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## Monty Hopes To Quiz Rommel After War

By HUGH BAILLIE  
President of the United Press

ON THE BRITISH FRONT, Oct. 1 (Delayed)—Field Marshal Sir Bernard D. Montgomery, commanding the 21st army group, like all commanders I have met along the front from Metz to Nijmegen, radiates complete confidence that the German army has been licked and that it is now only a question of how long it will take the enemy to admit defeat. On this important question, no dates are being mentioned.

Montgomery is a hard man to find. He never stays put very long. Just like in Africa and Sicily, he is all over the place. Finally by automobile, jeep and puddle-jumper plane I reached and had a conversation

with the British field marshal within hearing of the grumble of guns where a tough fight was continuing.

Montgomery was attired in a gray sweater, corduroy trousers and his world-famous beret.

Sizing up the Germans he chased from the El Alamein desert to the land of canals and windmills, Montgomery says that a good fighting army should have a composite of youngsters and older men. The Germans still have youngsters, some very much too young, and oldsters, some very much too old. The essential middle stratum is missing.

Montgomery looks much better physically now than when I last saw him in Sicily.

He described how a battle must be planned definitely to the last detail and then executed exactly according to plan in order to achieve the maximum results. However, his record shows he can extemporize when necessary and get there just the same.

He illustrated the conversation with rough drawings of some of his greatest victories, using blue, red and black pencils to demonstrate his strategy and the results of it.

Meanwhile, the rumble of the front, supply columns going past, troops going up, emphasized that we were then and there in the midst of one of his greatest engagements, perhaps only in the early stages of it.

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"In incidentally, I might remark, just in passing," Hugh Ballie, president of the United Press, radioed today, "that the hats of many women in Paris and Brussels are one of the war's strangest spectacles."

"They appear about a foot high and are reminiscent of Carmen Miranda, although without bananas."

manner, but his steely glance and precise exact language, never lacking or groping for the word best suited to express his definite meaning, showed the keenness with which he was "on the ball."

Later, inside his caravan, or trailer as we say in the United States, he showed me two colored pictures of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel, hanging at the foot and alongside his bed.

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## MISTAKEN FOR ROBBER, YOUTH SHOT BY FRIEND

Boy, 16, Critically Wounded  
After Neighbor Hears  
Noise on Porch.

Mistaken for a burglar, William Verence Dill, 16, R. R. 10, near Julietta infirmary, was shot and critically wounded in the head early today by a neighbor, Artie Hill, 34, Highway 52 and the German Church road.

Mr. Hill told deputy sheriffs that he was awakened about 4:45 a. m. by a noise at his front porch screen door. Thinking burglars were trying to force the door, Mr. Hill said he got his shotgun and went to the screened-in front porch.

Sees a Crouching Form

Seeing a form crouched by the steps, Mr. Hill asked: "Who are you and what are you doing here?"

He said he repeated the question three times and that when there was no answer and the form remained crouched by the steps he fired through the screen door at point-blank range.

The figure at the steps crumpled but Mr. Hill said he was afraid to step out the door because of the possibility that accomplices might be hiding in the yards waiting to return the fire.

He said he called the sheriff's office for an ambulance. Arrival of both the deputy sheriffs and the ambulance was delayed because the Hill residence is back of Highway 52 and both drove past the place where the steps crumpled.

Mr. Hill said when the ambulance arrived he recognized the wounded youth as his neighbor and friend of many months standing.

"Only last week Dill took a trip with us to Brown county," he said.

The youth, with a critical wound in the right side of his face, was taken to City hospital in an unconscious condition, unable to explain how he happened to be at the Hill residence at that time of day.

Can't Give Explanation

Mr. Hill said he and his wife rushed over to the Dill home, three-fourths of a mile away, and notified the youth's family. No members of the Dill family could give an explanation for the youth's appearance at the Hill home except a sister, Sally Dill, 13, who said: "Billy might have gone over there to get some bread at the Hill filling station as he does sometimes early in the morning."

Young Dill's condition was reported by City hospital physicians as very critical and slight hope was given for his recovery.

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## Condition Grave



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## BROWNS WIN 1ST PENNANT

Last-Day Victory Carries Them Into Series Senti-  
mental Favorites.

By LEO H. PETERSEN  
United Press Sports Editor

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 2.—The St. Louis Browns carried the American league pennant into the world series today for the first time in history.

The Cinderella boys won it the hard way, nosing out the Detroit Tigers by a one-game margin on the last day of the season. They will go into the series opening Wednesday with their intra-city rivals, the St. Louis Cardinals, underdogs, but no one who saw them whip the New York Yankees in four straight games was selling them short, and with fans the

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## AL SMITH REMAINS IN GRAVE CONDITION

Status Unchanged After Day  
Of 'Real Improvement.'

NEW YORK, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—The condition of former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, critically ill at the Rockefeller Institute hospital, was reported "unchanged" today after 24 hours of "real improvement."

Dr. Raymond P. Sullivan, Smith's personal physician, announced the 70-year-old ex-governor's improvement late yesterday and his daughter, Mrs. John Warner, said that he was "definitely encouraged" over his condition.

Smith has been in failing health since the death of his wife several months ago and entered the hospital Sept. 22 for special treatment.

CHARGE ATTEMPTED BRIBERY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—A federal grand jury today indicted Norman G. Becker, 46, former OPA official of New York City, on a charge of attempting to bribe Edward H. Halpin, OPA price analyst, in an effort to obtain higher ceiling prices for a New York rayon firm Becker represented.

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## IT'S WALL ST. VS. MAIN ST., PEPPER SAYS

'Sole Issue' Is Stated by Senator at Press Conference Here.

By EARL RICHERT

Senator Claude Pepper of Florida, top-ranking New Dealer, declared at a press conference here today that the issue of this campaign "stated simply is Wall Street vs. Main Street or the country club vs. the country."

"This campaign is 1920 all over again," he said. "The Republicans are trying to be all things to all people on foreign policy, and to win the domestic fight they offer nothing more constructive than the pledge, 'We'll turn them out.'

The Democratic senator will address a Democratic rally at Anderson tonight and will go to Louisville tomorrow to answer Governor Dewey's recent foreign policy speech which he made there.

Senator Pepper, an ardent internationalist, said that Governor Dewey had not come out for international co-operation until he became a candidate.

He charged that Mr. Dewey now was "saying anything to get votes."

Charges McCormick Dealt

"What I am interested in," he continued, "is what did Mr. Dewey say privately to Col. Robert McCormick of the Chicago Tribune to get his whole-hearted support. The colonel just isn't that kind of fellow who would support ardently a man who believes in international co-operation."

Senator Pepper said it was "obvious that the collaboration-minded Republicans do not trust Mr. Dewey's foreign policy." The best example of that is the recent statement by the forthright Senator Bell of Minnesota that he cannot support Mr. Dewey at present.

"And it is an obvious fact," he continued, "that Willkie doesn't trust Dewey's foreign policy."

Urge Schriener Election

Senator Pepper said he was interested in the election of Governor Schriener, the Democratic senatorial nominee, to the U. S. Senate.

If the Republicans win control of the Senate, Hiram Johnson of California, "an isolationist," will become chairman of the foreign relations committee and Gerald Nye of North Dakota, if re-elected, will become chairman of the appropriations committee, he said.

"And if the Republicans win control of the House of Representatives, heaven forbid," he said. "Rep. Hamilton Fish of New York will become chairman of the ways and means committee."

He said that Governor Dewey was "more and more sinking to personalities."

Dewey Has Tasted Blood

"He now has tasted blood," he said of Mr. Dewey. "And he hears the cheers of those who hate Roosevelt. So now his sole platform is 'turn them out.'

"Well, they turned them out in 1920 and the result was uncontrollable inflation while wages were going down and a vast exploitation of our natural resources."

"It seems to me," he concluded, "that the American people would be unwilling to turn the country over to a leadership that brought about the last depression."

STANLEY E. HUBBARD, president and general manager of KSTP, said the cancellation was "another trick" on the part of the musicians' union "to force the station's capitulation in its dispute with the union."

Since last spring there has been no music broadcast from KSTP's Minneapolis studios. The union demands the hiring of eight full-time musicians at the Minneapolis

studio.