davis, the fleet Californian, has returned to the Academy on the plains above the Hudson after brushing up on the studies which caused him to be busted out after the '43 grid campaign.

Injuries Held Back Kenna in '43

Then there is Captain Tom Lombardo, Max Minor, Bob Dodds, Big George Troxell and Doug Kenna. Much was expected of Kenna last season but he spent virtually the whole time on the bench with injuries.

That forward wall, though, is where the trouble lies. Last season, when the Cadets won seven, dropped two and tied one, it was one of the best in the country. But those huskies are gone now and only one first stringer, Tackle Joe Stanowicz, will be back in the fold.

"Duke, Penn, Notre Dame and Navy all will be tough," Blaik predicted. "But we'll have something to throw at 'em if we can put together a line. Our backs aren't much good to us if we can't get a strong forward wall in front of them."

"If all the boys we are counting on are here," he continued, "we'll have a fair team. It isn't their football I'm worried about, it's their academic standing. Right now I'm praying for brains."

Yanks Soar to Within Two Games Of St. Louis With Double Victory

NEW YORK, Sept. 1—The pursuers raced within challenging distance of the Browns in the nip and tuck American League pennant chase when the Tigers bagged a 4-3 victory over the leaders last night and the Yankees subdued the Senators twice in daylight, 9-4 and 4-3. All other clubs in both leagues were idle.

By virtue of their double triumph, the fast closing Yankees soared to within two games of the precariously situated Browns, while Detroit reduced its deficit to three games. Boston, picking up half a game by merely vacationing, trails by three and a half.

Faulty fielding handicapped the Browns last night as errors by Vern Stephens, Don Gutteridge and Frank Mancuso opened the door for three unearned Bengal runs. Dizzy Trout, toiling two relief innings, earned his 23rd victory of the season, while Willis Hudlin, veteran right hander, just obtained from Little Rock, yielded the winning run in the ninth to suffer the reversal.

Errors by Stephens and Gutteridge handed the Tigers two runs in the seventh and ended a scoreless duel between Stubby Overmire, Detroit starter, and Sigmund Jakucki. The Browns spurred to a 3-2 lead in their half of the frame when Gutteridge singled two runners across and Stephens sent in another. Mancuso's miscue permitted York to score the tying run in the eighth and a one-bagger by Pinky Higgins counted Doc Cramer with the clincher in the ninth.

Johnny Lindell's triple with the bases loaded in the eighth, his 13th of the campaign, and Walt Dubiel's airtight twirling carried the Bronx Bombers to victory in the opener, while Frankie Crosetti's homer with two out in the ninth broke a 3-3 deadlock in the nightcap. Mel Queen drew the mound duel over Alex Carrasquel, and Dubiel's victim was Mickey Haefner.

Joe Kuhel crashed a two-run homer for the Griffs in the early tilt, and Nick Etten contributed his 15th to the New York cause in the windup.



These five slugging St. Louis Cardinals each have a batting average of .300 or better. Left to right are: Ray Sanders, who bats .301; Walker Cooper, .301; Stan Musial, .352; Johnny Hopp, .337, and Augie Bergamo, .314

Five Reasons for Cards' Success

FOREST HILLS, N.Y., Sept. 1—Only one casualty occurred among the seeded entries yesterday as play continued in the National tennis championships. Jack Fossi, Oakland, Cal., youngster who was seeded eighth, joined Sidney Wood on the sidelines when he was upset by Maj. Alexander Carver Jr., 6-1, 4-6, 8-6.

Charlie Oliver, of Perth Amboy, N.J., had a narrow squeak before he beat Charlie McManis, of Pasadena, Cal., 0-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Carver will tackle Pancho Segura, the two-fisted swinger from Ecuador, today in the quarter-finals. Segura rallied after a bad start yesterday to trounce Pfc David Freeman, of Pomona, Cal., 8-6, 6-1.

Oliver's next foe is the perennial title contender, Sgt. Frankie Parker, of Muroc Field, Cal., who routed Lt. Victor Seizas, of Philadelphia, 6-1, 6-4.

Other seeded stars who advanced without difficulty were Lts. Don McNeill and Seymour Greenberg, Cadet Bobby Falkenburg and Billy Talbert.

Southern Gridmen Will Play for Pay—Or Did You Know?

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 1—Subsidization in the Southeastern Conference was admitted without a qualm by officials who concluded their pre-season meeting here yesterday with a resolution to "curb or regulate subsidization."

In an effort to standardize the competition, athletic directors proposed that each school should award no more than 75 athletic scholarships, and each player getting a free ride for his sports ability would be forced to sign a contract. Contracts, like baseball documents, would make a player ineligible to play for another school after signing with a conference member.

Students receiving government aid under the GI Bill of Rights would receive room, board and laundry. It also was agreed that time spent in military service should not affect the eligibility status of returning veterans, and players with less than a semester of football participation before entering the service will be regarded as first-year-men upon their return.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1—Mayor Bernard Samuel said today he regretted the Navy Department's decision to keep the Army-Navy gridiron duel at Annapolis this year instead of moving it to Philadelphia.

"We could easily have filled Municipal Stadium without taxing transportation facilities," the mayor said. "I hope for an early resumption of the Army-Navy game here in accordance with the contract we have with both academics."

In Washington, Rep. Mike Munroney (D-Okla.) has proposed that the game be played as a "Victory celebration" in some large eastern city if Germany goes under before Dec. 2, the scheduled date for the inter-service classic.

Dobbs Acclaimed by Scribes For All-Star Tilt Performance

CHICAGO, Sept. 1—The nation's sports writers substantiated what 50,000 rain-soaked fans saw with their own eyes Wednesday night when they voted Glenn Dobbs, former Tulsa backfield star now stationed with the Second AF at Colorado Springs, the most valuable collegian in the 11th annual football game between the College All-Stars and the Chicago Bears.

Second place in the press poll went to Lou Saban, ex-Indiana ace who converted three extra points and backed the Stars' line with superb tackling. He plunged for the last touchdown and Coach Lynn Waldorf rated his splendid generalship as one of the game's highlights. Saban is an infantry lieutenant at Fort Benning, Ga.

Dobbs was the key to the Star attack which rushed through the fearsome Bears for a 14-0 lead in the first quarter. He passed for one touchdown and fumbled when just about to make another after a 30-yard sprint. The fumble was covered by Johnny Tavener, of Indiana, who carried over for the touchdown.

The former Tulsa hero was a constant threat in the fourth quarter, but rain impaired his passing and possibly prevented his hitting a receiver for the winning score. It's very possible, too, that the same rain stopped Sid Luckman from making the Bears' victory even bigger than 24-21.

However, Dobbs wrote his name in the record book by booming an 85-yard quick kick in the first period to set up a touchdown. The best previous punt was 71 yards, made by the late Lt. Bob Moser, of Texas A. and M., in the 1942 contest.

The All-Stars broke camp yesterday and servicemen, who comprised more than half of the bulky squad, are en route back to duty. They were granted furloughs covering nine days of pre-game practice and the game itself.

Quaker City Mayor Miffed At Action on Service Classic

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1—Mayor Bernard Samuel said today he regretted the Navy Department's decision to keep the Army-Navy gridiron duel at Annapolis this year instead of moving it to Philadelphia.

"We could easily have filled Municipal Stadium without taxing transportation facilities," the mayor said. "I hope for an early resumption of the Army-Navy game here in accordance with the contract we have with both academics."

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Net Stars Gain Quarter-Finals

FOREST HILLS, N.Y., Sept. 1—Only one casualty occurred among the seeded entries yesterday as play continued in the National tennis championships. Jack Fossi, Oakland, Cal., youngster who was seeded eighth, joined Sidney Wood on the sidelines when he was upset by Maj. Alexander Carver Jr., 6-1, 4-6, 8-6.

Charlie Oliver, of Perth Amboy, N.J., had a narrow squeak before he beat Charlie McManis, of Pasadena, Cal., 0-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Carver will tackle Pancho Segura, the two-fisted swinger from Ecuador, today in the quarter-finals. Segura rallied after a bad start yesterday to trounce Pfc David Freeman, of Pomona, Cal., 8-6, 6-1.

Oliver's next foe is the perennial title contender, Sgt. Frankie Parker, of Muroc Field, Cal., who routed Lt. Victor Seizas, of Philadelphia, 6-1, 6-4.

Other seeded stars who advanced without difficulty were Lts. Don McNeill and Seymour Greenberg, Cadet Bobby Falkenburg and Billy Talbert.

Brooklyn Bad? Try The ETO, Brother

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 1—Calvin Coolidge McLish, 18-year-old Dodger right-hander who returned home to visit before entering the Navy, said that coming home from Brooklyn is almost like returning from a foreign country.

"They treated me wonderful in Brooklyn," he said. "But it was so hard to understand them. They talk too fast."

HOW THEY STAND.

Table showing American League and National League standings with columns for Team, W, L, Pct.

Table showing National League Home Run Hitters with columns for Player, Team, Runs, Hits, Pct.

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LIL ABNER comic strip panel showing a woman and a man.

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10 Struck Mines In Pennsylvania Seized by U.S.

FDR Acts in Steel-Output Crisis; Work Resumed At Nickel Plant

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (ANS)—President Roosevelt yesterday ordered government seizure of ten struck Western Pennsylvania coal mines, directing Solid Fuels Administrator Harold L. Ickes to run them. Ickes promptly announced the mines would reopen Monday.

The President said the move was necessary "as a result of existing and threatened strikes" which have already cost the nation an estimated 200,000 tons of soft coal critically needed for steel manufacture.

The walkout, which grew out of demands for company recognition of a supervisory workers' union of the UMW numbering less than 300 members, has kept 8,000 idle.

Meanwhile, workmen returned to their jobs at the International Nickel Co., Huntington, W. Va., which the Army took over under Presidential order Wednesday after a three-day strike.

The dispute came within 48 hours of the ending of an earlier seven-day strike over alleged grievances between union and management. In an appeal to employees to resume work, District Director W. D. MacKay of the union said that the original strike resulted from a controversy over the status of one worker.

Report Allies Enter N. Italy

Seventh Army troops were reported yesterday by Algiers Radio to have crossed the French frontier into Italy along the Marseilles-Genoa railway.

Algiers said advanced units pushing beyond captured Nice had reached Ventimiglia, five miles inside Italy. The broadcast added that extensive enemy minefields had "temporarily slowed down" the Allied advance.

The Allied communique reported that units west of the Rhone had captured Narbonne, 120 miles west of Marseilles. Thus, in less than three weeks, the United Nations had won control of the entire coast of southern France except the 50 miles between Narbonne and the Spanish border.

Near the Italian border, however, there was lively fighting. Gen. Jean Gabriel Cochet, representing French Forces of the Interior, said in a communique broadcast by Algiers that the enemy was "battling hard" to remain masters of the main passes over the Alps.

Senators Say Lend-Lease Should End With Peace

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (ANS)—Influential members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee expressed the view today that Lend-Lease aid to other countries must be brought to an end at the close of the war.

Chairman Tom Connally (D.-Tex.) and Sen. Walter F. George (D.-Ga.), who piloted the Lend-Lease program to Senate passage shared the belief that its use should be limited strictly to military and defense measures.

Captors Make a Deal, Become the Captives

TRUN, Sept. 1 (UP)—Ten American soldiers taken prisoner in the Argonne fighting were taking refuge with their captors in a wood which was under heavy Canadian artillery fire.

Things were getting hot, too hot for the Germans, so they begged their prisoners to hoist a white flag and take them back to the Canadian lines as prisoners.

So the Americans marched their prisoners—20 of them—back to the Canadian area.

Bulgar Cabinet Out, Nazis Say

Resignation of the Bulgarian cabinet was announced yesterday by Prime Minister Ivan Bagrianov, according to a German News Agency report, following Russia's charge that the Bulgarian government had violated its "neutrality" pledge by harboring German warships in Danubian ports.

There were no indications that Bagrianov's resignation would affect armistice negotiations between Bulgaria and the Allied nations. Diplomatic circles in Cairo indicated the presentation of terms awaited only the arrival there of the U.S. representative.

In Slovakia, meanwhile, the rising of the Czechoslovak resistance army was reported to have freed the main part of that country and to have spread to Hungarian-annexed territory.

In Moscow, a Rumanian delegation began negotiations for a formal armistice.

Yanks 700 Mi. From Russians

SHAEF, Sept. 1 (AP)—The victorious Anglo-American and Russian armies, driving toward a junction in the heart of Germany, have covered almost half the distance in a lightning summer offensive, and on the fifth anniversary of the war are only a little more than 700 miles apart.

In less than three months of concentrated blows from the east and west, the Allies have inflicted enormous casualties on the Nazi war machine, with more than 1,500,000 Germans being either killed, captured or wounded.

When Gen. Eisenhower's armies landed in Normandy on June 6 they were nearly 1,400 miles from the Russians fighting before Mogilev.

The Russians are now at the gates of Warsaw, after covering more than half the distance to Berlin since their offensive began on June 23, and are now a little more than 700 miles from Gen. Patton's armies on the Meuse.

Lila Lee Weds

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1 (ANS)—Stage and screen star Lila Lee was married today to stockbroker John E. Murphy, of New York. The actress gave her age as 39 and the bridegroom said he was 45. She is currently starring in the comedy "Kiss and Tell."

Verdun Falls; Yanks Across Meuse River

Racing for Reich; Dieppe Seized by the Canadians; British in Pas de Calais

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on them rolled through the Argonne Forest, south of the Sedan gap, at a 35-mile-per-hour rate in the advance that captured Verdun. Armored cavalry and combat teams took Verdun, strongest fortress town in eastern France, as other units pushed on eastward toward the German frontier.

The German Radio said that Gen. Patton had two assault forces, each consisting of six to eight divisions, in these operations.

A Third Army drive parallel to the Verdun push went 30 miles beyond St. Dizier to Commercy, 30 miles south of Verdun, and at this road junction was in position to plunge 25 miles south to Nancy, on a main cross-country road to Germany.

One corps of Patton's army, consisting of three armored and motorized formations, was more than 40 miles north of Rheims in the Vervins area, German News Agency declared, adding that part of this force was threatening German forces fighting between the Seine and the Somme.

The British, across the Somme on a 12-mile front at Amiens, slashed within 12 miles of Arras by reaching Hebuterne, which one dispatch called "the home of the flying-bomb sites." They were also less than 50 miles from Armentieres, the Franco-Belgian border town of "Made-moiselle from Armentieres" fame, through which the front line ran for 3 1/2 years in World War I.

The same Canadian units which lost heavily at Dieppe two years ago rode into the city without firing a shot, while Canadian, Belgian and Dutch troops fought their way 17 miles west of Rouen to a point less than 10 miles from Le Havre. There was still German opposition in Rouen itself.

With a firm British ridgehead across the Somme at Amiens and, according to German report, a Canadian bridgehead east of the city, Marshal Montgomery's forces were closing in along their whole front from the Somme toward the sea.

Planes Avert Supply Crisis

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (ANS)—Forty-eight tons of urgently-needed signal equipment were recently flown from New York to London and thence to the battlefields of France—the biggest air lift ever accomplished in the ETO—in approximately 30 hours.

Within a few hours after the requisition was received in the States, nine planes of Air Transport Command were on their way to England. With the cargo already over the mid-Atlantic, the final details of its disposition in France were being worked out. All details were completed in seven hours.

When the planes arrived in England, the equipment was promptly transferred to planes of Ninth Troop Carrier Command, and a few hours later supply depot troops in France were unloading it for rush delivery to the front.

Congressman Says Women Will Insist They Keep War Jobs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (UP)—At least half of the women in U.S. industry want to keep their jobs after the war, according to Rep. William M. Colmer (D.-Miss.), chairman of the House Committee on Post-War Policy and Planning, who has been investigating the question in Detroit factories.

He is also convinced that heads of large firms will do nothing to replace women where they have been found as capable as men.

"It's true many women have jobs that will end almost as soon as the war does," Colmer said, "but there are hundreds of thousands of others in factories like motor car and aircraft who are going to fight to keep their jobs. Most of them did not work before the war, but they got right into line when they were needed, found out they like the work and feel that they have a right to keep their jobs when the war ends."

Stage Door Canteen Jr. Opens



Fred Astaire and Beatrice Lillie (above), along with Bing Crosby, Jack Buchanan, Dorothy Dickson and other British and American entertainers, launched the Stage Door Canteen in London Thursday night. Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, said its success would do more than all the diplomats to make the men and women of the Allied services real friends.

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of the German guns had been liquidated before they could hit any targets.

"The swing eastward started at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon from Rheims when Gen. Patton wheeled eastward instead of continuing toward the coast. By nightfall the troops were well along the old Roman road and into the edges of the Hindenburg line of World War I.

"We passed thousands of well-kept graves of men who had died on the battlefields that we were crossing at 35 miles an hour.

"We passed a great network of trenches, the grooves of which were still plainly visible, and rolled past the forest and through the town where the French lined the streets and cheered us.

"This was the 'big parade' of 1944. There was no gunfire, no mud, and we rode on comfortably with planes gracefully wheeling overhead. We might have been tourists.

"From each joyous village the news came that the Germans had left a few hours ago. There is evidence of this retreat all along the road where the vehicles that had broken down have just been left where they stopped.

"Even in the Argonne the Germans had no time to make a stand.

"Even ridges—and the Germans took care to blow up those across the Marne—were not touched in some cases here."

Tonight we are really rolling—great columns of men and machines, bumper to bumper, over endless miles—headed for Germany.

Says the Robots Fell in France

ROUEN, Sept. 1 (UP)—At least three out of four of the flying bombs launched by the Germans in the Rouen area never reached the Channel but crashed in France, the mayor of Rouen said today.

According to reliable witnesses, the mayor said, the Germans had 2,000 static sites for flying bombs in France. Twenty-two of these were in the Rouen area, one every two or three miles between Rouen and Le Havre.

The mayor lives in a house along the Havre road. One day ten of the flying bombs crashed all about it, he said. A nearby farm had 26 flying bombs down in an area of 40 acres.

Building Post-War Ships

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 1 (ANS)—The Bethlehem Sparrows Point shipyards have started work on the first of three cargo ships designed especially for post-war commerce. The ships will have a minimum of 52,000 cubic feet of space for refrigerator cargo, about twice the space of ships used in the '30s and 20 per cent greater than those built shortly before the war.

Army Arranges Turkey Dinner

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (ANS)—The War Department announced today that arrangements have been made to insure all American soldiers throughout the world an ample portion of turkey on Thanksgiving Day.

The War Food Administration, to make sure there will be plenty of turkey for the armed services has restricted sales to civilians until the Army and Navy have filled their requirements.

Turkey is being canned for shipment to American Prisoners of War in Germany through the Red Cross and efforts will be made to send some to American prisoners in Japanese camps by way of Russia, but there is no assurance that this can be done since Japan is not a signatory of the Geneva Convention.

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hastening west for a joint sweep up the Danube with Malinovsky.

Marshal Tito's Partisan communique reported fighting between Germans and Bulgarians in Yugoslavia, where elements of three Bulgarian army groups are stationed. Tito said German troops attacked the Bulgarian garrison at Nish, on the main line from Belgrade into Greece.

Heaviest fighting on the southern front apparently was in the approaches to the Carpathian passes. Berlin reported the Russians had launched an "all-out" attack to win them.

Eighty miles west of Bucharest—85 miles from the Yugoslav frontier—the German High Command was reported trying to organize a new defense line on the Olt River, which flows north to south and enters the Danube 55 miles west of Giurgiu.

A New-Type Helicopter Demonstrated to Services

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1 (ANS)—A new-type helicopter which eliminates the customary tail propeller and overcomes torque by using super-imposed contra-rotating two-blade rotors was demonstrated to the Navy, Army and National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics yesterday by its inventor, 19-year-old Stanley Hiller Jr., of Berkeley. Today he reported for induction.

Hiller, son of a pioneer Pacific flier and steamship company president, said the experimental ship had a speed of about 100 miles an hour and cruised at from 1 1/2 to 90 miles an hour.

Norris Sinking

McCOOK, Neb., Sept. 1 (ANS)—Former Sen. George W. Norris has lost all consciousness and is growing progressively weaker, Dr. E. F. Leininger said today. Norris, who is 83, suffered cerebral hemorrhage Tuesday.

Radio Highlights

AFN in the United Kingdom—1000 hours—2300 hours

On Your Dial
1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc.
218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.

Saturday, Sept. 2

- 1000—Headlines—Victory Parade with Frankie Masters.*
- 1015—Personal Album with Nancy Walker.*
- 1100—Headlines—Morning After (Jubilee).*
- 1130—Duffie Bag—Cpl. Johnny Kerr's Hit Kit of Melody.*
- 1315—Great Music—Introduced by Walter Houston.
- 1330—Yank's Radio Edition.
- 1400—Headlines—Dowbeat.*
- 1430—Army Talks.
- 1545—On the Record—Pfc George Monaghan, the AFN Record Man.*
- 1630—Miss Parade.*
- 1730—Raymond Scott's Orchestra.*
- 1805—Your State.
- 1905—Bing Crosby.*
- 1935—Saturday Night Serenade—Gis Haenchen Orchestra.*
- 2000—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.*
- 2105—Report from the Western Front.
- 2115—GI Journal.
- 2145—Top of the Evening—Kings Men, and the Ken Darby Singers.*
- 2200—Headlines—Xavier Cugat with Lina Romay.
- 2230—Suspense.

AEF on the Continent—0555 hours—2300 hours

- On Your Dial
1050 kc. 285m.
- 0600—Headlines—Rise and Shine.
- 0815—Man in Blue—Sgt. John Hollingsworth of the R.A.F.
- 0830—Show Souvenirs.
- 0955—American Dance Band.
- 1330—By Way of Music.
- 1815—The Swing Sextet.*
- 1830—Atlantic Spotlight.*
- 2015—Music from the Movies.
- 2200—Headlines—Johnny Canuck's Revue.
- 2230—Xavier Cugat.

* Indicates programs heard on both networks.

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Sunday, Sept. 3

- 0800—Headlines—Sunday Serenade.
- 0915—Hymns From Home.
- 0935—Hour of Charm—with Phil Spitalney's all-girl Orchestra.*

