Pacific Front...

What may be the last strong element of Japan's once mighty fleet have been smashed in the East China Sea by American carrier airmen. This new disaster to the remnants of Nippon's fighting sea power was reported as Japan's new cabinet was formed in Tokyo to the tune of demolition bombs loosed by Superfortressos in the greatest land-based plane strike of the war against the Nippon homeland.

For the first time the B-29s, more than 300 strong, were protected by fighter planes from Iwo Jima as they battered aircraft plants in the Tokyo and Nagoya districts. They shot down 21 Japanese interceptors, probably bagged six others and damaged ten.

The U.S. Third Army, now 89 miles from Berlin according to the German radio, last night struck the tottering Reich a resounding economic blow by capturing Germany's Fort Knox bullion and millions in currency and art treasures in a day that saw the enemy reel under fresh battle disasters.

The Ninth Army outflanked Hannover with an 18-mile drive that hurled the Leine River 10 miles southeast of the city. The First Army surged across the Weser River and British tanks speared within 20 miles of the big port of Bremen.

Lt. Gen. Patton's soldiers found the German gold reserve. There was a huge store of currency, including 2,000,000 American dollars, 3,000,000,000 marks, 100,000,000 French francs, 110,000 British pounds, 4,000,000 Norwegian crowns and lesser amounts of Turkish pounds, Spanish pesetas and Portugese escudos. Taken along with this store were 3 officials of the Reich bank, bled white by disasters east and west of the Rhine.

The once mighty German Army seemed powerless to stem the big push on Berlin and a U.S. First Army staff officer declared confidently, "The German Army no longer is capable of maintaining a cohesive front. We are entering the final mop up stage."

Rampaging Red Army tank columns in a 14-mile sweep around the smoke shrouded Austrian capital encircled the greater part of Vienna and battled in the streets toward the city's cratered heart. Soviet forces are converging on Vienna from 3 directions.
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COMBAT NEWS,
BASEBALL FIX
MOVIE FARE HERE

The very latest combat news and the 1944 Baseball World Series will be unreel'd in Navy Theatre this afternoon, 1300, as a part of the regular Sunday War Orientation entertainment.

The invasion at Lingayen Gulf, the sinking of the TIRPITZ and Marine carrier, plane bombing of Formosa and Okinawa is featured in the film combat feature.

WORLD AT WAR, a review of the past week's news, illustrated by the use of map slides, will begin promptly at 1300.

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DIVINE SERVICES

CATHOLIC MASS
0915 Chapel of the Deep
1030 Memorial Chapel
1630 New Post Chapel
1930 Confessions Saturday and before all Masses.

PROTESTANT SERVICES
0900 Memorial Chapel
1030 Chapel of the Deep
1900 Memorial Chapel
1900 Tuesday Bible Study, Memorial Chapel
1900 Christian Science Service
Meditation Chapel
1900 Service Men's Christian League, Thursday; Memorial Chapel

CATHOLIC MASS (ARMY)
1630 Post Chapel
1900 Post Chapel
1900 Tuesday, SSM, Post Chapel
1730 Letter Day Saints, Post Chapel

The past week saw a couple of amazing stunts hereabouts: Lieutenant FRANK ALEXANDER, AirOp officer newly arrived, led the parade and made the NEWS' headlines by climbing our highest local mountain twice in the same afternoon. He remarked afterwards, "I could keep this up all evening but it's getting pretty late"..... The popular Red Cross gal, FRANKIE CHISHOLM, entertained patients in Sick Bay with a Spring fashion show. PEARLENE TAYLOR, GERI CASTRO and BERNI ELLIOTT, civilian Navy employees, and GAYLE DUFF, of the American Red Cross, modeled what the well-dressed gals in the States will wear this season..... The ARBIRDS copped the 1945 Basketball Championship by defeating the FEATHER MERCHANTS in a super hardwood thriller..... Requests to the WXLC FAMILY REQUEST HOUR continued to arrive and the show was stepped up to 60 minutes. Most requested song to date is Irving Berlin's ALWAYS..... MELODY CRUISE changed formula. Under the new set-up, the stage and radio revue now weekly presents guest performers. This evening BILL SCHMIDT takes off on Donald Duck and the Sad Sack..... Week's best received movie was MUSIC FOR MILLIONS, an MGM musical with the real schmaltz..... CAN'T HELP SINGING ran a good second in film fare.....
TOOTH AND CONSEQUENCES

By Ed Young

Only one man in a hundred could have done it and pulled through. Donald Linebaugh was weighed on Fate's balance one day last week and did pull through.

Mr. Linebaugh is one of the civilian workers who came up here to help us keep the Navy's logistic machinery well oiled and he's taking a beating to do it.

One of the workers on the ferry dock, motioned frantically at a little grey object in the water. It was Don Linebaugh's hat. The man remembered that less than a minute ago there had been a smothered sound of a splash. Their blank eyes looked up. Don was missing from his high perch on the piling. Glances filled with worry and question passed from face to face. Could that splash...that little grey hat floating so silently on the sluggish green water, be the last testimony of Donald Linebaugh's existence on this earth? How close they might have been to the truth had not Don's strength and spirit to face the appalling odds.

It started in the morning. Don visited the Dispensary to have a tooth cavity filled. Seeing the extent of the tooth's decay, the dentist stated it should be pulled. However, Don's will to preserve the tooth prevailed and the cavity was filled. His dental operation was not entirely successful. Headaches visited him through the afternoon with increasing frequency. When he climbed to the top of the piling, a warm prickly sensation coursed through his body. Objects swam around him, growing blacker...and blacker. Choking, Don came to consciousness at the bottom of the canal. His left leg and head were in excruciating pain. The will to live gave strength to the numbed limbs and he clawed through fifteen foot of ice-cold water to the surface. Nothing less than superhuman strength could have pulled the weight of a soaked kapik, overcoat, and high-tops to the shore twenty feet away. The Marine on duty was not a little startled when Don's dripping figure swayed crazily up the bank, and toward his post.

Your First Nighter records a gala opening such as is rarely paralleled in our artistic social circles. In the hallowed structure of the "Old Ad Building" a new aurora of life leaped from the windows, music and laughing voices electrified the night air, King Festivity reigned supreme. There were cokes and sandwiches and a cake to delight the most exacting epicurean. The turnout should prove a gratifying compliment to this triumph of a persistent laborer, Miss Gayle Duff, of the American Red Cross.
Into Macy's, New York, walked a visiting lieutenant. "Do you keep stationery?" he asked. "Well," said the clerk, "I do at first, but then I go all to pieces."... Three rabbits were arrested on a charge of vagrancy. The judge at Night Court said to the first rabbit: "What's your name and occupation?" "I'm Jack Rabbit," he replied. "I pick up pebbles on the beach." "And what is your name?" to Rabbit No. 2. "I'm Brer Rabbit," he said. "I help him pick up pebbles." To the timid little rabbit, the judge yelled, "And what have YOU gotta say for yourself?" "Oh, me?" squeaked the timid one. "I'm Pebbles."

Daffynitions: ESKIMO—One who's always chewing the fat....HOG CALLER—One who yodels to bring home the bacon....FAT WOMAN—One who fights the Battle of the Bulge on her own front....GOSSIP COLUMN—Where you read about people who are hatched, matched or detached....JEEP—a cocktail shaker with three speeds....

Mixups in the mails sometimes bring strange results. Witness what happened after Mrs. Dudley Wilson, of Spokane, Washington, wrote to one H. L. Pottingill, of Portland, Oregon, asking assistance in finding a house there. A short time later Mrs. Wilson received this answer: "Dear Mrs. Wilson, we have acres of land, some with a mountain, some with an ocean view and a number of recent vacancies. The more common type of house is olive drab canvas. If you prefer, we have a wide selection of foxholes with a lovely sky view. We do have some caves, but I doubt if you'd care for these since the occupants have to be forcibly removed by flame throwers." Through an error, Mrs. Wilson's letter had been delivered to a Sgt. H. L. Pottingill, who is on an island in the Pacific....

YANCEY the YEOMAN

By JPKL. Big Heads... The following sign was soon to appear in the officers' uniform shop at a big naval base recently. "HATS ALTERED TO FIT ANY PROMOTION ABOVE THE RANK OF ENSIGN"

All ensigns were advised to buy new hats. I wonder why???

"I guess the Navy is in a hurry for this ship!"
LOCAL ARMY KEGLERS TO FLASH WARES ON THIS AFTERNOON

The flashy Army keglers show their stuff this afternoon at 1330. After standing by for quite some time and watching their Navy allies do all the kegling, the khaki kids are itching to show local alley bugs just what they can do. The tourney, which has been organized by Sam Demas and supervised by Lieut. Edward Kochanowski, will be open to all local Army personnel and prizes are being offered for the top four positions.

The tourney's three top keglers will meet in a playoff to decide the championship. The tourney closes at 2000 so anyone interested should enter now. Remember -- 1330 to 2000 this afternoon -- Willi-waw Bowling Alleys -- for all Army personnel -- a bowling tourney. See you around the alleys!

BOWLING SCHEDULE

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LEAGUE BOWLING

Monday.....Red League......2000 - 2200
Tuesday.....Blue League.....1800 - 2000
Wednesday.....White League.....2000 - 2200
Thursday.....Black League.....2000 - 2200
Friday.....Officers-Chiefs.....2000 - 2200

FREE THROW CONTEST FOR LOCAL DEAD-EYE BASKETEERS

The local Welfare and Rec Department has announced that entries are now being taken for a free throw contest to be held later this month. All personnel are eligible to enter whether they played in league basketball or not.

Each contestant will shoot 25 shots, or should occasion call, until a shot is missed. The shooter with the most baskets out of the 25 shots will become local free-throw champ. Winner and runner-up medals will be awarded winners. To enter call 137-J or drop by the Navy Gym gear issue room.

HENRY ARMSTRONG GLIMS

This column erred a space back in referring to Henry Armstrong as "half-blind." This bit of misinformation was based upon finding by the California Boxing Commission that Armstrong has 20-30 vision in his right eye and 20-30 vision in his left. This was interpreted to mean that Henry has a 25 percent loss of vision in his right eye and a 75 percent loss of vision in his left," a conclusion which was as far from the truth as a Tokyo Rose broadcast. Fact is that Henry's vision, if the California figures are correct, isn't bad at all and, indeed, is good enough to meet the U.S. Army standards. The Army accepts men with glims dimmed to a bleary 20-400 in either eye or both. This operator has 20-200 vision himself and can still see well enough to spot a well-turned gam at 50 paces.

Armstrong, incidentally, soon will start a tour of the fighting fronts where he will show the joes some of the tricks that made him one of the great fighters of all time. Today the old perpetual motion machine has run down to a sputter but Henry can still spot most of his opponents 10 years in age and run the ham and eggers right out of the ring. He's a good man to watch.

INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE

At Ladd Field, Alaska, admission prices to the ATC Divisional Basketball Tournament were posted as follows:

Adults - 50 cents.
Children - 25 cents.
Officers - 25 cents.

BLUE PLATE SPECIAL

Lieut. Buck McKee, former Georgia Tech baseball and football star, and Atlanta Cracker outfielder, was killed in action in Germany.
SINATRASOX SLANGUAGE INSPIRES RETURNING GI

San Francisco, Calif. (ANS): When the first bobby-sox girls they had seen gathered around the liberated heroes of Bataan and Corregidor when they arrived here recently, one of them gave out with some jive talk unconsciously. Baffled by the new lingo, one soldier replied with, "Toxang yasame scocie shigoto!" Miss Bobby-sox was stunned until another GI told her that what she'd heard was Japanese.

3 PELLFRUIT GAG......
Mountain Home, Ida. (CNS): Slot machines in the officers' club at the Mountain Home Air Base are topped by this sign: "In case of air raid, stand near these machines. They haven't been hit yet."

The DEMOCRATIC WAY...
San Diego, Calif. (ANS): One Petros Protopapadakis recently petitioned that his name be changed -- to Petros FDR Protopapadakis!

MARRIAGE, LTD.
Milwaukee, WIs. (ANS): What a partnership! A taxpayer who sought help from the local Office of Internal Revenue will have to settle his own problem if he wants to file the return which lists the incomes of both husband and wife. "My wife won't tell me her income," he complained. "She says it's none of my business."

MOVIES

NAVY
1745-2000
Tomorrow The World
Frederic March
Betty Fields

SEABEE
1330-1800-2000
Swing Shift Music
Ann Southern
James Craig

SUB BASE
1430 - 2000
Music For Millions
Margaret O'Brien
June Allyson

BURLINGTON ROAD
1400 - 1900
Roughly Speaking
Rosalind Russell
Jack Carson

EL CAPITAN
No Show

1130 Music For Sunday
1200 Guy Lombardo
1230 Scarecrow Show
1300 World News
1315 Song Shop
1330 Hi Journal
1400 Melody Hour
1430 Music We Love
1500 World News
1515 Yank Band Stand
1530 Sunday Serenade
1600 FAMILY REQUEST HR.
1700 Music Hall
1730 Spotlight Band
1745 NOB Band
1800 Carlino McCarthy
1830 Your Radio Theatre
1930 Job Hope Show
2000 Command Perf.
2030 Hour of Charm
2100 War Orientation
2115 Swing Session
2130 N.Y. Philharmonic
2230 Hit The Road
2300 World News