

Sie muessen hier umsteigen  
Zee mewssen here oomstaygen  
All change here

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Attention a la marche!  
At-on-si-own a la marsh!  
Mind the step!

## 7 and 5 Packs of Cigarettes Today, Says U.K. PRO Third Battles Into Saarlautern

### That's Latest In 'On-Off' Weekend

Starting this morning, combat soldiers, replacements and hospital patients in the U.K. probably can purchase their full pre-famine ration of seven packages of American cigarettes at the PX, while noncombatants probably will be able to obtain five packs.

At least, when The Stars and Stripes went to press last night, that was the last of a series of conflicting weekend announcements on the current cigarette snafu.

In the Communications Zone on the Continent, reports last night indicated that the ration beginning today would be five packs for combatants, two packs for noncombatants.

These were the weekend developments on the butt front:

Saturday, Communications Zone Headquarters in Paris announced that, commencing this morning, "combat troops and hospital patients in the U.K. can purchase seven packages of cigarettes per

### Wheeler Asks for Probe To Answer the Troops

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3—Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) declared yesterday that "the boys in the service and the public in general, are entitled to know the facts" about the current cigarette shortage.

Wheeler asked the FTC probe "in view of rumors of black-market operations, hoarding and racketeering."

Meanwhile, OPA's Enforcement Division reported that as yet no organized or professional black market in cigarettes had appeared throughout the nation.

week in U.S. Army Exchanges, while other personnel are able to purchase five packages per week.

The announcement was carried in London's Sunday press.

Yesterday afternoon Paris issued another order, rescinding the earlier announcement. Though the second release did not say so, it was assumed that this meant that the order of Nov. 29, allowing combatants five packs and non-combatants two packs as of Dec. 4, remained in force.

Last night, however, the U.K. Base public-relations office notified The Stars and Stripes that Saturday's order, allowing butt purchases on a seven and five basis, would take effect this morning.

Meanwhile, the basic question, first asked by The Stars and Stripes when the ban went into effect, remained unanswered: Where were the cigarettes?

### GI Bazooka Man Ready for Toot if Necessary



A Ninth Army soldier, carrying a bazooka, cautiously approaches a blazing German self-propelled tank destroyer near Aldenhoven.

### Superforts Raid Tokyo Again

Marianas-based Superforts bombed Tokyo yesterday for the fourth time in ten days, the War Department announced, adding that the "objective was an industrial target previously attacked in an earlier mission by the same aircraft."

Saipan dispatches said the 90-minute directed against the Mitsubishi plant at the Nakajima aircraft factory, which suffered considerable damage in the Nov. 24 raid, according to reconnaissance photographs. Yesterday's raid was in good weather, enabling the bombardiers to do pinpoint visual work. The factory is about 11 miles west of Tokyo harbor.

Meanwhile, in the Philippines, a communique reported a strong Japanese air attack against American positions at Carigara, at the northern end of the Ormoc corridor on Leyte Island.

German News Agency quoted a Tokyo dispatch as saying that "suicide" airborne Jap troops—who tie explosives to their bodies and fling themselves at enemy installations—had been landed on Leyte and had damaged two American air bases.

### In Paris, a Fat Wallet Means Arrest for GIs

PARIS, Dec. 3 (UP)—American soldiers with large sums of money in their pockets are being arrested in Paris in a determined effort to break up the black market in U.S. Army goods.

About 200 soldiers already are under arrest, but the black market in gasoline, food and cigarettes still exists, a provost marshal official stated.

### Reds Smashing North On Route to Austria

Russian forces in northeastern Hungary last night captured the important communications centers of Miskolc and Satoral-Jaujhely, while across the Danube Marshal Tolbukhin's Red Army forces pushed ahead toward Austria, less than 80 miles away.

On the west side of the Danube the Soviet's Third Ukrainian Army continued to drive north at the rate of from ten to 20 miles a day, breaking open a route to Austria and severing the railways on which about 100,000 Germans hoped to get out of Yugoslavia.

More than 60 settlements have been captured by Tolbukhin's Army in its



drive north from Pecs and the swift Russian armored columns last night were reported closing in on Dunafoldvar, 42 miles south of Budapest.

Large-scale battles were reported raging between Kaposvar on the left flank and Szekszard on the right. Szekszard was reported outflanked, but the Germans apparently risked a suicide force to hold the important stronghold.

The Germans admitted that the advance from southern Hungary was "rather tragic at first sight," and said they were inferior in arms and men to the Russians.

In the northeast it appeared that Marshal Malinowsky's Russian forces had started a new drive to keep pace with the Soviet push in the south. Both forces then could form a wide circle around the capital on the Danube.

### MAF Blasts Nazi Positions

ROME, Dec. 3 (AP)—In its biggest day in three months, the Mediterranean Air Force flew more than 2,500 sorties yesterday in a full-scale assault on German communications, gun posts and ammo dumps in northern Italy and oil and rail targets in Germany and Austria.

While the heavies ranged over German territory, medium bombers struck at bridges and causeways on the Brenner route and coastal command planes attacked small shipping in the Venice Gulf and road transport in northern Italy. Thirteen planes were lost.

### GIs Surprise Nazis, Span Saar River

Units of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army were fighting last night in both the eastern and western portions of industrial Saarlautern after crossing the Saar River, dividing the town and capturing the bridge connecting the two districts in an assault-boat attack which caught the Germans before they could blow up the span.

Earlier reports of the Saarlautern battle said the 95th Division was fighting to clear the main part of the city on the western bank, where the Germans, supported by anti-aircraft and mobile guns, were holding out in house-to-house clashes.

Northwest of Saarlautern the Germans abandoned the town of Niederlimberg after razing it by fire—the first instance of a Nazi scorched-earth policy in the Reich itself. Dispatches also disclosed that Sarre-Union had been cleared of the enemy.

First Army Gains  
North of Patton's sector, where the Third Army now stood along 16 miles



of the Saar west bank, First Army doughboys, attacking in darkness, jumped off from Langerwehe and captured Luchem in a half-mile advance, during which they ran up against earthworks, anti-tank guns, mortars and unusually strong enemy air power.

Ack-ack crews supporting the First Army reported the destruction of 15 to 20 enemy planes which risked take-offs in weather which held Allied planes on the ground. One dispatch said that a command post had been strafed twice yesterday, each time by five Me109s. The Luftwaffe fliers failed to cause much damage, according to reports.

Capping a week of tough fighting, the First Army cleared the town of Inden, while in the area between Kleiphau and Brandenburg, which was taken yesterday, American tanks resumed the offensive

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### One Less to Fight

### Britain-Latin Air Deal Alleged

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (UP)—Sen. Ralph O. Brewster (R-Mc.) charged in the current issue of American Magazine that Britain had proposed a deal whereby it would provide Argentina with commercial airplanes before the end of the war in return for commercial airline rights in Argentina.

Brewster's article, entitled "Let's Not Be Suckers Again," said:

"Despite the Anglo-American agreement that neither nation until the end of the war will negotiate with other countries to operate commercial airlines, most extraordinary deals are going on with Argentina.

"In spite of the rift between the U.S. and the Argentine, the British have offered to supply the Argentine with commercial planes before the end of the war if the Argentine gives British commercial airlines the right to operate in Argentina."

"I presume," Brewster continued, "that American Lend-Lease gifts will permit the British to release enough of their own planes to supply the Argentine."

Brewster further alleged: "In return for a loan to China, the British are to receive the right to operate vast air lines to China, using in many cases airports built by us."

### The Jackknife May Become a Scalpel

### GI Medic's Miracle Operation Wins Him Free College Offer

By Robert Richards

United Press War Correspondent  
WITH FIFTH DIVISION, near Metz, Dec. 3—The "foxhole surgeon" who performed a delicate throat operation with a rusty jack-knife and a fountain pen while under fire sat down quickly as if weak in the knees when told today he had been offered a free medical education at Western Reserve University.

The news just about floored T/4 Duane N. Kinman, former truck driver and auto mechanic from College Place, Wash., whose battlefield operation astounded medical men.

He had saved a choking soldier whose windpipe had been gashed by shrapnel by making an incision and putting a fountain pen through it to permit the soldier again to breathe.

"Golly, that's just what I wanted to do all my life," Kinman said after the shock of the news had worn off.

"I wanted to go to college and learn to be a surgeon but I always told myself it's no use, Duane, you'll never get enough money."



T/4 Duane N. Kinman

Walla Academy when the Army got me, ...



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

# Japs Lose 10 to U.S. 1 But Still Have Plenty

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—U.S. troops have killed at least 277,000 Japanese at a cost of only 21,000 American fatalities, the Office of War Information has revealed in a report which said that Japan already has 4,000,000 men in the field, and can comfortably equip and train an additional 2,000,000.

## 8th, 9th Hit Nazi Traffic, Railway Yards

Escorted by more than 500 Mustangs and Thunderbolts, about 250 Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth Air Force Saturday attacked rail yards at Bingen and in the Coblenz area of southwest Germany, bombing through dense clouds. Adverse weather grounded Eighth aircraft yesterday.

Pursuit pilots reported shooting down 28 of about 50 German fighters which pounced on some B24 groups in the Bingen area. Eleven U.S. bombers and eight fighters were lost.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that Eighth Air Force and RAF heavies dropped a total of 96,880 tons of bombs on Germany last month. An additional 2,800 tons were loosed on enemy-occupied territory.

The Eighth dispatched 16,500 heavy bombers and more than 13,600 fighters in November. Pursuit pilots shot down 464 enemy planes and destroyed 136 more on the ground. The bombers' gunners bagged another 36 Nazi craft in the air.

U.S. losses were 184 heavies and 108 fighters.

Italy-based 15th Air Force B17s and B24s yesterday pounded military objectives in Vienna.

## West Front -

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along the approaches to the Roer River, a mile distant on this sector.

The Ninth Army, battling eastward in the zone on the left flank of the First, threw back two counter-attacks west of Linnich and continued to fight inside Linnich. Strong enemy artillery fire was met in the Linnich battle.

Prisoners taken by the Ninth said that the Germans opposing Lt. Gen. William Simpson's forces had suffered very severe losses.

A United Press correspondent with the Ninth Army said that, judging from identification of prisoners, about 25 per cent of the German units on the Western Front were being concentrated opposite the relatively short Ninth Army zone. In between the Roer and the Rhine, to the east, the Germans were said to be extremely busy and a staff officer hazarded the opinion that a sizable engagement was shaping up.

Dispatches said that the Ninth was battling in the outskirts of Julich, which spans the Roer southeast of Linnich.

According to United Press, the Seventh Army was pushing on to the Alsatian plain on the Rhine west bank north of Strasbourg, where the three bridges from that city to Kehl on the east bank were blown up Saturday after the Germans had withdrawn under cover of fog.

In Holland British Second Army troops penetrated at some points into the defense perimeter around the border town of Venlo, which stands on both sides of the Maas.

German News Agency said Nazi commando troops had blown up a dam along the lower Rhine and flooded British positions over a large area southwest of Arnhem.

## War Visits a Town

# Nazis Returned, Then Yanks, But Only the Dead Remain

By Jimmy Cannon

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 80TH DIVISION, Third Army, Dec. 3—Now the dead hold Farbersviller. Once the enemy did and then we came. They returned and so did we. But today only the dead are there, and the fish in the shallow creek are all that live in the town in the basin between the disfigured hills.

"We got into the town in the morning and had driven them beyond the creek by dark," said Lt. Col. William J. Bordston, of Fort Worth, Tex., commanding officer of the Third Battalion of the 317th Infantry Regiment. Bordston, 35, is a tall, broken-nosed Army boxer, once light heavyweight champion of Hawaii. "I was in my CP in a house in the town when it happened."

The tanks came first over the hard-bottomed creek, followed by the infantry on the run and in half tracks. They spread through the town spraying fire like insane gardeners with deadly hoses.

"I was standing naked in the house. They were all over the town and the battalion took cover in houses and cellars."

"The concussion of grenades made the CP shiver in its foundations. They came through the window."

"A machine-gun poked into the doorway and raked the long dark hall."

In addition to the 277,000 Japanese killed in combat, 250,000 are in isolated pockets, cut off from battle or rescue. Japanese dead since 1937, date of the outbreak of Japan's war with China, totals about 850,000. Japan now has about 2,000,000 troops in China.

In a detailed summation of the characteristics, equipment and organization of Japanese troops, based on War Department data, the OWI said Japan "is nowhere near the bottom of the barrel in fighting reserves" and can recruit added millions from subject nations.

### Teaches Lot of Things

The War Department reported that "war against Japan has taught American fighting men a number of things, but perhaps the most important is that there is no such thing as impassable terrain, even in the jungle." It said the Japanese believed strongly in sudden offensive action, and often attacked prematurely.

Japanese are hard, fanatical fighters, "but despite their extensive training and confidence in the bayonet, they have not been outstanding in close combat."

Major weakness of the Jap war machine, the OWI said, lies in its artillery. It lacks variety, concentration and marksmanship, and appears unable to make full use of its equipment.

### Point to Education

The War Department, the OWI said, vehemently denied that the Jap was a "stupid, insensate peasant," and pointed to his two years of high-school education, which also is the median level of the American doughboy. Furthermore, between 40 and 50 per cent of all Jap soldiers have studied English, and about one-fourth of the Japanese Army speaks English "efficiently."

Jap pay standards are "astonishingly low," the OWI said, although "cost-of-living" increases from 80 to 100 per cent have been granted. A buck private in the Jap Army as of December, 1941, received only \$1.38 to \$2.07 per month, compared with the present \$50 for the American GI.

Jap sergeants monthly are paid \$6.99, against \$78 for U.S. sergeants; Jap second lieutenants, \$16.29, to the American \$150; Jap captains, \$35.65, to the American \$200; Jap colonels, \$85.10, to the American \$333.33; and Jap generals,

## Home Guard Calls It a Day

Britain's Home Guard—on whom Prime Minister Churchill had relied in the dark days following Dunkirk to fight the Germans on the beaches "and in the streets" should the occasion have arisen—had a "stand down" parade in London yesterday.

Organized 4½ years ago, the HG—consisting of men too old or unfit for service or engaged on important war jobs—will not be fully mustered out despite the "stand down" ceremony. They will still be on call for service, HG leaders emphasized.

Among the paraders yesterday there was a small unit of Americans—mainly business men—who were in the HG, as a special unit, long before Pearl Harbor.

King George VI, in his role as Colonel-in-Chief of the HG, paid tribute last night to the "patient, ungrudging" members of the HG. "You have built and maintained a force able to play an essential part in the defense of our threatened soil and liberty," he said.

for the regiment and came back with the tanks."

In the streets, enemy voices shouted, "Colonel Smith says it's okay to surrender, Yanks."

"Col. Bordston came back riding on a tank and shot the first three Jerries he saw with his tommy-gun," said Maj. E. S. Barszcz, of Pittsfield, Mass., executive officer.

In a barn across from the CP, S/Sgt. Graydon A. Rief, of Cincinnati, sat at his radio, and three times sent a message as German infantry battered at the door. "They made it bend, but they couldn't break it. The funny thing was, the door wasn't even locked," said Rief.

"We pushed them back," said Bordston. "They never did get us out of that town. We were ordered out next morning."

## Accused Inventor Of Flying Bomb Held

PARIS, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—Georges Claude, who is accused of having invented the flying bomb and of having sold his invention to the Germans, has been imprisoned on charges of treating with the enemy. He is described as a supporter of total collaboration with the Nazis. Before the war his scientific work gained

## Who's to Be The Man?

President Roosevelt, Vice-President Henry A. Wallace and T/Sgt. Clice T. Yancey, of Tallahassee, Fla., are among nominees by readers of The Stars and Stripes to be the GI Man of the Year.

The Stars and Stripes will name The Man in a couple of weeks. So there is still time for GIs to get in their nominations—with a letter of no more than 50 words telling why.

Mr. Roosevelt was suggested by Sgt. J. R. S. because "he has established himself as the world's greatest representative of peace and democracy."

"With him more than with any other," the sergeant says, "ride the world's hopes for everlasting peace and justice. No other man has ever held the world's respect and confidence as he does."

"Henry Agard Wallace is my choice," wrote Cpl. Jack Leskoff. "He could have been silent and won renomination. He chose to declare openly his wish for a more progressive U.S. in which an item like the poll tax must go. Though defeated, he continues his work."

But a master sergeant in a bomb group is unmoved by great names. For him The Man is Yancey—and here's why: "He landed in France on D-6, fought through St. Lo, Normandy and southern France, was wounded three times, buried alive once, was a PW for three days and was decorated for rescuing wounded under fire although hit himself. Is now in a hospital, recovering from a bayonet wound."

## Allies Strafe Reds in Error

ALLIED HQ, Mediterranean, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—A 15th Air Force fighter squadron on a strafing mission over Yugoslavia attacked a Russian column Nov. 1 because of "a mistake in target identification through faulty navigation," it was announced today.

"The incident was promptly reported and the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington expressed their deep regret to Moscow."

## Kinman - - -

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takes to pass Western Reserve requirements, but boy, I sure would like to try."

The Western Reserve offer was made Friday by University President W. F. Lautner, who explained that under the GI Bill of Rights Kinman could complete his pre-med training, two years more of advanced training, and, "if he passes this successfully, Western Reserve will see him through the rest of the course."

Kinman, an only son of a widowed mother, Mrs. Mary Kinman, said: "Mother and my three sisters will be really proud of me now. They would have liked for me to be a doctor more than anything else in the world, but I guess like me they just figured it out of the question because of the money angle."

## Franc Exchange Value For GIs Called Crime

PARIS, Dec. 2 (Delayed)—Exchange value of the dollar in francs was called a "crime" yesterday by two members of the House Military Affairs Committee, which recently arrived in France.

Foremost GI gripe heard by the group was the limited value of the dollar when translated into francs, according to Reps. J. Parnell Thomas (R.-N.J.) and Ivor D. Fenton (R.-Pa.), both World War I veterans.

Hinting that the rate of exchange would be investigated by the committee, Thomas said that the American people had received no hint of the soldiers' monetary problem in France.

A combat soldier in Paris on pass, he said, apparently is broke shortly after he arrives. He added that the Congressmen would "be broke soon, too."

# Greek Police Open Fire On Demonstrators

By Stephen Barber

Associated Press Correspondent

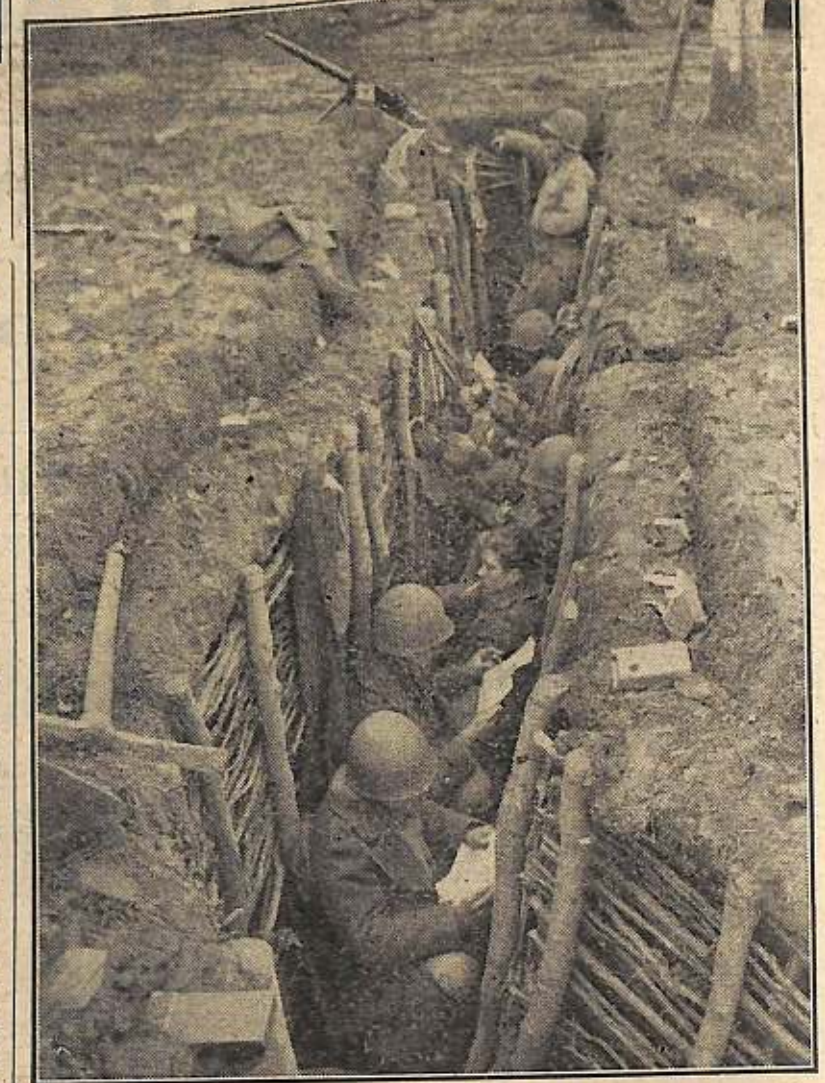
ATHENS, Dec. 3—Police opened fire on EAM and Communist demonstrators in Constitution Square here today.

The clashes were the outcome of Premier Papandreou's ban, issued last night, on demonstrations called by the Central Committee of the EAM (National Liberation Movement).

The EAM said 15 persons were killed and 148 wounded.

British Sherman tanks, scout cars and armored cars patrolled the streets tonight, while RAF and Greek aircraft and U.S.

# When the Battle Dies Down



Having satisfied their appetites with K-rations, men of a U.S. armored unit smoke, read and relax in a captured Nazi trench near the German border while a buddy keeps on the alert with a machine-gun.



Here's one Joe who probably does justice to a cut of spare ribs. He's chasing a pair of oinking porkers in Metz, at a time when fighting was still going on in the city.



To these boys in Zweifall, Germany, this old metal tub has the clean touch of porcelain tile. Taking a bath is Cpl. Cecil Snyder, of Spruckin, N.C. Buddies waiting their turns are, left to right, Pvt. Phil O'Reilly, of Brooklyn; Pfc Reginald Adare, of Boston, and Pvt. John C. Pairs, of Fairhaven, Mass.

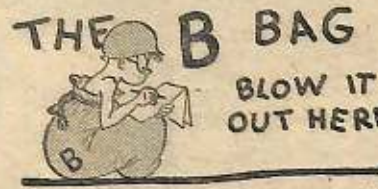
## Must Strain for Victory, German Farmers Told

It's T/S on the German agricultural front these days, what with the lack of manure—artificial or otherwise. Agricultural Councillor Glahn, broadcasting to German peasants, said according to U.P.—"Peasants must strain for victory, German farmers told."



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NOTE: Lack of space forces us to limit all letters published to not more than 200 words.—Ed.

The People of Aachen

Dear Stars and Stripes, It seems that what to do with Aachen and its people is presenting a considerable problem to the U.S. government.

Crossed-Up Crossword

Dear Stars and Stripes, This is not a gripe or complaint, just inquisitive. Something new, being a GI!

CDD for Sports Writers

Dear Stars and Stripes, We all want a CDD, for the information of those who want to listen to a bitch with more than our own feelings behind it.

Bundles for Tinbenders

Dear Stars and Stripes, We read that the Fleet Post Office doesn't require our friends and families to show requests from us to send us parcels.

All 'Good' Heinies Dead

Dear Stars and Stripes, In response to Sgt. Robert Alexander, Fella, I think you are a bit off the beam with your reasoning about all Germans not being bad.

Hash Marks

One-act play. The GI offered his girl a Scotch and soda. She reclined.

Signs of the times. The following advertisement appeared in the classified columns of an Indiana daily: "Wanted good, clean husband who gets a pension and doesn't drink."

Yes, Diogenes, we've found an "honest" woman. A WAC who had just got a promotion was congratulated and



asked why she got the boost. "Oh," she replied, "they gave me the extra stripe so I wouldn't be over-age in grade."

T/5 Hal Golden asks the \$64 question: "If an American soldier is a GI Joe, is a Japanese soldier a To-Joe?"

GI philosophy. If a girl expects to win a husband she ought to exhibit a generous nature or else how generous nature has been to her.

Observation. A man with circles under his eyes has usually been making the rounds.

WAC philosophy. God made women without a sense of humor so they could love men instead of laugh at them.

A GI songwriter is working on a tune called "Those Pay - Day - Minus - One Blues." The tune, appropriately enough, goes from bar to bar with too few notes.

Another unsigned verse left in our typewriter:

He asked for burning kisses, She answered low and cool, "I may be a red hot mama, But I ain't nobody's fuel."

Note to the QM. If the rag shortage



equipped with spittoons. Some of this chewing tobacco isn't bad.

"I can remember," muses T/15 Abraham Rosen, "When FFI meant full field inspection."

The wife of a GI was having trouble getting junior to eat his meal. She urged, "Now be a good soldier, like Daddy, and eat your dinner." Snapped the quiz kid, "Okay, pass the blankety-blank chow!" J. C. W.

An Editorial A Nurse Writes the Editorial

On Nov. 7, the letter below, addressed to every wounded American soldier on the Continent, was printed in the Paris edition of The Stars and Stripes. It was written by 2/Lt. Frances Slanger, a nurse in a U.S. Army field hospital who waded ashore with a hospital platoon on D-4.

Editor, Stars and Stripes: We hope you will be able to find room for the enclosed article. You see, we had many of these men as patients and that is just the way we feel about it and them.

It is 0200 and I have been lying awake for one hour, listening to the steady, even breathing of the other three nurses in the tent. Thinking about some of the things we had discussed during the day.

Nursing a Spark The fire is burning low and just a few live coals are on the bottom. With the slow feeding of wood, and finally coal, a roaring fire is started.

We had read several articles in different magazines and papers sent in by a grateful GI, praising the work of the nurses around the combat areas.

Of Borscht and a Blonde Reds Fete Downed Lib Crew As Friday the 13th Heroes

By S. Chavkin Stars and Stripes Special Correspondent

Eastern Command HQ, USSTAF, USSR, Germany just the other day. When the Liberator was at a base in Italy.

Their B24, ridden with flak, was forced to drop out of formation over German-held territory.

Official Welcoming Group No sooner did the Lib touch the ground than an unofficial welcoming committee—a Czechoslovakian colonel, male and female Russian fighter-pilots, mechanics, civilian maintenance men, all speaking Russian, Hungarian and a dozen other languages, except English,

One language the Americans did understand, however—food, and plenty of it. Ushered with great fanfare into a dining room, they sat down to a typical Russian

in all families, an occasional quarrel, but these were quickly forgotten.

I'm writing this by flashlight. In this light it looks something like a "dive." In the center of the tent are two poles, thing like a "dive." In the center of the tent are two poles, thing like a "dive."

We wade ankle deep in mud. You have to lie in it. We are subject to the temperament of the weather.

Sure, we rough it, but in comparison to the way you men are taking it, we can't complain, nor do we feel that bouquets are due us.

The Injured Kid Us Yes this time we are handing out the bouquets . . . but after taking care of some of your buddies; seeing them when they are brought in bloody, dirty with the earth, mud and

These soldiers stay with us but a short time, from ten days to possibly two weeks. We have learned a great deal about our American soldier, and the stuff he is made of.

Yes this time we are handing out the bouquets . . . but after taking care of some of your buddies; seeing them when they are brought in bloody, dirty with the earth, mud and

Nazi Prison Was One Big Crematorium

By Dan Regan Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

STRUTHOF CONCENTRATION CAMP, Dec. 3—A top a misty Vosges mountain jutting 2,700 feet into the sky

Perhaps not so efficient and coldly methodical as Lublin, the camp here in Alsace was one of the world's most eerie prisons.

The crematory was a long, low, scientific, gadget-operated building. For those few exceptional prisoners who died natural deaths from disease, malnutrition or sheer exhaustion from overwork there was a morgue.

Roller Out of Coffins The bodies were rolled out of the coffin-like boxes in which they were filed and shelved, and placed on a stretcher-shaped lift.

Right off the crematory oven-room was another white-walled, cement-floored room. Here, according to the Alsatian caretaker who had worked for the Germans, those who tried to escape were taken, shoved toward the center of the room and shot in the head.

During the last few days of the camp's existence 380 prisoners who were too ill or feeble to move conveniently were killed. The ovens worked day and night. It took three days to reduce all the bodies to ashes.

Yank Discovers Photo Of Self in Nazi Home

WITH NINTH ARMY, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—Col. Charles J. Barrett, artillery commander with the 84th Infantry Division, walked into a German house and found a picture of himself, French, Dutch and Japanese officers taken at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles in 1932.

HUBERT by SGT. DICK WINGERT



"Don't look now, but there's old 'Cooshay Awvec' back in town."

AFN Radio Program

- American Forces Network—With the AEF on the Road to Berlin On Your Dial 1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218.1m. 215.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m. Tuesday, December 5 0755—Sign On—Program Resume. 0800—Headlines—Combat Diary. 0815—Personal Album with Margaret Whiting. 0830—Dance Music. 0900—World News. 0905—Music by Ted Flo Rita. 0925—Music America Loves Best. 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Duffy's Tavern). 1030—Strike up the Band. 1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 1105—Duffie Bag. 1200—News. 1205—Duffie Bag. 1300—Headlines—Sports News. 1305—NBC Symphony. 1400—Headlines—Visiting Hour. 1500—Headlines—German Lesson. 1505—Strike up the Band. 1530—On the Record. 1630—Carnival of Music. 1700—Headlines—Melody Roundup. 1715—Canadian Guest Show. 1745—Music in Three-Quarter Time. 1755—American Sports News. 1800—World News. 1805—Mark up the Map. 1810—GI Supper Club. 1900—Headlines—GI Journal with Jack Carson. 1930—Here's To Romance. 2000—Headlines—Combat Diary. 2015—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians. 2030—American Band of the AEF (Major Glenn Miller). 2100—World News. 2105—Charlie McCarthy. 2135—Dinah Shore Show. 2200—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 2205—Ten O'Clock Special. 2300—Final Edition. 2305—Sign off until 0755 hours, Wed., Dec. 6 On the Continent listen to your favorite AFN programs over the Allied Expeditionary Forces Program: 581 kc. 514m. Also shortwave: 6:195mg. (49m. band) between 0800 and 1900 hours

# Vox Pop-Off

## QUESTION

Do you favor one-year military conscription for 18-year-olds back home after the war?

**S/Sgt. John J. Cerniglia, Airborne**

It's one way to harden up the younger generation—build up their bodies. It'll do them good to get away from their mothers for a change. Also, it will provide protection for American interests wherever and whenever they're endangered.



CERNIGLIA



THELMA REED

**Sgt. Thelma Reed, AAF**

I'm agin it. I know it isn't tough for most of us in the Army—especially WACs—except for our fighting men. I just don't like the idea of kids being put into uniform, especially at 18.

**Pfc Lawrence Dodd, Inf.**

Take me, I learned a lot in the Army. Kids of 18 will have similar opportunities if they're conscripted. And best of all, we won't be unprepared in the future—which looks dark as hell to me.



DODD



STARK

**Pfc Gordon K. Stark, Inf.**

Let's be honest. We'll need a heck of a lot of GIs to police Germany. Fighting men who are risking their lives should be sent home, and these youngsters will

**T/Sgt. Elwood F. Arndt, 5th Air**

You've got to make it compulsory, otherwise few will volunteer. But kids should be permitted to finish school.

One indirect benefit to them is that they will become more interested in government. They'll be better citizens.



ARNDT



EINSTEIN

**T/4 Isadore Einstein, AAF**

I'm for it. In case, God forbid, it ever happens again, and some nation has designs on the U.S., we'll be adequately prepared with a large group of qualified youngsters able to defend their country.

**Henry H. Muller, USN**

If it's compulsory, it's not too good. What about college fellows like me? Should they be taken out of school for a year? The idea isn't bad if they make provisions for those who want to go to school.



MULLER



KING

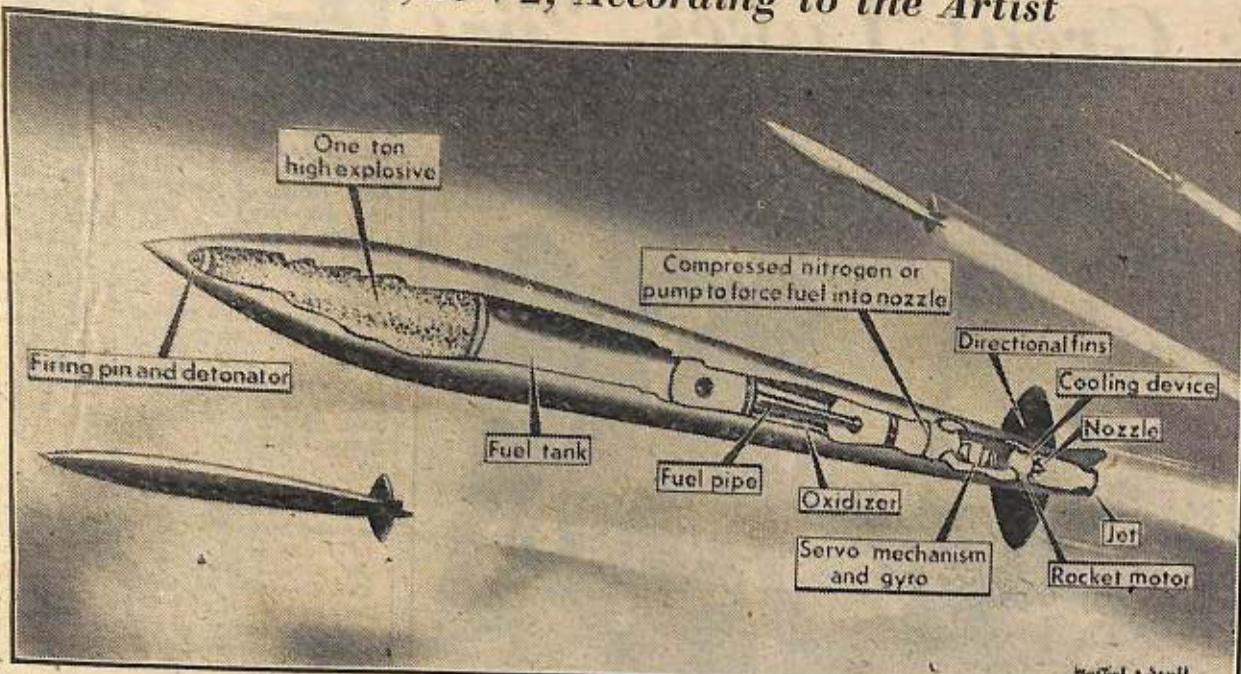
**Sgt. Charles B. King, AAF**

Hell, yes. It'll do our kids a lot of good, physically and mentally. Mentally, because it will take them out of their homes and show them what the outside world looks like.

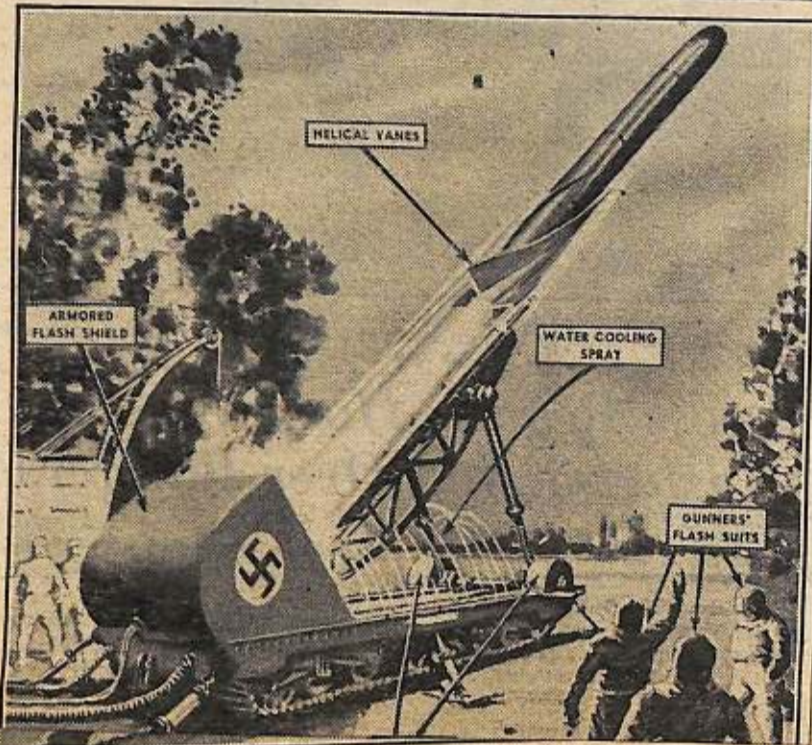
## Himmler Purging Nazi Officers Corps

Reuter reported yesterday that Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler, acting ostensibly in Hitler's name, had begun a purge of the German officers corps with Nazi-placing professional officers with Nazi-indoctrinated younger men. The agency said the report was confirmed by an order from Fritz Sauckel, Reich labor mobilization commissioner, published in the Official Gazette, which said: "The Fuehrer has ordered the rejuvenation of the officers corps. A considerable number of older officers will be released."

## This, Then, Is V2, According to the Artist



Here are two artists' conceptions of what V2 looks like and how it works. According to these sketches, which are based on analyses and reports from the front, the rocket is launched from a portable ramp, attains a height of 40 to 50 miles and hurtles toward its target at 3,500 miles per hour. Firing mechanism is electric and housed within the armored flash shield. The platform, which rests on hydraulic jacks to absorb the recoil, has to be cooled by water jets to prevent heat from distorting the framework.



## GIs Are Asked To Make Toys For Orphans

Orphaned British children will have toys for Christmas this year despite a war shortage if nimble-fingered GIs heed the appeal of Miss Winifred Rose, Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund secretary, and turn out some handcraft work in their spare time.

Almost any toy which a serviceman might make out of materials at hand would be acceptable, according to Miss Rose, who explained that toys for British children had become very scarce in the last five years, when very little commercial

The toys may be sent to the Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund office at 38 Upper Brook St. in London, Miss Rose said, or they may be mailed to The Stars and Stripes, APO 413, U.S. Army. She added that arrangements would be made for proper distribution.

Plans to entertain orphans at Christmas parties have already been made by a number of U.S. units. Last year approximately 17,000 were guests at American bases throughout the British Isles.

## Seek to Step Up Belgian Imports

BRUSSELS, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—A delegation of high-ranking Allied officers, including a personal representative of Gen. Eisenhower, conferred with Premier Hubert Pierlot of Belgium to discuss means of putting Belgian ports into use as soon as possible.

A committee composed of a representative of the Supreme Commander, one American and one British expert and the secretary-general of the Belgian Ministry of Economic Affairs was appointed to study a program for increasing imports of food and industrial equipment to rehabilitate the country.

The Associated Press reported last night that though tension still existed in the Belgian capital, conditions were outwardly calm. A call by the "Independence Front" for a general strike against the Pierlot regime appeared to have gained little response in Brussels.

## T/5 Wields the Baton For Dutch Symphony

MAASTRICHT, Holland, Dec. 3 (AP)—T/5 Henry S. Mazer, 26, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a member of an engineer outfit, recently conducted the Maastricht Symphony Orchestra in its first concert since 1940, when the Germans invaded Holland.

## 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, ET05A, Ext. 2131.

### Reunions

The following towns and districts will hold Reunion Dinners at 7:15 PM at the Mostyn Red Cross Club, Edgware Road next week: MONDAY, December 4th—Manchester, Nashua, Portsmouth, Concord—New Hampshire. TUESDAY, December 5th—Milwaukee, Wisconsin. WEDNESDAY, December 6th—Bergen County, N.J. THURSDAY, December 7th—Lambertville, N.J., New Hope, Pa. FRIDAY, December 8th—Cleveland, Lakewood, Ohio.

### College Reunion

Reunion dinner will be held at No. 3 Grosvenor Square Club on December 9, 1944, for former students of New York U. and Columbia U. at 6:30 P.M.—Reservations should be sent to The Stars and Stripes College Registration Service, Printing House Square, London, E.C.4.

## 'Bravery Above and Beyond'

By Earl Mazo

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE U.S. THIRD ARMY, Dec. 3—An indication of how Patton's tank-men fight was given in citations accompanying five Distinguished Service Crosses awarded by the Third Army General.

First Sgt. John R. Morton, Booneville, Mo., artilleryman in the Sixth Armored Division, "went after" the 88 that conked out his half track. In "getting" that gun he killed 26 Germans with his carbine, knocked out a 20-mm. flak gun, at least two machine-guns and other German pieces.

Lt. William T. Marshall, Newark, N.J., won his DSC leading tanks of his Fourth Armored Division unit over the Moselle during the first stages of the fight for the bridgeheads, blasting the sharp shoulders of the river bank with his 75s, laying timbers and debris across the canal and river bottom to keep his vehicles from bogging down, and then driving his unit across, the successful vehicles pulling out those stuck in the river bottom.

Col. John L. Hines Jr., who leads a combat team of the Sixth Armored, was decorated for personally leading infantry

across a swollen river to establish a bridgehead despite unusually heavy odds. He also saved the bridge across that river, thus stepping up Third Army advances toward Germany.

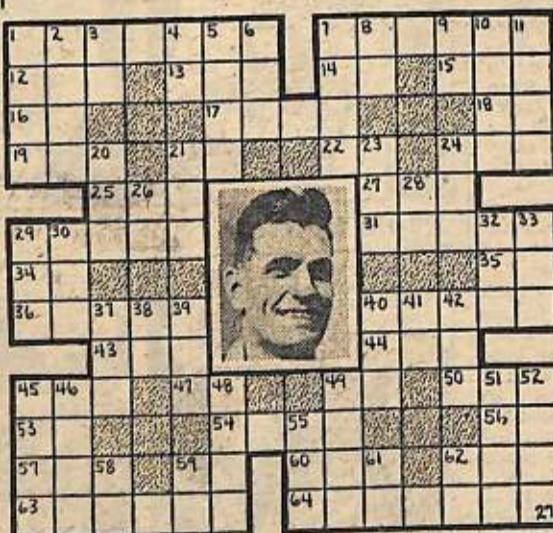
Lt. Col. Creighton W. Abrams, St. Petersburg, Fla., commander of the Fourth Armored 37th Tank Battalion attacked an enemy tank force with his own command tank and was a front leader during one of the fiercest armored battles of the war, near Arracourt.

Capt. William L. Spencer, of Marcy, N.Y., despite wounds received when his tank was knocked out, mounted another and led a unit in battle which destroyed 37 German tanks.

### Across

- 1—Pictured RAF ace, J. E. —
- 7—Guides.
- 12—Late American humorist.
- 13—Exist.
- 14—Measure of area.
- 15—Also.
- 16—International language.
- 17—Small particle.
- 18—River in Italy.
- 19—Standing room only (ab.).
- 21—Aluminum (symbol).
- 22—Print measure.
- 24—Diminutive of Benjamin.
- 25—Moist.
- 27—Greek letter.
- 29—At that place.
- 31—Coronet.
- 34—Each (ab.).
- 35—Alternating current (ab.).
- 36—Musical study.
- 40—Blade.
- 43—Sun.
- 44—Charged atom.
- 45—Route (ab.).
- 47—Master of ceremonies (ab.).
- 49—Mount (ab.).
- 50—Hard-shelled fruit.
- 53—Electrical engineer (ab.).
- 54—Capital of Italy.
- 56—Therefore.
- 57—Animal.
- 59—Rough lava.
- 60—Part of circle.
- 62—Writing implement.
- 63, 64—He tied for world — in knocking out Nazi planes.

## Crossword Puzzle



### Down

- 1—Containers.
- 2—Smell.
- 3—Him.
- 4—South America (ab.).
- 5—Verbal.
- 6—Seine.
- 7—Similar.
- 8—Transpose (ab.).
- 9—And (Latin).
- 10—Cord.
- 11—Anon.
- 20—Be indebted.
- 21—Dined.
- 23—Encountered.
- 24—Sheep's bleat.
- 26—Erbium (symbol).
- 28—Palm lily.
- 29—Golf device.
- 30—Head cover.
- 32—He is an — flier.
- 33—He is a leading air —.
- 37—Employ.
- 38—Accomplish.
- 39—Shade tree.
- 40—Set of implements.
- 41—Negative.
- 42—Tavern.
- 45—Shoal.
- 46—Relate.
- 48—Precipice.
- 49—Unqualified.
- 51—Employed.
- 52—Units of weight.
- 55—Spill.
- 58—Kentucky (ab.).
- 59—Any.
- 61—Cubic centimeter (ab.).
- 62—Pair (ab.).

## Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



## By Milton Caniff



# Army's Powerhouse Eleven Smacks Navy, 23-7

## Once Over Lightly

By Andy Rooney

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3—Col. Earl "Red" Blaik, coach of the unbeaten Army football team, had the perfect statement to make in the locker room after the game yesterday. "It was just a case of the number one team in the country beating the number two team in the country," he said. And that about summed up the opinion of all who saw the game.



The Navy players and coaches bit their lips and offered no alibis, and they had no need for any. But you could see what was in the back of their minds. What would it have been like if Don Whitmire hadn't torn a ligament in his knee in the second quarter and if Bobby Jenkins hadn't got a kick in the head which sent him out of the game?

There is no doubt that those two Navy operatives would have made a difference in the game, but at the same time neither is there any doubt about who would have won the game had Navy borrowed Mel Hein and Don Hutson for the occasion.

Things worked about the way they were supposed to during the game except that the bone-crushing Navy line ran up against a bone-crushing Army line which wouldn't give. Play after play unfolded and as the Army players got to their feet they left Navy men prostrate on the field after smashing blocks and tackles. After one play in the third period three Navy men were laid out and the field looked like Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

It was mostly the result of good, hard, clean football, but in addition to two Army penalties for unnecessary roughness there were one or two indications that the Army chaps were not playing nice football with their little companions in Blue. It was hard to see from the stands, but on several occasions Navy men got up from the piles ready to swing on some Cadet. Three or four times when the action took place near the Navy bench the whole benchful of Navy substitutes rose up in mass with murder in mind and started for some Army back before they were stopped by their coaches.

After the game a few Army players were reported to have said that after Doc Blanchard, Army fullback, tore into the line, Don Whitmire said, "Take me out of here." It is possible that Whitmire said that because he was taken out with a torn cartilage in his left knee, but in all fairness to Don there should be no hint that he had enough of the Army team in the sense that he was scared, because while he was in there and healthy the Army team was stopped colder than a herring on his side of the line and very often on the other side, too.

In one corner of the field, in the worst seats in the stadium, 250 boys from Walter Reed Hospital, most of whom had amputations of legs or arms, were seated. "Don't you think it's a wonderful thing that the Navy let these boys in to see the game?" a representative of a veterans' organization said to several newspapermen. There really didn't seem to be anything wonderful about it—even though the boys hadn't bought bonds. The boys from the hospital were in wonderful spirits though.

"Hey, Babe," yelled T/Sgt. Alan Mayerson, of New York, a Ninth Division soldier who was wounded near St. Lo. "Did your father own a chicken farm?"

"No, he didn't," the girl said, coming closer. "Why?"

"Because you're sure a slick chick," Mayerson said, and the whole gang roared.

As the others stopped girls who went past they explained away their missing arms and legs with various tales, none of which was true. "Oh," said one of the boys. "I was with a Special Service unit and fell off the stage."

## CAGE RESULTS

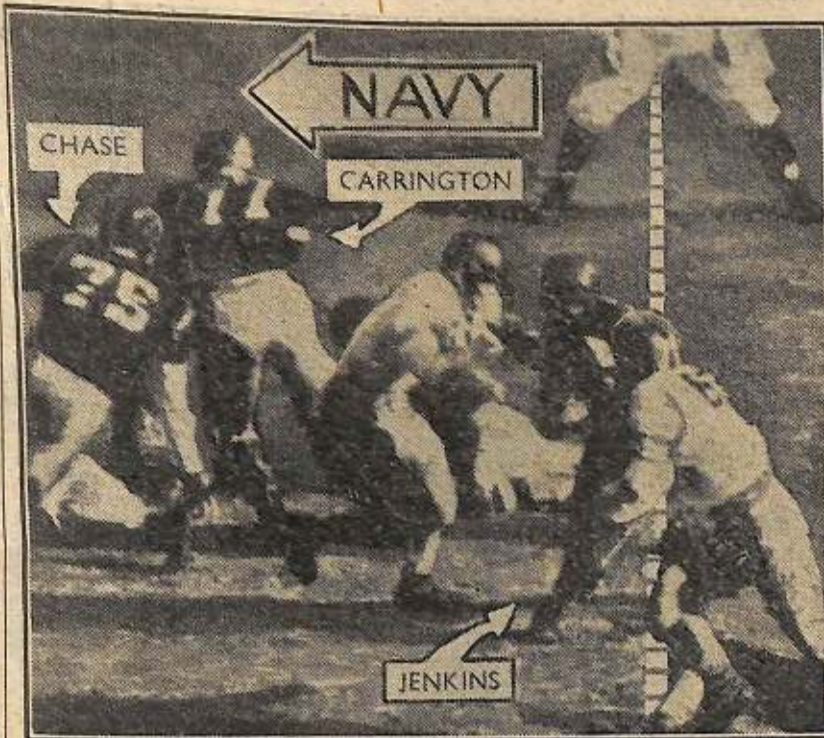
- Brooklyn College 52, Yeshiva 41.
- Carnegie Tech 27, Slippery Rock 25.
- CENY 53, Montclair Teachers 46.
- Detroit 56, Fort Wayne 20.
- Illinois 64, Chanute Field 25.
- Indiana 44, Camp Atterbury 22.
- IU 72, Camp Searles 26.
- Kentucky 56, Fort Knox 23.
- Michigan State 44, Drake 36.
- Minnesota 50, South Dakota 28.
- NYU 62, Ft. Hancock 30.

## Skins Shift Baugh in Move To Concentrate Aerial Power

NEW YORK, Dec. 3—The Washington Redskins will bring two of the deadliest passing threats ever brought together on one football team to the Polo Grounds today to battle the New York Giants in a game which, if decisive, will break the tie for the leadership of the Eastern Division of the National Football League.

Samuel Adrian Baugh, the Texas rancher who makes an annual habit of leading the league in passing, has been put into the fullback position in the Red-

## Few and Far Between



Navy Halfback Bobby Jenkins gets past the scrimmage line for a short gain in the first quarter of yesterday's service classic at Baltimore.

## Tittle's Passes Give LSU Tigers 25-6 Margin Over Green Wave

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 3—Jack Tittle filled Tiger Stadium with passes here yesterday to lead Louisiana State to a 25-6 victory over the Green Wave of Tulane.

After a scoreless first period which saw LSU hold for downs within the five-yard line Tittle started heaving. Dan Sandifer and Elwyn Rowan were his receivers as he passed from his own ten, where the Tigers shifted to the ground and Rowan plunged over from the five in two tries to make it 6-0 at the half.

Shortly after the third period started, Tittle passed five to Charlie Webb, who ran 31 yards to the Green Wave 14. Two running plays were stopped before Tittle hit Webb in the end zone. Tulane snapped back after that one, marching 65 yards after getting the kickoff, with Dub Jones finally cracking through the Wave's only tally.

Tittle carried 14 yards to the Tulane eight-yard marker in the fourth period and then passed to Paul McCarron for a touchdown. Gene Knight notched State's final seven points with a 60-yard interception return and conversion.

The statistics:

	TULANE	LSU
First downs	15	14
Yards gained rushing	167	70
Passes attempted	16	20
Passes completed	3	16
Yards gained passing	34	256
Yards lost penalties	0	45

## Menichelli Mediocre In Tiff With White

NEW YORK, Dec. 3—Fernando "The Mighty" Menichelli, Argentine heavyweight, added substance to the growing suspicion that he is not a very good boxer Friday night by fighting a ten-round draw with Johnny White of Jersey City at the Saint Nicholas Arena.

Menichelli impressed the crowd by his total disregard for the mighty wallop the Jersey Negro handed out in the early rounds. He definitely can take it, and White administered some rugged treatment to Jimmy Johnston's protegee in the first four rounds before tiring after the midway mark.

## Army M/Sgt. Paces Field in Frisco Open

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3—M/Sgt. Jim Jerrier of the U.S. Army, former Australian golf champion, shot a sensational 66 yesterday to grab the half-way mark lead in the \$14,500 San Francisco Open golf tourney with a 36-hole total of 141.

Ferrier carded a 75 opening day and leads Mark Fry, winner of the first round, by one stroke. Fry posted a 73 yesterday. Byron Nelson shot a 71, which put him in a three-way tie for third place with 143. George Fazio of Pine Valley, N.J., and John Geersten of Salt Lake City, N.J., share the spot with him.

## SMU Flattens Horned Frogs

DALLAS, Dec. 3—Southern Methodist, supposedly the weak sister of the Southwest Conference, arose to flatten Texas Christian, the league champs, 9-6, here yesterday and thereby stripped a lot of lustre from the Cotton Bowl game New Year's Day at Dallas in which TCU meets the Oklahoma Aggies.

The Methodists took a 3-0 lead as the half ran out on Pete Kotlarich's 22-yard field goal, but within 50 seconds they were behind as Randy Rogers took a lateral from John Hadaway on the kickoff and ran 80 yards to a touchdown.

Early in the second half SMU brought the crowd to its feet with a sustained 60-yard drive highlighted by Ivan Cunningham's 39-yard run to the six. On the next play Bobby Folsom went over on an end-around play.

## Kelly, Danczewicz on East's Team

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 3—Bob Kelly and Frank Danczewicz of the Notre Dame football team said today they had accepted an invitation from Bernie Bierman, coach of the eastern football team, to play against the west in the annual charity game New Year's Day at San Francisco.

## GI Adds His Sense to Cadet Strategy



Pvt. Stuart Holcomb (second from left) adds his GI grid moxie to Army's coaching staff in a huddle before the Navy contest. Holcomb, who is end coach, is flanked on his right by Herman Hickman, a civilian, and some brass—Capt. George Woodruff and Col. Earl Blaik (right).

## Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp



## Middie Forward Wall No Match for Cadet Line

By Jay Barnes

Special to The Stars and Stripes

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3—The greatest football team ever to represent the Military Academy at West Point stormed to a decisive 23-7 victory over Navy here yesterday to complete the Cadets' first undefeated and untied season in history and gain a definite claim on the mythical national championship.

Playing in bitter cold weather under a cloudless sky, Army's power-packed eleven, held scoreless in the first period, broke out with a touchdown in the second quarter, added a safety in the third stanza and closed with a brilliant last period display of fireworks that netted them two scores and the first victory over Navy since 1938.

Glenn Davis, Los Angeles plebe sensation who leads the nation's scorers with 120 points, and Doc Blanchard, Bishopville N.C.'s gift to West Point, led the Cadet attack, but it was the Army line that told the real story of the game. The Navy forward wall—touted as the best in the nation—was pushed around all afternoon by both Army lines as Coach Red Blaik stuck to his two-team system right down to the last.

## First Quarter Scoreless

After the scoreless first period, in which neither team held a definite advantage, Army's second string team entered the fray and the Cadets tallied the second time they got the ball. Davis, Blanchard and Dale Hall hammered out a 56-yard drive that ended when Hall took the leather from Tom Lombardo, blasted through the center, cut to his left and then reversed and went 25 yards to score.

Coach Blaik sent his first-stringers back into the ball game in the second half and they forced Navy to give up a safety in the first two minutes. Clyde Scott, Navy's best back of the day, brought an Army kickoff back to his own 35, but the Middies had 21 yards to go for a first down after three plays. John "Swede" Hansen, Navy end who did all the Middy booting, dropped back to kick, and Arch Arnold, whose father, Maj. Gen. Archibald Arnold, commands the Seventh Division on Leyte, rushed in and blocked the attempted boot. Hansen fell in it in the end-zone to give Army a safety.

## Hamberg Passes Connect

Navy struck for its only score late in the third period, starting from their own 26. Little Hal Hamberg ran the ball three times and connected on two of three passes to take the pigskin to Army's 20, then passed to Leon Bramlett on the Army 13, and ran to the five on the next play. An Army penalty moved the ball to the one and Scott took it over in two tries, with Vic Finos converting.

Right after the fourth period got underway Davis intercepted a Navy pass and took it to his own 48. Blanchard carried three times and Davis twice and the ball was on the Navy 20. After Max Minor made one yard Blanchard hit the line three straight times to make it 16-7.

With Davis skirting the ends and Blanchard hitting in through the tough route, Army worked the final scoring drive from their own 31 where they had taken over the ball. Four plays took them to midfield. Then Davis broke over his own left side and behind some sparkling blocking by End Barney Poole and Blanchard raced 50 yards into the left-hand corner of the end zone. Dick Waterhouse, once with the Michigan Wolverines, kicked his third conversion of the day and 47th of the year (a new record), and that was the ball game—a terrific ball game all the way.

## Army Plunger



Doc Blanchard

## Ex-Grid Stars in UK Sought by The S and S

The Stars and Stripes is seeking the names of all former college and professional football players now serving in the United Kingdom with the Army, Navy and Marines.

Former gridmen are asked to send the following information to the Sports Editor, Stars and Stripes, Printing House Sq., London, EC4: rank, first and last names, home town, college (or professional team), position, conference or All-America honors, post-season games.

## Ryan to Stay at Miller Helm

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 3—Wilfred "Rosy" Ryan will again manage the Minneapolis Millers in '45, Mike Kelley, club owner, has announced.

*Cordell Hull*  
**Highlights in Life  
 Of a Statesman,  
 Post-war Planner**



With The Chief, for whom he served through three terms.



Signing four-power pact in Moscow with Molotov and Eden.



Dumbarton: with Sir Alexander Cadogan and Lord Halifax.



With Lord Beaverbrook, at U.S.-U.K. oil discussions.



John F. Dulles, Dewey adviser, sees Hull on foreign affairs.

# Crippled Dancer Shows Wounded Vets How

## Sergeant Gives Mule an Earfull . . . Miss Liberty Drops Torch for Skyhook



Veteran hooper Pegleg Bates spends free time showing veterans disability does not spell inactivity. Here he impresses GIs with acrobatic step.



Miss Liberty seems to have snared a helicopter, but plane just happened to be there when this picture was snapped.



This mule, a new arrival in India, has a double kick coming. While an Army veterinary brands him on the neck, a sergeant sinks his teeth in his ear to take his mind off operation. Vet is Lt. Carl Schultz, Independence, Mo., the ear-splitter Sgt. Fred Parker, Ozona, Tex. Sgt. R. Sterling, Crawford, Neb., helps.



This is the kind of a syndicate to get tied up with. Allan Dodds, a Hollywood acrobatic dancer, studies a contract he signed with five leggy Goldwyn backers. When he finally gets a motion picture contract, they'll get a 10 per cent slice for five years. Oh, you lucky people!



And here's a lucky GI with four rabbit's feet—live ones. Pfc Lloyd Tegge, of Waukesha, Wis., has had the long-eared luck charm all during the Fifth Army's campaign against the Gothic Line in Italy.