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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC:

The Gen. MacArthur communique said Allied heavy bombers dropped thirty-four tons of bombs on the Satawan airdrome at Nomoi atoll in the Carolines in the third straight attack. At the same time more heavy units were hitting the Woleai airdrom in the Carolines on two succussful raids and destroyed six Japanese planes in the air and aground without allied loss.

The communique said Rabaul was attacked by air and over one hundred tons of bombs were dropped on the north New Guinea front. Air patrols afired small enemy freighters and damaged another along the coast and mediums destroyed a fixed tanker.

...SHINGTON .

Wake Island and three Japanese held islands in the Carolines were attacked by United States bombers on April 19th said a communique from Pacific Commander in Chief Admiral Chester Nimitz Friday night.

Only slight anit-aircraft fire was encountered by Mitchell Bombers which raided targets on Ponape island on Sam Bay. Fifty tons of bombs were dropped on Japanese positions

London: Over 4,500 tons of bombs were dropped by more than one thousand RAF bombers last night in attacks on Cologne and railway targets in Belgium and France, announced the Air Ministry Friday night. This is an increase of 500 tons on last record tonnage. The bombers hit nearly all of Cologne and fires were left burning on both sides of the Rhine when reconnaisance aircraft was over the city early this morning. Lancasters which raided Cologne dropped over 16 hundred tons of bombs. soon began to sear below the clouds over Cologne and were observed for enormous distances on the way home. Several crews were sure they could still see the glow in the sky when they were reaching the English coast.

The weight and speed of the attack evidently crushed the ground defences. Flak was just a loose barrage. Some night fighter packs were over the target or along the route. Only four aircraft were missing from this attack which was heavier than the one thousand bomber raid on the city in 1942. La Chapelle railway rards to the north of Paris were also bombed by Lancasters. The raid was comparable with fairly heavy attack on the German industrial city. A number of fires were quickly started. There was opposition from heavy flak and fighters were met along

the route and over the target.

Railway yards in the Pas de Calais area and about ten miles north of Arras were attacked by Halifaxs and Lancasters. Spectactular explosions were seen during the attack with flames rising to great heights and then billowing clowds of black smoke. Yards on the mail line from Brussels to Namul were attacked by Halifaxes. Berlin was also bombed by Mosquitoes.

ITALIAN ROUNDUP.

Venice was bombed for the first time yesterday when Allied heavy bombers using their tremendous destructive power continued rail and port smashing campaign in northern Italy. Liberators struck at shipping and harbor installations at Venice, which with it's spacious lagoon is Italy's second port and one of the most important Naval bases in the Country ancona, another Adriatic Naval base, was attacked by flying fortresses, which also bombed shipyards neir Trieste. Other Allied raders attacked targets ranging from Leghorn to the Albanian coast. bridges vital to German supply lines were wrecked.

No important changes occured on any of the Italian fronts, harassing patrol and artillery operations continuing in both the Adriatic and Cassino sectors. The Germans caused some casualties among Allied troops with heavy concentration of fires laid down on the adriatic port of Ortona, but allied gunners retailated with fire on German positions northwest of the town

forcing the Germans to hurry for cover.

I NDY, CEYLON:

Allicd bombers and fighters taking off from powerful escorted carriers somewhere in the Indian Ocean, blasted Japanese air fields, shipping and other installations at sabang and Lsonga in northern Sumatra early Wednesday, destroying at least 22 enemy planes on the ground, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's southeast Asia headquarters announded here yesterday. A strong force of battleships, cruisers, destroyers and submarines prowled about the Allied carriers while their planes carried out

Monotorn, ignoring big losses in the great push to hinder Soviet operations, is hurling masses of tanks and infantry fifteen and twenty times per day against the Red army's Stanis-lavov positions. Each attack is supported by vicious dive-bombing of soviet trenches. But as the great battle of the Carpathian feethills, tonight reached its climax, Marshall Zhukov's men were standing from their opening positions. While heavy German onslaughts came to nothing the Red army on adjacent positions southwest of Tarnopos was already taking the initiative. Although the new front up is only eight hours old it is forcing Manstern to divert some of his handy reserves from Stanislavov.

German reserves are being forced to recross the Dnieper River to repell now threatened German positions southwest of Tarnopol. While these battles are raging more and more house ware material is rumbling over the Moldavian roads into Rumania where the home of the best German troops have been deployed in the front line. At Sebastopol the Red Army is bringing up great numbers of guns to the walls of the fortress where the Germans are fighting grim, delaying action to give them time to evacuate the German and Rumanian divisions now crowding the city. A great part of the battle for this last German foothold in the Crimea has now been transferred from land to sea. Soviet bombers are harrassing German ships trying to reach the safety of Rumanian ports. Soveit destroyers and submarines are chasing escape ships from dawn to dusk.

MOSCOW:

Allied beachlandings at Netteuno are criticized as being carried out in 'slow bull tempo' by poviet Naval observer Frolov, who witnessed them at the invitation of Admiral Cunningham. He says that the operations were carried out too slowly, dspecially on the first eight or nine hours when there was no German opposition. He added that there was insufficient initiative and decision on the part of commanders of separate units once the landing was made, in going over to the offensive. "Several ships had difficult in dissemblying their troops," he writes, describing the operation, "But others were standing by and landing continued in slow bull tempo."

LONDON:

Only two or three war factories remain undamaged in the great manufacturing center of Frankfurt, but the Cathedral stall stands islanded in a sea of razed and ruined buildings, it was officially disclosed today. Reconnaisance photographs taken by the RAF whow that half of the whole area of Frankfurt proper has cithed been destroyed or severely damaged. Of 2200 acres about 1100 have now been devastated. More than one hundred factories, some of them of the highest importance to the German war effort, have been involved in general destruction. Photographs were taken after two attacks by the bomber command on the night of March 18 and 22 and two daylight attacks by American bombers on March 20 and 24.

Devastation is most sever in the administrative and cormercial centers of the city, which for all practical purpose has been destroyed. Grain siles and wharehouses, which had a corecity of 20 thousand tens turned for at least five days. There is also considerable tamage to warehouses and stores at the harbor and there has been three direct hits on the main reilway station.

BASEBALL SCORES:

National League: -- Jumping into an early lead in the first inning the New York Giants won over the Boston Braves 10 to 8. The Giants got 14 hits off three Boston mitchers, while the Braves banged out 12 hits. Melton was credited with the with with Barrett the losing pitcher. Both teams made two errors. On the mound for Boston were Barrett, Lindquist and Jardoni with Llutz and Masi catching. For the Giants, Melton went most of the Way on the mound with Feldman releiving him in the minth inning when Boston threatened to tie up the game. Lombardi did the catching for the Giants.

At Cincinnati, scoring one run in the minth inning the Cincinnati Reds edged out the Chicago Cubs 2 to 1. In the first inning the Reds scored one run to take the lead and then in the 7th the Cubs tied up the game. The Reds played errorless ball while the Cubs made two errors. Fleming and Holm was the battery for the Cubs with De la Cruz and Mueller taking the

honors for the Reds.

Visiting Philadelphia, the Brooklyn Dodgers drove in 4 runs in the 1th inning to take an early lead to lick the Phillies S to 2. Although the Phillies got 15 hits they failed to develop them into scores. Both teams played errorless ball.

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The Pittsburgh Pirates, visiting St. Louis, were beaten by the Gards 5 to 3. St. Louis jumped into an early lead and then in the 7th inning clinched it with two more runs. On the mound for the Pirates was Cercurullo, releived by Reseigno in the 7th inning. Lopez was the Pirate catcher. M. Cooper was the starting pitcher for the Cardinals being releived by Munger in the 7th when the Pirates threatened to take the lead. J. Cooper was behind the plate for the Cardinals.

American League: -- at Jashington, Early Wynn pitched a two hitter to win over the Philadelphia a's 5 to 0. The Benators got 10 hits off three Philadelphia hurlers--Christipher, Scheib and McGillen. Hayes caught for the A's and Ferrell for the Benators. The A's made 5 errors while the Benators made none.

In Detroit the St. Louis Browns took an early lead to lick the Tigers 8 to 5. The Browns in the first and third indings scored 2 and 3 runs, respectively and held the lead all the way after making 5 more in the 4th. Jachucky went all the way for St. Louis with Frank Maneuso behind the plate. Newhouser, Owell and Hogsett were the Detroit pitchers with Swift catching.

NE! YORK:

The world of Sport yesterday mourned the death of Lt. Col. Thomas (Tommy) Hitchcock, Jr., whose name was synon-ymous with top notch polo for thirty years and whose athletic exploits and gallantry in two wars had carned him world wide admiration as one of the most colorful figures on the American scene. Col. Hitchcock, who gained fame as combat flier, with the Lafayette Escadrille during the First World War was instantly killed Tuesday in a crash near Salisbury, England, while he was piloting a Mustang P-51 fighter plane on a routine flight, it was announced yesterday. He was 44 years old.

DALLAS, TEXAS

Robert E. Hannegan, Chairman of the Democratic National committee, said yesterday that there doesn't seem to be much interest in the Vice-presidental race. He named speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas, Senator Truman of Missouri and Vice-president Wallace as most probable candidates to receive the democratic national nomination for vice-president,

BACREMENTO, CALIFORNIA:

Talk among Republicans that Governor Earl Jarren might be the choice for the vice-presidential nomination at the party's June 26th convention in Chicago, brought this declaration from Warren at his press conference, "I have every intention of staying here in California the remainder of my term as governor and as most persons in public office dc, probably want to be re-elected."

PHIL DELPHIA:

President Roosevelt told the opening session of the International Labor Organization's 26th conference yesterday that the ILO must be the body which both makes decisions and takes action in tying together world postwar economic and social politics. The President's message was read by secretary of Labor, Frances Perkins. Prime Linister, Peter Fraser, of New Zealand, brought the sessions first burst of applaud when he referred in a speech to the "great and democratic president of the United States."

LOS ANGELES:

Mrs. Shirley Evans Hassaus' paternity suit case against film actor Errol Flynn was called for trial but no one fir either party appeared. Mrs. Hassaus' original suit demanded \$1,700 monthly support for the child and \$17,000 for legal and medical expenses but the later action sought merely reasonable litigation costs and reasonable monthly allowance for Marilyn. "As far as we are concerned there is no suit," Flynn's attorney told a newsman. "Flynn has not been served with a summons as required in any suit since a demurrer to Mrs. Haussas' first complaint was upheld." Attorneys for both sides stipulated last October 28, the Flynn's demurrer should be sustained and that her lawyer should be permitted to amend the action. Instead the 21 year old housewife filed a new paternity suit naming Flynn as the father of her daughter Marilyn, 5, born November 12, 1940.

NEW YORK:

The first "potato whicky", a new brand using 80 percent neutral spirits distilled from culled potatoes, is on the market here and thirsty New Yorkers were buying it fast and eagerly. The retailers (Gimbels Liquoer store) said the volume of business done Wednesday and Thursday indicated that its stock of several thousand cases might be exhausted by the end of the week.

"ASHINGTON:

The official journal of the French Repbulic, published, described bestowing the French Legion of Honor upon four high U.S. Navy officers in appreciation for services rendered the French Navy Units rearmed in United States ports.

Vice Admiral Remoan Ferard, head of the French Naval Mission to the United States, awarded the decorations. United States Admiral Frederick J. Borne made the Commander Legion of Honor, Rear Admirals William R. Purnell and William S. Farber and Captain Vance Chapline made the Officere Legion of Honor.

NEW YORK:

Bernard M. Baruch has been selected as a result of a nation wide poll along members of the Churchman associates and other leaders of the Church Industrial and Professional groups, to receive the Churchman award for 1944. The award is given for distinguished service in the 'promotion of good will and better understanding among all peoples.'

WASHINGTON:

The rationing of all used typewriters and new machines in the hands of dealers will end Saturday, the Office of Price administration announced yesterday. New typewriters in manufacturer's stocks are not affected by the order and continue to be controlled by the WPB.

CLEVELAND:

The Cleveland army Ordnance District disclosed yesterday that eight companies are making specifically designed seven pound repair kits to accompany army invasion units in the assault of Hitler's European fortress. The kits contain spare parts for every type of military machine.

SHIP'S NEWS

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Edited by: Chaplain Burke

Rainy weather did . little substize on our sports program yesterday. For a while we thought the Campionalip game between the Land 2nd livisions would have to issue rain-checks. But the players braved ft through the game going to the Machinists.

Here are some of the highlights of the game. The Second Division gott off to an early lead in the first on Clark's bingle, and the scored remained that way till the big third. It was then that the Machinists turned on the power, banging four big runs across the plate. Draughon, Barry, Villani and Spencer smashed out sharp hits and for a while it looked like the inning would never end.

However the next two batters fouled out and that was that. The score was now 4 to 1. In their half of the third the Second Div. picked up another run on hits by Clark and Shepherdi, putting the score at 4 to 2. There it stayed 'til the sixth, when a mighty home run by MeNeil chased home Feal to even the count. But the Machinists would not be denied and hits by Parisi, Santi, Spencer and Colvin put an end to the hopes of the Deck boys. The crowd was slim, the local gentry being few and somewhat puzzled by the mad cavortings of the Yankees.

The line up and box score:

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BASKETBALL:

The ship's team will go up against the destroyer lads from the Kendrick on Sunday--tomorrow night at 1900. We'll have a rooting section at the gym to boost our side home. It, should be a good game.

The crack Delta five will take us on next Wednesday at 2000 and this should be the clash to seeide who's who along the waterfront. These Delta lads have been able to get into prime condition but our courtmen will give them a battle all the way.

Opera today 1600 - 1900. Tosca is the attraction today, not Turandot. If you are a bit starved for good music and rate liberty, this is your chance to get your share of great rusic. Remember the toriff is all 35-the place is the Opera

In a Pistol Match between the officers of the Philly and Delta our team met defeat at the hands of the repair ship. Say, these Delta people seem to be hot shots in all the sports! Anyway they paid us the compliment of saying it was the first match in which they had failed to beat their opponents by less than 500 points. The final score 1107 to 998--which is no discrete.

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The officers of the letter divisions take on the officers of the number divisions in a softball game at 1500. No quarter will be asked or given. An umpire will cover each base and an armed Marine will cover each umpire

In futher elimination in the volley ball tournament the Marines defeated the F division 13-15, 15-0, 15-6. The I division won over the CNG divisions 9-15, 15-8, 15-3.

Today the 2nd takes on the 4th division, while the Machinists tangle with the E division to start off the quarter finals.