

# Reds Menace Entire Line; Munda Battle Won

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# German Retreat General in Sicily

## Nazis Waver In East After Twin Defeat

### Fall of Orel and Byelgorod Endangers Bastions of Kharkov, Briansk

MOSCOW, Aug. 6 (AP)—Germany's entire eastern front was threatened with collapse today as the Red Army rolled through gaps made by the capture of Orel and Byelgorod in the Russians' first great summer offensive of the war.

Troops of the five Russian fronts, Briansk, Western, Central, Steppe and Voronezh, pressed their advance towards the next major objectives, which appeared to be Briansk in the center and Kharkov in the south, both of them important Nazi strongholds. Russian forces now are within 50 miles of both cities.

Behind the lines the Russians celebrated yesterday's dual victory as they greeted no other victory of the war. A salute of 120 guns heralded the news in Moscow at midnight and today the capital was in holiday mood.

The capture of Orel and Byelgorod came just a month after the Germans launched their ill-fated offensive on the Kursk front, the defeat of which opened the way for the gigantic Red Army push.

The Germans, who have been withdrawing from the Orel salient, to escape encirclement, were now faced with the alternative of making a similar retreat from the Kharkov bulge, menaced by the surprise break-through in the Byelgorod area, or fighting on an exposed unfavorable line.

In either case the security of the entire German line was put in doubt.

The Germans persisted in stubborn rearguard action and counter-attacks northwest and southwest of Orel, covering the withdrawal of their main forces from the Orel salient. No estimate of the size of the enemy forces involved in the Orel salient is available and it is presumed that a considerable number were extracted through the escape gap along and between the roads running from Orel west of Briansk and southwest of Kromy.

The German position at Kharkov appeared equally difficult, with the northern flank exposed to the Russian attack from Byelgorod and the southern flank menaced by Red Army forces west of Kupiansk. Dispatches said that the Germans methodically demolished Orel, cutting railway tracks at intervals of every two or three yards.

Thousands of refugees streamed back to Orel after the Red Army's entry.

In the Orel fighting the Germans counter-attacked as much as ten times daily, a dispatch said, and they made as many as 1,500 flights daily over narrow sectors of the front. Byelgorod fell more quickly with the sudden thrust of tanks.

## Medal for Hero Of Fire Rescue

A U.S. ENGINEER UNIT, England, Aug. 6—For heroism displayed in saving the life of a British woman trapped by fire in her home, Cpl. Jerome L. Collier, Negro soldier from Brooklyn, was presented with the Soldier's Medal here during a review of Negro troops in his honor.

The presentation was made by Col. Charles O. Thresher, Southern Base Section commander. The order was read to the formation by Capt. Michael Boyle, Collier's company commander.

A former Boy Scout leader and church custodian, Collier rescued the woman from the second storey of her house in a Hampshire village the night of May 14. Aiding in the rescue were Cpls. Charles Robinson, of New York; Richard H. Hill, of Morristown, N.J.; and James Smith, of China Grove, N.C.

After discovering the fire and warning the occupants of the house, the soldiers were told a girl was trapped on the second floor. Collier went up by ladder, kicked out glass and framework to reach the woman, then handed her through the window to Hill, who carried her to safety. The soldiers then organized a bucket brigade until the fire department arrived.

## Yanks Occupy Jap Air Base, First Big Goal of Offensive

1,671 Enemy Troops Killed in Final U.S. Assault; Victory Gives Allies Base for Attacks At Rabaul, 450 Miles Away

ALLIED HQ, New Georgia, Aug. 6—Fighting ceased at Munda today as U.S. troops and marines completely occupied the key airport and its surrounding area, and then began burying the 1,671 Japs who were killed in Thursday's assault.

Loss of air base, first major objective to fall to the Allies in the offensive which began June 30, left the Japanese in precarious possession of one other weaker foothold on New Georgia around Bairoko harbor, 10 miles to the north, and the long-established base at Vila, on adjacent Kolombangara Island.

After long jungle fighting in which gains were measured by yards rather than miles, the Yankee forces ringed their objective before the break-through which carried one American infantry unit around the enemy's northern flank to the New Georgia coast, and another, aided by tanks, into the center of the airdrome.

The capture of Munda gives both U.S. bombers and fighters a land base from which they have to fly only 450 miles to attack Rabaul, New Britain—main Jap supply base for the northern Solomons and eastern New Guinea.

Grim evidence of the bitter campaign to wrest the key base on the road to Tokyo from the enemy, a total of 1,671 Japanese dead were counted. There was no immediate announcement of Allied casualties.

**Signs of Defense Crumbling**  
The first signs of the crumbling Japs defense of the airfield appeared Wednesday after a furious artillery barrage by U.S. troops which silenced weak Jap mortar fire. Paced by tanks, U.S. infantry moved into positions on the fringe of the field and dug in for the night.

On Thursday the usual thrusts were made against weakening opposition and the troops sensed that the tide had turned. Each unit vowed to be first to set foot on the airfield. In the afternoon one unit advanced to within 20 yards of the southern end, and five weary soldiers yelled, "There's the airfield, let's go."

They dashed to a wrecked Zero and stripped the plate from the fusebox, seized a landing light then dashed back into the jungle.

Further advances were made along the southern part of the field, while elements on the right with tank support seized the eastern slopes of Kokengolo Hill. Here the enemy sustained the heaviest casualties of the day.

In northeastern New Guinea, where Americans and Australians are moving against Salamaua, Japanese counter-attacks have been repulsed in heavy fighting and advanced Allied units are now within five miles of their objective.

**Death Takes a Holiday**  
Britain has not seen a German plane for six days and nights now, and 23 days have passed since an air-raid casualty was reported.

Lt. Col. Henry N. Pratt, of Boston, is commanding officer. Other officials there are Maj. Maurice J. Abrams, Brewton, Ala., chief of medical service; Maj. Sherwood Russell, chief of surgical service; and 1/Lt. Juanita Bronson, Bucyrus, Ohio, chief of the nursing staff.

## School in Combined Ops Is Opened in Washington

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—The new Army and Navy Staff College yesterday opened an eight-week intensive course on the complex coordinated operations of modern warfare for officers of all the armed forces.

The officers have already completed eight weeks at various service schools for the Army, Navy and Air Forces and their new studies are devoted to "intensive instruction in the application and use of their knowledge in joint or coordinated operations." An Army-Navy announcement said Commodore E. J. Foy, of Little Rock, Ark., is acting commandant.

The first students include 12 Naval and Marine officers from lieutenant colonel up and 18 Army and Air Force officers from the rank of major.

**Substitute for Spam**  
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 6—A concentrate synthetic food, which is nourishing and has the flavor of beefsteak, is being produced by Anheuser-Busch, Inc. The firm said it has delivered thousands of pounds of the new foodstuff to the Army and Lend-Lease. It is not yet available to the public.

## Foe Backing Slowly Into Tip of Island; Messina Hit Hard

### Italian Wanted to Fight; 'Delirious,' Said Pals

AN EIGHTH ARMY AIR-DROME, Sicily, Aug. 5 (UP)—An Italian soldier taken prisoner at this airdrome by Eighth Army troops told his captors:

"All the officers and men in my company except one man agree that we don't want to fight any more."

"But one of them wants to go on?" he was asked.

"Yes, but he is not right in his head. He is delirious with malaria."

### Suicide Squads Left To Stem Allied Advances

The Allied air forces yesterday hurled their full weight against Messina, now the sole Axis escape port in Sicily, as the Germans, still fighting stubbornly, withdrew slowly into the 50-mile triangle forming the tip of Sicily. The retreat appeared to be in progress all along the line.

The Germans were reported leaving suicide squads behind them in an effort to get the majority of their forces into the area for a last desperate stand.

In the central part of the front, German rearguards fought a savage battle with troops of the U.S. Seventh Army at Troina, about half-way between the north and east coasts. The fighting was among the fiercest in the invasion, and although the Americans took the town it was not clear from dispatches last night whether they had succeeded in holding it.

### Aderno's Fall Imminent

A few miles to the south, the capture of Aderno, on the road skirting Mount Etna, appeared imminent as British troops continued to advance. On the east coast, Eighth Army troops pushed north of Catania, forcing the Germans into a narrow gauntlet road along which they are open to merciless bombardment from both air and sea.

A Stars and Stripes correspondent with the Seventh Army said officers estimated

## Yanks Fighting For Every Inch Up Troina Hills

WITH U.S. SEVENTH ARMY, Sicily, Aug. 4 (delayed) (UP)—The American troops who took Troina, perched on top of a mountain 3,642 feet high, had to fight for every inch of ground.

Twice the infantry tried to envelop it by an outflanking movement, and twice they were thrown back with heavy losses.

(Reports from Allied headquarters indicated yesterday that the Americans are not yet in control of the town, although strongholds have been gained in the hills near the town.)

(A military observer who saw the opening stages of the battle described it as "a major military operation—undoubtedly the most savage fighting that has yet developed in Sicily," the Associated Press reported.)

On the west and southwest the Germans sent over terrific artillery and mortar fire, forcing the Americans into foxholes time and time again.

One company advanced a few yards at a time, the first men to go forward digging in hastily, then those behind leap-frogging past them and digging in in their turn.

The Germans used 170mm. (about 6.7 inch) and 90mm. (3½ inch) guns and an electric rocket howitzer known as "Whistling Willie," which spatters down about 1,000 pounds of steel.

The final assault began after an American barrage which lasted all day. In one sector 72 American guns fired 1,800 rounds in half an hour against a single point.

## It's Harvest Time in Sicily



Sicilian farmers pause from their wheat harvesting task as a British Spitfire takes off for a sweep over Axis-held territory.

### Naples 'Italy's Hamburg'

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 6 (AP)—Naples is becoming the "Hamburg of Italy" under the Allied air blows, said the Rome correspondent of the Stockholm Tidningen. The city is gradually "being levelled," the correspondent declared.

that 35,000 Germans and only 5,000 Italians still were fighting in Sicily.

Allied headquarters announced that more than 800 Axis airplanes, many serviceable, were found abandoned on one captured airdrome.

The fury of the air assault on Messina rose to new heights as Fortresses struck by day and Wellingtons by night. In the battle area, wave after wave of medium and fighter-bombers ranged enemy positions in a never-ending shuttle.

The heaviest ack-ack yet seen in the Mediterranean—"the only thing you can compare it with is the Ruhr barrage," pilots said—met the Forts and Wellingtons over Messina, but in spite of it very heavy damage was believed done to evacuation craft and hastily improvised beach installations.

Some reports said evacuation of the enemy across the Messina straits already was well under way. Others, suggesting that the German high command intended to make yet one more stand north of Etna, said that so far only service troops had withdrawn. Whatever the truth, scores of barges used to ferry troops and supplies have been sunk.

Allied headquarters, confirming the cap- (Continued on page 4)

## 7 U.S. Soldiers Drown In Night River Exercise

Seven U.S. soldiers were reported drowned early yesterday when a barge capsized during a night river exercise being held on an estuary in western England. Eleven others thrown into the water in darkness were saved.

No official report of the accident has been issued pending an investigation by Army officials.

### Pope Orders Peace Prayers

The Pope, according to the Italian radio, has written to Cardinal Maglione, state secretary, asking him to order public prayers for peace.

# Flying Tigers Come to the ETO

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## Hash Marks

Who was the puzzled GI in the ARC Mostyn Club Thursday night when an English volunteer, looking at a poster announcing "Mardi Gras is Coming Aug. 14," asked, "Is she a movie star or something?"

Fun on the home front. Armando Dario, of New York, sweated and sweated during the July and early August heat;



then figured he had a way to beat the rap. Taking off all his clothes he wandered down 14th street as bare as the cupboard of Mother Hubbard—now he has a new kind of sun suit. A couple of cops picked him up and outfitted him with a strait-jacket.

Cause for divorce, No. 754328. Mrs. Dolores Simmons, of Chicago, won a divorce this week after she testified that she married Louis Simmons in 1939. "The next day," she said, "he went out to look for an apartment and I haven't seen him since."

You can't keep a "good" man down. An unidentified pickpocket went to work in the Minneapolis city jail bullpen. There he robbed a couple of drunks right under the nose of the law.

Lt. John Dee, of New York, self-appointed chair-marshal of the air force chairborne troops has announced two new awards for conspicuous gallantry. (1) The Royal Order of the Silver Chair, to be given in recognition of 200 operational chair hours per month. (2) The DSC (Distinguished Service Chair) to be given any officer who performs some outstanding sortie such as running a buck ship through three echelons of command and back without unfastening the safety belt from his chair.

Maybe it was the war strain or something, but 17-year-old Gerald Arroys, New York caddie, gave in to a whim many



of us have felt, and had a lot of fun until detectives stepped in. Arroys went to a spot in front of a large greenhouse, carefully teed up the first of a packetful of golf balls and let fly straight at the beautiful array of glass. He got off five shots before detectives carted him off to the pokey.

J. C. W.



U.S. Army Air Force Photo

## 6 Vets of Chennault's AVG Work at P47 Base in England

By Charles F. Kiley

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

**A USAAF FIGHTER STATION,** England, Aug. 6—It's a long way from Rangoon to Britain and a big difference between working on obsolescent P40s and brand new P47s, not to mention the comparative pleasure of sitting down to Army chow instead of fish heads and rice.

That's what six men—a dentist and five members of ground personnel—attached to a fighter group at this station are thinking these days.

Not long ago they were making aviation history with the American Volunteer Group, the Flying Tigers of Claire Chennault, against the Japs in Burma and China.

A couple of months ago they came to Britain to live on velvet in comparison with the rugged life of the AVG, but they wouldn't trade their 15 months in the Far East for anything.

"There will never be another outfit like the Tigers," mused M/Sgt. Charlie Kenner, of Baltimore, group inspector of a P47 ground crew. "Sure it was hard work, rough living, air raids almost every day and night, malaria and dysentery, rain and stinking heat, bad booze and worse food. But it was an adventure that comes once in a lifetime. Lots of fun—and damn good pay."

The other ex-Tigers here with Kenner, doing practically the same work as they did with the AVG, are Capt. E. W. Bruce, Morrystown, Tenn., the dentist who did work on Chiang Kai-shek's molars; M/Sgts. Dan Keller, Pittsburgh, and

Flying Tigers take a look at the airfield at their new home, England. Left to right: Capt. E. W. Bruce, Morrystown, Tenn.; M/Sgt. Dan H. Keller, Pittsburgh, Pa.; M/Sgt. Clarence W. Riffer, Farrell, Pa.; T/Sgt. John T. Sommers, Middletown, Ohio; M/Sgt. Charles D. Kenner, Baltimore, Md.; M/Sgt. Martin L. Hardesty, Camden, N.J.

Martin Hardesty, Camden, N.J., line chiefs; Clarence Riffer, Farrell, Pa., armament chief, and T/Sgt. Jack Sommers, Middletown, Ohio, group operations.

Returning from the Far East when the AVG was disbanded a year ago July 4, the six rejoined the Air Force and were assigned to the same USAAF fighter group.

Their adventures with the Tigers began in the spring of 1941. They were among fliers, ground crews, medical and administrative personnel recruited from the USAAF and USNAF by Chennault, the retired USAAF captain who joined the Chinese Air Force as a colonel, rose to brigadier general and who now wears two stars as commander of the USAAF in China.

Discharged from the Army and Navy with the approval of the President, AVG recruits signed one-year contracts with aircraft corporations such as Central Aircraft Manufacturing Co., operating for the Chinese government.

"There was good money for risking your neck on that job," says Kenner. "I got \$350 a month as a crew chief. Line chiefs got \$400, wing pilots \$600, flight leaders \$650 and squadron leaders \$700. The fliers got damn good bonuses, too."

### Special Training

In Kunming, on the mountainous border between Burma and China, Chennault put his Tigers through extensive courses of special training. The "old man" didn't have the planes and equipment he needed but he knew Jap aerial methods and worked on their weaknesses.

"Our P40s were old models," Keller pointed out. "But they could take lots of punishment in comparison with a Zero. One burst in a Zero engine or through a wing was enough to knock it off. Our crates rode that easily."

Sommers, who was on his back with malaria for four days before anybody knew what he had, said rank didn't mean a thing with the Tigers.

"We always called Chennault the 'old man,'" he said. "Hell, we could talk to him any time. That is, if you talked in his good ear. He's pretty deaf in one of them."

Recalling the fall of Rangoon in February, 1942, Sommers said it turned out to be a field day for the Tigers.

"Our primary job was to keep the

Burma Road and Rangoon harbor open," he continued. "When they decided to evacuate Rangoon millions of dollars in vehicles, equipment, wine, whiskey, food, gas and oil were left on the docks.

"We needed a lot of that stuff and during the bombardment we walked off with a staff car for the old man, cases of wine and whiskey and all the plane parts, gas and oil we could carry. After all, it was legitimate loot."

In order to keep the old P40s in the air, the ground crews had to beg, borrow or steal everything that wasn't nailed down. They faked requisitions, did everything against the rules; but the old man looked the other way. He wasn't concerned with what his men did as long as they had the planes ready when he wanted them.

### Disbanded in '42

When the USAAF moved into China in the Spring of '42 and the Tigers disbanded as a volunteer group the boys were ready to go home. But the Army wanted them to stay.

It was Chennault who told the Army it couldn't hold his men if they didn't want to stay.

Kenner had met a British nurse in Rangoon, courted her in Mandalay and married her in Calcutta and he wanted to go back to Baltimore. He did. Sommers stopped off in Calcutta and Bombay before leaving, blowing \$1,100 of his savings during a two-week spree.

"It was worth every nickel of it," he said. "After smoking everything from Luckies, when you could get 'em, at \$4.50 a pack, to Chinese weeds; eating caribou, water buffalo, rhinoceros, fish heads and rice until I started to get slant-eyed—I sure needed a binge."

Back in the States, most of the 250 Tigers remained civilians just about long enough to get used to white women again, get rid of the quinine in their systems and fatten up lean frames before going into service.

Keller was in again after five weeks. Sommers took three months. Kenner pitched his home in Baltimore and became the father of a son the day he left for Britain.

Comes the end of the war and these six Flying Tigers are heading for Waterproof, La., for a reunion at "Old Man" Chennault's homestead with what is left of the old AVG.

## The Churchill Club

A select group of American officers, enlisted men, WAACs and members of the Army Nursing Corps will soon have an opportunity to participate in activities that will be sponsored by the new Churchill Club.

This new organization is being set up to provide a fitting center for American and British Dominion troops of all grades and ranks, both sexes, who are interested in those aspects of Britain and British life which are of enduring and intellectual value.

The club will occupy a famous structure, Ashburnham House, built in 1380. Located in Little Dean's Yard, under the shadow of Westminster Abbey, and in sight of the Houses of Parliament, it is in itself a symbol of British history. Amid inspiring surroundings the new club will function to bring together those who have a common interest in art, music, politics, science and education.

The club program calls for concerts and informal discussions covering a wide diversity of topics. Members of the British Government will be invited to come and assist in leading some of the discussion groups.

For those in the U.S. Armed Forces who wish to participate in a group study of Great Britain, its traditions, literary and artistic achievements, the activities of the Churchill Club will ensure the opportunity, and we are sure its program will fulfill a need that for many has not formerly been satisfied.

Those wishing to apply for membership in the Churchill Club should make application, through channels, to the Special Services Headquarters, SOS. There is no membership fee.

## Bombing Rome

An analysis of American press comment shows that almost all newspapers in America have supported the bombing of Rome, and most of these publications call for repeat raids. The San Francisco Chronicle has been alone in referring to the Rome raid as "an error in judgment."

Commonweal, the Catholic lay publication, makes no distinction between the Rome bombing and other raids of the war; nor can we find a single distinction to make between the bombing of Berlin, Rome or Tokyo.

Aerial bombardment of any modern city is to be deplored; but Rome, as a military target of first importance, must receive a heavy tonnage of bombs if the Italian war effort is to be paralyzed.

Should the Italian government wish to avoid such bombardment it can proclaim Rome an "Open City," or better still "surrender unconditionally."

## Chairborne Troops

We never thought we'd ever stoop so low as to defend the Chairborne troops after years spent with line outfits; but those who first wear uniforms out at the seat of the pants still play an important part in modern warfare.

From Washington, D.C., for example, comes word that as Chairborne troops leave the Pentagon building for the last time, for duty overseas, their buddies, still chained to a desk, yell after them, "Coward"; and there may be something in the charge after all, for letters which must be answered by indorsement thereon, when stacked in high piles, are enough to make a be-ribboned hero flinch and turn pale.

And while we question the truth of the rumor that any officer or enlisted man who gets a communication through three separate channels, without disapproval can lay claim to a new service ribbon the DSC (Distinguished Service Chair), we do know that paper work needed to keep a modern army functioning has developed into a fine art, as complicated as the gadgets found on an anti-aircraft predictor.

And while we seek no new honors for Chairborne troops, we can sympathize with the one who recently remarked: "Oh for the peace of the battlefield" . . . for, brother, he was speaking true words, very true indeed.



Total War—and of course this was her only free evening this week.

## ARMY POETS

### Sky Rider

Dedicated to Lt. A. S., killed in a plane crash October, 1942.

The ancients told the legend for their time,  
 Told it in their chaste, unfeeling rhyme,  
 Of how a mortal being dared to try  
 Apollo's cart, and speed across the sky,  
 And how the gods did watch, and deign to laugh  
 At charred wings, and make an epitaph.  
 But cold chaste meters are not fitting now;  
 Your spirit was too full of life and fire  
 To be imprisoned in iambic bonds,  
 Your soul too free for clanking rhymes to chain.  
 You too sped high across the vast and blue expanse,  
 Within a chariot slender-lined with steel;  
 It could not keep you prisoner, no more  
 Than metric lines could keep your soul enfram'd.  
 Your laughter had to ring out in the vastness,  
 Your wide arms had to clutch the sun,  
 And so you sped, gold-haired, clear-eyed,  
 Bright-limbed, high up, as high as gods might try.  
 They say you fell, as did that winged one of old,  
 But you could never fall; skyward you went,  
 Upwards and up, to stratospheres of freedom . . .  
 As all will know, when once the tale is told. Sgt. Stanly Ferber.

# Drysdale Is Guy to Watch in Tourney

## May Cop 3 Titles In ETO Swim Competition

By Ray Lee

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

If tomorrow's Stars and Stripes ETO swimming and diving championships at the Marshall Street Baths, London, uncover an individual star we're betting a mild and bitter to a quart of Haig that it turns out to be Lt. Taylor Drysdale, of Detroit.

Holder of the world record for the 300-meter individual medley event with a time of three minutes, 31 and eight-tenths seconds, Lt. Drysdale is entered in the 50 and 200-yard free style events, the 100-yard back stroke, the 100-yard individual medley and the four-man relay.

Drysdale, who is 29 years old, has been swimming since he was 14 years of age. He first entered competitive swimming in 1930, when he was on the varsity team at the Highland Park High School, Detroit, where he swam the back stroke and medley.

### 1935 His Best Year

In 1932, while swimming for the University of Michigan, he won the National Intercollegiate Championship in the 100-yard back stroke and the 300-yard medley. He also swam the 220-yard and 440-yard free style for the Wolverines, and was unbeaten in the three years he was on the varsity.

In what was perhaps his best year of swimming, 1935, he broke Buster Crabbe's



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo Taylor Drysdale

world mark in the 300-meter individual medley, while in Tokyo, in that year, he won the international championship in the 100-meter and 200-meter back stroke.

In the Tokyo meet, Drysdale won all his races. Entering the finals of the 200-meter back stroke, the teams were tied, with that event deciding the meet. Drysdale won the race by approximately a yard and a half, but was disqualified by the Japanese judges, who claimed he had made too long a turn, thereby giving the

## Individual Titlist In 300-Meter Medley

race to the Jap, Kiyokawa. His time in this race was two minutes, 32 and four-tenths seconds, which broke the then world record.

He was also on the swimming team in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, where he swam the backstroke and individual medley along with Kiefer and Vande Weghe.

In 1939-'40 Lt. Drysdale toured South America with the American squad which represented the U.S. in the Pan-American meet in Argentina. There he broke the Pan-American record in the 100 and 200-meter back stroke. In 1939 he was also chosen for the team that went to Havana.

### 'Greetings' — — —

It was while in training in 1940 for the 1940-'41 national championships that Lt. Drysdale says he received that famous letter that begins, "Greetings, you have been selected," so now he swims for the Army.

Now attached to an Electronic section of the Signal Corps, he has been overseas for a year and a half, and has entered in 12 meets here and has yet to suffer a defeat. At the United Nations Gala, held recently at the Marshall Street Baths, he swam the 100-yard back stroke in one minute, three and six-tenths seconds, which is one of the best times in that event ever seen at the pool.

Wanna' fork over that Haig now ?

# All-Stars, Clowns, CMHQ In Twin Bill at Wembley

## Air Force, Ground Force Pros in Nightcap Contest

Big-time baseball makes its first bow in London since the last war this afternoon at Wembley when approximately 30,000 spectators will see a double-header between the CMHQ nine and the CBS Clowns, in the opener, and the Eighth Air Force All-Star professionals and the ground force money players in the nightcap. "Play ball!" will be called at 2.30.

The Clowns are heavy favorites over the Canadians, who only this week dropped a 6-4 decision to the Signal Monarchs, in a London International League game. The Canucks will be banking heavily on their hurler, Ed Smith, to spike the Clowns' heavy guns. Red Shapiro, manager of the Clowns, will start either Sgt. Myron Scow, of Arcadia, Wis., or Southpaw S/Sgt. Johnny Puskas, of Pittsburgh, on the mound.

Offensively, the Clowns have the edge. This same squad of Canadians could get only five markers against a much weaker team at Wembley last year.

Three of Reds' infielders are former pros—Sgt. Pete Pavich, of South Amboy, N.J.; Sgt. Bobby Korisher, of Scranton, Pa., former Eastern League player, and Cpl. George Burns, of Sylva, Ala.—who have been hitting over .300 this season.

The ground force boys, also managed by Shapiro, will be banking on the hurling of Lt. Ralph Ifft, of Zelienople, Pa. Ifft, property of the St. Louis Browns, last played for Springfield of the III League, where he was ranked sixth in the loop.

### Special Prices for Servicemen

At the plate, the ground force will be expecting heavy stickwork from Sgt. Pete Pavich, of South Amboy, N.J., and Sgt. Maurice Jacobs, of Baltimore, formerly with the St. Paul Saints of the American Association.

The fier pros have two top moundsmen in Sgt. Bill Brech, of Seacaucus, N.J., and Southpaw Cpl. Ross Grimsley, of Americus, Kan. While hurling for the Eighth Air Force Headquarters MPs, Brech racked up a string of 12 victories against two defeats. Grimsley, Bomber Command star, has a record of 91 strikeouts in seven games. Strong man with the willow is expected to be S/Sgt. Hugh Gustafson, of Winnipeg, Canada. Gustafson, first sacker, stood out for the well-known Travelling Circus Aggregation.

All the proceeds from the game will be turned over to the British Red Cross. Tickets can be bought at agencies throughout London or at Wembley Stadium. Specially priced seats for servicemen are available at 3s. 6d. and 2s. Wembley Stadium can be reached by direct train from Piccadilly on the Bakerloo tube, Stanmore line.



## HOW THEY STAND.

American League							
Thursday's Games							
No games scheduled.							
W	L	Pct.	W	L			
New York	58	36	.617	Cleveland	46	47	.495
Washington	53	47	.530	Boston	46	49	.484
Chicago	49	45	.521	St. Louis	42	51	.452
Detroit	47	47	.500	Philadelphia	39	58	.402

### Yesterday's Schedule

Chicago at Detroit  
St. Louis at Cleveland (night game)  
Washington at Boston  
New York at Philadelphia

### National League

Thursday's Games							
Cincinnati 4, Chicago 1							
No other games scheduled.							
W	L	Pct.	W	L			
St. Louis	63	31	.670	Chicago	45	50	.474
Pittsburgh	53	43	.552	Philadelphia	45	49	.479
Cincinnati	51	46	.526	Boston	40	52	.435
Brooklyn	52	47	.525	New York	36	59	.379

### Leading Hitters

American League				
Player	G	AB	R	Pct.
Appling, Chicago	94	362	37	.331
Wakfield, Detroit	95	407	55	.324
Curtright, Chicago	77	254	43	.319
Stephens, St. Louis	81	305	41	.302
Hockett, Cleveland	81	346	44	.298

### National League

Home Run Hitters				
Player	G	AB	R	Pct.
Musial, St. Louis	98	391	66	.330
Herman, Brooklyn	100	377	49	.329
Vaughn, Brooklyn	98	398	80	.312
Kuroski, St. Louis	86	330	48	.312
Hack, Chicago	95	366	52	.311

### Ramblers to Play British

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 6—An All-Star team, comprising the leading players on various British nines in this vicinity, will meet the highly touted, but once defeated, — Port Ramblers in a benefit contest at Everton Stadium here Saturday, Aug. 14, at 3.15 PM.

# Camilli, in Slump All Season, Quitting Baseball for Good

NEW YORK, Aug. 6—Dolph Camilli, outstanding star in the Brooklyn Dodgers' 1941 pennant drive, has announced his definite retirement from baseball. The erstwhile slugger, who has been in a slump all season, said he couldn't help the New York Giants, who obtained him last week in a deal with the Dodgers. Camilli plans to return to his Laytonville, Cal., farm as soon as he gets transportation for his family.

Camilli stated that he had no desire to return to baseball, either as manager or coach. He conferred here yesterday for two hours with Manager Mel Ott and Owner Horace Stoneham, but insisted he was no longer interested in baseball. Stoneham stated that "No question of salary was involved."

Camilli explained, "I was worried and unhappy over my showing with the Dodgers this season. I can no longer hit the ball and I didn't do the Dodgers any good—and I'm sure I can't do the Giants any good."

Although he has not been well for the past two seasons, Camilli agreed to play for Brooklyn this year only after Branch Rickey made a trip to California to convince him to change his mind. When traded last week, his average was .246. Dolph spent eight years in the minors before coming up to the big leagues to the Cubs from the Pacific Coast. He cost the Cubs \$25,000. With the Bruins for a year, he was traded to the Phillies for Don Hurst.

In 1937 he hit his batting peak with a .339 for the Phils and was promptly traded to the Dodgers the following winter for \$50,000. He never hit .300 for Brooklyn, although he averaged over 26 homers a year and 100 runs batted in. His best year with the Bums was '41, when he hit 34 four-masters, leading the loop, and batted in 120 runs. He was voted the most valuable player in the circuit that year.

## Help Wanted — AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, Printing House Sq., London, ECA.

**APOs Wanted**  
Pvt. Vance McWhorter, Sunfield, Mich.; George Viorega, Dayton, Ohio; Russell Sheed, Fred Gray, Russellville, Ala.; Lawrence Baldwin, Montville, N.J.; Kenneth Cook, Boonton, N.J.; Lt. Eugene F. Weisbruch, Peoria, Ill.; John Hendle, St. Louis; Robert Mooney, Marion, Ind.; Sgt. John Lucette, Cumberland, Wis.; Floyd Griffin, Brookville, Fla.; Capt. Robert Kolliner, Stillwater, Minn.; Cpl. Donald P. Given, Cowen, W. Va.; Sgt. Marion J. Ryle, Lake Charles, La.; Julius Nessing, Meriden, Conn.; Sgt. Harrison Fillington, Pensacola, Fla.; Pvt. Eugene Pierce, Neb.; Sgt. Hume Caldwell, Ft. O. Eugene Pierce, Ft. Pleasant, W. Va.; Hank Kryciok, St. Charles, Mich.; Lt. Richard J. Best, Washington; Cpl. Neil McQuannie, Riverside, Cal.; Lt. Vera Benicuccia, Scarsdale, N.Y.; Lt. Robert C. Fry, S/Sgt. Charles Harber, Abilene, Texas; Robert R. Childers, Bertrand, Miss.; Warren Gay, Rayville, La.; Pvt. Donald Scagel, Clinton, N.Y.; Ivan R. Moon, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Arthur Carlson, W. Concord, N.H.; Ralph Marino, Thomas Januchill, Frances Flannigan, Sgt. Frank Middleton.

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## Minor League Results

International League					
Thursday's Games					
Montreal 8, Newark 7	Wilkes-Barre 2 (second game)	Toronto 1, Syracuse 0 (first game)	Toronto 4, Syracuse 2 (second game)	Other teams did not play.	
Toronto .. 72	42	Syracuse .. 51	57	.472	
Newark .. 59	49	Buffalo .. 51	58	.469	
Montreal .. 59	54	Baltimore .. 47	60	.439	
Rochester .. 54	54	Jersey City	44	63	.411

Eastern League						
Thursday's Games						
Utica 2, Wilkes-Barre 0 (first game)	Utica 7, Wilkes-Barre 2 (second game)	Scranton 6, Albany 5 (first game)	Scranton 3, Albany 0 (second game)	Elmira 6, Springfield 3 (first game)		
Springfield 5, Elmira 2 (second game)	Hartford 5, Binghamton 2	W	L	Pct.		
Scranton .. 62	28	.689	Binghamton	50	56	.521
Wilkes-Barre .. 52	41	.559	Hartford	46	43	.517
Albany .. 49	43	.533	Springfield	25	69	.363
Elmira .. 50	43	.538	Utica	51	59	.459

American Association						
Thursday's Games						
Louisville 6, St. Paul 1	Milwaukee 11, Toledo 1	Minneapolis 4, Indianapolis 2	Kansas City 4, Columbus 3 (first game)	Kansas City 5, Columbus 4 (second game)		
W	L	Pct.	W	L		
Milwaukee .. 57	37	.606	Louisville	42	59	.474
Columbus .. 54	46	.540	Toledo	46	53	.465
Indianapolis .. 50	45	.526	St. Paul	44	55	.444
Minneapolis .. 50	48	.510	Kansas City	42	54	.438

Southern Association						
Thursday's Games						
New Orleans 2, Memphis 1	Nashville 9, Montgomery 6	No other games played.	W	L		
Knoxville .. 19	13	.594	Memphis	18	20	.474
New Orleans .. 19	13	.594	Nashville	14	17	.452
Little Rock .. 17	18	.486	Birmingham	12	19	.387

Pacific Coast League						
Thursday's Games						
Portland 7, Oakland 1	San Francisco 3, San Diego 1	Seattle 3, Hollywood 2	Other teams did not play.	W		
Los Angeles .. 81	29	.736	Hollywood	51	61	.454
San Francisco .. 69	41	.630	San Diego	49	64	.433
Seattle .. 57	54	.513	Oakland	48	64	.419
Portland .. 55	56	.496	Sacramento	34	75	.312

## Blues' Linkmen Triumph

BELFAST, Aug. 6—The Blues' golfers defeated the Pillrollers, a hospital outfit, 8-1, in tournament play here last night. Baseball and tennis competition has been delayed because of rain. The playoff between the USNOB and Marines baseball outfits is scheduled for next week. Their series now stands 2-2.

# Reds Top Cubs, Oust Dodgers

CHICAGO, Aug. 6—The Reds defeated the Cubs, 4-1, here yesterday, climbing into third place over the Dodgers, in the only major league game played.

The Cubs scored their run in the first inning on Phil Cavarretta's double and Bill Nicholson's single. The Reds took the lead in the third inning when Ray Mueller opened with a single and reached second on a sacrifice. Ed Stanky juggled Lonnie Frey's grounder, Mueller going to third. Mueller scored on Gerald Walker's grounder, and Frey moved to second, scoring a moment later on Estel Crabtree's single.

Bucky Walters pitched the distance for the Reds, taking his sixth victory against 11 defeats. Hi Bithorn lost number nine, having won 13.

# Tourney Entry List Completed

Here is the remaining list of entries for the ETO swimming and diving championships to be held tomorrow at Marshall St. Baths, London:

**100-YARD BACK STROKE**—Sgt. Robert Mohr, Detroit; S/Sgt. Robert Oshimer, Toledo, Ohio; S/Sgt. Schneider, Chicago; Pvt. Norman Rosenberg, New York; Sgt. Donald Robinson, New York; Pvt. Toto's Auelua, Pago Pago, Samoa; Lt. Francis Dillon Jr., New York; Pvt. Albert Fierstein, Chicago; Lt. Taylor Drysdale, Detroit; Pvt. Samuel Goode, Milton, Mass.; Pfc Alex Roe, New York; Pvt. Michael Kishicki, New York; T/4 Walter Suckow, Chicago; Sgt. Robert Oshimer, Toledo, Ohio; Pvt. William Sawon, Steubenville, Ohio; Capt. Carl Lindstrand, West Chester, Pa.; Cpl. Carl Schaeberle, York, Pa.; Capt. Govane McClees.

**100-YARD BREAST STROKE**—Lt. George Christensen, Little Falls, N.J.; Pfc Robert Lesieur, Chicopee, Mass.; Pfc Harold Esten, Washington; Pvt. Robert Rosengren, Brookland, N.Y.; S/Sgt. Bertam Schauer, St. Paul, Minn.; Pvt. C. G. Hutchinson, Philadelphia; Pvt. Johnny Omdenzner, New York; Lt. James Felt, Bellwood, Ill.; Cpl. Ken Small, Oakland, Cal.; T/5 Clarence Rohde, Milwaukee, Wis.; Pvt. Toto's Auelua, Pago Pago, Samoa; Pvt. George Allan, Anaheim, Cal.; Lt. James Jordan, Des Moines, Iowa; Pvt. Albert Fierstein, Chicago; Pvt. Andrew Topoulos, Pawtucket, R.I.; Pvt. Jack Sherman, Brooklyn, N.J.; Cpl. Lewis Trenner, Ft. Fred Schwartz, Lincoln, Neb.; Chaplain Ed De Larbes, New York; Pvt. Durgen, Brooklyn; Pvt. Andrew Dimantopolis, Providence, R.I.; Pvt. William Tilley, Kearny, N.J.; T/3 Hyman Lederstein, Pittsburgh; T/5 Raymond Toscano, Worcester, Mass.; Pfc Harold Esten, Washington; Lt. Irons Stuart.

**100-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**—Lt. Willard Garvey, Wichita, Kan.; Lt. George Christensen, Little Falls, N.J.; Pvt. William Tilley, Arlington, N.J.; Pvt. Norman Rosenberg, New York; Lt. James Felt, Bellwood, Ill.; Cpl. Ken Small, Oakland, Cal.; T/5 Clarence Rohde, Milwaukee, Wis.; Lt. Francis Dillon Jr., New York; Pvt. George Allan, Anaheim, Cal.; S/Sgt. Thomas Hoynes Jr., Savannah, Ga.; Pvt. Harold Ritchie, Paterson, N.J.; Lt. William Richardson, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lt. James C. Jordan, Des Moines, Iowa; Lt. Taylor Drysdale, Detroit; Pvt. Andrew Topoulos, Pawtucket, R.I.; S/Sgt. James Schneider, Chicago; Laurence Albee, Cal.; Cpl. Robert Page, Syracuse, N.Y.; Sgt. Robert Oshimer, Toledo, Ohio; Sgt. C. A. Parker; S/Sgt. Manny Hamburger, Marshalltown, Iowa; Pvt. Andrew Dimantopolis, Providence, R.I.; T/3 Hyman Lederstein, Pittsburgh; Pfc Harold Esten, Washington; Lt. Fred Swihart, Lincoln, Neb.; Pvt.

## Swim Tourney Program

Here is the program for tomorrow's Stars and Stripes ETO swimming and diving championships to be held at the Marshall Street Baths, London. Admission is free and there are no reserved seats.

Preliminaries for all events start at 2 P.M. The finals for the one-meter dive will be held at 5 P.M. At 7 P.M., the finals of the individual medley will start the remaining finals, followed by the 200-yard free style, 50-yard free style and the 100-yard breast stroke.

After several exhibitions, the finals of the 100-yard free style, 100-yard back stroke and three-meter dive will be held, with the free-style team relay ending the program.

# Army Sports Ban Continues

## Officials Refuse to Let Up On Soldier-Students In Colleges

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—Despite many petitions, including one signed by 256 Congressmen, the Army has emphatically denied intercollegiate eligibility to Army men assigned to colleges for additional training.

Officers here said yesterday: "The question isn't an open one," meaning that the ban will stick. The Army attitude is that the men do not have time for athletics. The average soldier-student has six leisure hours weekly.

The Navy is more liberal, with men allowed to play, but total freedom is not wanted by the Navy, as was proven last week by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox's statement limiting the travelling distances for Navy men in colleges.

## Griffis Engineers Win Sixth

CAMP GRIFFIS, Aug. 6—The Engineers topped off the MRUs, 9-0, last night for their sixth straight victory in this station's softball league. Winning battery was Sgt. Dick Baccarella, of Bayonne, N.J., and Sgt. Walter Wroblewski, of Chicago.

Toto's Auelua, Pago Pago, Samoa; Capt. Govane McClees, Lt. Irons Stuart.

**200-YARD FREE STYLE RELAY (FOUR-MAN TEAM)**—Lt. Willard Garvey, Wichita, Kan.; Sgt. Robert Mohr, Detroit, Mich.; S/Sgt. Howard Wessel, St. Paul, Minn.; Pfc Theodore Moore, Miami, Fla.; Lt. Fred Swihart, Lincoln, Neb.; Sgt. Carl Kingsford, Meriden, Conn.; Cpl. Paul Bange, Cheviot, Ohio; Pfc Harvey Franks, New York; Sgt. Arthur Pfeiffer, Springfield, Ohio; Sgt. Charles McGinnis, Dayton, Ohio; Sgt. Glen Jones, Uhrichville, Ohio; Pfc Robert Grems, Toledo, Ohio; S/Sgt. Jerome Ludden, St. Paul, Minn.; Sgt. Donald Robinson, New York; Pvt. Toto's Auelua, Pago Pago, Samoa; T/5 Henry Fallertus, Cleveland; Lt. William Richardson, East Chicago, Ind.; Cpl. Michael Cateu, New York; Pfc Jack McLaughlin, Louisville, Ky.; Pvt. Elmer Molzahn, Chicago, Ill.; Pvt. Enzo Savoia, New York; Lt. Taylor Drysdale, Detroit; Pvt. Louis Shabansky, Brooklyn; Pvt. Jerome Streiner, Brooklyn; Sgt. Wallace Davis, Richmond, Va.; Pvt. Harry Kingsford, Meriden, Conn.; T/4 Domenic Codispoti, Jeners, Pa.; T/4 Ernest Elsea, Berryville, Va.; Pvt. Jack Sherman, Brooklyn; Pfc Thomas Ford, Atlantic City, N.J.; Pvt. Myron Schwartz, New York; Lt. J. E. Troy, Lt. J. C. Butcher; Lt. D. B. McNulty; Sgt. C. A. Parker; Cpl. Frederick Devine, New London, Conn.; T/5 Dick Embrickson, Austin, Minn.; Pvt. Zon Hararich, East Chicago, Ind.; Pfc Abraham Tomlin, Brooklyn; Pvt. William Sawon, Steubenville, Ohio; Cpl. Ed Klun, Ely, Minn.; Pvt. Joseph Smith, Bronx; Pfc Joseph Jennings, Newcastle, Pa.; Pvt. Vaughn Farnell, Youngstown, Ohio; Pfc Charles Griffin, Topeka, Kan.; Pfc Malin Hunsucker, Candor, N.C.; T/3 Hyman Lederstein, Pittsburgh; Capt. Carl Lindstrand, West Chester, Pa.; S/Sgt. Joseph Houston, Brewer, Me.; Cpl. Clifford Elliott, Buffalo, N.Y.; Pvt. Albert Gannon, Buffalo, N.Y.; T/5 Sgt. George Salage, Detroit; Maj. Marshall Wayne, Miami, Fla.; Pfc Harold Esten, Washington; T/5 A. Loftin; S/Sgt. Neil Dannelly; Cpl. Robert Oshimer; Cpl. James Skinner; Sgt. Clifton Tegerard; Lt. Irons Stuart.

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# Italy's Cabinet, Silent on Crisis, Tightens Rules

## No 'Peace or War' Word, But Military Ordered To Handle Food

Only decisions on purely domestic issues emerged yesterday from the first meeting of Italy's new cabinet, called into session by Badoglio to wrestle with the great problem of trying to decide between surrender to the Allies or a continued battering on the side of Germany.

Those decisions ranged all the way from placing the distribution and storage of all food under military control to a return to the old calendar year beginning Jan. 1. Under Mussolini, Italy's official year began on Oct. 29, the anniversary of the Fascist march on Rome.

The cabinet ordered all persons accused of violating food regulations to be tried in military courts, disbanded Fascist youth organizations, urged the people to curb spending to avoid inflation and placed a rigid censorship on the press.

### Abdication Under Consideration

BERNE, Aug. 6 (UP)—A plan for the abdication of King Victor Emmanuel and the setting up of a crown council is being considered by the new Italian government, according to the Milan correspondent of the Swiss newspaper Die Tat.

### Central Italy Vatican State?

MADRID, Aug. 6 (AP)—Some Spanish sources here said today that the idea of placing central Italy under the protection of the Vatican was "more than wishful thinking." They believed that an ecclesiastical council meeting was called at Vatican City to consider Marshal Badoglio's proposal in this connection.

### No More Racial Discrimination?

CAIRO, Aug. 6 (AP)—Marshal Badoglio's government has issued decrees abolishing racial discrimination against Jews, according to a report received at the Cairo headquarters of the free Italian "Justice and Liberty" movement. It was reported that a number of Jews had been released from concentration camps in Italy.

### German Civilians Leaving

ITALIAN FRONTIER, Aug. 6 (UP)—The first special trains taking German civilians back to Germany from Italy will be run tomorrow, according to reports reaching the Italian frontier. All German civilians in Italy have been ordered to leave.

### Nazis Seize Italian Planes

Algiers radio, heard in London yesterday, said "authorized" neutral sources reported that the Germans have seized a number of Italian planes in the Balkans and have repainted them, adding the Nazi swastika.

# Dummy Engine, Guns Bring Fort Safely Back

A U.S. BOMBER STATION, England, Aug. 6—They're thinking of renaming the Fort Souse Family "Dummy." On a raid on a target in Germany it returned to its base with a dummy engine and a dummy turret.

One engine of the Fort, piloted by 1/Lt. William Jacques, of Prescott, Wis., was knocked out by flak before it reached the target. Lt. Jacques refused to feather the props, fearing that it would attract enemy fighters to his squadron, composed of many airmen on their first mission. On the dummy engine, Souse Family reached the target, dropped its full load of bombs and returned to its base.

Meanwhile, the ball turret gunner, S/Sgt. James H. Brown, of Falmouth, Ind., waved his jammed machine guns all the way, hoping to scare off stray fighters.

# Milestone Plans Its Anniversary

## Cabaret, Buffet Supper, Dance to Mark Birthday

Soldiers who have been visiting the Milestone Club, 2 Kensington Ct., London, W8, since its informal opening last August will be guests of honor tonight at the club's "housewarming" anniversary party. A buffet supper at 6.30, a dance at 8.30 and the Milestone Varieties at 11.30 are included in the program.

Next Saturday the club will commemorate its formal opening.

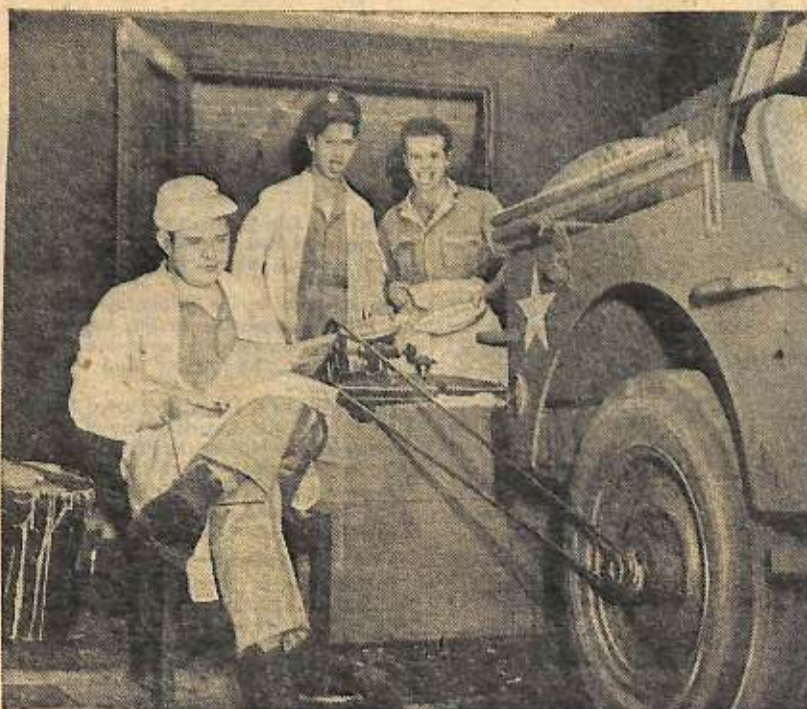
### Cheltenham

CHELTEHAM, Aug. 6—Program for the week at the Red Cross club here: Monday—Camera club, 7.30 PM; dancing class, 7.45 PM; beginners' photography course, 8 PM. Tuesday—American-British club, 7 PM; beginners' French class, 7.30 PM; tango class, 7.45 PM; movie, 8.15 PM. Wednesday—French class, 7.30 PM; German class, 7.30 PM; "International Girl Revue," ARC show, 8.30 PM. Thursday—Program committee dinner, 6 PM; dance, 8.15 PM. Friday—American-British musical circle, 7.45 PM; amateur night smoker, 8.30 PM. Saturday—Movie, 8.30 PM. Sunday—Picnic, 11 AM; transcribed concert, 2-3 PM; dance, 8.15 PM.

### Duchess St.

Program for the week at the Duchess St. club, 1 Duchess St., London, W1: Sunday—Musical tea, 4.30-5.30 PM; softball, Regent's Park, 11 AM; Hyde Park, 5 PM. Tuesday—Fun and Games night, 7.30 PM; NES show, 8 PM. Wednesday—Theater party at club, 8 PM. Thursday—Hostess dance, 7.30-10.30 PM. Saturday—Afternoon tea dance, 3-6 PM. Sunday—Musical tea, 4.30-5.30 PM.

# Makes Ice Cream Without Effort



Cooks all over the ETO have been sending in recipes for ice cream, but Sgt. Harvey P. Long, of Roxboro, N.C., has solved the problem of how to make it without effort. Hitting a chain to a sprocketed peep wheel and the ice-cream freezer, he relaxes, while T/Sgt. Ernest Paddy, of Helin, Ala., and Sgt. A. J. Moore, of Johnson City, Tenn., look on with great expectations.

# 'Hutch' to Join Anglo-U.S. Club

A USAAF SERVICE COMMAND STATION, England, Aug. 6—Elisabeth Welch and "Hutch" (Leslie Hutchinson), two of Britain's foremost Negro entertainers, top the cast of "Skirts," which will be staged here Sunday at 1.30 PM for Negro personnel on the post.

Presented by the Eighth Air Force Special Service Section and directed by Lt. Arthur G. Brest, of New York, the show features Clifford and Marion, the Ten Dagenham Girl Pipers, Pvt. Delbert E. Hill, the GI Jivers' swing band and a score of soldier entertainers. Pvt. Spencer Smith, of Los Angeles, is musical director and Pvt. Hill stage manager.

The soldier cast includes: 1/Sgt. Harold L. White, New York; Sats. Beverly Lipscomb, Philadelphia, and William D. Blood, Indianapolis; Cpls. Ed Keith and Elmer Jackson, Washington; George S. Jackson, Steubenville, Ohio; Curtis Alexander, New York; James Colson, Newark, N.J.; George Pugh, Pittsburgh, and Frank Clowers, Brooklyn; Ptes. Ed Bascom, Cambridge, Mass.; Kenneth Ward, Boston; Buford Simpkins, Shreveport, La.; and Rufus M. Allen, Brooklyn; Pvs. Clark Graham, Youngstown, Ohio; Robert Rucker, Los Angeles; Robert Bennett, Boston, and Larry Dyer, Ohio.

On Aug. 15 Eighth Air Force Special Service Section will present a cast of 43 from the London show, "Revueville," organized by Lt. Arthur G. Brest, at an Air Support Station. The cast, scenery and production will be supplied through the cooperation of Vivian Van Damm, producer.

# Anglo-U.S. Club Stresses Culture

Members of the U.S. forces of all ranks and both sexes are eligible for membership in a new organization, the Churchill Club, to be opened Aug. 24 in Ashburnham House, Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.1, London. The club will sponsor concerts and informal discussions for selected men and women of the American and British Dominion forces.

Members will be selected by a committee on a basis of educational background and their interest in such topics as art, music, science, politics, economics and similar subjects. Applications should be made through channels to Special Service Headquarters, SOS. There is no membership fee.

"Rank is not a factor in determining suitability for membership, but educational background is," a high Army officer said, in referring to the club.

Luncheons and dinners will be served daily for two shillings and sixpence, and all ranks from privates to generals will break bread and discuss world problems together. A library also will be available to the members.

The first concert will be Aug. 27, with Malcolm Sargent leading the London Symphony.

## NEWS FROM HOME

# American War Plant Program 80% Completed

## U.S. Constructs Factories To Produce Munitions, Plants, Ships

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (AP)—The vast government-financed war factory construction program is more than 80 per cent completed, Donald Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, reported yesterday.

At the end of June \$12,038,000,000, or 82.5 per cent of the current \$14,582,000,000 program, was completed, Nelson said, compared with 61 per cent at the beginning of the year and 34 per cent last year.

The construction of factories producing finished material, such as guns, combat vehicles, aircraft, ships and munitions, is farthest advanced, Nelson said, with the facilities for the production of ammunition 95 per cent completed.

### 3,000,000 Allotments

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—The three millionth soldiers' family allowance has been approved for payment by the War Department Office of Dependency Benefits, it was announced yesterday. It will be paid to Mrs. Beverly M. Polt, of Baltimore. Her husband, Pvt. Max Polt, is in an Army Air Force training group.

### McClelland Barclay Killed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—Lt. Cmdr. McClelland Barclay, magazine illustrator and artist, was killed in action when a torpedo struck a landing vessel transporting him to the New Georgia battlefield, it was learned yesterday.

### Harold Lloyd Injured

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Aug. 6 (AP)—An explosion yesterday in the film vault of his home injured Harold Lloyd, former screen star. His wife dragged him to safety out of doors. Seven firemen and an employee on the estate were overcome by chlorine gas. The original films of Lloyd's comedies, valued at \$2,000,000, were destroyed by fire.

### 18-Year-Olds Get Vote

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 6—Georgia became the first state in the union to allow 18-year-olds to cast ballots as voters approved an amendment to the state constitution giving them the franchise.

### Women Pilots to Graduate

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—The Women's Flying Training Detachment under the Army Air Force Training Command will graduate 112 women pilots tomorrow, the War Department announced today. After graduation some of the women will be assigned to the WAFS under the Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command. Some will get other assignments in a test of the feasibility of using women pilots for non-combat work other than ferrying.

# Senate Committee Fears Over-Confidence in U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP)—Members of the Truman War Investigating Committee of the Senate will conduct an inquiry to determine whether the current failure to reach war production goals is due to over-confidence or changes in equipment, it was announced yesterday.

"If this failure is caused by switches in equipment, it does not mean much, but if it is due to the feeling that we have already won the war, and that there is no longer any need for the maximum production effort, it is serious," Sen. Homer Ferguson (R., Mich.) said.

# Senators at Greenwich See Royal Naval College

Four of the five U.S. Senators touring the ETO visited the Royal Naval College in Greenwich before completing their tour of ETO camps and installations, the Navy announced yesterday.

Adm. Harold R. Stark, commander of U.S. Naval Forces in Europe; Vice Adm. Sir Geoffrey Blake, Royal Navy liaison officer to the U.S. Navy, and Capt. C. L. Austin (SC), USN, accompanied the party, which included Sens. James M. Mead (D., N.Y.), Ralph O. Brewster (R., Me.), Albert Chandler (D., Ky.), and Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.).

By Milton Caniff

# Three South Carolina Towns On Sunday 'Home' Program

Reports on three South Carolina communities, written by home-town newspapermen, will be read on the "Your Town" program over the American Forces Network at 10.15 AM tomorrow. The reports will cover the state capital, Columbia, written by Brim Rykard, city editor of the Columbia Register; Union, prepared by Lewis M. Rice, managing editor of the Union Daily Times, and Florence, by Mrs. River Beaty, of the Florence Morning News.

A summary of the baseball games at Wembley Stadium today will be broadcast from 7.05 to 7.30 tonight. The complete program for today and tomorrow follows.

# American Forces Network

Operated by Radio Section, Special Service Section, SOS, ETO.

- 1402kc. On Your Dial 1420kc.
- 211.2m. Saturday, Aug. 7 213.9m.
- PM
- 5.45—Spotlight on Ina Ray Hutton's Orchestra.
- 6.00—News (BBC).
- 6.15—Personal Album—Anita sings "I'm Yours," "You Came to me From Out of Nowhere" and "More Than You Know."
- 6.30—GI Supper Club.
- 7.00—Sports News—Presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 7.05—Baseball Game—A condensed version of the games played at Wembley Stadium with the Blue network sportscaster George Hicks and Cpl. John Vrotsos, AFN sports reporter, at the mike.
- 7.30—The Hit Parade.
- 8.00—News from Home—With your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 8.10—Dimah Shore sings.
- 8.25—Miniature.
- 8.30—Yankee-Dooodle-Do.
- 9.00—News (BBC).
- 9.10—Moods in Music.
- 9.25—Ernest Lindley.
- 9.35—Yank Swing Session.
- 10.00—Final Edition—Latest world, ETO and sports news with your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 10.10—Saturday Night Variety Show.
- 11.00—Sign off until August 8 at 8.00 AM.

### Sunday, Aug. 8

- AM
- 8.00—Program Resumé—Organ Recital.
- 8.15—Melody Roundup—Popular western music with Walter Brennan as MC.
- 8.30—Morning Matinee.
- 9.00—News (BBC).
- 9.15—Music for Sunday—Your favorite hymns.
- 9.30—Sunday Serenade—With the BBC Scottish Variety Orchestra.
- 10.15—Your Town—Radio newsletters of Florence, Columbia and Union, all in South Carolina, as presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 10.30—Return Engagement—Return performance

# Ton of Supplies Per Man Shipped Overseas Monthly

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—Supplies to maintain soldiers overseas are shipped by the Army at the rate of a ton per man per month, the Transportation Corps of the Army Service Forces (SOS) disclosed as it marked its first anniversary.

From Dec. 7, 1941, through May, 1943, the corps and its predecessors moved approximately 2,000,000 men to overseas bases in more than 50 countries, islands and U.S. possessions. In the United States alone, the corps supervised the movement of nearly 25,000,000 troops by domestic carrier.

### Jap Prison Camp Deaths Rise

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6—War Department figures showed that one out of every ten American soldiers known to have been captured by the Japanese since the fall of Corregidor and Bataan has died of disease in Japanese prison camps. The department's latest report announced the names of 167 more Army personnel who had succumbed, raising the total to 1,344.

### Forces Need 6,000 Medics

CHICAGO, Aug. 6—The American Medical Association today reported that 6,000 more physicians must be provided for the armed forces before Jan. 1, 1944, and called on doctors to volunteer or they probably would be taken by draft.

### 18 Lost in W. Va. Flood

SUTTON, W. Va., Aug. 6—Eighteen persons were reported drowned or missing in creek floods that caused damage estimated at \$1,500,000.

# Terry and the Pirates

