

New Landing Perils Nazi Flank in Italy

Forts Blast Frankfurt; Kassel Hit

Two Big Cities Flanking Ruhr Heavily Bombed In Mounting Assaults

The new two-way aerial assault on the Nazis, which has seen 17 major attacks on German cities in two weeks, was intensified yesterday with two new blows at important industrial centers within 12 hours—an RAF night attack on Kassel and an Eighth Air Force bombing of Frankfurt in daylight yesterday.

Kassel, 100 miles east of last week's much-battered Ruhr, is the site of one of the few German aircraft plants not previously hit in such raids as the American attacks on Vienna, Regensburg and Paris. Kassel also is the site of the Henschel locomotive and automobile works and is a big railroad center.

The Fortresses' target at Frankfurt, 100 miles southwest of Kassel, is one of Germany's prime cities, replete with high priority objectives on which the Allied air chiefs have been concentrating recently—rubber, auto and chemical factories and railroad concentrations.

Fifteen bombers were lost and 56 enemy fighters were destroyed, headquarters said.

It was the first American raid on Frankfurt, bombed many times by British heavies since the start of the war. The city is on the right bank of the Main River, about 420 miles from Britain. It has a population of more than half a million.

Resistance Light

Preliminary reports of the Frankfurt raid gave no indication last night of the opposition encountered or the damage done, but some returning crews said they were "puzzled" by the lack of German resistance on the way in. Neither fighter nor flak opposition was heavy, they said, until the Forts had made their bombing run and were headed for the coast—a further indication of the success of the recent concerted assault on Nazi fighter factories and airfields.

One unconfirmed report last night said that a single Flying Fortress had accounted for 11 enemy fighters, a record, it was said.

Headquarters announced that P47s had shot down 19 fighters while escorting the Forts. An unofficial report said two Thunderbolt pilots scored three each. None of the U.S. fighters was lost.

Among the Fortresses in yesterday's raids was the newly christened Stars and Stripes, named for this newspaper. Sgt. Charles F. Kiley, of Jersey City, N.J., a staff writer who has qualified as an air gunner for such assignments, "covered" the raid from the nose of the B17. Sgt. Andrew A. Rooney, of Albany, N.Y., another staff writer who has made several previous missions, was in another plane in the same squadron to assure coverage.

The assault on Kassel was the fourth big blow in six months on that manufacturing center for Messerschmitt fighter planes, locomotives and other war machines.

The Kassel attack was described officially as heavy and cost 24 bombers.

Kassel, a city of more than 200,000, has been bombed more than a dozen times during the war—twice by Fortresses, July 23 and July 30—and the raid Sunday night was the fifth on Germany in seven nights by British-based bombers. The multiple targets hit made an average of more than one city a night for two weeks. At Kassel are the Fieseler aircraft works, which the hard-pressed Nazis have been forced to shift from the original product of light cub army observation

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French Offer to Man Italian Naval Units

ALGIERS, Oct. 4 (AP)—In what appeared an obvious hint to those who make Allied decisions, the French chief of the naval staff, Adm. Andre Lemonnier, said today that officers and men of the French Navy who were without ships were eager to fight and ready to take over "units of the Italian fleet" should the occasion arise.

Gable Gets Air Medal

Capt. Clark Gable has been awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" during five bomber raids over enemy-held territory, the Eighth Air Force announced today. Gable's fifth raid was made over Nantes, France, during which he manned the nose gun part of the way, taking motion pictures for the film he is making for gunnery training purposes.

Raid Christens B17 Stars and Stripes

Staff Writer Along For Baptismal of Bullets, Flak

By Charles F. Kiley

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A HEAVY BOMBER STATION, Oct. 4—Flak burst over the nose of 1/Lt. Clarence S. McIlveen's Fortress the Stars and Stripes to christen the ship today as Eighth Air Force bombers struck deep inside Germany.

One of the first ships over the target, the big B17, named for the U.S. forces' newspaper in the ETO, toted a load of high explosives—and someone to write the story.

Almost as uneventfully as delivering the soldiers' morning newspaper on time, the newly christened Fortress pegged straight to the target, dropped its bombs on a major link in the Reich's system of air defense, and then headed home through flak and fighter opposition.

Flying in the nose of the ship with 1/Lt. Bill Williams, bombardier from Barnsville, Ga., and Navigator 2/Lt. Eugene Shober, of Ottumwa, Ia., I waited for the flak with which Nazi ground defenses shake up invaders, and for the Luftwaffe fighters.

But there was no flak or fighter opposition to hinder the outward flight until shortly before we reached the target. Then a few fighters made passes at the Fortress fleet. The absence of fighters and flak gave us a break over the target, but Nazi ground defenses tore at formations behind us.

We made our bomb run, and shortly after starting the homeward flight our ship was hit in two places by flak. One fragment nicked the left wing near the nose and another fractured the oil line feeding No. 1 engine.

Then, all the way back to the coast, FW190s and Me109s hacked away at the formation in twos, threes and fours. Our gunners didn't claim any enemy fighters by way of celebrating the ship's "christening," but their fire kept the Nazis at long range.

Nazi Forced to Bail Out

S/Sgt. Eddie Barrett, our tail gunner from New York City, and at 28 the oldest member in the crew, had a crack at a Focke Wulf which attempted to get through the suicide circle that is a Fortress formation, and watched a gunner from another B17 finish him off. The Nazi pilot bailed out when his plane went into a spin.

Nearing the Dutch coast, a swarm of FWs made the final attack, a formation of six coming in at 11 o'clock. Just as the others, they were driven off.

Another Fortress in the same group,

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Senate Committee Drafts Foreign Policy Resolution

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (AP)—Working with unexpected speed, the Senate Foreign Relations Sub-Committee completed a preliminary draft of a post-war foreign policy declaration, described as more specific in its terms than the House-approved Fulbright Resolution.

The declaration was authoritatively said to call for American participation in an international organization of nations to prevent further aggression.

New Soviet Ambassador

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (AP)—Andrei Gromyko, newly appointed Soviet Ambassador to Washington, presented his credentials today and told President Roosevelt the Soviet Union had full confidence the U.S. and Russia would be able to continue and strengthen friendly relations after the war.

Three Fortresses at One Base In Race to Finish 50 Raids

AN EIGHTH BOMBER BASE, Oct. 4 (AP)—Three Fortresses at this base are running a close race to complete 50 missions over enemy territory and become the first American heavy bomber to reach that number in this theater.

Front runner to date is Knockout Dropper, veteran of 45 round trips, and the next best record is held by Hell's Angels with 43 missions without a casualty.

Third in the race for the unofficial championship, the winner of which, GI ground and air crews have a hunch, may get a trip back home is a Fortress which never has been named and never will, since the crew believes fervently that naming her now



These three Stars and Stripes staff writers, all qualified gunners, are assuring adequate coverage these days of Eighth Air Force activities. Left to right are M/Sgt. Bud Hutton, Sgt. Charles F. Kiley and Sgt. Andrew A. Rooney. Kiley yesterday flew in the new B17 Stars and Stripes on its christening raid on Germany. Rooney flew in the same formation in a second plane, while Hutton's ship had to turn back.

Rain Hampers Red Onslaught

Also Increased Resistance From Germans Slows Drive in North

MOSCOW, Oct. 4 (UP)—The great Russian drive against the Gomel-Vitebsk line, which was intensified as the Russians halted at the Dnieper, is being slowed down by the heavy autumn rains and by greatly increased German resistance in White Russia.

The autumn rains have swollen the rivers over their banks and are making progress increasingly difficult.

In spite of these adverse conditions the Red armies are still pushing ahead towards Gomel and Mogilev. After forcing the Pronya River, Soviet motorized vanguards developed a three-fold thrust.

25 Miles from Mogilev

They have reached a point about 25 miles east of Mogilev, center of the German defense system in White Russia.

In the Vitebsk-Orsha sector Gen. Sokolovsky's spearhead has driven southwest on the Smolensk-Vitebsk railway to 30 miles northeast of Orsha. As a result of this move Sokolovsky's columns are now moving on Orsha north and south of the upper reaches of the Dnieper.

There is no news from the middle and lower reaches of the Dnieper and has been none of note for the last three days.

The position is apparently as follows: The Russian commanders are bringing up reinforcements and regrouping their forces before attempting large-scale crossings of the Dnieper.

From this viewpoint in Moscow it looks as if the Germans are hitting back with great forces on the east bank below Dnepropetrovsk, and the continued Russian air attacks on Melitopol and Dzhankoi junction in the northern Crimea indicate feverish German movements in those areas.

South Coast Shelled

German-controlled Paris radio said yesterday that German heavy artillery shelled Dover, Ramsgate and Folkestone. The broadcast did not say when the shelling occurred.

Madang Is Next In New Guinea

Japanese Grip on Island Dislocated by Allies

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Oct. 4 (UP)—Victorious American and Australian troops tonight were smashing steadily northwards towards Madang, next objective in the sweep along the northern coast of New Guinea.

All Japanese centers of resistance between Finschafen and Madang have been completely outflanked by the latest Allied surge forward. Madang is 40 miles northwest of Finschafen.

Serious dislocation of the entire Jap grip on the island has been achieved by the 60-day Allied campaign, a spokesman for Gen. MacArthur said today.

All the vital Japanese bases and ports on the north coast are menaced. Among these is the important base of Wewak, former center of Japanese air power before the Allies reduced it to a smoking shambles.

Heavy Allied units at mid-day yesterday strongly attacked Amboina, Ambon, dropping many tons of bombs in the target area, starting large fires and causing heavy damage. On New Britain, medium units in coastal searches strafed Garilli village near Tala Sea, and attacked installations at Gasmata.

Increasing Jap Air Power in China

CHUNGKING, Oct. 4 (AP)—Japanese air strength recently has been increased 200 to 300 per cent along the Chinese coast in the Hong-Kong, Canton and Haiphong area, Maj. Gen. Clair Chennault said today.

"I think we hit them so heavily that they had to bring in more planes to defend themselves," he added.

"Japanese planes have improved, and their pilots are showing evidence of careful training and the greatest courage in combat," the 14th Air Force chief said.

British Hit Back at Nazis Attacking in Dodecanese

ALGIERS, Oct. 4 (AP)—British forces on the island of Cos, in the Dodecanese, were engaged in bitter fighting today against the Germans who landed in force yesterday and secured several important points.

(German radio claimed the German landing forces which attacked the island captured "all military installations" Sunday.)

While the British ground forces engaged the German troops British planes took off to raid enemy shipping round the island. This news, given in the communique, was official confirmation that the British were still in possession of at least one of the island's airfields.

'Johnny Zero' on Nazi Radio

The popular American song "Johnny Zero," which has been heavily plugged in the ETO, was featured on a German radio propaganda program heard in England last night. An unidentified woman crooner sang the number in English. No explanation was given for the song's inclusion.

Allied Units Seize Port On Adriatic

U.S. 7th Reported to Have Aided 8th; Drive on Rome Gains

In a great flanking threat to the taut German line across Italy, the Allies have made a fresh landing on the Adriatic coast, capturing Termoli, a small port 30 miles north of Gen. Montgomery's main forces and lying due east of Rome.

Allied Headquarters, announcing the successful amphibious operation, said that it had been made by the British Eighth Army, but a CBS broadcast from Algiers stated that units of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's American Seventh Army, whose whereabouts have been a mystery throughout the campaign in Italy, had taken part.

Coupled with announcement of the Termoli landing and revelation of further advances by the Fifth Army in the central and west coastal sectors of Italy came news that French forces in Corsica had captured the vital port of Bastia.

Seizure a Virtual Fact

From Bastia the Germans for days had been evacuating their forces from the island, seizure of which now is virtually accomplished. Corsica will supply the Allies with an "unsinkable aircraft carrier" from which attacks may be made on the Italian and French Riviera and Germany itself.

Remnants of German forces on the beaches and isolated areas were being mopped up by the French and American Rangers last night.

Gen. Montgomery threw fairly strong forces into the Termoli landings. Defenders of the town were quickly overcome, but lively fighting ensued when the Germans counter-attacked strongly. A number of Nazi prisoners were taken.

In contrast to this sea-borne and spectacular advance, land forces of the Eighth and Fifth were slogging ahead slowly, delayed not only by extensive enemy demolitions but by rains.

Driving In From Foggia

Driving northwest from Foggia, the British captured the town of Motta after a seven-mile advance. Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth continued to press forward in a two-pronged drive up the center of Italy and directly north of Naples on the coastal plain, many villages and towns falling to the Allied advance.

For the first time in days, Marshal Kesselring sent up Luftwaffe fighters to attempt to beat off Allied bombing attacks on his vital and heavily strained communication lines, particularly in the Isernia sector 55 miles north of Naples.

Despite their efforts, however, American Mitchells destroyed a high bridge south of that town, hit a bridge northeast of Isernia and wrecked an important road intersection. Marauders also knocked out the vital road bridge at Capua, over which retreating German columns were crossing the Volturno River.

The air arm also struck north of Rome during the night. British and Canadian Wellingtons blasted Civita Vecchia and pounded a communications point on the coastal railway between Rome and Genoa.

Thus, with both the Eighth and Fifth continuing their slow hacking at retreating enemy columns, it appeared that the Allies, through the Termoli flanking operation and growing aerial blows, were hoping to force Kesselring to abandon a slow retreat in favor of a hot-foot flight on to Rome and a possible decisive battle in that region.

Nazis Shoot 50 in France

Paris radio said yesterday 50 Frenchmen convicted of terrorism or sabotage were shot on Oct. 2 as a reprisal, German police headquarters announced.

Army Network to Air Series Resume Tonight

News of today's first World Series game between the New York Yankees and the St. Louis Cardinals will be broadcast tonight over the American Forces Network.

Cpl. John Vratsos, Stars and Stripes radio reporter, will give a resume of the series background at 9:35 PM. John Donumphy, Mutual sports commentator, will rebroadcast from New York his summary of the game at 9:45.

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Hash Marks

Like the Mounted Police, the Army Postal Service keeps plugging. S/Sgt. James R. Cleary, of Buffalo, mailed a Christmas card from here to a friend in Australia. It left here Nov. 18, 1942—and arrived back here Sept. 28, 1943, with this APO notation: "Not located." Well, at least they tried hard.

Tain't fair. Airmen in the Pacific theater get a publicity break over the pilots in ETO. No matter how hard you try, it's too big a mouthful to make a song hit out of "Johnny Got A Messerschmitt, Johnny Got A Messerschmitt."

Funniest sight of the week—a sailor on horseback deep in the heart of London. After riding through a swanky bridge path, he tried to cross a busy thoroughfare; the



nag balked in the middle of the street and the sailor boy had to dismount and lead the stubborn steed through traffic while dozens of cab drivers sat around and gave the English equivalent of the "bronx cheer."

If saluting bothers you, think of George Popham, a Chicago lad who has been kicking around the British Isles for quite a while. Today George is in the Merchant Marine—yesterday he was a Pfc in this man's army. When George first came to ETO, he was in the Canadian Army. When he transferred to the Yanks, his lapses into the British salute brought disapproving glances from many a shavetail. Now George is worrying about nautical procedure and wondering if he will slip up and throw a highball while walking around in civvies.

Signs of the times. A commercial high school in Chicago has a new course which includes instruction for gals in the application of leg make-up.

No. 1 optimist in this man's army is an American prisoner of war in Italy, who last April wrote to officials at Annapolis requesting two tickets for the Army-Navy game, 1943. The Navy complied, and the way things are going now the GI may get to see the game after all.

Nightmare of the Year. Officers of a metropolitan area—slated to be gradually



taken off per diem—inspect a prospective billet.

Incidental information. An hour and a half after the first news of the Italian surrender had been received in England, the Berlin radio was feeding its listeners a musical program called "Let's Go On Dreaming."

J. C. W.

'Skyways to Berlin' Records Thrilling 8th Air Force Tales



Majors Jack Redding (center) and Hal Leyshon (right), co-authors of "Skyways to Berlin," confer with an Eighth Air Force airman at a Fort station in England.

By Andrew A. Rooney
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Hal Leyshon and Jack Redding, two Eighth Air Force public relations majors, have put together the first book of stories on the USAAF's operations from England.

"Skyways to Berlin" is a book that needed to be written, and the two newspapermen, turned PROs for the duration, have done a pretty good job.

Theirs is the first of several tomes concerning the Eighth Air Force due on the Christmas book market back home. To the folks in the States, who have been fed on a plenitude of unrationed Pacific tales, this book should be refreshing.

Majs. Leyshon and Redding make no pretensions to having presented a history of the Eighth Air Force to date. Their book simply is a collection of stories, most of which have been reported—either in less detail or from a different angle—in The Stars and Stripes and in the press back home, about some of the men of First Wing who pioneered the sky trails for all those heroes who have followed.

Story of Mathis Brothers

The authors have set down for posterity the legends of Arizona T. Harris, the Mathis brothers and the Clay Pigeon squadron under the command of Maj. Harry Hobe. The story of the Mathis brothers, Jack and Mark, is well handled, the narrative being presented through the voice of the station chaplain as he stands on the field the day of the Vegesack raid.

Best chapters are those in which the men tell their own stories. One of the freshest is that related by a West Point lieutenant colonel whose name the authors promised to withhold. He was on board HMS Berkeley, which was supporting landing operations at Dieppe, as an Eighth Air Force observer. He lost his leg when the Berkeley was hit. The book quotes his story:

"I was mad all right. I took off my

tie and made a tourniquet to stop the flow of blood. Then I looked around the deck. Wing Commander Skinner was dead. Everyone left on the bridge of the Berkeley, except Commander Yorke, was dead too. I had only one leg.

"The deck of the destroyer was listing dangerously. I found that I had to hang on to stand on my one good pin. It looked bad. I guessed I was going to have to swim for it. The water, I knew, was cold. I didn't relish the idea of swimming, but that seemed to be it. So I took off my left boot. I looked at it.

\$30 for Boots

"Then the rage I had felt swelling up inside me until it hurt my chest, burned free. This was a brand new boot. I'd had it made for me—built for me at Peel's in London. I had paid nearly eight pounds sterling for the pair—about \$30. They had been made with special rubber half-soles because I'd figured, working as we did on boats in the command raids, that I needed something that wouldn't slip. So I stood there madder'n hell, on the deck of a sinking ship, with one foot blown away and the other boot in my hand."

The West Pointer goes on with the story of how he scrambled over the side of the Berkeley into a small motor gunboat and finally got safely to shore. The authors follow his recovery, through a series of setbacks. Once, when the lieutenant-colonel was up and around in the hospital, he was sitting on the edge of a bed when the surgeon general came in. Instinctively the colonel snapped to attention without thinking of his lost leg.

Unable to keep his balance, he pitched forward on his face. The doctors present were afraid that he might have opened up his healing stump, but he got to his one good leg and saluted, grinning as he said, "Not quite so agile as when I played football, Doc."

Stress Accuracy

In one chapter Majs. Leyshon and Redding take great pains to prove the accuracy of Eighth Air Force reports on the number of enemy fighters claimed as destroyed. Most persons, including many sergeant gunners themselves, are in the habit of regarding the list of E/A destroyed, probably destroyed and damaged with a grain of skepticism, but the authors make a ten-page endeavor to prove the accuracy of official reports.

"Flak is an ugly word," the book sets forth. "Sitting on the ground during a raid and hearing the flak go up toward the raiders high above, you know why they call it flak. The guns spit it up and they go flak, flak, flak. The Germans named it, and somehow the guttural tongue of our enemies reproduces the whole sound of anti-aircraft fire."

The name is the abbreviation for Flieger-abweh-kanone — anti-aircraft gun. "Skyways to Berlin" is a good book for the people back home. It leaves plenty of room for more volumes covering the same period of Eighth Air Force activities.

From other embryo ETO authors it will draw some criticism on the grounds of spotty incompleteness, but Maj. Leyshon and Maj. Redding did it first and did it well.

"Skyways to Berlin" is good reading, and if you go to your nearest PX you can probably have a copy sent to your family for Christmas. Published by Bobbs-Merrill, \$2.75 a copy.

The Army In the ETO

Some cooks at the — General Hospital went to work on some GI ingredients in a new way, and brought forth a real old American dish—chow mein. Eatin' verdict of the hospital staff is enthusiastic, partly because the dish is new in a special GI sense—doesn't contain either spam or powdered eggs.

Ingredients (for 100 soldiers): 15 lbs. of cooked rice, 12 cans of sausage, 3 lbs. of fried onions, 3 cans of strained tomatoes, salt and pepper to taste. Directions: Cook the sausage and drain fat from it; add the rice, tomatoes, onion, and seasoning; place in the oven and bake until browned over.

The recipe was concocted by the following hospital cooks—Pvt. Salvatore Alfano, Cpl. Angelo Savarino, and Pvt. Arthur Klein, all of Newark, N.J., and Pvt. Charles Samuels, Fredericksburg, Va.

Nissen hut construction hit a fast pace in the ETO recently, when a general service engineering company completed a Nissen assembly hall in 80 hours from the time the first concrete form was laid. Working two 10-hour shifts under Capt. Walter H. Cox, of West Chester, Pa., 50 army engineers started to build the 90 by 24ft. assembly hall on a Monday morning. On Thursday night it was finished.

A new delousing bag, tried out on the clothing of prisoners during the North African invasion, has been developed by the quartermaster department. It is a synthetic rubber and canvas bag, 25 by 60 inches, which can fumigate the clothing and webbing equipment of six to eight soldiers within 45 minutes. A gas, given off by an ampoule of methyl bromide inside the bag, is effective against all forms of insect life. The bag is for use by small units where no mobile delousing companies operate.

Balance a bicycle on your chin, and you'll be in a class with Cpl. Johnny Taub, of Brooklyn. Otherwise, he claims to be in a class by himself—the only member of the U.S. armed forces who can balance a bicycle on his chin.

A vaudeville acrobat for 13 years, Taub entered the army with the idea of combat. He applied for the paratroops—no go. He tried for aerial gunnery—eyesight wasn't good enough. He threatened to do a handstand on the chapel cupola until accepted by the examining officer. "I won't look at you," said the astounded officer in self-defense.

Now at an Eighth Air Force bomber station, Cpl. Johnny does his rounds as squadron mail-clerk on a bicycle, whenever he can get away from an audience begging him to balance it on his chin.



The Army Nurse

Like other girls I planned my life, A home or a career, Perhaps as Mother, loving wife All sacred things and dear. With high ambitions like the rest, I ventured forth to find My place in life, and do my best With peace of heart and mind.

Then clouds of war came rolling on And darkened every land, Embracing every Mother's son And every able man. The need was great, the call was loud, Grew louder every day, While I was one among the crowd Who just went on my way.

But as I watched our boys go by, There came a growing urge; It gripped my heart, changed to a cry With up and onward surge. My own beloved land, Once duty bound, nothing could swerve My pledge to lend a hand.

To sympathize and understand And cheerfully to give My best to every wounded man In hope that he may live. It matters not who has the blame, Nor where the guilt shall fall, To me are friend and foe the same, My services for all.

I pray for strength to last until Real peace shall reign again Our Master's wish and God's good will And brotherhood with men. And never once will I regret What makes my task worth while, The best an Army nurse can get, A grateful soldier's smile.

M. T.

A Mother's Prayer

Dear God it seems but yesterday You gave this boy to me; The one who's many miles from home Whose face I cannot see.

The years have swiftly come and gone So eager in their stride To brush me lightly by the way And take him from my side.

It seems to me he's still a child So full of boyish glee, But pleadings of a war-torn world Have forced the man to be.

And now, dear God, he's joined the ranks Of men with silver wings, And soon will search the heavens wide For peace and finer things.

But oh, dear Lord, if in his flight He fails to come to me, Please, God, take over his controls And chart a course to Thee.

S/Sgt. Robert S. Arbib Jr.

Break for W.O.s

The War Department is to be congratulated upon its recent reminder to Commanding Officers that they should make broader use of Warrant Officers.

The War Department points out that Warrant Officers may be and should be used in capacities normally filled by junior commissioned officers, except where the law specifically prohibits. Command of stations, officer of the day, prisoner officer, mess officer, assistant adjutant general, adjutant and many other similar administrative assignments may be given to Warrants.

Needless to say, a great number of our present Warrant Officers are men with far more experience and ability than some of the junior officers in our new army, and as such they can hold responsible positions with credit to all concerned. In peace time many of these men were NCOs who handled the routine work in their regiments. Since the war they have had to do the actual work of many junior officers who were new to the army game and unfamiliar with established procedure. It is proper therefore that these men be assigned jobs commensurate with their abilities.

Of recent months, claims "Our Army," the War Department has given increasingly greater recognition to the Warrant Officer, and this is a trend that's good for our Army.

PRIVATE BREGER



Why, Sarge! How CAN you think I'd be hunting, while on duty!"

Lt. Dave Breger
 Britain 6-10

11-Bout Card Opens Rainbow Club Season Tonight

Cards, Yankees Triumph As Regular Season Ends



American League
Sunday's Games
 New York 5, St. Louis 2
 Chicago 4, Boston 2 (first game)
 Chicago 3, Boston 1 (second game)
 Cleveland 8, Philadelphia 4 (11 innings)
 Detroit 4, Washington 1

Final Standings

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
New York	98	56	.636	Detroit	78	76	.506
Washington	84	69	.549	St. Louis	72	80	.474
Cleveland	82	71	.536	Boston	68	84	.447
Chicago	82	72	.532	Philad'lphia	49	105	.318

National League
Sunday's Games
 St. Louis 5, New York 4
 Cincinnati 3, Brooklyn 1
 Philadelphia 3, Pittsburgh 1 (first game)
 Philadelphia 11, Pittsburgh 3 (second game)
 Chicago 7, Boston 0 (first game)
 Boston 5, Chicago 2 (second game)

Final Standings

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
St. Louis	105	49	.682	Chicago	74	79	.484
Cincinnati	87	67	.565	Boston	68	85	.444
Brooklyn	81	72	.529	Philadelphia	64	90	.416
Pittsburgh	80	74	.519	New York	55	98	.359

Leading Hitters

American League

Final Standings

Player	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Appling, Chicago	155	585	63	192	.328
Wakfield, Detroit	155	635	92	200	.315
Hodgin, Chicago	117	407	53	128	.315
Cramer, Detroit	140	606	79	182	.301
Case, Washington	141	613	103	180	.294

National League

Final Standings

Player	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Musial, St. Louis	157	617	108	220	.357
Herman, Brooklyn	153	584	75	193	.331
Cooper, St. Louis	122	449	92	143	.319
Elliott, Pittsburgh	156	581	84	184	.317
Witek, New York	153	623	68	196	.315

Home Run Hitters

Final Standings

American League—York, Detroit, 34; Keller, New York, 31; Stephens, St. Louis, 27.
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 28; Ott, New York, 18; Northey, Philadelphia, 16.

Runs Batted In

Final Standings

American League—York, Detroit, 118; Etten, New York, 108; Johnson, New York, 94.
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 128; Herman, Brooklyn, 100; Elliott, Pittsburgh, 99.

Redbirds Clip Syracuse, 2-0

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Oct. 4—Teddy Wilks allowed six hits as the Columbus Redbirds of the American Association defeated the Syracuse Chiefs of the International League, 2-0, in the opening game of the Little World Series here yesterday.

Millard Howell, losing pitcher, allowed five hits, but the Redbirds used doubles by Augie Bergamo and Chester Wiczarek for one run in the first inning and a walk to George Stumpf and singles by Bergamo and Wiczarek in the eighth inning for their other run.

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Miscellaneous
 MEN who served in the 140th Infantry Regiment in World War I are asked to communicate with Miss Lillian Case, assistant club director, American Red Cross, Bedford, LONDON POLICE squash team is available for matches with American teams. Equipment and facilities will be provided by the police. Communicate with Gerald Fitzgerald, athletics director, Rainbow Corner, Shaftesbury Ave., London, W1.

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 WALLET, black leather, containing £3 or £4 and personal papers, on Sept. 29 at Lyons in the Corner House, Coventry St., London, or in the neighborhood. Will the finder please return the wallet and papers and keep the money. Sgt. John L. Carpenter, c/o Help Wanted.

Indians Edge White Sox For Third Place in American League

NEW YORK, Oct. 4—Before leaving St. Louis to take on the Yankees in the World Series starting here tomorrow, the Cardinals yesterday attended to the formality of winning their 105th game of the season, beating the last-place New York Giants, 5-4.

Bill Byerly, rookie from Sacramento, won his first major league contest as the Redbirds rallied for three runs in the fifth, overcoming a Giant 4-2 lead. George Munger relieved Byerly in the sixth, allowing one single in the last four innings.

The Reds closed their season at Cincinnati with a 3-1 triumph over the Brooklyn Dodgers at Crosley Field. Johnny Vander Meer scored his 15th win against 16 losses. He was touched for four hits and fanned 11, increasing his season's total to 173. Wyatt and Haughey pitched for the Dodgers, Haughey being charged with the defeat.

Phillies Set Back Bucs
 At Pittsburgh, the Phillies ended their season with a twin killing over the Pirates, 3-1 and 11-3. Dick Barrett twirled a five-hitter in the opener as his mates pounded Johnny Gee and Hank Gornicki, Gee being the loser. In the nightcap, the Quakers blasted out 15 blows off Al Cuccurullo and Bill Brandt. McKee held the Bucs to five raps.

Hi Bithorn allowed the Boston Braves four hits as the Chicago Cubs won the first contest of their double bill, 7-0, Boston coming back in the clincher, 5-2. The Bruins hit Lindquist and Salvo for 11 knocks in the first game while Bithorn silenced the Braves.

In the second affair, Johnny Burrows started and suffered his second loss, yielding to Ray Prim in the fourth. Rookie Dagenhard won his first major league tilt, going the distance and giving up six hits.

Up at the Yankee Stadium, the Bronx Bombers finished up the regular American League season by polishing off the St. Louis Browns, 5-2, amassing 15 hits off three pitchers. Bud Metheny was the only hitless Yankee, while Bill Zuber held the Brownies to three blows. Denny Galehouse lasted seven innings and gave up all the Yankee runs.

Double Loss for Bosox
 Although the White Sox beat the Red Sox twice, 4-2 and 3-1, at Fenway Park, they were nosed from third place by the Cleveland Indians by half a game. Bill Dietrich went all the way, allowing Boston six hits, while Chicago belabored Lou Lucier and Mike Ryba for 15.

Orval Grove gave up four hits in going the route as Chicago scored all three runs in the first stanza of the nightcap. Emmett O'Neill lasted until he was relieved by George Woods in the seventh.

The Indians clinched the third place spot in the circuit with an 8-4 triumph over the Athletics at Philadelphia. A four-run rally in the 11th gave the Tribe the decision. Joe Heving relieved Jim Bagby in the fifth. It was Heving's first and only victory of the season.

Paul "Dizzy" Trout chalked up his 20th triumph of the season as the Tigers clipped the Senators, 4-1, at Washington. Each team scored once in the fourth, but a three-run Detroit rally in the sixth provided the margin. Trout gave up nine hits while Mickey Haefner, who pitched the full nine innings for the Griffis, allowed seven.

Haegg, in Sweden, Thinks Record Making Days Over

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 4—Sweden's running ambassador, Gunder Haegg, has returned home after his successful tour of America. He expressed the belief that his world record-breaking days are over.

Haegg, who hasn't raced since Aug. 5, doesn't plan to run any more this season. Had he returned to Sweden early last month as planned, arrangements were made for him to meet Arne Andersson, who took up record-breaking where Haegg left off.

"I hope to run some next year if I'm not too old," the Gavle fireman told interviewers.

He returned much impressed with the beauty of movie star Greer Garson, and said he enjoyed his American tour. His only criticism was the condition of American tracks—a situation which he stressed was due to the war.

Clatt Clicks

By Jack Sords

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FULLBACK OF THE CAMP GRANT WARRIORS ONE OF THE BIG NOISES AMONG THE SERVICE TEAM PLAYERS



HE WAS ONE OF THE MAIN PARTS OF THE NOTRE DAME MACHINE LAST YEAR

Central Press

Bagley Meets Hal Ragsdale In Top Event

Bill Garrett Matched With Ruth in Middleweight Contest

By Mark E. Senigo

Stars and Stripes Sports Editor
 Tex Blaisdell, head of the ARC boxing program, is expecting a packed house at the Rainbow Corner tonight for the opening card of the new Corner ring season.

Tonight's bill of fare, which starts at 7.30, shows 11 sure bouts with the possibility of a 12th. Top attraction will be in the heavyweight division with Pvt. Johnny Bagley, of Atlanta, Ga., matched with Pvt. Harold Ragsdale, also of Atlanta.

Bagley, a 189-pounder, is new to Corner fans and may supply the answer to Pvt. Vince Kozak, unbeaten ETO titlist last season. He already has established a local reputation at Salisbury, where he has won all his fights, one a first-round kayo over Pvt. Jack Holloway. Bagley's scraps at Salisbury were but a continuation of a sweet record he established in Iceland, where he walked off with the heavyweight crown.

Both Fought in Atlanta
 Both Bagley and Ragsdale fought as amateurs in Atlanta, but this will be their first meeting. Ragsdale, who will be spotting his opponent four pounds, had more than 20 fights before entering the Army and participated in Golden Glove competition. The Army cut short that aspect of his leather-swinging career. In four battles in the ETO he has chalked up two kayos and one TKO.

Matching the Bagley-Ragsdale affair in interest is the middleweight contest between three-time Pittsburgh welter champ Pvt. Bill Garrett, 149, and Pvt. Johnny Ruth, 150-pounder from Philadelphia. Garrett appeared only once in the Corner ring last season during the regular weekly bouts, outpointing scrappy Pvt. Rand Davis. But when the ETO championships came up, Garrett answered every bell and went on to annex the ETO crown.

Ruth is a comparative newcomer to the ring here, having appeared only in the Eighth Air Force tournament, in which he got to the semi-finals, and the ETO championships, in which he was eliminated in the quarter-finals.

Kist Was Glove Champ
 Dark horse Pvt. Dick Kist, of Danville, Ill., 167-pound light heavyweight, also has a good record at Salisbury. In one of his bouts there he landed one blow, at the opening of the first round—and had to go no further, that shot ending the scrap. Kist equals Garrett and Ragsdale in experience, having won the Illinois Golden Glove middleweight crown in 1938.

Kist will take on Cpl. Bob Stinner, of Brooklyn, 170, about whom little is known. He claims Golden Glove experience, but the variety and nature of it is unknown.

Here is the lineup for the remainder of the fights:
 Pfc. Bob Whitaker, Pawtucket, R.I., 121, vs. Pvt. Pettie Maynard, Burlington, N.C., 120.
 Pvt. Aldo DeCarlo, Superior, Wis., 153, vs. Pvt. Johnny Robinson, Kansas City, Kan., 154.
 Pvt. Joe Lee, Rolly, Tenn., 158, vs. Cpl. Stan McCarron, Belleville, Tenn., 158.
 Pvt. Sherman Porter, Pittsburgh, 157, vs. Pvt. Cornelius Murphy, Philadelphia, 151.
 Pvt. Joe Weinstein, Milwaukee, Wis., 145, vs. Pvt. Wilbert Green, New Orleans, 147.
 Sgt. Walter Fuchs, Chicago, 132, vs. Pfc. John Smith, New York, 130.
 Pvt. Lawrence Dobbins, Cleveland, 158, vs. Cpl. Joe Klemencic, 158.
 Pvt. William Brown, Greenville, S.C., 136, vs. Pvt. Arthur Persley, New York, 140.
 Lt. Col. Richards Vidmer, former New York Herald Tribune sports writer, will be the third man in the ring.
 Judges will be Maj. James Mason, of Gouverneur, N.Y., Lt. John McNamara, USNR, of New York, and Henry Lacy, ARC. Timekeeper will be Jim Carnahan, ARC, of Normal, Ill.

Weekend Grid Stars

NEW YORK, Oct. 4—College football stars of the week-end:
 Angelo Bertelli threw four touchdown passes in Notre Dames' 55-13 rout of Georgia Tech.

Pete Glick ran 17 and 71 yards for touchdowns in Princeton's 27-6 victory over Columbia.

Don Kindt—his fourth period touchdown for Wisconsin edged Iowa, 7-5.

Glen Davis scored twice and threw two touchdown passes as Army beat Colgate, 42-0.

Jim Lucas tallied once and set up another as TCU blanked Arkansas, 13-0.

Ernie Parks scored three touchdowns as Ohio State beat Missouri, 27-6.

Presto Podesto, of Modesto—his passing and touchdown led the College of the Pacific to a 19-7 victory over UCLA.

Bill Daley scored twice for Michigan as the Wolverines topped Northwestern, 21-7.

Luckman's Passes Connect As Bears Topple Lions, 27-21

DETROIT, Oct. 4—The Chicago Bears scored their first victory of the season beating the Detroit Lions, 27-21, here yesterday, Sid Luckman tossing four touchdown passes for the victors.

The Bears drew first blood in the last minute of the first period when Luckman heaved a 64-yard toss to Bill Geyer. The Bears scored in the second period when Dante Magnani intercepted a pass from Frankie Sinkwich on the Detroit 25 and went to the 17. Three passes from Luckman moved the ball over.

Sinkwich, participating in ten of 11 plays from midfield, accounted for the Lions' first touchdown with a five-yard pass to Bill Callihan. Harry Hopp then intercepted Luckman's pass and ran 40 yards for the Lions' second score.

In the third quarter, the Bears scored again as Luckman pitched 25 yards to Harry Clark. The Bears made their final touchdown when Luckman passed 42 yards to Hampton Pool.

Callihan pushed over the final Lion touchdown ending a 48-yard march. Sinkwich led the rushing with 89 yards in 18 tries. Luckman connected in nine of 11 passes for 248 yards, pacing the Bears' attack.

Muswell Hill Linksmen Tie Hans Crescent Squad

The ARC Hans Crescent Club golf team tied the strong Muswell Hill golfers, 6-6, in a 30-hole match on the Muswell course Sunday. Sgt. Walter Kupiec, of Chicopee Falls, Mass., and Cpl. Dick Austin, of Lynn, Mass., starred for the GIs, winning both their morning and afternoon rounds.

Other Hans Crescent golfers who played were:
 Cpl. Rick Famin, Glen Cove, N.Y.; Cpl. Stan Remsen, Long Island, N.Y.; Lt. W. G. Clark, Cleveland, Ohio; Sgt. El Thomas, Pittsburgh; Sgt. John Anderson, Beverly Hills, Cal.; Cpl. Ed Sullivan, Hartford, Conn.; Sgt. Frank Cornaci, Omaha, Neb.; Pvt. S. Raymond, Rockaway, N.J.; Pvt. Sam Lutter, Los Angeles, Cal.; and Cpl. Joe Fiore, New York.

Camp Grant Ties Marquette

ROCKFORD, Ill., Oct. 4—Bill Reed's 43-yard scoring pass to Bill Huber and Bob Orlando's extra point in the last two minutes allowed the Camp Grant Warriors to tie Marquette 7-7 here yesterday. Marquette scored in the third period after getting possession on Harvey Baerwald's interception. After four plays Johnny Rudan circled right end, going 26 yards to tally.

Sammy Angott Outpoints Joey Peralta at Detroit

DETROIT, Oct. 4—Ex-lightweight champ Sammy Angott scored a ten-round decision over Joey Peralta, of Douglas, Ariz., before 5,000 here.

Angott was the aggressor from the start and Peralta never caught him. Peralta won one round, the fourth, due to a low blow by Angott. Sammy drew blood from Peralta's left eye in the second on an explosive right cross and Peralta bled throughout the rest of the fight. Angott weighed 138, Peralta 135 and one-half.

Daily Double Pays \$1,066
 NEW YORK, Oct. 4—At Play and Our Birthday, surprise winners, took the daily double at Belmont paying \$1,066 to the 58 fans holding the winning tickets.



Jew Refugees Blame Himmler For New Purge Believe Gestapo Chief Led Roundup Personally In Copenhagen

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 4 (AP)—Jewish refugees fleeing to Sweden to escape the Nazi purge in Denmark said today they had heard a rumor in Copenhagen that Heinrich Himmler, Gestapo chieftain, personally directed the round-up to remove Jews from Danish "public life."

Himmler's iron-fisted trouble-shooter, Daluge, has been in Copenhagen for more than a week to make arrangements for the arrests, which refugees said were first directed against about 2,000 Jews who had obtained refuge in Denmark after fleeing from Germany and other European countries when war started.

Eight thousand Danish Jews also were affected, but Danish sources in Stockholm said about 1,700 had reached Sweden.

Stockholm's Tidningen, reporting the rumor that Himmler might have carried out Hitler's orders in this Jewish purge, pointed out that Himmler had been on a tour of all occupied countries.

Reliable information from Denmark is scarce concerning the fate of the Jews arrested so far, but rumors said that 1,800 were already deported, some by boat to Gdynia and Warsaw.

The Jews, who paid fabulous prices to escape to Sweden, arrived in all types of boats. Some young men even swam nude across the three-mile stretch near Helsingborg.

There were reports that a number were drowned when small boats capsized. Some expected the purge since Germany established military dictatorship in Denmark on Aug. 29, and many have been hiding in woods and farmhouses for weeks.

Danes Blow up Deportation Ships
STOCKHOLM, Oct. 4 (UP)—Two of three German ships sent to Copenhagen to carry off Jews to deportation have been blown up by Danish guerrillas, according to reports reaching Stockholm.

Grid Star Scott Killed in Crash

Capt. Don F. Scott, 23-year-old former Ohio State University All-America football star, his co-pilot and a test engineer were killed as their medium bomber crashed while on a routine flight near their British base on Friday, ETOUSA headquarters announced yesterday.

Others killed in the accident, blamed to bad flying weather which closed in after the plane had taken off, were 2/Lt. Ramsey J. Toon, 23, of San Diego, Calif., co-pilot, and M/Sgt. James B. Sutton, 24, of Silver Creek, Miss., a line chief who went on the flight as a test engineer.

Capt. Scott, commanding officer of a Marauder squadron, was married shortly before leaving the States. He was a half-back at Ohio State for three years and was named on several All-American teams in 1939 and 1940. He entered the Air Corps March 15, 1941, and was commissioned at Kelly Field, Tex., Nov. 11 of that year. He had been on nine bombing missions.

Anti-Saloon League Maps Drive
CHICAGO, Oct. 4—The Executive Committee of the Anti-Saloon League announced after a two-day session that it had agreed upon establishment of a political publicity bureau in Washington, a series of newspaper advertisements, a system of scientific temperance lectures in churches and schools and a speakers' bureau to support the anti-saloon cause in the coming elections.

Georgia Bans Chain Gang
ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 4—A special session of the Assembly called to reform Georgia's penal system abolished state highway chain gangs, banned the lash and shackles and set up a new correctional organization.

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5.45—Spotlight on Russ Morgan.
6.00—News (BBC).
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6.25—G.I. Supper Club—request program.
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7.05—The Kate Smith Show.
7.30—The Lone Ranger—"Hi Ho Silver!"
8.00—News From Home—Stars and Stripes roundup.
8.10—The Fred Waring Show.
8.25—This Week in Science.
8.30—Fibber McGee and Molly.
9.00—News (BBC).
9.10—Walter Time.
9.25—Into Battle—(BBC) The Fighting Spirit of the United Nations.
9.35—Pre-World Series Dodge.
9.45—World Series Broadcast.
10.00—Woody Herman and his Orchestra.
10.20—Final Edition—Stars and Stripes news.

Sergeant Golfer Ends Pyramid Shot Myth

CAIRO, Oct. 4—Sgt. Ted Boodle, ex-caddie master of Granville, Ohio, is credited with exploding a myth by successfully driving a golf ball from the end of the Cheops pyramid and clearing the base.

Dozens of golfers have tried the stunt in vain. The legend said it was impossible because of many weird theories ranging from the attraction of a small object to a large object and disturbing wind currents.

Using one old club, Boodle drove four old balls beyond the base, a horizontal distance of 127 yards, a good mashie shot.

Patterson Sees '44 as Decisive

Army Ready for Massive Blows, AFL Told; Green Bans Bread Lines

BOSTON, Oct. 4—Robert P. Patterson, under secretary of war, told the American Federation of Labor today at the opening session of its 63rd annual convention that 1944 will be "a year of decision"—but he hastened to add he was not predicting the end of the war.

"We have made our preparations and we have won the preliminary victories," he said. "Now our soldiers are ready for the hard test of strength. They intend to deliver massive blows against the enemy. We can be sure that the blows struck in 1944 will determine the outcome of the war."

Earlier William Green, AFL president, told the convention that the U.S. must abandon isolation. "The war has taught us that America cannot isolate herself from the rest of the world; peaceful intentions are not enough," he said.

Green said business leaders must be prepared after the war to "reconvert their plants almost overnight and take the responsibility for investing the necessary funds. We dare not, and must not, offer our returning soldiers bread lines."

Principle topics facing the 400 delegates included the application of John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers for restoration of its charter, manpower problems, post-war planning, politics, prices and wages.

Stars & Stripes On Its First Raid

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the Gremlin Buggy, took Sgt. Andrew Rooney, of The Stars and Stripes, on the mission. Rooney's ship came through unscathed. A third writer, M/Sgt. Bud Hutton, also of this newspaper, started as a regular gunner in another plane, but the B17 was forced to return to base because of mechanical difficulties.

It was originally planned to drop a number of copies of The Stars and Stripes over the target as the first "continental edition" of this war and successor to the paper of the same name which circulated on the continent during World War I, but the idea was abandoned.

The Fortress Stars and Stripes bears a decoration painted especially by Sgt. Dick Wingert, staff artist of the newspaper.

The crew of The Stars and Stripes included:

Lt. Michael Cygan, of Garfield, N.J., co-pilot; Eugene Shober, Ottumwa, Iowa, navigator, and William Williams, Barnesville, Ga., bombardier; Sgts. John D. Scarborough, Las Cruces, N.M., top turret gunner; John J. Davis, Star City, Ark., ball turret gunner; Charles Rotunda, New York, radio gunner; Edward A. Barrett, Brooklyn, tail gunner; Raymond F. Malmfelt, Brooklyn, waist gunner, and Daniel J. Sullivan, New York, waist gunner.

Envoy to Russia in ETO

W. Averell Harriman, new American Ambassador to Russia, arrived yesterday in Great Britain. Harriman, former Lend-Lease coordinator in Britain, was named envoy to the Soviet Union by President Roosevelt last Friday. He succeeds Adm. William H. Standley.

First Sea Lord Resigns

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, First Sea Lord of the Admiralty since June, 1939, has resigned on grounds of ill health and has been succeeded by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Andrew Cunningham, recently in command of the Mediterranean fleet, it was announced last night by the Admiralty.

Terry and the Pirates



'Best of Luck' from MacArthur



Gen. Douglas MacArthur wishes Lt. Col. J. J. Tolson, New Bern, N.C., paratroop leader, good luck before the take-off on the paratroop attack which has bottled up Jap troops in New Guinea. Lt. Gen. George C. Kenny, chief of Allied air forces in the Southwest Pacific looks on at right.

Flaming Fort Blows Out Fire With Dive Into Ocean Spray

With one engine blazing and 20 Nazi fighters on its tail, the Fortress Eightball, piloted by 1/Lt. William R. Capral, 27, of Santa Monica, Calif., plunged down in violent evasive action so close to the waters of the North Sea that salt spray came through its open windows. The fire blew out, the fighters were shaken off, and the big bomber rode safely home to base.

The Eightball's crew members thought they were literally behind the eight ball as they came over the target, the north German shipping center of Emden. A propeller of the No. 4 motor was running away and the engine burst into flames. The ship fell out of formation, but Lt. Capral kept close enough to take part in the bombing before he turned the Fortress around to head for home.

When Eightball reached the coast on its way out of Germany more troubles began.

"It looked like the whole Luftwaffe was waiting for us," said 2/Lt. Richard H. Perry, 22, of Detroit, the co-pilot. "I started calling them and our boys went to work at the guns. Three of the Jerries went down flaming."

The three gunners who claimed enemy fighters were T/Sgt. Lloyd J. Wamble, 24, of Birmingham, Ala., top turret gunner; S/Sgt. James E. Dolan, 22, of Gwynedd, Pa., tail gunner, and S/Sgt. Joseph G.

Raids - - -

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planes to Messerschmitt fighters because of the inroads on combat plane sources such as the recent Fortress attacks on fighter factories at Vienna, Regensburg and Paris.

In addition to the Kassel raid, RAF Mosquitos bombed Hanover and objectives in the Rhineland, and other planes laid mines in enemy waters. Australian Mosquitos destroyed one Ju88 and damaged three enemy patrol boats in the Bordeaux area.

The heaviest fighter attacks in yesterday's raid were borne by a formation of five Flying Fortresses, which, separated from the big aerial armada, went on to make their own bomb runs over the railway yards at Frankfurt and then fought back to base through nearly a solid hour of fighter attacks and heavy flak.

One of the five Forts—Weider's Wildcat—claimed four enemy fighters destroyed in a running battle which left the plane with more than 100 bullet, cannon and flak holes; with the left elevator completely shot away, the left stabilizer in shreds, and landing-gear tires minced by 20mm. shells and flak.

S/Sgt. Elmer F. Congdon, waist gunner from New Haven, Conn., shot down an Me109F and saw the Nazi pilot plummet to earth when his parachute failed to open.

S/Sgt. Alfred W. Spencer Jr., Wyandotte, Mich., tail gunner, said seven FW190s attacked the plane's tail in formation. Spencer's first burst blew one of the enemy ships apart and the other six fled.

T/Sgt. Stanley Robinson, of Pawling, N.Y., top turret gunner, chopped up a 109F, shooting its tail assembly com-

pletely off the fuselage. S/Sgt. A. J. Guinta, ball turret gunner from New York City, destroyed a Me109F, which tried a sneak attack from directly beneath the ship.

Weider's Wildcat had a complicated day. The pilot, Norman L. Weider, of Richmond Hills, N.Y., came back from the raid to find he'd been promoted to 1/Lt. while he was away. When the ship took off in the morning it was known as Lucky Strike. After their battle on the way home, the crew decided it had used up all the luck in the name and swapped titles.

2/Lt. Ernest Bemis, from Bridgewater, Mass., co-pilot of the Vibrant Virgin, said it was plenty rough in spots with fighters making quick passes and exceptionally large flak bursts.

S/Sgt. Robert Nixon, a ball turret gunner from Yemassee, N.C., said: "Nothing happened between the base and the target, but as we were getting ready to bomb we ran into a mess of fighters. A ship from another group was downed. On the way home the German flak, which had been noticeable by its absence on the way in, really came up at us. It was tough."

Most of the crews told of encountering Me109s. There were some two-engined fighters, but most were Me109s.

The Hootin' Nanny, piloted by 2/Lt. Carl Dawurske, of Sheboygan, Wis., managed to stagger back to England with its controls shot away. All of the crew bailed out safely on English soil.

Ball for St. Albans
A ball to raise funds for the rebuilding of St. Alban's social center for young people, destroyed by fire bombs during the blitz, will be held Thursday at the Dorchester Hotel, London. Mrs. John G. Winant, wife of the American Ambassador in London, and Mrs. Gordon Moore are joint chairmen of the committee.

NEWS FROM HOME New Revenue Measure Cuts Tax Exemptions

Morgenthau Bill Provides For Stiff Excises on Tobacco, Liquor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4—A new revenue bill which would cut income tax exemptions and increase the federal withholding tax was sent to Congress today by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau. The measure is designed to produce an additional \$10,500,000,000 in war-time taxes.

The bill calls for the lowering of income tax exemptions to \$1,100 for married persons and to \$300 for each dependent. The \$500 exemption for single persons is unchanged. The bill also provides for increasing the 20 per cent withholding levy on taxable income to 30 per cent.

Stiff tax increases on liquor, beer, tobacco, railroad fares, soft drinks, chewing gum and all other "luxury" items are proposed in the bill.

Stettinius Sworn In
WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (AP)—Edward Stettinius, former lend-lease administrator, was sworn in today as under-secretary of state in succession to Sumner Welles.

Series Fans Jam New York
NEW YORK, Oct. 4 (AP)—New York "bulged at the seams" today with a heavy influx of visitors for the World Series which starts tomorrow. Adding to the already taxed hotel situation, most hotels have been filled to capacity for several weeks and are reported to be refusing hundreds of requests for rooms. Many people have been forced to register at hotels ten to 15 miles from the city.

Laura Ingalls Released
WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (AP)—Laura Ingalls, well-known airwoman, has been released from the women's reformatory where she completed a sentence passed for violating the foreign agents' registration act, the Department of Justice disclosed.

Airmen Saved Salerno Troops
SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 4 (AP)—Gen. Henry Arnold, USAAF commander, pleading for a greater output of planes, said that the Italian invasion "would have been easier with more planes—it couldn't have been done with less." Gen. Arnold credited the United States and British air forces with "saving our troops at Salerno."

7-Year Whisky Supply in U.S.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 4—The Bureau of Internal Revenue reported that whisky stocks in the United States at the end of August amounted to 412,294,135 gallons—enough to last seven years and two months at the August rate of consumption.

Knox Watched Naples Fighting

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 4 (AP)—The Agencia National reports that Col. Frank Knox, U.S. Navy secretary, has arrived at Recife, Brazil, on his way back from the Italian battlefield.

ALLIED HQ., North Africa, Oct. 4—Col. Secretary Knox returning from the battle of Naples, which he watched from a destroyer, had high praise for "the co-operation and co-ordination" of British and American land, sea and air arms.

Knox spent some days touring the Mediterranean war zones. He traveled by air and sea, using planes, destroyers and cruisers.

Any belief that the soldiers would be home by Christmas was totally unwarranted, he said, adding that the European war was only just beginning. "We have not yet made a real assault on the Fortress of Europe," he declared.

In the South Pacific, he said, "the Allies have not yet really come to grips with the Japanese."

Knox watched the advance on Naples, with Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of the Fifth Army, on Thursday—the day before the capture of Naples.

By Milton Caniff

