

# 3rd Strikes for Saarbruecken

## Reds Within 60 Miles Of Austria

Tanks of Marshal Tolbukhin's Red Army force, smashing northward across the rain-soaked plains of southern Hungary, last night were reported within 60 miles of Austria.

There was no official news of the Soviet 20-mile a day drive from the south, but the Germans admitted that Russian spearheads had reached Lake Balaton, southern tip of which lies 55 miles from the Austrian border. The northeastern end of the lake is approximately the same distance from Budapest.

The Nazi announcement, however, did not state at what point the Russians had reached the lake, one of the most formidable natural defense barriers in central Europe.

Marshal Tolbukhin thus has driven a wedge between the German armies in Hungary and Yugoslavia.

According to reports from the front, the roads have been turned into sticky quagmires by recent downpours. One report said the mud was knee deep.

The Germans appear to be fighting for time to form a new defense line hinging on Lake Balaton, with the left flank extending between the lake and Budapest and the right flank between the lake and Slovenia.

Across the Danube and northeast of Budapest troops under Marshal Malinovsky followed up their capture of Miskolc and Sartoral-Jauhely with a drive toward eastern and central Slovakia. Their next objective appeared to be Rozsnyo, 40 miles away.

The fall of Miskolc has given Malinovsky a new gateway into central Slovakia up the Bodva River valley.

## Planes Attack In Philippines

Heavy attacks by American fliers against Jap airdromes and shipping throughout the Philippines were reported by Gen. MacArthur yesterday.

As U.S. airmen in the Far Pacific continued to neutralize the Jap aerial threat to American forces on Leyte Island, it was officially disclosed that Liberators blasted Iwojima, in the Volcanic Islands, along the Superfort pathway to Tokyo. Iwojima, hit for the fifth time in four days, is 750 miles south of Tokyo. The Japanese have used it as a base from which to attack Superfort fields on Saipan.

Torrential rains bogged down all but the most minor ground action on Leyte and held air activity to a minimum.

### Vignette of War

## Paree's Call Plenty Loud

By Morrow Davis

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH NINTH ARMY, Dec. 4—"A damn good try" to cross the Roer River may prompt the folks back home to wonder "how ya gonna keep" Pfc L. D. Beeler down in the mountains round Cumberland, Ky., "after he's seen Paree."

Lt. Col. Glover S. Johns, battalion commander from Corpus Christi, Tex., sent a six-man patrol out Tuesday night to (a) beat the woods for Jerries supposed to have crossed the Roer, (b) find out the width, depth, condition of bottom, i.e., mud, sand, gravel, and (c) reconnoiter for a likely spot to effect a crossing.

"First man to cross the river gets a pass to Paris," Johns promised. Sgt. William F. Cannon, patrol leader from Frederick, Md., set out with Beeler and five others, including T/5 Albert T. White, public-relations man from Rutherford, N.J., who'll at least get cold and wet for a story.

The patrol reached the west bank, but the river was too wide, too deep. Cannon decided they couldn't cross, so they took the river-bed data.

Then White saw Beeler taking off equipment.

"Whatcha doin'?" "I'm going across—if I can."

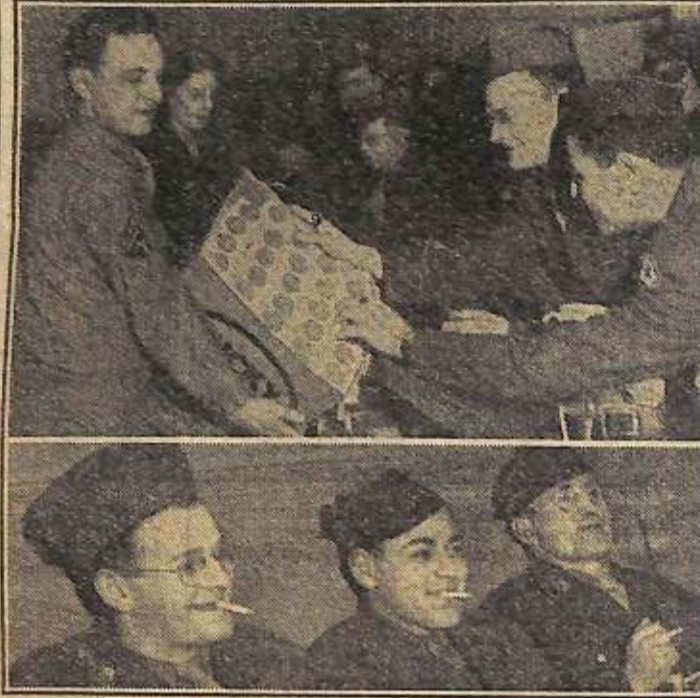
It was between 9 and 10 PM. The mud was knee deep at the brink; the water was ice cold.

Beeler waded to midstream. Then White heard "Oh, oh," and saw Beeler disappear over his head.

Beeler came back slowly, for he made some noise breasting the current, his feet soaking mud. And though he didn't know it at the time, he was big-city-bound already, for the colonel said:

"Damn good try. Give him a pass to Paris anyway."

## The Return of the Native Cigarette



With the lifting of the ban on cigarette sales in the U.K. yesterday, GIs swarmed into the London PX to grab up their butt rations. PX clerks were kept busy handing out seven packs to combatants and five to the noncombatants, and as shown in the pictures above, the boys accepted them with obvious pleasure. The ban on cigarette sales to noncombatant troops went into effect Nov. 28 because of what was described as a "shortage." No official explanation of what happened to the smokes, sufficient quantities of which were reported to have been shipped to troops overseas, has yet appeared.

## 1,200 Heavies Hit Nazi Rails

Approximately 1,200 Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth Air Force, escorted by about 1,000 Mustangs and Thunderbolts of the Eighth and Lightnings of the Ninth, yesterday hammered rail yards and industrial objectives in the Reich.

The heavies struck at Kassel, Mainz, Giessen, Soest and Bebra and elsewhere in western Germany.

Also in daylight yesterday RAF Lancasters continued the offensive against the railways of the Ruhr district with a concentrated assault on Oberhausen.

"German targets are due for the greatest weight of bombardment they have ever received, and winter weather will not protect them," Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, Mediterranean Allied Air Force chief, said, predicting the success of new cloud-bombing techniques.

He described Ploesti as "the bloodiest air battlefield of the war," where U.S. losses were 350 bombers and more than 1,400 fliers. But, he said, "It was worth the cost."

Eaker said a Rumanian official had told him that when the Ploesti attacks started the Germans were getting 26,000 tons of petroleum products daily from there, and when the attacks ended production had been cut to 3,505 tons daily.

Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers, in action on the U.S. First and Ninth Army fronts Sunday, attacked fortified villages and artillery concentrations near Duren, troops and fortifications north of Julich, and rail yards at Grenenbroich.

On the U.S. Third Army front, Thunderbolts bombed the town of Zweibrucken.

## Federal Trade Group Studies Butt Famine

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (AP)—The Federal Trade Commission announced today that it would investigate the current cigarette shortage to determine if any law violations were involved.

This action followed a request yesterday by Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) that the FTC determine whether the butt famine in the U.S. was "real or artificial."

## A Foundling Comes Home

## Love Conquers as GI's Wife Makes His Illicit Baby Hers

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4—Mrs. Rose Whitehouse took a look today at the present her soldier husband had brought her from Newfoundland—a ten-month-old baby by another woman—and decided to accept it as her own.

"I fell in love with the baby when I saw it," she said, thus ending for Pfc Arthur Whitehouse a sweating-out period that really had him worried, especially when there was talk of an annulment of his nine-year childless marriage.

The child was born as the result of a romance with Theresa St. Croix, a civilian nurse in Newfoundland, where he has been stationed since 1942. Theresa didn't want the baby girl and gave it to its

father, who got a 30-day furlough to carry it home.

Uncertain as to the reception little Geraldine would get from his wife, Whitehouse parked her with his mother. When the story broke in the papers, he got numerous offers of adoption, but he preferred to sweat out his wife's reaction.

Cold at first, Mrs. Whitehouse relented when she got her first look at Geraldine—whom the papers here dubbed the "Newfoundland"—and decided to take her. She agreed with her mother-in-law that Arthur was a pretty stout fellow for refusing to abandon the child and accepting the responsibility of raising it—on his own, if things hadn't had a happier ending.

## Reconversion Out; U.S. To Expand War Plants

Reconversion and other U.S. post-war plans were pushed aside yesterday as the nation's government and industrial leaders wrote off any idea of peace by Christmas and rushed ahead, instead, with plans for producing more shells for the slugging match still to come.

President Roosevelt, in Washington, warned that "everyone on a war job must stick to that job," while Chairman J. A. Krug of the War Production Board declared that \$500,000,000 worth of new facilities must be built immediately to expand output of critically-needed mortar shells.

Krug indicated there could be little reconversion to non-military production until after Germany had been defeated, saying that the plan of his predecessor, Donald M. Nelson, for limited resumption of civilian production already had been abandoned and that his own plan for unrestricted production of non-military goods after V-Day might have to be modified.

At the same time, in Paris, six U.S. industrialists engaged in large-scale munitions production returned from a tour of the Western Front saying they were convinced there was too much optimism in the U.S. over the war.

"There's too much throwing of hats in the air and shouting, 'It's all over,'" said Sherrod E. Skinner, General Motors vice-president. "We're going home to put aside post-war plans and bend every effort to producing more shells and other needed war material."

"None of us expects an early finish to this war," said Charles Kendrick, president of the Schlage Lock Co., "and even after this, we've still got Japan."

Meanwhile, also in Washington, Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, chief of the Army's Service Forces, yesterday endorsed a proposal for a post-war bonus for war workers who stay on their jobs, telling Congress that the manpower problem "must be licked this month." He said there had been no suffering at the front yet, "but we're apprehensive for the future."

## Peace by Dec. 7, Marshall Hoped

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (Reuter)—Chief of Staff Gen. George C. Marshall had hopes earlier this year that America's "flood" of military power might beat Germany before the third anniversary of Pearl Harbor.



GEN. MARSHALL

In an article published in a special issue of The Army and Navy Journal, coming out Dec. 7, Marshall said he based this hope on the "dazzling" speed with which the Americans demoralized the Germans in France.

Meanwhile, it was announced that President Roosevelt had signed a bill permitting Marshall to continue in office after he had reached the normal retirement age of 64 this month.

## Subs Sink 20 More

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4—U.S. submarines have sunk 20 more enemy ships in the Pacific, including a destroyer and light cruiser, the Navy said today.

## 1st and 9th Consolidate Along Roer

Elements of three Third Army divisions were reported yesterday to be striking northeastward within nine miles of Saarbruecken and seven miles of Sarreguemines, border cities in the path of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's sweep into the Saar, while farther north, troops of the 95th Division broadened their wedge into the eastern part of Saarlautern and made gains both above and below the river-straddling town.

The 377th Regiment of the 95th, clearing a three-mile salient northwest of Saarlautern, pushed on to the west bank of the Saar, giving Patton's troops a solid 16-mile hold along that water line.

**35-Mile Front in Reich**  
A Reuter dispatch from SHAEF said that Patton now had a 35-mile front inside Germany following an advance by the Fifth Division across the border south of Saarlautern, which was under fire from Siegfried Line guns.

Dispatches said that ack-ack gunners on the First Army front had accounted for more than half of the 70 German planes which came over that zone in soupy weather Sunday, crediting them with 41 kills.

Both the First and Ninth Armies were said to be consolidating their positions along or close to the Roer River. The Ninth was battling through that part of Julich which lies on the Roer's west bank.

East of the river, which is the first of a series of water defenses before the Ruhr, there was considerable enemy movement, indicating last-minute enemy preparations for an Allied attack which the Germans apparently expected soon.

**Hold High Ground**  
The Ninth's main positions along the flooding Roer are on high ground about a mile from the low land along the bank, and the Germans hold corresponding positions on the far side. One of the chief enemy defenses at Julich is a large sports stadium, manned by about 90 men, but backed up by heavy artillery across the river.

On the Seventh Army front, where Strasbourg was finally cleared of the foe, the Americans threw back a German counter-attack at Selestat, 25 miles to the southwest, and cleared Aubure, ten miles beyond.

The doughboys were reported to have driven more than six miles east of Sarre-Union, on the western slopes of the Vosges, and were in the outskirts of Haguenau, on the other side of the ridges.

The British Second Army in Holland was rubbing out snipers west of Venlo after crushing the last pocket of enemy opposition along the west bank of the Maas.

South of Arnhem, floods waters were spreading from beaches made by German sappers in dikes along the lower Rhine in an attempt to force the withdrawal of Canadian troops in that sector.

## Deny Smokes Being Sent Japs

Communications Zone Headquarters in France last night released a War Department cable from Washington denying that American cigarettes were being sent to the Japanese Imperial Army by Jap-American internees held in relocation centers in the U.S.

The War Department cable was prompted by a reproduction in the Nov. 30 Stars and Stripes of the front page of the Oct. 16 Co-Operator, mimeographed newspaper at Tule Lake (Calif.) Relocation Center, which announced that two cases of Lucky Strikes had been saved "to send the cigarettes as a gift to Japanese Imperial soldiers."

The War Department said: "This story is absolutely a falsehood. No cigarettes have, or can be, sent to Japanese soldiers by these people (internees) or anyone else. No cigarettes have been sent to Japanese prisoners of war."

The War Department did not deny that, while a severe shortage in the U.S. existed for American civilians, the Tule Lake internees had obtained at least 15 cases of butts.

The photographic reproduction of the Tule Lake paper was made by International News Photos. It came to The Stars and Stripes in London in a regular packet of pictures which had been "filtered" through the Army News Service in New York.

## Nelson Returning to U.S.

CHUNGKING, Dec. 4 (AP)—Donald M. Nelson, President Roosevelt's special envoy to China and economic adviser to the Chiang Kai-shek government, left today for Washington.



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A Veteran

Nov. 25, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, This soldier came overseas July 19, 1940, in the Canadian Army, and transferred in May, 1943, to his old peace-time unit that had arrived in England from Iceland. This is my tenth year in the Army, including three years overseas in the Canadian Essex Scottish, of Dieppe "fame."

Having been overseas exactly four years and four months I am prone to think that a volunteer may often be a "forgotten man."

I was wounded slightly a few months ago in France by a German hand-grenade—the scars are not outside now, but inside, deep and permanent. I have often wished that the grenade had been fatal!

I joined the U.S. Army May 3, 1935, to prepare myself to fight Japs (I was reading too many of Hearst's editorials at the time).

Hell, it will soon be my fifth Christmas over this side without rotation.

Was it Disraeli, the Jew, who said: "Youth is a mistake. Old age, a regret!"

—Pvt. Wilford B. Marshall, Hq. Co., Inf. Regt.

Food for the Germans

Nov. 22, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, As our armies move deeper into Germany Himmler plans an underground to rob us of victory and nullify our conquest. This reads good, but any underground must have outside support; and, just as important, we will control the food supply.

The two most important people in the occupation will be the armed sentry and the administrator of food supply. If the Nazis stay in line, they eat. If not, we close the bread box.

This will mean that kind, forgiving England (Hess remains unpunished) and big-hearted Uncle Sam (parities for POWs) will have to get tough.

But if we must get tough with a nation to secure peace on a continent, so be it. —S/Sgt. E. Brinkman, Hosp. Plant.

GI Editorials

Nov. 20, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, Your series of editorials on what our attitude after the war should be as concerns Germany is, in my opinion, consistent with what the GI in the fox-hole and the civilian at home believe to be the proper solution to the post-war problems. Further, I like the way you pictorially bring out the obstacles and dangers to be found in the insignificant-looking German civilian and German superman soldier. —T/4 Leon Lebow, Hosp. Train.

Demobilization Views

Nov. 15, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, The demobilization bill, as at present outlined, has failed to provide for... the older men in the service, men possibly over 30, or certainly men over 35. Physical exertion is more difficult in the older men, and injurious, too; restrictions more chafing; acceptance of orders from youthful superiors more galling; re-orientation in civilian life more trying; and re-establishment in business/less likely.

Add to all of this the fact that many men, due to unsettled conditions a year or two before the war, refrained or delayed their marriage, that every additional month in the Army makes it just that much less likely he will be able to lead a normal life; and you have a situation which indicates that age is, and should be, a primary factor in the demobilization plan. —Barracks Nine, S/Sgt., Fighter Sq.

Nov. 24, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, Are the single men of the armed forces supposed to be the cream of the crop when the call of arms is sounded, and classified as the scum of the same group when demobilization is in the making? Haven't we the same right to go back to what we cherish so highly, individually? Do you not think that a single person has more to look forward to in order to experience and plan in the coming future? In conclusion, married personnel, the single men are part of the same government, which is democratic, so let us keep the precious privilege the same—democratic; personal affairs come secondary. —An Observer, S/Sgt., Engr. Bn.

Hash Marks

Extract from an NCO's letter to his wife: "I have now been made a corporal, an important step up the Army's ladder of success. However, for the time being, please continue to speak to the neighbors as usual and don't under any circumstances move to a larger house or buy a piano."

Silly quote. She was only a gravedigger's daughter, but how she could lower the beer.

Cause for divorce. A Michigan man, wed four weeks, asked for a divorce. His



complaint: "My eyeglasses were out of focus when I married her."

Sgt. Dean Ruth is going around with a very red face these days, and all because of a letter. This particular letter had been kicking around the U.K. and finally reached Ruth with this notation by a postal clerk on the envelope: "Not a WAC. This is a GI Joe."

This sign was seen at an installation recently: "Please do not throw cigarette butts in the gutter—they are too hard to light when wet."

I/Sgt. Jim Musgrave of an AAF Station Complement Squadron claims they have the man with the shortest name in the ETO. He is Cpl. K. G. Ng, a Chinaman from New Jersey. The initials stand for KI Gee.

Then there was the bashful burglar who, upon finding the lady of the house in the shower, covered her with a revolver.

Fun on the Home Front. A hen-pecked husband was quarreling with the missus. "Haven't you anything nice to say about



my mother," sobbed the wife. "Yes," snapped hubby, "she objected to our marriage."

We know a certain Army musician who learned to play a piano because a glass of beer falls off a violin. J. C. W.

Nazi Repair vs. Bombs in Battle of Oil



BEFORE—Eight separate oil refineries in the Hamburg-Harburg area of Germany are shown in the photo above before an attack by Eighth Air Force heavies on June 20.



AFTER—The reconnaissance photo above taken a half hour after the attack shows the eight refineries in flame and smoke. Each was reported to have been perfectly pin-pointed by the raid.

By Sid Schapiro

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

EIGHTH AIR FORCE HQ, Dec. 4—As the bombing offensive against German oil-production enters its eighth month, authoritative quarters pointed out here today that while the Eighth Air Force had given the highest priority to the strategic bombardment of the enemy's oil plants and refineries, the Germans had given the same priority to the repair and defense of their oil industry—the lifeblood of the Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe.

That it has been necessary to make repeated attacks on the same oil targets in order to keep production lagging, lies in the fact that quantities of repair and rebuilding materials have

Reich Oil Output Is Reported Up Despite Heavy Allied Bombings

According to a recent United Press report, despite the concentrated offensive against refineries in the Reich, Germany's oil production has risen for the first time since American and British heavy bombers began sustained attacks on the German oil industry in April, and the Germans are also getting considerable supplies from oil fields inside the Reich discovered since the war.

The estimated output of Germany's oil products for October is expected to show an increase of about seven per cent over that of September.

Actually, the figure is an increase to 37 per cent of Germany's production before last April.

been stored in the vicinity of each synthetic-oil plant and refinery so that the work of rebuilding and repairing may be started immediately after a bombing attack. Sometimes the labor gangs stationed near them are at work before the smoke of the attack has cleared.

In their initial assaults on some of the oil plants last spring, Eighth aircraft encountered little or no flak. Now the same targets are ringed by batteries of anti-aircraft guns. The Germans have been steadily reinforcing the 40-mile-square area in which most of their synthetic-oil plants are situated, moving ack-ack installations into the area from all parts of the Reich.

The vicinity around Leipzig, where last Thursday's four oil objectives—Merseburg, Lutzendorf, Bohlen and Zeit—are

located is one of the most heavily-defended areas in Germany. A terrific flak barrage brought down 40 heavies. In addition, 13 fighters were lost.

That it has been necessary to attack the same oil targets again and again in recent months is also due to adverse weather when bombing was through clouds by means of instruments. However, there have been a number of accurate instrument-bombings.

On Oct. 25, bombardiers spotted their cloud-obscured target in the "electronic eye" (also called "magic eye" or "mickey"), released their bombs, and soon knew the attack had been successful when oily smoke billowed up through the dense clouds. That the bombs had scored direct hits on one of the two remaining active refineries of the eight in the Hamburg-Harburg area was confirmed later by photo reconnaissance.

The great oil plant at Bottrop, west of Gelsenkirchen, was hit three times by Eighth heavies and once by RAF bombers—all "blind" attacks. Nearly two weeks later photo reconnaissance disclosed that the plant, which once turned out 8,000 tons of oil per month, had been knocked out of production.

The development of these electronic navigational aids has made possible a sustained air offensive throughout the winter months. In October and November the Eighth Air Force operated only 11 days in 1942 and 18 in 1943. This year, the bombers were out 36 days in the same period.

The Eighth's heaviest and most successful visual assault on oil objectives was carried out June 20, when more than 1,500 Fortresses and Liberators struck at a number of synthetic-oil plants at Magdeburg, Ostermoor, Politz and the Hamburg-Harburg area in Germany. U.S. losses that day were 47 bombers and seven fighters.

The main weight of this tremendously heavy attack was on 12 German oil refineries with "good to excellent" results scored on each. The oil targets attacked, including four of the largest crude-oil refineries in Germany, were producing a total of approximately 250,000 tons per month.

British-based U.S. heavies were operational 18 days last month, and synthetic-oil plants and oil refineries were among the targets 14 days.

On Nov. 2 Eighth bomber-escort fighters scored their greatest single-day triumph over the Luftwaffe in the air, shooting down 134 of several hundred German fighters mustered to defend oil targets in the Merseburg area. The bombers' gunners bagged 53 Nazi craft.

UP FRONT WITH MAULDIN



"Another dang mouth to feed."

Goliaths Take the Count Shermans Beat Giant Foes In Savage Armored Battle

By Morrow Davis

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION, Nov. 22 (delayed)—ended at dusk today with the counter-attacking Ninth German Panzer Division and the 15th Panzer Grenadier Division in a fighting retreat toward the Roer River crossings after a six-day clash in which more than 400 American and German tanks were in close combat on a three-mile front.

The two German divisions left behind charred hulls of 21 Tigers, Royal and Regular models, 23 Panthers and 25 Mark IVs in the marsh-like flatlands leading to the river. The 69 tanks officially destroyed by the Second Armored were among the 110 knocked out by all units of the XIX Corps.

Second Armored tank losses also were heavy, because the Shermans were unable to engage Tigers and Panthers frontally with effect. Ranging from 56 to 72 tons and mounting 88s, these had to be hit in the tail, flanks and tracks or lured into range of the new M36 tank destroyer.

Outgunned, their maneuverability hampered by mud thigh deep in places, Sherman crews resorted to all sorts of stratagems to destroy the Jerry heavyweights. Outstanding was the feat of Cpl. Guy K. Bean, of West Burk, VI. His tank was knocked out by a Royal Tiger. The crew bailed out, but the Sherman didn't burn.

Bean crawled back. When the Tiger padded by on its 34-inch treads, Bean fired the last armor-piercing shell and hit the Tiger in the engine compartment, setting it afire.

By ganging up on the Jerries, tricking them into range of the TDs and by guts and luck, the Yanks smashed the counter-offensive.

AFN Radio Program

Tuesday, December 5

- 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. 1625—Saludos Amigos. 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—Listen Characters. 2300—Final Edition. 2305—Sign off until 0755 hours, Wed., Dec. 6.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

- 0755—Sign On—Program Resume. 0815—Headlines—Combat Diary. 0830—Music by Sammy Kaye. 0900—World News. 0905—Song Time. 0925—Music from Canada. 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Major Glenn Miller). 1030—Strike up the Band. 1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 1105—Duffie Bag.



# Giants Win, 16-13, Despite Baugh's Passes

## Once Over Lightly

By Andy Rooney

NEW YORK, Dec. 4—This is not the beginning of a series of 364 articles on next year's Army-Navy game, but the prospects are worth taking one quick look at before filing for future reference.

Seven West Point regulars will be missing from next year's lineup, but if the Army plebes pack the power they did this year those seven won't be missed much. Capt. Tom Lombardo, Doug Kenna and Dale Hall are the ace backs Army is losing this year, and in the line Center Bob St. Onge, End Ed Rafalko, Tackle Arch Arnold and Guard Joe Stanowicz won't be around to steam-roller Cadet opposition.

That sounds pretty tough, but when you stop to think that Red Blaik substituted a complete eleven in several games this year, including the Navy contest, and did as well with the second team as with the first, it doesn't sound so bad. In the first place, the All-America twins, Doc Blanchard, pile-driving fullback, and racehorse Halfback Glenn Davis, are only plebes and will be around to help Army for a few years yet. In addition to those leather luggers, Army will have Bobby Dobbs, Max Minor, Dean Sensenbaur and place-kick specialist Dick Walterhouse back again.

"First team" doesn't mean much at West Point because under the Army system of treating plebes rough, upper classmen and the coaching staff refused to refer to any plebe as "first stringer." Thus the great Glenn Davis, Blanchard and End George Poole, the best Army wingman, all were considered "second stringers."

It is worth noting that the toughest opposition the Army first team met all the year came neither from Navy nor Duke—it came from the Cadet second team when they scrimmaged.

Now about Navy. They are loaded with talent, too. All four backfield regulars, Dick Duden, Bill Barron, Bob Jenkins and Clyde Scott, will be in there and right behind them will be Bruce Smith, Ralph Ellsworth (who, it lately has been noted, won the Southwest Conference 100-yard dash title in 9.5 second), Bruce Smith and Jim Pettit. Besides those operatives Hunchy Hoernschmeyer of Indiana, Bob Kelly of Notre Dame, Skippy Minisi of Penn and Jim McWilliams of Mississippi State are all entering Annapolis in time for next year's grid season. Looks like fun.

**SHORT SHOTS:** Ty Cobb and Bing Crosby are co-owners of a bottling plant in Twin Falls, Idaho. . . Harold, the third of the Keller brothers, is starting an athletic career like brothers Hugh and Charlie did at Maryland University. . . Bill Dudley, Virginia's one and only All-American, has averaged eight yards per try in 73 rushes with the ball for Randolph Field this year.

## 8th AF Champs on Corner Bill

By Mark E. Senigo  
Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

Two Eighth AF champions take the spotlight on tonight's weekly bill at the Rainbow Corner with Pvt. Bobby Volk and Cpl. Hal Gary scheduled to appear in the main events.

Volk, a hard-punching 162-pounder from Portland, Ore., is the Eighth's middleweight titlist, having taken the crown from Maj. Steve Hamas's protege, "King Tut" Tabor, last spring. His most notable success this season was his decision victory over Cpl. Dick Young, 1944 Golden Glove king, at Rainbow in October. Volk's opponent tonight is Pvt. Frank Pintaro, 158-pound Milwaukeean who has an impressive string of 34 victories in 35 contests while in Uncle Sam's custody.

Gary sports the Eighth's heavyweight crown. Making his first trip to the Shaftesbury Ave. club tonight, the 190-pound Oklahoma City boy is pitted against Pvt. John Pearson, of Los Angeles, also 190.

The Navy will be represented for the first time this season when Seabee Lee Walker, S 2/c, Baltimore 147-pounder, squares off against Cpl. Trinidad Marquez, of El Paso, Texas, 143. Marquez has one Corner victory, a decision over Sgt. D. C. Roughton.

Two GI professional wrestlers will take the mat in the evening's finale with Cpl.

## Help Wanted

—AND GIVEN

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

Personal  
A FORTRESS GUNNER from Nebraska who left a tobacco pouch and pipe behind in a London train may pick it up at this office.  
PVT. JOSEPH CICE—Your overcoat has been found.—Cpl. Joe Rumore.

## Horse of the Year

By Pap



## Eagles Smack Tigers, 34-0, Stay in Race for Eastern Title

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4—The Philadelphia Eagles handed the Brooklyn Tigers their worst beating of the year yesterday in hanging up a 34-0 victory to remain in the race for the Eastern Division title. It was the Flatbushers' tenth straight defeat as they closed their most dismal season.

The kittenish Tigers gained only 29 yards while the Eagles were scoring in every period. Two of the Philly touchdowns came on long runs, one on a gallop of 65 yards by Vic Lindsog after he intercepted Jack Butler's pass in the first period, and the other by Jack Banta, who circled right end for 60 yards. Ernie Steele, Larry Cabrelli and Al Sherman scored the other touchdowns, while Roy Zimmerman converted four times. Rookie Steve Van Buren, speed demon from LSU, was easily the star of the game, however, as he ran through the Tigers at will to set up scores for his mates.

The statistics:

TIGERS		EAGLES	
First downs	6	11	
Yards gained rushing	29	300	
Passes attempted	22	11	
Passes completed	6	7	
Yards gained passing	16	47	
Yards lost penalties	30	40	

## Bruins Topple Maple Leafs, 5-4

BOSTON, Dec. 4—The Boston Bruins swept to their fourth victory in five games to defeat the Toronto Maple Leafs, 5-4, here last night. The setback dropped the Leafs out of first place as the Montreal Canadiens downed the Chicago Black Hawks.

The Leafs took a 1-0 lead late in the rough but loosely played first period, and

## Pro Football Standings

EASTERN DIVISION				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New York	7	1	1	.875
Philadelphia	6	2	2	.857
Washington	6	2	1	.750
Boston	2	8	0	.200
Brooklyn	0	10	0	.000

WESTERN DIVISION				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800
Detroit	6	3	1	.667
Chicago	6	3	1	.667
Cleveland	4	5	0	.444
Card-Pitts	0	10	0	.000

## Gauthier's Goal Gives Canadiens 2-1 Triumph

CHICAGO, Dec. 4—A goal by Fern Gauthier, which bounded off the shoulder of Goalie Mike Karakas, gave the Montreal Canadiens a 2-1 triumph over the Chicago Black Hawks last night.

## American Hockey League

EASTERN DIVISION				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Buffalo	10	6	2	.622
Providence	5	8	2	.417
Hershey	8	5	2	.583

WESTERN DIVISION				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Ind'n'polis	9	6	5	.583
Cleveland	8	7	2	.538
Pittsburgh	9	9	1	.500

## Dick Tracy

By Chester Gould



## Li'l Abner

By Al Capp



## Heisman Winner



Les Horvath, Ohio State's running back, has been named the winner of the Heisman Memorial Trophy as the outstanding college football player of 1944 and will receive the award at New York's Downtown Athletic Club tonight. Horvath received 412 votes to 287 for Glenn Davis, Army fullback who leads the nation's scorers. Felix "Doc" Blanchard, Army fullback and blocker de luxe, was third with 237 ballots. Winner last year was Notre Dame's Angelo Bertelli.

## Bears Wallop Card-Pitts, 49-7

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4—Held to two touchdowns in the first half, the Chicago Bears went into high gear in the last two periods here yesterday and swamped the Pitt-Cards, 49-7. It was the tenth straight defeat for the combined eleven, who didn't win a league game and looked worse than usual yesterday because their leading ground gainer, Johnny Grigas, had left for home before the battle, leaving a note saying, "This is the end."

Ens. Sid Luckman, who gets too many leaves from the Merchant Marine for the good of Bear opponents, set up two Chicago touchdowns and operated the T-formation faultlessly, and Pete Gaudasukas set a new league record by booting seven conversions. The Card-Pitt score came in the last five seconds on a one-yard plunge by Thurbon.

The statistics:

GIANTS		REDSKINS	
First downs	13	20	
Yards gained rushing	160	55	
Passes attempted	9	37	
Passes completed	3	26	
Yards gained passing	42	273	
Passes intercepted	2	0	
Yards lost penalties	45	50	

## GI Elevens Get Bowl Bid

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau  
NEW YORK, Dec. 4—Randolph Field's unbeaten Fliers and the highly rated Second Air Force Super Bombers will play in a "Treasury Bowl" football game at the Polo Grounds here Dec. 6, Treasury Department officials announced today.

Randolph Field, rated on many football polls as the greatest non-professional team in the nation, is sparked by Lt. Bill Dudley, former All-American at Virginia. The Bombers from Colorado Springs have Lt. Glenn Dobbs, Tulsa's All-American quarterback of two years ago, and Ray Evans, former ace Kansas back.

## Ferrier Keeps Up Pace in Frisco Play

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4—M/Sgt. Jim Ferrier, stationed at Camp Roberts, Cal., continued to lead the 72-hole San Francisco Open Golf Tournament after the third round yesterday by carding a two-below-par 70 for a 54-hole total of 211.

Ferrier wasn't as spectacular yesterday as on Saturday when he toured the course in 66, but the sergeant had enough to maintain a lead despite defending champ Byron Nelson's 69, which pulled him to within one stroke of the lead.

## Westfall Paces Lions As Yanks Bow, 38-7

DETROIT, Dec. 4—Bob Westfall, former Michigan back who has been running interference for Frankie Sinkwich all season, had a show of his own yesterday when Frankie was used sparingly because of a fractured cheek bone received last week, and he passed and ran the Detroit Lions to a 38-7 victory over the Boston Yanks as both teams closed their league seasons.

Elmer Hackney was the game's leading scorer, bucking over for three touchdowns, but it was Westfall's passing which set up the scoring plays, and Bob also hit the line for plenty of good gains. Bob Keene and Dave Hiehl went over for the other Lion touchdowns, both on passes from Westfall. Sinkwich booted a field goal and five conversions. The Yanks' touchdown came on a pass from George Cafego to Keith Ranspot in the third period.

The statistics:

LIONS		YANKS	
First downs	17	8	
Yards gained rushing	160	12	
Passes attempted	36	30	
Passes completed	19	12	
Yards gained passing	308	163	
Yards lost penalties	40	0	

## Ft. Pierce Amphibs Trip Tarheels

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 4—The Fort Pierce Amphibious Training Center's powerful football team remained unbeaten and untied by squeezing through to a 7-6 victory over the Third Air Force team from North Carolina yesterday with Bill Daley, former All-American at Minnesota and Michigan, dashing 61 yards near the end of the first half to set up a successful, game-settling conversion.

## 44 Grid Deaths Top '43 Total

CHICAGO, Dec. 4—Twelve youths have died this autumn in the U.S. from injuries received while playing football, and in one week Rock Island College, Ill., had two fatal accidents. Last year there were nine deaths in football.



Life in Those United States

U.S. Drinkers Assured Of Plenty for Holidays

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS)—The Distilled Spirits Institute assured the American drinking public today that thanks to the August liquor "holiday," when manufacturers were allowed a month to replenish their depleted stocks, an adequate supply of blended whisky was available for the coming holiday season.

It further revealed that in October Americans consumed 178 per cent more blended spirits than they did in October, 1943. The institute's report added that withdrawals from government-bonded warehouses in October amounted to 13,000,000 taxable gallons.

CAPITAL SIDELIGHTS: Joseph C. Grew, former ambassador to Japan, was nominated by President Roosevelt to be undersecretary of state, the post vacated when Edward R. Stettinius Jr. was named Secretary succeeding Cordell Hull. . . . OPA announced that the civilian passenger tire quota next month would reach 2,000,000, an increase of 150,000, but that "A" card motorists would get no new tires. Most of the tires will be for Army jeeps and for "B" and "C" card holders.

OWI pointed out that it wasn't true that the Japanese couldn't pronounce the letter "R." It is the Chinese who can't pronounce "R," while the Japs can't enunciate "L." With this information, an American soldier will know that an Oriental who says "so solly" probably is Chinese.

The beardless, baconless, butterless and cigaretteless East faced the prospect today of becoming chickenless as well. After Dec. 11 chickens produced in the Del-Mar (Va.) peninsula and the Shenandoah Valley will be set aside for Army purchase. These regions supply from 60 to 80 per cent of the needs for East Coast consumers.

Tweed

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 4 (ANS)—George Ray Tweed, Navy radioman rescued from Guam last July after eluding Japanese there for 31 months, has been ordered to pay his wife \$27.80 a month for support of herself and son pending a hearing on Mrs. Tweed's cross complaint for divorce. A divorce decree granted Tweed last August was set aside last month by a court which ruled Mrs. Tweed was unfamiliar with the nature of the decision and that the property agreement was "manifestly unfair" to her and the child.



GEORGE TWEED

Miller Family Grows

TEANECK, N.J., Dec. 4 (ANS)—It's a girl at the home of Maj. and Mrs. Glenn Miller (he's the band leader now in England leading the American Band of the AEF). Only Miller doesn't know about the new addition, a three-year-old, named Jonnie Dee, whom Mrs. Miller adopted last night as permanent company for Steve, 22 months old, adopted by the Millers recently. Said Mrs. Miller: "She looks just like her daddy."

Gifts for Prisoners

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4 (ANS)—The Swedish ship Salvo today was set to leave on a race with Santa Claus bearing Red Cross bundles for 49,000 U.S. prisoners of war in Germany. The ship is scheduled to reach Gothenburg, Sweden, just before Christmas. Red Cross cargo boats then will take the gifts to Lubeck, Germany, for distribution.

Food—and for Thought, Too



Written in this French boy's face is the story of Nazi occupation. When the rail bridge was wrecked by German rearwards retreating before the Third Army, a fully-loaded train was dumped into the Moselle. Hungry French children were quick to retrieve what food they could find. Startled by the cameraman, this boy looks as though his bag of food is precious enough to defend.

Britain, France Reject U.S. Air '5th Freedom'

CHICAGO, Dec. 4 (UP)—With the International Air Conference here on the verge of collapse after five weeks of discussions, Britain and France yesterday stood virtually alone against the other delegates on the much-debated "fifth freedom" issue. Neither side showed any indication of giving in.

The delegates from 54 nations—including every major Allied power except Russia—have agreed to refer the subjects on which agreement cannot be reached to an interim international air organization.

Summary of Action

In brief, this is what happened at the conference:

The delegates met with the hope of reaching an understanding on post-war commercial aviation, based on "four freedoms" of the air. These were:

- 1—The right of innocent passage through the air space of another country.
- 2—The right to land in foreign countries for refueling, repairs, &c.
- 3—The right of planes to carry passengers and cargo from the country to which the planes belong to other countries.
- 4—The right of planes to return passengers and cargo to the country to which the planes belong.

Agree on First Two

All the nations agreed on the first two freedoms, but there were differences of opinion on the last two. However, most observers felt that these could have been overcome.

The delegates did not really split until the American representatives proposed a "fifth freedom"—the right to pick up short-distance passengers in foreign countries at intermediate stops on the international airlines.

At the final count, most of the smaller nations backed the U.S. proposal, but Britain and France rejected it flatly, on the ground that America, with its commercial-aircraft industry already well developed, would rob other nations of traffic within their own territory.

Therefore, as the discussions break up, the only positive gains which have come from the conference are certain technical agreements, such as uniform navigation rules and meteorological exchanges.

Enemy Attacks Beaten in Italy

ROME, Dec. 4 (AP)—German counterattacks, intended to punch the American forces below Bologna off balance, were smashed back today, simultaneously with the disclosure that the Nazi effort to bolster up the Italian front with Italian Fascist troops was proving a failure.

Fighting through fog and rain which grounded Allied aircraft, American troops broke up the German counter-thrusts in the areas of Bombiana and Monte Belmonte.

Home Leave Effectuated For British 2nd Army

At least seven days at home will be granted to British Second Army troops who have served six months or more on the Continent and who will be fortunate enough to have their names drawn from a sweepstake drum, it was announced yesterday. The leaves will begin Jan. 1.

Chairborne as well as combat Tommies are included in the scheme, which will last for three months.

The Great Cigarette Chase . . . .

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS)—From the Atlantic to the Pacific the scramble for cigarettes in the U.S. gets more terrific. Swinging around, here's the situation: DES MOINES, Ia.—A truck driver delivering butts said he saw the same woman follow him into four stores and buy smokes after he had delivered them. . . . EVERYWHERE—Persons keep their eyes on tobacco trucks, then rush from one line to another.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.—A five-year-old piped to his white-haired grandma who joined a line: "What are you buying cigarettes for, grandma? You don't smoke." . . . BUFFALO—A woman asked a retailer for cigarettes. "I wish I had some for myself," the salesman said. "Well, I'll sell you some," the lady responded, and she opened her bag, which was loaded with a dozen packages.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—A grocery was reported selling a pack of cigarettes with each can of cookies. . . . DETROIT—Desperate fog fans have bought \$3.95 overseas gift packages in order to get a single pack. . . . HOLLYWOOD—Film studios now create atmosphere for night-club scenes by pumping in smoke—instead of using cigarettes.

Philadelphia Editor Dies

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4 (ANS)—John T. Custie, editor of The Philadelphia Inquirer since 1933, died last night.

Gen. Cheatham

DENVER, Dec. 4 (ANS)—Maj. Gen. Frank Cheatham, 77, former quartermaster general of the U.S., died yesterday.

Deer Kills Horse

HIGHVIEW, W. Va., Dec. 4 (ANS)—A 180-pound buck deer yesterday charged a horse weighing around 1,000 pounds and killed it on the farm of Henry Seiden.

Flip Corkin's Father Dies

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 4 (ANS)—Bernard J. Cochran, 65, father of Col. Philip (Flip Corkin) Cochran, died here yesterday.

. . . . Has the People at Home Panting

WASHINGTON.—It's costing U.S. taxpayers "no telling what" because government employees are running out of their offices every time there is a "flash" about a certain cigarette stand getting in some smokes, Frederick C. Othman, United Press reporter, wrote. . . . An Interior Department cafeteria will ration two packs weekly to customers—providing it has any to sell.

RALEIGH, N.C.—It's the people who are nervously dragging away on cigarettes and frowning over the shortage who are making the situation so acute, observers of cigarette manufacturing companies reported. . . . EVERYWHERE.—Street cleaners say cigarette butts now are shorter than ever. . . . DENVER.—"All my customers say they are going to quit smoking, but they don't," a dealer said. "I don't know whether I'm glad or sorry."

LANCASTER, Pa.—Donald Landis, an inveterate smoker, found three cases of cigarettes—approximately 1,500 packages—on the street. He immediately called police, who called the express company from whose truck the smokes fell. The company thanked Landis, praised him and promised him a reward—but no cigarettes. . . . PORTLAND, Ore.—An old lady was reported going from store to store and getting cigarettes for supposedly "my sick son who needs them badly."

And, finally, there's this one out of SEATTLE. A dealer in pipes sold several which he advertised as "especially for women." The next day a gal dropped in and asked him for a package of "women's tobacco."

It'll Be Wigwam Inspection

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Dec. 4 (ANS)—An Indian mother-son combination now is on the warpath. Mrs. Lucy Candelaria, 45-year-old Apache, joined the WAC Saturday, informing recruiters that she hoped "to speed the return" of her son overseas.

Favor Peace Draft

DENVER, Dec. 4 (ANS)—At least 79 out of every 100 adults favor post-war compulsory military training for American youths, the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Denver announced today. Nearly half said they didn't think such training necessarily would lead to another war.

'Their Last Full Measure'

By Carl Larsen  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4—"One of the most noble deeds of the war"—the story of four Army chaplains who sacrificed their lives to save men aboard a sinking troop transport last year—was told today by the War Department.

The chaplains gave away their own life jackets and went among the troops encouraging them and helping them to safety with no thought for their own lives when their ship, the S.S. Dorchester, was torpedoed off Greenland the morning of Feb. 3, 1943.

The chaplains were all awarded the Distinguished Service Cross posthumously. They were Clark Poling, Newark, N.J., Protestant, Alexander D. Goode, rabbi from Washington, D.C., George Fox, Chicopee Falls, Mass., Pro-

testant, and John Washington, Roman Catholic.

Survivors of the Dorchester said the chaplains calmed "confused and stricken men," who feared the plunge into the icy water would mean their deaths. The chaplains persuaded them to abandon the sinking ship and take a chance on being rescued. They issued lifebelts until the last one was gone, and then gave up their own.

The last glimpse survivors had of the chaplains was of four men, arms linked, their voices in prayer as the ship went down.

"The extraordinary heroism and devotion of these men of God—two Protestants, a Catholic and a Jew—has been an unwavering beacon for thousands of chaplains in the Armed forces," Brig. Gen. William R. Arnold, chief of Chaplains, said today.

A U.S. Prophecy in the U.K.:

Enough Jobs for All After War If We Plan Now, Hillman Says

By A. Victor Lasky  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

The possibility of post-war wrangling for jobs between returning servicemen and civilians at home was discounted emphatically yesterday by labor leader Sidney Hillman, storm-center of the 1944 elections in which "Clear it with Sidney" was major Republican campaign slogan.

"That is, if the mandate of the American people as evidenced by their great vote for Roosevelt is carried out by Congress," the 57-year-old former pants-presser said of his job prediction.



SIDNEY HILLMAN

Hillman has just arrived in the U.K. with union leaders R. J. Thomas and Emil Rieve, presidents of the United Automobile Workers and Textile Workers respectively, to help prepare an agenda for the World Labor Congress scheduled to meet in London in February. The group will confer with British laborites and then spend a few weeks in France.

Hillman said the CIO Political Action Committee—known as PAC, which he heads—was in business for good. Particularly is it concerned with servicemen and their rights, Hillman added.

Big thing for the American people today is planning "for an abundance of jobs" and not "an abundance of job seekers," the labor leader said.

A pledge to returning servicemen that

jobs will be waiting for them was made by R. J. Thomas.

"In all our contracts," Thomas stated,

Two Packs of Butts Cleared Through Sidney

"I hear you're short on smokes," Sidney Hillman said to a Stars and Stripes reporter yesterday. "How's about two packs of Luckies. I brought some over for friends." Yes, the proffer was accepted.

"There are guarantees that servicemen will return to their original jobs. And any returned soldier will go to the head of the seniority list. Our main concern as labor leaders is to see that there are plenty of jobs."

They Got in the Loin' of Fire

Cow Leads Foe in Mine Fields, But GIs Moo 'Em All Down

By Jimmy Cannon  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE THIRD ARMY, Dec. 4—The guys of this recon cavalry unit didn't know whether to shoot or milk the enemy that ambled toward them through the minefields last night.

It was a cow walking slowly through the midnight fog, shoved along by a cursing German soldier who prodded it with a long pole. A lantern swung from the cow's neck like the titanic lavalier. Tanks cautiously followed the cow on its pilgrimage through the minefields. Infantry followed the tanks.

The guys repulsed the attack and had steak for breakfast.

"They're stealing Hannibal's stuff. He used cows years ago," said an officer.

"The next thing you know they'll be

using kangaroos for hand-to-hand fighting," said a doughfoot who will bet you that Hannibal is a little town in Missouri



where cows "sleep in barns and give you stuff you put in coffee."

"I wish they'd start using chickens and pigs for cavalry and we'd have ham and eggs every time we run a counter-attack," a rifleman said ruefully.

Crossword Puzzle Solution

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Terry and the Pirates

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By Milton Caniff

