

Hoosier Vagabond

By Ernie Pyle

WITH FIFTH ARMY BEACHHEAD FORCES IN ITALY, April 22 (By Wireless).—The greatest apprehension I've found in the Anzio-Nettuno area is not among the men on shore who have been under it constantly for weeks but among the crews of ships that sit out in the Mediterranean, unloading.

It takes several days to unload a big freighter, and during all that time they are subject to shelling from land and air raids from the sky. Their situation, I'll admit, is not an enviable one. It's true that few of them get hit, considering the amount of shooting the Germans do out there. Yet there is always the possibility. And what gives them the creeps is when they're sitting on a ship full of ammunition or high explosives.

Up Front With Mauldin



The crews of these big freighters are merchant marines. They merely operate the ship. They don't do the stevedoring work of unloading. That's done by soldiers.

They have a good system for this. At Naples a whole company of port battalion soldiers is put on each ship just before it sails. They make the trip up and back with the vessel, do the unloading at Anzio, and when they return to Naples they go back to their regular dock jobs there. A different company goes aboard for the next trip.

The result is that each one-time unloading crew is so anxious to get unloaded and get out of Anzio that everybody works with a vim and the material flies.

Up until a few weeks ago all unloading was done by port battalion groups based at Anzio. As soon as the crew finished one ship, it would have to go to work on another. There wasn't any end to it. The boys just felt they couldn't win. Since the new system went into effect, efficiency has shot up like a rocket.

The bigger ships are unloaded just as they would be at a dock, with winches hoisting out big netfuls of cargo from the deep holds and swinging them over the sides and letting them down—hot onto a dock, however, but into flat-bottomed LCT's which carry the stuff to the beaches.

Each hold has a dozen or more men working down below, plus the winch crews and signal men. They are all soldiers. They work in 12-hour shifts, but they get intervals of rest.

I was aboard one Liberty ship about 10 a. m. All five hatches were bringing up stuff. You could lean over and watch the men down below piling up ration boxes. And on the deck immediately below you could see scores of other soldiers trying to sleep, the deafening noise of the winches making no difference to them. They were the night shift. They slept on folding cots between blankets, with their clothes on.

'So Darned Defenseless'

ONE CREW boss was Sgt. Sam Lynch of Wilmington, Del. He is a veteran soldier, having served four months in the Arctic and 14 months on this side. Before the war he was a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad and later a railway mail clerk. He is married and has one child.

I asked him how he liked coming up to Anzio on a ship and he said he didn't like it any too well.

Inside Indianapolis

By Lowell Nussbaum

CIRCUIT JUDGE C. M. GENTRY, up at Noblesville, heard the case of a young fellow charged with a fairly serious offense several months ago. Instead of sending the young fellow to prison, Judge Gentry agreed to permit the lad to join the army. Ever since, the judge has been receiving letters from him. The latest communication was a postcard from Iceland, reading: "Wish you were here." From what he has heard about Iceland, Judge Gentry still is wondering. . . .



Bob Johnson, president of the Johnson Chevrolet Co., is recuperating at Methodist hospital from an emergency appendectomy Tuesday evening. . . . Municipal Court Judge John Niblack, a candidate for the Republican nomination for prosecutor, spent a hectic day recently. At the end of the day, he phoned his brother, Griffith, and said: "Hello, John, this is Griffith." And he didn't understand why Griffith laughed. . . . Howard Friend, of the State C. of C. staff, was in Chicago recently and ate breakfast at the Stevens hotel. The waitress wrote Howard's order on the last sheet in her order book, and then got another book. There were some other customers at a nearby table, and she started numbering the sheets in the new book. Finally, she said: "Say, you're not busy. How about numbering these order sheets for me, so I can wait on those folks." Howard did. Anything to help out in the help-shortage situation.

No More Passes

ADD SIGNS of Spring: Caretakers have cut the grass on the world war memorial. And we'll be doing the same thing, along with thousands of other householders, at home, this week-end. . . . The park board has halted the practice of issuing free season passes for the municipal golf courses to newspapermen, politicians and city officials. Last year the board gave out something like 200 of the season passes, and in some years past the number has been even higher. The reason back of chopping off the

My Day

By Eleanor Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Friday.—Yesterday was a busy day because, as usual, there seemed to be plenty of work waiting on our desks when we came in. Some young people came to lunch. Among them was Sgt. John Carey, a member of a marine corps dive bomber crew, who is back here on furlough after many months in the Pacific.



I noted four stars on his service ribbon, but he was as modest as could be and glowed with pride over the achievements of his older brother, James M. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the C. I. O. It was a kind of mutual admiration society which was pleasant to see. At 2:30 I went out to Walter Reed hospital to attend a discussion group meeting which has been started out there by the patients.

Mrs. Bradley Dewey, wife of the rubber director, is in charge. Those who are in bed in the wards can listen over the loud speaker connections and they can send in questions. These were of a general nature and covered many subjects yesterday, but I think that as they go on, they will find it necessary to take up one or two subjects each day, and will have people there who know those particular subjects very well. I found myself promising to look certain questions up and get detailed answers for the meeting

Patton Back In Europe For Second Front

Dashing Combat General May Be Heading an Invasion Force.

By PHIL AULT

United Press Staff Correspondent
LONDON, April 22.—Lt. Gen. George S. (Blood and Guts) Patton, whose main aim is to whip Adolf Hitler and kill a lot of Germans, was in the fighting zones again today, this time the European theater where the allies were massing for the final blow at Nazi Germany.

The swashbuckling, pistol-packing general, who almost ruined his military career by slapping a sick soldier, was in this theater because allied leaders know he is a dashing combat soldier.

While it was not determined if Patton had been given command of an invasion force, the Daily Express carried a headline—"Patton Here for Second Front."

Arrival of Patton in the European zone was the first word of his whereabouts since March when it was announced he had left the 7th army to take over command of "another army."

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower himself—and many other professional soldiers—believe Patton is the kind of man they need to storm tough objectives.

He likes to fight and army leaders believe he is too good a combat soldier to be shelved at the time when the army needs rough and ready leaders.

Jap Thrust Fails To Cut Off Allies

By FRANK HEWLETT

United Press War Correspondent

ASSAM-BURMA BORDER, April 21 (Delayed).—Japan's thrust into India through the Naga hills to date has failed to keep a gallon of gasoline or a pound of food from the allies in northern Burma, and it has not diverted the allied major task in this theater—opening a land route to China.

Observers on the spot believe the Japanese already have been held up too long by British strong points at Imphal and Kohima, thus giving the allies ample time to bring up sufficient reinforcements and thereby greatly reducing the danger of the enemy cutting railroad and river routes into northern Assam province.

The successful carrying out of the Japanese plan would have cut off supplies for Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's forces in northern Burma.

Anzio Beachhead On Air Tomorrow

By ROBERT VERMILLION

United Press Staff Correspondent

ANZIO BEACHHEAD, Italy, April 22.—The Anzio beachhead will go on the air tomorrow night beaming a program to the United States from the most shell battered radio station on any war front.

Station JRP, whose call is Jig Jig Roger Peter, will broadcast to New York for the Sunday afternoon hour. The program will include a radio play by broadcasters in this theater and a regular beachhead news review for B. B. C. in London.

The broadcast will originate in the AYE studio which has been broadcasting press copy by voice transmission and Morse code to Naples for re-transmission to the United States and Great Britain.

The idea for the broadcast was developed by the men who have been running the station in the hottest spot in this theater. Only last night a pet horse which the staff had been keeping near the station was killed by a German anti-personnel bomb.

Urges 'Sparkle' In WAC Uniforms

WASHINGTON, April 22 (U. P.).—Rep. Emanuel Celler (D. N. Y.) said today that the women's army corps would have higher morale and more recruits if a touch of "sparkle" were added to their uniforms.

He added that he did not propose dressing them like "drum majorettes" or "converting the corps into a mardis gras festival," but that "even girls in bright slacks and colored scarves and blouses in war pants seem cornucopia (glittering or gleaming) in comparison."

Celler's proposal was made in a letter to WAC Director Col. Oveta Culp Hobby.

Home Town Papers, Please Don't Copy

FIFTH AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS, Italy, April 22 (U. P.).—Army regulations forbid air force officers and enlisted WACs to have dates unless they are engaged.

About two dozen officers and WACs here asked for certificates of betrothal.

The army said that home-town newspapers would, of course, be notified of the happy partnerships. All but one application was withdrawn.

Right in Der Fuehrer's Face

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, April 22 (U. P.).—German troops sneaked out into no-man's land on the 8th army front Thursday night—Adolf Hitler's birthday—and put up a sign in English: "Britons—salute our Fuehrer."

British artillery knocked the sign to bits.

Soldier Sketches Death Battle of His Platoon at Anzio



This first actual battle sketch to come out of world war II was drawn by a foot-slogging infantryman to depict a tense scene of a platoon under fire in Italy. The artist is Sgt. Brummett Echobaw, 22, full-blooded Indian from Pawnee, Okla. The action occurred after his platoon crossed the Mussolini canal and found shallow shelter in a ditch on the enemy side. While the men in the foreground dug the mud, the soldier at right and another in the background have been hit by the burst of an 88 shell. At upper left is a German mortar burst. . . . In a hospital after being twice wounded—first at Venafro and again on the Anzio beachhead—Sgt. Echobaw polished his rough sketches made in the Anzio fighting during intervals such as this, in which he was "pinned down" by enemy fire. . . . These dramatic drawings have been obtained exclusively by NEA Service and will appear in The Times.

YOUTH RESCUES FAMILY IN FIRE

Directs Escape of Children From Second Floor of Home Here.

Fourteen-year-old Kermit Ralph Taggart, 2424 W. 17th st., was a hero today when he awakened his family, telling them the house was on fire.

Seeing smoke in his room, Kermit rushed to the rooms of his two sisters, Allene, 17, and Nancy, 11, and his nephew, Bobbie Brown, 6, ordering them to crawl out on the front porch roof.

Since the stairway was filled with smoke, Kermit climbed out on the porch roof and then dropped to the ground. He pounded on the front door to awaken his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bentley Taggart, and then the fire department was called.

Bolt Believed Cause Meanwhile, Nancy and Allene dropped from the roof and then caught their nephew, Bobbie.

The fire, believed to have been caused by lightning, destroyed the contents of Kermit's room but did not spread to the rest of the house.

This morning's thunderstorms also knocked wires down at Capitol ave. and New York sts. and in the 1200 block of W. Washington st. Lightning set off the automatic sprinkler system at the Westinghouse Co., Georgia and Pennsylvania sts., but no damage was done.

G. O. P. CANDIDATES WILL ATTEND TEAS

Republican candidates are doing most of their "politicizing" this year via teas. Several of them will be held in the county tomorrow.

One thousand invitations have been issued for a tea to be given from 1 to 6 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Parker in behalf of M. Dale Williams, candidate for state representative.

Eighteenth ward Republicans will meet candidates at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bryson, 322 S. Downey ave., from 2 to 5 p. m.

Republican women of the Seventh ward will honor candidates at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Pierce, 1628 N. Pennsylvania st., from 2:30 to 5:30 p. m.

Prosecutor Sherwood Blue will be a special guest at the home of Anderson Corley, 1125 N. Senate ave., during a meeting held from 4 to 7 p. m. in honor of the Republican precinct committeemen and committeewomen of the Seventh ward.

Mrs. Ida Thrasher, 936 King ave., will entertain from 2 to 6 p. m. at her home for voters in the 19th and nearby wards.

Republicans in the 20th and 21st wards will meet at the home of Mrs. Ada Haverfield, 4757 Washington blvd.

DETAIL FOR TODAY

Hammock



IT IS THE PRACTICE of many soldiers to take hammocks into the field with them. Perhaps it is their way of making it obvious that they prefer the navy, but were drafted before they had a chance to make a choice. In some climates, sleeping on the ground is not particularly healthful, due to various and sundry creeping, crawling creatures that infest the area. It is here that the hammock comes into its own and is really appreciated.

Optimist Club's New President

CLARENCE IRISH, president of the Hoosier Coffee Co., was installed as president of the Indianapolis Optimist club at the weekly meeting of the organization yesterday at the Columbia club. He succeeds Marshall Springer.



Other new officers installed were Merrill Atkinson, first vice president; Hugh Bremerman, second vice president; James Sargent, treasurer; George Browne, secretary; Merritt Thompson, sergeant-at-arms; and the Rev. Arnold Clegg and the Rev. Olen Peters, co-chaplain.

New directors installed were Clarence Drayer, Donald Kellum, Theodore Root, Ray Patterson, Leo Hurley and George Weidlick.

Eldon S. Dummitt, attorney general of Kentucky, discussed the part being played by luncheon clubs in the war effort, declaring that "we must keep from dying from within or democracy will fall."

"We must keep the things the boys are fighting for well in hand," he said, "and must prevent the spirit of pleasure from prevailing over the spirit of sacrifice."

DeVaney Phones Here From Italy

ONE OF THE FEW long transcontinental telephone calls from a service man on the battlefields of Italy was received here Thursday night by Mrs. Mary Lou Patterson DeVaney, deputy prosecutor, from her husband, Maj. Carl DeVaney.

Maj. DeVaney, who was wounded recently on the Anzio beachhead, has been in command of an artillery battery since the U. S. forces invaded Africa 18 months ago, surviving the battles of Tunisia, Sicily and Salerno.

Mrs. DeVaney said her husband indicated he was about to get a furlough back to the states and might arrive by plane next week after two years abroad.

Mrs. DeVaney said she will resign her position as deputy prosecutor next week.

LINK-BELT WORKERS HONORED AT DINNER

A dinner honoring the men of the tool room at Link-Belt was given last night by Mrs. Ora Arnold, 529 N. Tibbs ave., with 33 in attendance.

Louis Doer acted as master of ceremonies and James Cloud, tool repair foreman, spoke. Group singing, accordion music and cards made up the evening's entertainment. In appreciation, the group presented Mrs. Arnold with a gift.

Those attending included Chester Guley, Alfred Haussermann, Lewis Federpille, Forest Wallace, William Peterman, Courtney Dotson, William Trout, John Kinney, Louis Borgmann, Patrick Hanlon, Jack Briggs, Fletcher Ridpath, Ben King, Fred Darby, Dan Weinbrecht, Harry Federpille, Tom Huff, Basil Booher, William Barrett, Roy Arnold, Robert Grace, Martin Ginter, George Moore, Carl Bruce, Ernie Teagarden, Elbert South, Byron Arnold, Donovan Arnold, Ora Arnold, Mr. Doerr and Mr. Cloud.

Y. M. C. A. OFFICERS ELECTED AT BUTLER

Robert Benjamin, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Benjamin, 4312 Kingsley dr., and junior journalism major, has been elected president of the Butler university chapter of the Y. M. C. A.

Other officers are Robert Mundell, organized vice president; Robert Watson, unorganized vice president; George Downey, secretary; and Dean Neiermer, treasurer.

The officers will be installed at a dinner in May.

O. E. S. UNIT TO MEET

Lyndhurst chapter, O. E. S. 505, will meet at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, Mrs. Lola Cadwell and William E. Pelley will preside.

TAXES RISE IN NEW SCHEDULE

1945 Withholding Proposals Ready for Committee Action.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, April 22 (U. P.).—The house ways and means committee today approved an income tax simplification plan with a new schedule of withholding taxes slightly higher than present payroll deductions and designed to cover the full tax liability of some 3,000,000 taxpayers earning up to \$5000 annually.

WASHINGTON, April 22 (U. P.).—A new schedule of withholding taxes, somewhat higher than present payroll deductions and designed to cover the full tax liability of some 3,000,000 taxpayers earning up to \$5000 annually, was reported to be ready today for house ways and means committee action.

The committee previously announced its plans to incorporate all taxes for most taxpayers under the withholding principle, thus simplifying present procedures and eliminating the need for filing returns. The new schedule, drawn up by committee tax experts, gave the specific amounts of the proposed new withholding levy.

Under it, a single person earning \$30 a week would have \$4.10 in withholding tax deducted from his pay, whereas a married man with one child would miss only 50 cents from his paycheck at the same salary level.

A single person earning \$50 a week would have \$8.20 deducted, while a married man with one child earning the same amount would have \$4.40 taken out of his check.

Other proposed deductions are in proportion. A single person earning \$100 a week would pay \$19.90 of it in withholding taxes, while a married man with or without children would suffer no deduction if he earned \$12 a week or less.

The schedule, if adopted, would go into effect next January 1 and apply to salaries received in 1945. Withholding taxes now in force would remain effective throughout the remainder of 1944.

SECOND MAN DEAD IN BIRTHDAY CRASH

George Boyce, head of the Boyce Office Furniture Co. in Kokomo, died at City hospital today of injuries received in an automobile-streetcar accident Tuesday. He was 42.

Mr. Boyce was riding in his own car driven by Lavell Ott Price, 961 Lexington ave., when the automobile and streetcar collided at 32d st. and College ave. The driver was killed instantly.

The two men had worked together in the mailing department of the U. S. Rubber Co. in Indianapolis until Mr. Boyce left Feb. 15 to go to Kokomo. They were celebrating Mr. Price's birthday the night of the accident.

Today's death brings to 28 the number of traffic fatalities in the city this year in comparison to 20 in 1943.

LEAGUE WILL VIEW WAR ACTION FILMS

Action pictures of the actual invasion of the Marshall islands will be shown by Morton Spence to the Bible Meditation league at their monthly dinner meeting at 5:30 p. m. Monday in the Central Y. W. C. A.

Miss Mary Scoobe, from the national office in Columbus, O., will speak on "Requests From the World's Battlefronts for Meditation League Material."

SOCIETY NOMINATES 9 AT BROAD RIPPLE

Nine Broad Ripple high school students have been chosen for membership in Quill and Scroll, international journalism society.

They are Donald Perry, Miriam DuGranit, Betty McKinley, Mary Plo Dugdale, Kenneth Millican, Paul McCloud, Sam Newlund, Nancy Boerner and Marjorie Hopper.

HAILS MONEY PLAN AS ROAD TO PROSPERITY

Hull Lauds Principles of \$8,000,000,000 World Currency Setup.

WASHINGTON, April 22 (U. P.).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull today hailed the agreement among united nations fiscal experts on the basic principles of an \$8,000,000,000 international monetary fund as the framework of a plan "that will bring prosperity to our own country when the war is won."

"No government is yet committed to any definite plan, or even to these principles," he said in a statement. "It is my earnest hope, however, that congress, when it is called upon to make a decision, will consider the value of the international currency stabilization and investment programs as essential means of strengthening our own economy here at home."

There was mixed congressional reaction to the plan, under which the U. S. would put \$2,500,000,000, \$2,750,000,000 into the fund. Twenty-five per cent—or about \$625,000,000, of the U. S. share would be in gold; the rest in currency. Republican and Democratic leaders alike, however, welcomed Morgenthau's assurance that congress would be represented on this country's delegation to an international conference which will be called to consider the plan.

Will Save Much Time "If such programs can be put into operation before the end of the war, we will save much time in the task of bringing about domestic and world-wide prosperity when hostilities cease and immeasurably strengthen the prospects for an enduring peace," Hull said.

He warned that if we did not solve currency problems now "we shall be immensely handicapped in seeing an expansion of our foreign trade and balanced prosperity for our nation."

Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr., who presented the plan to congressional committees yesterday, reported the reaction "good." The consensus among most congressmen was that a conference should be called.

Democrats generally praised the principles, but many Republicans were opposed, their reaction varying from vigorous opposition to any attempt to stabilize currencies through international agreement to those who thought the problem should be studied further.

U. S. Quota Largest The principles upon which the technical experts of some 30 nations are in agreement would make the United States quota to the fund the largest—between \$2,500,000,000 and \$2,750,000,000, of which 25 per cent or between \$625,000,000 and \$688,000,000 would be paid in gold.

The other top members and their quotas would be: Great Britain, \$1,250,000,000; Soviet Russia, \$1,000,000,000; China, approximately \$600,000,000; and possibly France, whose quota was unspecified.

Obligatory gold subscriptions to the fund would be 25 per cent of the member's quota or 10 per cent of a member's gold holdings or gold convertible currencies, whichever is smaller. For the big gold holding nations 25 per cent of the quota would be the smallest.

The United States has roughly \$21,500,000,000 in gold holdings. Thus 25 per cent of the quota would be smaller than 10 per cent of our holdings. Reserves of other nations have been withheld for security reasons.

300 CONCERNS PLAN APPAREL EXHIBIT

Representatives of approximately 300 concerns will exhibit their wares during the summer and fall market of the Men's Apparel Club of Indiana, April 30 through May 3, in the Claypool hotel.

The seventh and eighth floors will be devoted to the display, which is scheduled to be the largest in the history of the organization.

Registration will be held in the morning of April 30, followed by the opening of sample rooms. A joint breakfast of the club and MACs will be held the following day.

An opening meeting for all club members will be held at 7:30 p. m. next Saturday in the clubroom on the ninth floor of the Claypool.

Club officers are Floyd E. White, president; R. E. Tacke, vice president, and Andy Jackson, secretary-treasurer. All are of Indianapolis.

LEGION DINNER SLATED

Sahara Grotto post 264, American Legion, will sponsor a covered dish dinner at 8 p. m. Tuesday at 4107 E. Washington st.

HOLD EVERYTHING

"I'll wait on you in a minute, sir—the armed forces come first!"

