

ON SUNDAY NIGHT LAST WE ASKED FOR A SLICE OF HAM. THREE DAYS LATER, WHEN WE CAME TO, THIS IS WHAT WE HEARD: MUSSOLINI SHOT AND STRUNG UP BY THE HEELS, WITH PEOPLE QUEUEING UP TO SPIT IN HIS FACE; HITLER DEAD; THE GERMANS IN ITALY ASKING FOR UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER; BERLIN FALLEN; GOEBBELS A SUICIDE BROTHER, THAT WAS A PIECE OF HAM!

AND THE BEST PART OF IT ALL IS THAT THESE NIGHTMARISH EVENTS, HAPPENING SO FAST, WERE TRUE. WHICH LEADS US TO THE BELIEF THAT THIS IS THE MOST AGREEABLE FORM OF NEURASTHENIA KNOWN TO MAN. NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT WE'RE GOING TO ASK FOR ANOTHER SLICE OF HAM (PIZEN AND ALL), AND CONFIDENTLY EXPECT TO WAKE UP THREE DAYS LATER TO HEAR THAT JAPAN HAS SURRENDERED; BARON SUZUKI HAS COMMITTED HARI-KARI; UGANDA IS STEAMING INTO ESQUIMALT HARBOR, WITH A HUGE SIGN READING "WELCOME TO THE FIGHTING U - CONGRATULATIONS ON DESTROYING THE NAGAKI"; AND THAT CHARLIE CHAPLIN IS REALLY THE ILLEGITIMATE SON OF TOKYO ROSE AND ERROL FLYNN. QUICK CHIEF, THE STOMACH PUMP!

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....PRESIDENT TRUMAN OF THE U.S. HAS CONFIRMED THE DEATH OF ADOLF HITLER. A RUSSIAN RADIO REPORT THIS MORNING SAID THAT BOTH HITLER AND GOEBBELS HAD COMMITTED SUICIDE, BUT THIS WAS NOT CONFIRMED. JAPANESE RADIO OBSERVED SOLEMN REQUIEM SERVICE FOR HITLER WHICH CONCLUDED WITH THE PLAYING OF "END OF A PERFECT DAY. (!)

GERMANS IN ITALY HAVE AGREED TO UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER, AND PAPERS HAVE BEEN SIGNED WHICH TAKE EFFECT MAY 6.

OVER A MILLION GERMANS IN ITALY AND AUSTRIA HAVE LAID DOWN ARMS. BERLIN HAS FALLEN AND 70,000 PRISONERS TAKEN.

THE ALLIES HAVE MADE A LANDING IN BORNEO, BELIEVED TO BE BY DUTCH AND AUSSIE TROOPS,

BRITISH PULLED A SURPRISE MOVE BY LANDING SOUTH OF RANGOON AND ARE NOW CLOSING ON THE CITY FROM 3 SIDES. THE NAVY PUT THE TROOPS ASHORE.

THERE HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLE AIR ACTIVITY AGAINST SHIPPING IN THE CHINA SEA AND AIRFIELDS IN SAKASHIMA, ADVANCES HAVE BEEN MADE ON OKINAWA BUT THE GOING IS STILL TOUGH.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE HEADS INTO ITS SECOND WEEK AND MAY START SOON DRAFTING THE PLANS FOR A LASTING WORLD PEACE. ONE AMERICAN DELEGATE HAS SUGGESTED THAT EACH OF THE 46 NATIONS REPRESENTED START OFF BY DECLARING WAR ON JAPAN.

BINGO GAMES.....WHILE AT LEYTE THE SHIP WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN SOME BINGO FORMS WHICH SHOULD SPEED UP THE PORT HANGAR SESSIONS CONSIDERABLY AND PERMIT MORE HOUSES. IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THE RULES, THIS IS THE WAY ITS RUN:

BINGO IS PLAYED THREE NIGHTS A WEEK, TWO HOURS A NIGHT. ALL BUT THE LAST 2 HOUSES ARE THREE PENCE; THE LAST TWO ARE SIXPENCE. 10% OF EACH HOUSE GOES TO THE CANTEEN FUND. THERE ARE TWO PRIZES FOR EACH HOUSE: 20% FOR LINE AND 70% FOR HOUSE.

OPERATORS OF THE GAME WILL NOT BE PAID ANY FIXED SUM BUT PLAYERS MAY "CHIP IN" VOLUNTARILY FOR THEM IF THEY WISH.

WATCH THE TAR PAPER FOR PLAYING TIMES. THE MORE PLAYERS, THE BIGGER THE PRIZES.

WE ROLL AGAIN..... WE ARE INDEBTED TO LIEUT. IRWIN LEVKOFF, U.S. COMMUNICATION OFFICER, FOR THE MIMEOGRAPH PAPER ON WHICH TODAY'S TAR PAPER IS PRINTED. (WE ARE INDEBTED, THAT IS, IF IT WORKS.) BY DIGGING INTO HIS SECRET STOCK, HE HAS COME UP WITH ENOUGH TO LAST US A MONTH, FOR WHICH WE ARE DULY GRATEFUL.

OH SUKAMA, OH DONT YOU CRY FOR ME..... HERE IS AN UNOFFICIAL ROUNDUP OF THE DAY'S ACTIVITIES, COMPILED FROM INCOMPLETE RETURNS SD OF 2130 TONIGHT:

1. AN APPROXIMATE 14 ENEMY PLANES CRASHED OR SHOT DOWN,
2. TWO OF OUR PLANES LOST, ONE IN AN ACCIDENTAL TAKE-OFF AND THE OTHER SHOT DOWN (BY OUR OWN FORGES), BUT BOTH CREW AND PILOT, RESPECTIVELY RESCUED.

3. TARGETS SUCCESSFULLY BOMBARDE; UGANDA THROWING 183 ROUNDS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVE (A TON FROM EACH GUN) IN HER SEVEN MINUTE ASSAULT ON SUKAMA. THIS WAS THE FIRST BOMBARDMENT OF JAPANESE SOIL BY A CANADIAN WARSHIP IN THIS OR ANY OTHER WAR. THE TRIGGER WAS PRESSED BY MR. BOWDITCH, WARRAVT GUNNER, RCN RECONNAISSANCE PILOTS OBSERVED AT LEAST TWO OF OUR SALVOS LANDING ON THE SOUTHERN SECTION OF THE TARGET. FURTHER DETAILS ARE AWAITED WITH INTEREST.

4. WHILE WE WERE AWAY THROWING BRICKS, TWO WAVES OF JAP ZEROS SLIPPED IN FOR AN ATTACK ON THE CARRIERS. THE SIGNAL COVERING THIS ACTION IS NOT CLEAR BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT A BUISIDE BOMBER HIT FORMIDABLE, CAUSING DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES, WHILE ANOTHER LANDED ON INDOM'S FLIGHT DECK, SHIDDED ACROSS AND LANDED IN THE WATER WITHOUT EXPLODING. ANOTHER NEAR MISSED INDOM.

5. THE DESTROYER HMS QUALITY SHOWED UP WELL IN THIS ACTION, BY HITTING AT LEAST TWO OF THE PLANES AND SETTING THEM ON FIRE BEFORE THEY CRASHED.

6. AIR STRIKES RENDERED STRIPS AT MIYAKO AND ISHIGAKI INSERVICEABLE. A FIREFLY ATTACKED TARGETS WITH ROCKETS.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....ALL SIGNS POINT TO A VERY QUICK COLLAPSE OF THE ENTIRE GERMAN STRUCTURE, POSSIBLY WITHIN A FEW DAYS, U.S. SECRETARY OF WAR STIMSON SAID TODAY THAT THERE WAS NO DOUBT THE END WAS CLOSE AT HAND. HERE ARE A FEW SIGNS;

SO FAR, 2,900,000 GERMANS HAVE SURRENDERED.

ACHIEVED WITH YUGO-SLAV FORCES TO THE EAST. ALL RESISTANCE HAS CEASED IN ITALY. TRIOSTE HAS FALLEN AND A LINK-UP

500,000 PRISONERS IN 36 HOURS. THE BRITISH CAPTURED HAMBURG ONE DAY AFTER BERLIN FELL, TAKING

THE GERMANS HAVE MADE ADMIRAL DOENITZ THEIR HEAD, AND HE IS SAID TO BE TRYING TO ESCAPE TO DENMARK WITH THE REMNANTS OF HIS FORCES. MEANWHILE SECTORS OF THE BRITISH ARMY HAVE WHEELED IN THAT DIRECTION TO CUT OFF BOTH DENMARK AND NORWAY.

DECLARED AN "OPEN CITY". THE REDS ARE COOSING IN ON KIEL. ONE REPORT SAID IT HAD BEEN

RESISTANCE IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA AND AUSTRIA IS OVER. TENS OF THOUSANDS OF GERMANS ARE LAYING DOWN ARMS.

GOOD NEWS IN BURMA. THE BRITISH, PRESSING ON FROM THEIR SURPRISE LANDING, HAVE TAKEN RANGOON. IT IS BELIEVED THAT 30,000 JAPS ARE ENCIRCLED.

DAVAO, ON MINDANAO, HAS BEEN CAPTURED BY THE YANKS AS THEY CONTINUE TO MOP UP IN THE PHILLIPINES.

ON OKINAWA, THE U.S. NAVY HAS LOST 5,551 KILLED, WOUNDED OR MISSING. TWO LIGHT SHIPS HAVE BEEN SUNK. THE YANKS' ADVANCE, HOWEVER IS ONCE MORE UNDERWAY.

B-29'S MADE 14 ATTACKS ON THE KYUSHUS IN THE PAST WEEK. AIR AND RAIL FACILITIES WERE HIT IN CHINA AND FREIGHTERS BUNKIN HONGKONG AND THE CELEBES.

THE U.S. NAVY HAS HIT THE SAKASHIMA ISLANDS.

THING'S WEVE BORGOTTEN TO MENTION.....TOOTHIE FINALLY CAUGHT A FISH. IT WAS SO SMALL HE PUT BANDS ON ITS TEETH AND THREW IT BACK.

PETTY OFFICER HANCOCK IS DOING A LOT OF CRACKER-BARREL LOBBYING FOR THAT CERTAIN POLITICAL PARTY. "LET US GO FORWARD TO A BROADER, BRIGHTER, SUNNIER CANADA", QUOTH P.O. JOHN, AND IF YOU WANT TO KNOW THE SECRET, JUST ASK HIM!

R.P.O. WALKER, WHO HAS LOOKED LIKE "ONCLE RAPE" FOR OF THE PAUL WEBB CARTOONS FOR THE PAST SIX MONTHS, FINALLY UP AND SHAVED IT OFF, HAM FOR SUPPER TONIGHT. ARF! ARF! OR SHOULD WE SAY, "ORK' ORK!"

TODAY'S STRIKE..... HERE IS A ROUNDUP OF THE DAY'S ACTIVITIES IN AIR STRIKES AGAINST ISHIGAKI, NOBARA AND ADJOINING AIRSTRIPS:

1. ONE ZIKE SNOOPER SPLASHED FROM A GREAT ALTITUDE -- TO BE EXACT 30,000 FEET.
2. THREE OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT ON THE GROUND STRUFFED AND LEFT BURNING
3. BOMB BURSTS IN THIS ATTACK DAMAGED FOUR MORE PLANES ON THE GROUND.
4. ALL AIRSTRIPS SUCCESSFULLY CRATERED AND ONE PETROL DUMP SET ON FIRE
5. AGAINST THESE SUCCESSES, ONE CORSAIR LANDED IN FLAMES ON HMS VICTORIOUS BUT THE PILOT WAS SEEN TO ESCAPE DAFELY.

TWO-DAY TOTAL: 18 PLANES DESTROYED, 4 DAMAGED. ONE OF OUR PLANES SHOT DOWN BY ACCURATE FIRE FROM OUR OWN SHIPS; TWO MORE DAMAGED.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES..... THE BIG NEWS ON THE WESTERN FRONT IS THAT THE GERMAN NAVAL COMMANDER IN CHIEF, ADMIRAL VON FREYDERBURG (APPROXIMATELY) SIGNED TERMS OF UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER TO GEN. MONTGOMERY AT 8 A.M. BRITISH TIME TODAY. THIS INVOLVED DENMARK, THE ISLANDS OFF NORTHWEST GERMANY AND ALL THE VESSELS IN THE AREA. THE SURRENDER ALSO PRESUMABLY APPLIES TO GERMAN SHIPS AT SEA, INCLUDING THE U-BOATS, BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO CONFIRMATION THAT THEY HAVE CAPITULATED. IF THEY DO, THEY WILL COME UP AT VARIOUS POINTS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC AND SIGNAL THEIR POSITION.

THE GERMANS TRIED TO MAKE A DEAL WITH MONTY ON THURSDAY. HE SENT THEM AWAY AND TOLD THEM TO COME BACK WHEN THEY WERE WILLING TO TALK UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER. THEY CAME BACK FRIDAY AND SIGNED IN TEN MINUTES.

THERE ARE NOW NO GERMAN ARMY UNITS FIGHTING IN THE NORTH-WEST OR WESTERN FRONTS, OR IN ITALY. MORE THAN 2,000,000 NAZIS HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT OF THE WAR IN THE PAST FEW DAYS, TOTAL SURRENDER IS EXPECTED DAILY IF NOT HOURLY. DOUBTLESS THEIR PROBLEM IS TO FIND AN ORGANIZATION TO MAKE THE SURRENDER

JAP RADIO CLAIMS THAT THE U-BOATS WILL FIGHT ON. WHERE THEY WILL BE SUPPLIED FROM REMAINS A MYSTERY.

IN THE PACIFIC, THE JAPS HAVE BEEN BUSY AROUND OKINAWA, TO THE NORTH OF US. ADMIRAL NIMITZ ADMITTED THAT JAP PLANES SANK 5 LIGHT VESSELS AND DAMAGED SOME OTHERS, WHILE REPORTING THAT 175 ENEMY PLANES WERE DESTROYED IN THE RYUKYUS ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.

AMERICAN CARRIER-BASED PLANES SHOT DOWN 96 JAPANESE PLANES OVER OKINAWA YESTERDAY.

ON THURSDAY NIGHT, ABOUT 600 JAP SOLDIERS ATTEMPTED A SNEAK LANDING BEHIND AMERICAN LINES ON OKINAWA, FIFTEEN LANDING CRAFT WERE SUNK AND ONE LANDING REPULSED. THE OTHERS ON THE WEST COAST HAS BEEN QUICKLY SURROUNDED.

ADMIRAL LORD LOUIS MOUNTBATTEN SAYS THAT "THE BATTLE OF BURMA HAS BEEN WON WITH THE LIBERATION OF RANGOON, AND PROMISES THAT THIS WILL PAVE THE WAY TO NEWER, HEAVIER BLOWS AGAINST THE ENEMY.

ON MINDANAO, IN THE PHILLIPINES, THE AMERICANS ARE CLEARING DAVAO IN HOUSE TO HOUSE FIGHTING. ON LUZON, IN THE NORTH, THEY ARE MOPPING UP AROUND, AND PAST BAGGIO.

PHILLIPINES-BASED PLANES HAVE BEEN RANGING FAR OUT OVER THE CHINA SEA, STRIKING AT ENEMY SHIPPING AND INSTALLATIONS.

25 TO 50 B-29'S HIT THE JAPANESE HOME ISLANDS ON HONSHU AND KYUSHU TODAY.

AUSSIE MEDICS ON NORTH BORNEO HAVE FOUND THE PEOPLE IN SHOCKING STATE WITH DISEASE, MALNUTRITION AND GAPING WOUNDS.

MAIL CALL..... MAIL ONBOARD--AND OFF--EARLY TOMORROW MORNING."DEAR MA- THERE WE WERE, SURROUNDED BY SUICIDE BOMBERS AND MIDGET SUBMARINES. BUT WAS I AFRAID? NO, MA, TO TELL THE TRUTH, I SLEPT THROUGH THE WHOLE THING"! (HOW TRUE!)

HERE IS THE TEXT OF THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE AS DELIVERED FROM THE BRIDGE OF THE SHIP AT 1900 THIS EVENING.

THIS IS THE CAPTAIN SPEAKING.

FROM WHAT I HEAR, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE ARE STILL SOME DOUBTS AS TO THE MEANING OF WHAT I PROPOSE TO ASK OF HEADQUARTERS, SO I SHALL MAKE A LAST ATTEMPT TO EXPLAIN.

1. I AM ASKING WHETHER YOU WILL, OR WILL NOT, CONTINUE TO SERVE IN THIS SHIP AND FIGHT AGAINST THE JAPANESE IN THIS OR ANY OTHER THEATRE OF WAR UNTIL THE SHIP UNDERGOES HER FIRST ANNUAL REFIT; OR, IF SHE IS BADLY SMASHED UP, HER FIRST EXTENSIVE REFIT, SHOULD THIS HAPPEN BEFORE THE ANNUAL REFIT IS DUE.

2. IF YOU AGREE TO STAY ON YOU HAVE TO DO NOTHING IN THE WAY OF SIGNING. BUT, IF YOU DO NOTHING, ~~XXX~~ YOU CANNOT CHANGE YOUR MIND BETWEEN NOW AND THE REFIT. AND YOU ARE EXPECTED NOT TO THINK, OR WRITE TO ANYONE, THAT YOU ARE KEPT HERE UNDER COMPULSION. IF YOU WANT TO GO, YOU MAY. THERE MUST BE NO DOUBT OF THAT.

3. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO STAY YOU ARE ASKED TO SIGN A FORM IN MY SECRETARY'S OFFICE BETWEEN 0800 AND 1600 TOMORROW MONDAY. THE FORM READS:

"I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I DO NOT VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE IN THE WAR AGAINST JAPAN NOR DO I VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE IN THE PACIFIC THEATRE OF WAR".

4. I SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO GET AS MANY AS POSSIBLE OF THOSE WHO DO NOT VOLUNTEER ON THEIR WAY HOME BY THE FIRST AVAILABLE MEANS AFTER GERMANY'S COLLAPSE. FROM THE LOOK OF THINGS NOW THIS WILL PROBABLY MEAN THE NEXT TIME WE COME TO THE OILING AREA - IN ABOUT FOUR DAYS TIME. IF VERY LARGE NUMBERS WANT TO LEAVE, I SHALL TRY TO BORROW FROM THE R.N. OR AUSTRALIAN NAVY TO KEEP THE SHIP GOING UNTIL CANADIAN RELIEFS CAN ARRIVE AND THIS MAY DELAY THE DEPARTURE OF THOSE WHO WANT TO GO.

5. IF WE CAN GET OVER THIS HURDLE AND THUS ENSURE THE SHIP'S KEEPING MORE OR LESS EFFICIENT, I SHALL THEN ASK THOSE WHO DO WISH TO VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE IN THE NAVY, ASHORE OR AFLOAT, UNTIL THE END OF THE JAP WAR, TO SIGN THE PRESCRIBED FORM AS SIGNALLED A FEW DAYS AGO FROM OTTAWA. SUBTRACTING THESE NAMES (IF ANY) FROM WHAT WE HAVE LEFT WILL SHOW THOSE WHO IN REALITY, ARE NOT DESIROUS OF CONTINUING. HEADQUARTERS WILL BE ASKED TO RELIEVE THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT NOT IN VERY LARGE NUMBERS AT ANY ONE TIME, SO THAT THE SHIP'S EFFICIENCY MAY BE KEPT UP. IN OTHER WORDS, IF YOU WISH TO GET OUT BUT DO NOTHING ON MONDAY, YOU ARE NOT COMMITTING YOURSELF BEYOND OUR FIRST LONG REFIT, AND YOU MAY GET AWAY SOONER.

6. TODAY I HAD QUITE A LONG LETTER FROM OTTAWA ON THE SUBJECT OF "PACIFIC LEAVE" WHICH CONCLUDES WITH THE WORDS "...YOU MAY REST ASSURED THAT IF ANY SPECIAL LEAVE IS GIVEN IN ADDITION TO NORMAL LEAVE TO PERSONNEL PROCEEDING TO THE FAR EAST, THOSE OFFICERS AND MEN NOW SERVING IN HMCS UGANDA WILL BE ENTITLED TO SUCH LEAVE WHEN THEY ARE RETURNED TO CANADA. THIS LETTER WAS WRITTEN MARCH 26TH. AND A SIGNAL OF APRIL 18TH. ESTABLISHES THAT SPECIAL LEAVE IS BEING GIVEN.

7. I WISH TO FINISH BY READING A SIGNAL FROM THE VICE ADMIRAL OF THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET TO THE ROYAL NAVY OFFICERS AND RATINGS OF THE FLEET, WHICH I THINK IS WORTHY OF STUDY, "WITH THE END OF THE WAR IN THE NORTHCOMING VERY CLOSE, I KNOW THAT ALL OF US MUST BE WISHING THAT OUR WIVES, OUR FAMILIES AND OUR FRIENDS COULD FEEL THAT WE, TOO, WERE OUT OF THE WAR. I SUGGEST THAT THE BEST THING WE CAN DO TO HELP THEM IN OUR LETTERS HOME IS TO SAY THAT TOGETHER WITH MANY THOUSANDS FROM ALL OVER THE EMPIRE, WE WITH OUR ALLIES ARE GOING ON TO FINISH THE JOB OFF PROPERLY, SO THAT PEACE, WHEN IT COMES, SHALL BE WORLD WIDE AND SO HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF LASTING. THE BEST NEWS OF ALL WE CAN GIVE THEM IS TO TELL THEM THAT WE ARE IN GOOD HEAVY.

GOOD NIGHT.

AT THIS VERY MOMENT, THE WHOLE ALLIED WORLD IS CELEBRATING THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF NAZI GERMANY, WHICH OCCURRED AT 2.41 A.M. MONDAY, FRENCH TIME. CROWDS ARE MOVING INTO PICADILLY CIRCUS, THE TRADITIONAL MEETING-PLACE IN LONDON; RED, WHITE AND BLUE BUNTING DRAPES EACH BUILDING. IN PARIS, THE CHAMPS-ELYSEES IS CROWDED WITH JUBILANT PEOPLE WHO SUFFERED ALMOST FOUR YEARS UNDER THE GERMAN YOKE. IN NEW YORK, CHEERING MILLIONS ARE MILLING IN TIMES SQUARE. TICKER TAPE IS DREAMED FROM HUNDREDS OF OFFICE WINDOWS, AND EXCITED NEW YORKERS ARE TEARING UP TELEPHONE BOOKS AND SCATTERING THE PAPER TO THE WINDS. IT IS SAFE TO SAY THAT THESE DEMONSTRATIONS ARE BEING REPEATED IN OUR OWN CITIES: VANCOUVER, WINNIPEG, TORONTO, MONTREAL AND HALIFAX.

THE WAR WITH GERMANY IS OVER. IT LASTED FIVE YEARS, EIGHT MONTHS AND FOUR DAYS, AND WAS THE GREATEST CATASTROPHE THE HUMAN RACE HAS EVER KNOWN. IT COST THE LIVES OF 20 MILLIONS OF PEOPLE, A LARGE MAJORITY OF THEM IN THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS OF NAZI GERMANY.

THE PRIME MINISTER, THAT DAUNTLESS GENTLEMAN WITH THE CIGAR WHO PREDICTED FOUR YEARS AGO THAT "THIS WOULD BE OUR FINEST HOUR", WILL SPEAK TO THE WORLD AT 10 P.M. TONIGHT, AND AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO BRING THIS SPEECH TO THE SHIP OVER THE S.R.E. HIS MAJESTY THE KING WILL SPEAK AT 4 AM.

THE ACTUAL DETAILS OF THE SIGNING OF THE ARMISTICE WERE SIMPLE. THEY WERE SIGNED AT RHEIMS, IN FRANCE, BY THE GERMAN CHIEF OF STAFF ON ORDERS FROM GRAND ADMIRAL DOENITZ. GEN. EISENHOWER WAS NOT PRESENT, BUT LATER RECEIVED GERMAN OFFICERS. THE GERMAN PEOPLE WERE TOLD THAT THEY WERE THROUGH, AND THAT THEY WERE TO EXPECT STERN TERMS FROM THE ALLIES. IN SPITE OF THIS, ONE SMALL POCKET ON CZECHOSLAVAKIA FOUGHT ON, FACING ANNIHILATION.

AND SO THE "MASTER RACE" HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO ITS KNEES. HITLER AND GOEBBELS HAVE SUICIDED; HESS IS OUT OF HIS MIND; GOERING WAS LAST REPORTED SUFFERING FROM "A SEVERE HEADACHE". AND WHAT HAS BROUGHT THIS ABOUT? INSPIRED ALLIED LEADERSHIP - HOW DEARLY WE WISH THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT COULD HAVE BEEN SPARED ANOTHER MONTH, TO SEE HIS LABORS CROWNED WITH SUCCESS. - AND BY THE "BLOOD, TOIL, SWEAT AND TEARS" OF MILLIONS OF LITTLE PEOPLE.

IN THE WINNING OF THIS VICTORY, THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY CAN TAKE A MODICUM OF PRIDE. HER BASIC JOB WAS CONVOY ESCORT - TO DELIVER THE TOOLS WITH WHICH TO FINISH THE JOB - AND STARTING FROM SCRATCH, SHE DID IT BLOODY WELL. BY HER EFFORTS, AND THOSE OF HER HALLANT BROTHERS-IN-ARMS, SHE HAS EMERGED FROM THIS WAR WITH THE SAME PRESTIGE SHE WON IN THE LAST GREAT WORLD WAR.

EDITORIAL

MOST OF US IN HMCS UGANDA HAVE NOW SEEN TWO OF THE TRO-PARTITE AXIS GO DOWN FOR THE COUNT. IN THE SUMMER OF 1943, WE SAW THE ILL-GUIDED ITALIANS KNOCKED OUT. TODAY WE WITNESS A BADLY BATTERED GERMAN NATION TOSS ON THE TOWEL.

THERE REMAINS THE JAPS. HOW LONG THEY CAN HOLD OUT IS DEBATABLE. SOON OUR HEAVY BOMBERS, OUR SHIPS AND OUR MEN WILL BE POURING INTO THIS THEATRE. PERHAPS THEY WILL REALIZE THAT TO CONTINUE WOULD BE FUTILE. NOBODYX HAS EVER ACCUSED THE JAPANESE OF STUPIDITY. ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY MAY BE PREPARED TO COMMIT NATIONAL HARKARI RATHER THAN LOSE FACE. NO INCLINATION OF ANY FEELING ONE WAY OR ANOTHER HAS YET BEEN DETECTED, EXCEPT FOR A RADIO BROADCAST IN WHICH THEY BLAME THE GERMANS FOR MAKING SO MANY MISTAKES.

BEYOND A FEW SCATTERED PILOTS AND AIRMEN, AND NAVAL TYPES SERVING ON LOAN TO THE ROYAL NAVY, WE IN HMCS UGANDA TODAY ARE THE ONLY CANADIANS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN FIGHTING THIS PACIFIC WAR. THE EYES OF OUR COUNTRY ARE ON US. WE CARRY THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PRESTIGE OF ALL CANADIAN FORCES - A PRESTIGE DEARLY WON AT DIEPPE, THE SCHELDTE, CAEN AND THE ZUYDER ZEE. LET US SET OURSELVES TO THIS NEW TASK SO THAT, WHEN THE FINAL RECKONING IS MADE, WE CAN SAY: "WELL DONE - WE SAW THE JOB THROUGH TO THE END"!

HERE ARE SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR MOST EXCITING DAY'S ACTION TO DATE:

1. AS YET 2230 NO REPORT FROM FORMIDABLE OR VICTORIOUS OF CASUALTIES.
 2. OUR SUCCESSES FOR THE DAY: ALL SIRFIELDS CLOBBERED, SOME MOTOR VEHICLES WRECKED ONE JUDY DISCOVERED IN A CAVE AND SET AFIRE, ANOTHER DESTROYED ON GROUND, ONE DESTROYED ON AIR BY SEAFIRE, TWO KAMAKAZES SHOT DOWN, (ONE BY HOWE, ONE BY ~~XXXX~~ FORMIDABLE) AND THREE SELF DESTROYED. TOTAL, 8 ENEMY PLANES.
 3. OUR LOSSES: ONE CORSAIR TO FLAK, UNSTATED DAMAGE TO CARRIERS FORMIDABLE AND VICTORIOUS.
 4. THE ATTACKING FORCE OF SUICIDE PLANES THIS EVENING IS NOW RECKONED AT 5 OR 6 PLANES. TWO DRIFTED TANTALIZINGLY THROUGH ALL ACK-ACK TO CRASH ON THE DECK OF VICTORIOUS; A THIRD WAS SHOT DOWN IN FLAMES BY HOWE; ONE CRASHED ON THE DECK OF FORMIDABLE, ONE WAS CLAIMED DESTROYED BY FORMIDABLE.
 5. THE ATTACKERS VERY NEARLY CAUGHT US BY SURPRISE, ILLUSTRATING THE SHREWDNESS OF THEIR LOW-LEVEL ATTACKS. THE ACTION BEGAN AT 1650 AND ENDED AT 1725.
 6. EACH CARRIER IN THE FLEET HAS NOW BEEN ATTACKED BY SUICIDE PLANES AT LEAST ONCE.
 7. EASILY THE MOST SPECTACULAR RAID OF THE DAY WAS THE ONE ON FORMIDABLE, AND IN DEALING WITH IT, THE ROYAL NAVY GAVE US SOME LESSONS IN SKILL AND DETERMINATION UNDER FIRE. HER DAMAGE CONTROL PARTY HAD THE RAGING FIRE UNDER CONTROL IN 15 MINUTES, SO THAT SHE WAS ABLE TO MAKE ANY COURSE AND SPEED THE FLEET COULD SET. THE MOST THRILLING SIGHT OF THE DAY WAS TO SEE HER ACK-ACK BELCHING OUT OF THE MIDDLE OF THE SMOKE AND FLAMES AT THE FIFTH ATTACKER. ALTHOUGH SURROUNDED BY THE CONFLAGRATION, HER GUNNERS WOULDN'T BUDGE AN INCH AND KEPT POURING SHELLS AT THE ENEMY.
 8. AFTER THE ACTION OUR CAPTAIN SENT A SIGNAL: "OUR SINCERE ADMIRATION" TO WHICH THE "FORMY" REPLIED: "THANK YOU. MUCH APPRECIATED".
 9. PARACHUTES WERE SEEN IN THE WATER AFTER THE ATTACKS ON VICTORIOUS. ONE THEORY IS THAT AT LEAST ONE CAME FROM THE PILOT WHO DOVE INTO THE KILLING FIRE OF HOWE, AND WAS SHOT OUT OF HIS PLANE.
 10. ABOUT 1830 SHIPS ON THE STARBOARD HAND OPENED FIRE ON AN OBJECT IN THE WATER, BELIEVED TO BE A MINE.
 11. UGANDA OPENED UP ON THE ENEMY PLANES WITH "B" TURRET AND "Y" AS WELL AS CERTAIN CLOSE-RANGE WEAPONS. SHE DID NOT SCORE A HIT.
 12. WHEN THE ACTION WAS CONCLUDED, SEVERAL HANDS ASKED TO HAVE THEIR NON-VOLUNTEER CHITS TORN UP. THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY OUR SISTER SHIPS BEHAVED WHICH INSPIRED A FEELING OF DEEP HUMILITY.
- WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....ADMIRAL NIMITZ, SPEAKING TO HIS MEN IN THE OKINAWA AREA TODAY, SAID: "WE DON'T COUNT ON A QUICK END TO OUR WAR. THERE IS FAR TOO MUCH HARD WORK AND HARD FIGHTING AHEAD TO AFFORD ANY CELEBRATION AT THE MOMENT". HE ANNOUNCED THE SINKING OF 6 JAPANESE SHIPS OFF KOREA.
- AMERICANS IN THE PACIFIC TODAY EXPRESSED THANKS THAT "HALF OF AMERICA'S JOB WAS DONE", BUT EXPRESSED A NEW DETERMINATION TO SEE THE PACIFIC WAR THROUGH TO VICTORY.
- THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE WAS SUSPENDED FOR A MOMENT'S THANKSGIVING AND SILENCE.
- IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE 40 MILLION CIVILIANS AND MILITARY CASUALTIES DURING THE 5 YEARS AND 8 MONTHS OF THE EUROPEAN WAR. UP TO APRIL 1ST, U.S. ARMY CASUALTIES WERE MORE THAN 732,000, WITH 140,000 OF THESE KILLED, 472,000 WOUNDED AND 72,000 MISSING.
- IN ALL, THE EUROPEAN WAR INVOLVED ABOUT 27 MILLION MEN ON BOTH SIDES. AT THE PEAK, THE ALLIES HAD 16,000,000 IN THE ARMED FORCES AND UNDERGROUND.
- THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS SPENT \$275,703,000,000 SO FAR ON BOTH WARS. PRESIDENT TRUMAN CELEBRATED HIS BIRTHDAY TODAY. HE IS 61.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....HERMANN GOERING WAS CAPTURED YESTERDAY IN WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS "THE GREATEST BAG" (WIND) YET TO FALL TO THE ALLIES. HE TOLD A SAD, SAD STORY TO HIS CAPTORS. IT WAS TO THE EFFECT THAT HE HAD SUGGESTED TO HITLER THAT HE TAKE OVER COMMAND OF THE REMNANTS OF BATTERED GERMANY, AND DER FUERHER WAS SO ANNOYED HE HAD SENTENCED HIM TO DEATH. FIELD MARSHAL KESSELRING WAS ALSO CAPTURED.

ADMIRAL NIMITZ HAS SENT A SIGNAL: "THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET HAS GIVEN INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE TO US DURING THE BATTLE OF OKINAWA AND HAS QUICKLY ADAPTED ITSELF TO AMERICAN TACTICS. WE SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE AND HAVE THE SAME PURPOSE. I HOPE FURTHER BRITISH NAVAL FLEETS WILL BE SENT BERE".

ABOUT 300 SS (ELITE) TROOPS HAVE BEEN CAUGHT IN A POCKET IN GERMANY THE BRITISH MARKED OFF THE SS AREA AND GERMAN SOLDIERS AND MARINES WERE SENT IN TO CLEAR OUT THEIR OWN MEN!

RETREATING JAPS IN BURMA ARE OFFERING STIFF RESISTANCE TO THE BRITISH FORCES.

A CHINESE REPORT TELLS OF NEW CHINESE VICTORIES IN BUNAN PROVINCE, SAYING "THEY ARE GENERAL".

THE MAYOR OF JERSEY CITY, "BOSS" HAGUE, HAS AGAIN BEEN ELECTED MAYOR, A POST HE HAS HELD SINCE 1917.

COME ACROSS.....TWO ROYAL NAVY OFFICERS WERE TRANSFERRED TO UGANDA TODAY BY BREECHES BUOY, AND THEY SHARE THE DISTINCTION(?) OF BEING THE FIRST EVER BROUGHT ON BOARD AT SEA IN THAT FASHION. THEY ARE LIEUT. H. HUTCHISON, A FIGHTER DIRECTION OFFICER WHO WILL BE WITH US FOR A SPELL, AND A WARRANT TEL. WHOSE NAME WE DIDN'T CATCH. HE IS AN OVERNIGHT GUEST. (MR. PARKIN) TAR PAPER SABOTAGE.....SEVERAL CASES HAVE OCCURRED LATELY, PARTICULARLY IN THE HEADS FLATS, OF TAR PAPERS BEING TORN OFF THE NOTICE BOARDS JUST A FEW MINUTES AFTER BEING POSTED. SINCE WE ARE LIMITED BY THE PAPER SHORTAGE (AND THE CAPACITIES OF OUR Mimeo) TO 24 COPIES A DAY, THIS SEEMS LIKE A HIGHLY UNFAIR PRACTICE AS THE PURPOSE OF THE SHEET IS TO REACH AS MANY OF THE SHIP'S COMPANY AS POSSIBLE. WE DONT CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE BULLETIN AFTER IT'S BEEN UP 24 HOURS, THE LUG CAUGHT TEARING DOWN ONE AFTER AN EARLY POSTING WILL BE PUBLICLY FLAILED IN THE EDITORIAL COLUMNS OF THE INFLUENTIAL ORGAN, HEREAFTER. (KAFFKAFF)

SHOW TONIGHT.....CHIEFS AND POS WILL SEE A MOVIE TONIGHT IN THE PORT HAMBAR CALLED "HANGMEN ALSO DIE", PROP ABANDA BUT POTENT--2 1/2 HOURS LONG. BY THE WAY, WOU WILL NOTICE THAT WE CALLED IT A MOVIE. THE FIRST GUY WHO CALLS IT A CINEMA SHOW WILL GET IT RAMMED DOWN HIS THROAT, (WE'RE TOUGH TODAY)

SPORTS PAGE.....HERE'S AN EXTRACT FROM HOME NEWS. IT MAY BE OLD NOW, BUT WE PASS IT ALONG FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH. "IN THE MEMORIAL CUP FINALS, AS PREDICTED AWAY BACK EARLY IN THE SEASON, ITS MOOSE JAW CANUCKS VS. TORONTO ST MIKES. DOWN EAST THER'RE GIVING ODDS THAT ST. MIKES WILL COME UP WITH THE TITLE. BUT THE WESTERN REPRESENTATIVES LOOK PRETTY GOOD TO THE FOLKS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE GREAT LAKES. THE CANUCKS HAD LITTLE OR NO TROUBLE WINNING IN THEIR OWN LEAGUE AND PROVINCE, AND THEN THEY KNOCKED OFF THE BEST IN ALBERTA AND SASKATCHEWAN JUST AS HANDILY. THE BEAT EDMONTON CANADIANS FOUR STRAIGHT GAMES AND WON FOUR TIMES FROM WINNIPEG MONARCHS AGAINST ONE LOSS".

AMERICAN LEAGUE-- CHICAGO 6 PHILLIES 4; CLEVELAND 2 BOSTON 1; DETROIT 4 YANKEES 1. NATIONAL LEAGUE. BROOKLYN 6 ST. LOUIS 3; PHILLIES 5 CHICAGO 2; PITTSBURGH 9 BOSTON 5; GIANTS 6 CINCINNATI 1. INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE. TORONTO 7 SYRACUSE 4; ROCHESTER 8 NEWARK 2; JERSEY CITY 5 MONTREAL 4;

HERE ARE THE PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE STANDINGS:

PORTLAND	25	11	LOS ANGELES	17	20
OAKLAND	20	16	SAN FRANCISCO	13	22
SAN DIEGO	20	17	HOLLYWOOD	11	25
SEATTLE	19	17			

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....THERE IS SOME IMPROVEMENT IN THE SITUATION ON OKINAWA. THE YANKS HAVE BEEN REINFORCED TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE NOW ABLE TO FIGHT IN TWO SHIFTS, ALLOWING ONE SHIFT TO REST AT A TIME, AND THUS KEEPING THE JAPS ON THE DEFENSIVE DAY AND NIGHT. THE 10TH. DIVISION HAS CONTINUED ITS ADVANCE AROUND NAHA, INFLECTING HEAVY CASUALTIES. THE AMERICANS CLAIM 36,000 JAPS KILLED AND THE JAPS, 14,000 AMERICANS KILLED.

A BROADCAST FROM OVERSEAS TODAY SAID THAT THE AMERICANS WILL MAKE A QUICK SWITCHOVER FROM EUROPE TO THE PACIFIC, AND MEN WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY HERE WITHOUT A FURLOUGH AT HOME. THEY EXPECT TO POUR 7 MILLION MEN INTO THE PACIFIC, WITH FULL EQUIPMENT, IN THE NEXT NINE MONTHS.

ALTHOUGH SOME GERMANS ARE STILL FIGHTING IN SCATTERED AREAS OF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA, THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS ARE POURING INTO RUSSIAN PRISON CAMPS IN LATVIA.

FORTY EIGHT GERMAN SHIPS HAVE SURRENDERED TO THE BRITISH AT COPENHAGEN, AND U-BOATS ARE RETURNING TO THEIR BASES, AS ORDERED.

MR. CHURCHILL GAVE BRITISH CIVVIES SOME GOOD NEWS TODAY IN THE HOUSE, WHEN HE ANNOUNCED THAT THEY COULD GO ON AN "A CARD" PETROL (GASOLINE) RATION IN ABOUT A MONTH. THIS WILL GIVE THEM ABOUT 125 MILES OF MOTORING A MONTH TO START WITH, AND IT WILL SOON GET BETTER, HE PROMISED.

UNITED STATES B-29'S HAVE STAGED THE BIGGEST AIR RAID YET ON THE JAPANESE HOMELAND. 400 OF THEM RAINED THOUSANDS OF BOMBS ON THE IMPORTANT HARBOR OF KOBE.

JAPANESE RADIOS TELLING OF AND AIR STRIKE BY KAMIKAZE (SUICIDE) PILOTS AGAINST THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET ON WEDNESDAY, GAVE AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF THE ACTION, SAYING THAT TWO CARRIERS WERE LEFT BURNING BADLY. THIS WOULD INDICATE THAT THEY HAD AT LEAST ONE "SNOOPER" IN THE AREA.

VIKUNG QUISLING, WHOSE NAME BECAME SYNONYMOUS WITH "TRAITOR", SURRENDERED TODAY AT THE OSLO POLICE STATION.

MAXIME WEYGAND IS TO GO ON TRIAL IN FRANCE.

THE GERMANS AT DUNKIRK HAVE SURRENDERED. (SORRY, WE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THEY WERE THERE).

U.S. FORCES FROM PERSIA HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE CHINA THEATRE.

IN BURMA, BRITISH TROOPS DRIVING DOWN THE IRAWADDY RIVER VALLEY HAVE LINKED UP WITH BRITISH TROOPS COMING IN FROM THE ARAKAN COAST.

THE CHINESE REPORT THAT 2600 JAPANESE TROOPS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN HONAN PROVINCE. THE ENTIRE JAP LINE HAS CRUMBLLED. THEY WERE TRYING TO REACH THE SITE OF THE U.S. AIRFIELD AT CHI-CHIANG.

THREE MEN LEAVE SHIP.....AN OFFICER AND TWO RATINGS LEFT UGANDA TODAY BY BREECHES BUOY RETURNING TO CANADA ON COMPASSIONATE DRAFTS. LIEUT. WALTER BREBNER OF TORONTO LEARNED THAT HIS FATHER HAD PASSED AWAY. THE OTHER TWO MEN LEAVING WERE STOKER PO. GRAHAM, WHO IS BOUND FOR HALIFAX, AND STOKER PO. LABONVILLE, WHO IS HEADING FOR CALGARY. WE ARE SORRY TO SEE THESE MEN GO AND WISH THEM BON VOYAGE.

TAR PAPER SABOTAGE.....DESPITE OUR APPEAL IN YESTERDAY'S PAPER, COPIES OF THE TAR PAPER WERE AGAIN RIPPED OFF THE NOTICE BOARDS. A SUGGESTION HAS BEEN MADE THAT WE PUT IT UNDER WIRE NETTING, BUT WE DONT WANT TO DO THAT. NEITHER DO WE WANT TO REDUCE THE CIRCULATION, IF IT CAN BE AVOIDED. HOW ABOUT PLAYING BALL, MEN? ALL WE NEED IS A LITTLE CO-OPERATION.

CLIPPINGS.....DONT THROW OUT YOUR CANADIAN CLIPPINGS! THEY MAY BE OF INTEREST FOR THE TAR PAPER, THE RADIO BROADCAST, OR FOR THE SHIP'S SCRAP-BOOK, NOW BEING ASSEMBLED. PASS THEM ALONG TO LIEUT. KEATE, DABIN 6, RADAR ELAT, WHEN YOUR'E THROUGH WITH THEM.

JOKE DEPT. RIBBING LIEUT. LEVKOFF, LIEUT. MILLS TOLD THE STORY OF THE ENGLISHMAN WHO SAID: "THE YANKS ARE OVER-SIZED, OVER-PAID, OVER-SEXED AND OVER HERE" TO WHICH LIEUT. LEVKOFF REPLIED; "YEAH, AND THE ENGLISH ARE UNDER-SIZED, UNDER-SEXED, UNDER-PAID AND UNDER EISENHOWER"! BEING CANADIANS, WE CAN LAUGH..

OUR AIR ARM HAD A VERY BUSY DAY TODAY, WITH GOOD RESULTS. HERE ARE SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS FROM SIGNALS:

STRIKE "A"--ATTACKED ISHIGAKI AND MIYARA RUNWAYS WHICH WERE ACCURATELY BOMBED AND ALL NOW UNSERVICEABLE. NO NEW AIRCRAFT SEEN AND NO SIGN OF ANY ACTIVITY. ONE OF OUR AVENGERS DITCHED ON ACCOUNT OF ENGINE TROUBLE. ONE FIGHTER LOST ATTACKING MIYARA. SIXTEEN OF OUR PLANES ROCKETED ISHIGAKE.

STRIKE "B"--OBTAINED FOUR HITS ON HIRARA RUNWAY AND TEN ON NOBARA. NO NEW AIRCRAFT OBSERVED. MEAGRE HEAVY FLAK.

STRIKE "D"--BOMBED A HEAVY FLAK BATTERY AND ON HIRARA, A BARRACKS AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. SMOKE MADE OBSERVATION DIFFICULT. FIREFLIES ROCK-ETED TWO RADIO STATIONS, ONE OF WHICH WAS DAMAGED.

STRIKE "E"--BOMBED ENTRANCES TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE DEPOTS AND CAMOU-FLAGED BUILDINGS IN THE VICINITY OF HIRARA. AIRFIELD INTERSECTION WAS ALSO BOMBED AND CRATERED. THREE S/E AND ONE TWIN-ENGINEED AIRCRAFT POSSIBLY A NEELIE WHICH WERE REPORTED AT HIRARA A.M. TODAY WERE STRAFED AND DAMAGED. TWIN-ENGINEED CONSIDERED OPERATIONAL AND OTHERS DOUBTFUL.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....U.S. MARINES ARE MAKING GOOD ADVANCES ON OKINAWA AND ARE NOW JUST HALF A MILE FROM THE CAPITAL CITY OF NAHA. FOUR DIVISIONS OF THE U.S. 10TH. ARMY LAUNCHED THEIR STRONGEST ATTACK OF THE OKINAWA CAMPAIGN FRIDAY DESPITE NUMEROUS ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACKS THROUGHOUT FRIDAY NIGHT. ADMIRAL NIMITZ ADMITTED THAT JAP ATTACKS ON SHIP AND SHORE INSTALLATIONS HAD DAMAGED THREE SMALL AMERICAN UNITS, BUT ADDED THAT 44 OF THEIR PLANES HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN. PRACTICALLY ALL THE ENEMY ATTACKING ON LAND WERE KILLED.

ON LUZON, GEN. MACARTHUR'S TROOPS ARE WIPING OUT THE REMAINING POCKETS THE AMERICAN 3RD., LANDING ON MINDANAO IN THE SOUTHERN PHILLIPINES INVADED THE NORTH COAST AND ARE NOW PUSHING INLAND RAPIDLY. THIS NEW LANDING AT THE REAR OF THE JAP LINES TRAPS THE MAIN JAP FORCE.

AUSTRALIANS HAVE ADVANCED TWO MILES IN BORNEO, AND ARE THREE MILES CLOSER TO WEWAK IN NEW GUINEA. THEY HAVE CUT ACROSS THE WHOLE NORTHERN SECTOR IN BOUGAINVILLE.

PHILLIPINE-BASED BOMBERS STARTED BIG FIRES ON TWO AIRFIELDS IN CANTON OTHER ALLIED FORCES ATTACKED TARGETS ON FORMOSA AND SURROUNDING ISLANDS.

ALLIED BOMBERS WRECKED HARBOR FACILITIES ON SAIGON, RENDERING THE BASE USELESS FOR SOME TIME.

ACCORDING TO RADIO TOKYO, THE JAPS SANK 4 YANK TRANSPORTS ON APRIL 27TH. AND AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER MAY 7TH. IN THE OKINAWA AREA.

SHANGHAI RADIO SAYS THAT AMERICAN LOSSES IN OKINAWA IN THE TWO WEEKS BETWEEN APRIL 29TH. AND MAY 7TH. ARE 12,600. THEY ALSO SAY THAT TWO UNIDENTIFIED UNITS OF THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET WERE DAMAGED ON THURSDAY (WHEN WE WERE IN THE FUELLING AREA!)

AMERICAN LOSSES ON ALL FRONTS FROM THE OUTBREAK OF WAR TO APRIL 30TH WERE 857,709.

CONSCRIPTION WILL CONTINUE IN ENGLAND FOR SOME TIME.

THE BIG THREE, CHURCHILL, STALIN AND TRUMAN, WILL MEET SOON IN NEW YORK. THE EXACT DATE HAS NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED.

120,000 GERMAN PRISONERS IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA WERE GIVEN A MONTH'S FOOD RATION AND TOLD TO FIND THEIR OWN WAY HOME. JAP RADIO SAYS THIS IS "LEAVING THEM TO UTTER STARVATION". (GUESS THEY NEVER TRIED THOSE "K" RATIONS!)

SPORTS PAGE.....DEN BEAUTIFUL BUMS, THE BROOKLYN DODGERS, SHUT OUT THE CHICAGO ST. LOUIS CARDINALS, 8-0.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....HEINRICH HIMMLER, THE HEAD NAZI GAULETIER, HAS BEEN CAPTURED. HE WILL STAND TRIAL IN LONDON ALONG WITH GOERING, HESS AND OTHER NAZI BIG-WIGS ON WAR CRIMINAL CHARGES. HE IS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF THOUSANDS, IN CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

150 JAPANESE DIPLOMATS AND NATIONALS, INCLUDING THE JAP AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN AND FOUR NEWSPAPER SCRIBES, HAVE BEEN CAPTURED IN BERLIN BY THE U.S. 7TH. ARMY.

GERMAN SUBMARINES ARE BOBBING UP ALL OVER THE PLACE TO SURRENDER. ONE CAME UP OFF NEW JERSEY AND WAS TAKEN IN TOW, ANOTHER CALLED INTO GIBRALTAR. IT HAD BEEN PATROLLING THE MEDITERRANEAN.

THE AMERICANS ARE MAKING GOOD PROGRESS ON OKINAWA. THEY ARE NOW FIGHTING IN THE SUBURBS OF NAHA, THE CAPITAL CITY OF THE SOUTHERN SECTOR AND KEY TO THE AIRPORTS. THE JAPS CLAIM THAT THEY ARE GOING TO WIN THE BATTLE OF OKINAWA, BUT ALL EVIDENCE OF THE PAST FEW DAYS HAS BEEN TO THE CONTRARY, WITH THE YANKS MAKING STEADY GAINS.

THE GERMANS ARE STILL FIGHTING IN SOME SECTORS OF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA. HITLER'S BODY GUARDS DRESSED THEMSELVES IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND HAVE BEEN STAGING NIGHT RIOTS AGAINST THE RUSSIANS IN BERLIN.

THE SAN FRANCISCO RADIO SAID TODAY THAT ONE AMERICAN DESTROYER HAD SHOT DOWN 19 JAP PLANES IN ONE OPERATION. THE TAR PAPER CLASSIFIES THIS IN ITS "UH-HUH DEPARTMENT".

THE JAP-HELD ISLANDS OF TRUK AND WAKE HAVE BEEN BOMBED.

THE AMERICANS HAVE ADVANCED 14 MILES INLAND ON MINDANAO.

NAZI AND ALLIED OFFICERS ARE CONFERRING ON THE SURRENDER OF THE REMAINING GERMAN TROOPS.

RUSSIANS HAVE CAPTURED 700,000 ADDITIONAL TROOPS AND 63 GENERALS ON THE EASTERN FRONT.

TEN GERMAN U-BOATS HAVE ENTERED BRITISH PORTS.

RADIO TOKYO TODAY SAID THAT A TOTAL OF 515 UNITED STATES VESSELS HAD BEEN SUNK OR DAMAGED IN LESS THAN 50 DAYS AROUND OKINAWA. THAT'S AN AVERAGE OF MORE THAN TEN A DAY. THEY CLAIM 28 BATTLESHIPS SUNK AND 31 CARRIERS, ADDING THAT "THE ENDLESS NUMBERS OF JAPANESE ONE-WAY AERIAL RAMMERS WILL PROVE A BIG FACTOR IN THE FINAL JAPANESE VICTORY."

EDWARD KENNEDY OF ASSOCIATED PRESS HAS BEEN BANNED FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE BECAUSE OF HIS PREMATURE RELEASE OF ARMISTICE NEWS.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE DRAFTING MEN FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER YEAR.

THE JAPS CLAIM THAT THE AMERICANS SANK THE OAHU MARU, A MERCY SHIP, IN CHINA SEA WATERS, WHILE RETURNING FROM DELIVERING RELIEF GOODS TO AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR IN CHINA. THEY ARE MAKING A PROTEST TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

TODAY'S STRIKE.....NO OFFICIAL SIGNALS ON THE RESULTS OF TODAY'S STRIKES AT PRESS TIME. WE HAVE ONE ITEM OF GOOD NEWS - A SUBMARINE HAS RESCUED THREE AIR ARM MEN OF THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET WHO WERE FORCED TO DITCH YESTERDAY. ANOTHER TWO WERE PICKED UP BY A DESTROYER. ALL UNINJURED.

DATES WANTED.....WHEN IS YOUR BIRTHDAY? THE UGANDA TAR PAPER PLANS TO LIST A DAILY SALUTE TO THOSE CELEBRATING, AND ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS DROP A SLIP OF PAPER, WITH YOUR NAME, MESS AND BIRTHDAY IN TO CABIN 6, RADAR FLAT. MAYBIE COOKIE WILL BAKE YOU A CAKE OR SOMETHING!

TODAY'S CRACK.....WE NOMINATE FOR TODAY'S SHIP'S WIT THE GMY WHO KINED UP AT THE GALLEY AT OON TODAY AND EXCLAIMED:

"PHOOEY - CHICKEN AGAIN!!!"

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CANADIAN NEWS.....THE EIGHTH VICTORY LOAN HAS GONE OVER THE TOP BACK HOME, WITH THE NAVY SUBSCRIBING 117% OF QUOTA, RUNNING THIRD BEHIND THE AIRFORCE AND ARMY. ONLY DETERRENT FACTOR THIS TIME WAS THE ARMISTICE, WHEN PEOPLE WERE SO BUSY CELEBRATING THE VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY THAT THEY FORGOT TO BUY BONDS.

YESTERDAY WAS "THANKSGIVING DAY" IN CANADIAN CHURCHES SPECIAL SERVICES WERE HELD ALL ACROSS THE DOMINION.

PRIMEMINISTER CHURCHILL HAS WRITTEN MACKENZIE KING A LETTER, CONGRATULATING THE CANADIAN PEOPLE FOR THEIR SPLENDID WAR EFFORT. HE PARTICULARLY CITED THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE R.C.N., THE BRITISH EMPIRE COMMONWEALTH AIR TRAINING PLAN, AND THE SUPERB FIGHTING OF OUR ARMY IN ITALY AND THE WESTERN FRONT.

"FIRSTBOUT" OF THE CANADIAN ARMY WILL BE THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED MORE THAN FOUR YEARS AND HAVE BEEN WOUNDED, IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED. CONSCRIPTION ENDS IN CANADA THIS WEEK. ("VIVE LE PATRIE")

THE CANADIAN MINESWEEPER HMCS GUYSBOROUGH IS REPORTED SUNK, AS WELL AS HMCS TRENTONIAN. IN THE LATTER ACTION WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE BRISTOL CHANNEL ONE OFFICER AND FIVE RATINGS WERE LOST.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....MR. CHURCHILL HAS MADE HIS SPEECH TO THE EMPIRE, AND AS USUAL HE WAS IN MASTERFUL FORM. AMONG THE HIGHLIGHTS WERE THE FACT THAT THE BRITISH WILLINGLY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE STRENGTH OF THEIR ARMY IN EUROPE, WITH THE CANADIANS, WAS ONLY ONE-THIRD THAT OF THE AMERICANS; AND THAT WE WOULD LEND ALL AID WE COULD TO THE U.S. IN THE PACIFIC, AND SO WIPE OUT THE HORRIBLE UNJUSTICES INFLECTED ON US BY THE JAPS. HE PAID WARM TRIBUTE TO THE WORK OF THE ROYAL NAVY, AND SINGLED OUT MONTGOMERY AND ALEXANDER AS GREAT, UNDEFEATED GENERALS WHOSE RECORDS WOULD SHINE IN BRITISH MILITARY HISTORY. HE ALSO WOUND UP WITH A GOOD, HEALTHY CHURCHILLIAN CRACK AT EAMON DE VALERA AND SAID THAT IF "IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE WARM FRIENDSHIP OF NORTH IRELAND, WE WOULD HAVE HAD TO COME TO CLOSE QUARTERS WITH EIRE". AT THE SAME TIME, HE MENTIONED THE MANY THOUSANDS OF LOYAL EIRE MEN WHO HAD RUSHED TO ARMS REGARDLESS OF THE DECREE OF THEIR LEADER. HE POINTED OUT THAT AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND CANADA HAD A STAKE IN THE PACIFIC WAR AND THAT THE BRITISH "WOULD NOT IN ANY WAY LET THEIR POSITION BECOME JEOPARDIZED" BY THE AMBITIONS OF THE JAPS.

THE REPORT YESTERDAY THAT HEINRICH HIMMLER HAD BEEN CAPTURED WAS TODAY DENIED. A CORRESPONDENT, CHESTER WILMOT OF THE B.B.S. (NOT GERRY WHO BROADCASTS THE CANADIAN NEWS), SAID THAT HIMMLER WAS STILL IN THE VICINITY OF MONTGOMERY'S HEADQUARTERS, BUT THAT HE HAD NOT YET BEEN PICKED UP. IT IS GENERALLY ESTIMATED THAT IF HE COMES TO TRIAL WITH GOERING AND HESS THE THREE WILL BE HANGED.

ANTHONY EDEN IS ON HIS WAY HOME FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE. HE WILL STOP OFF IN WASHINGTON TO SEE PRES. TRUMAN ON HIS WAY BACK.

IN THE PACIFIC WAR-- THE AUSSIES ARE CLOSING IN ON WEWAK, IN NEW GUINEA; THE CHINESE ARE BREAKING INTO FU-CHOW, WHICH THE JAPS HAVE HELD FOR 4 YEARS; AND THE 14TH. ARMY IN BURMA HAS CAPTURED A KEY VILLAGE ON THE JAPS' ESCAPE ROUTE. NO WORD TODAY FROM OKINAWA.

FLEET STREET.....NO REPORT ON THE PILOT WHOSE PLANE WENT OVER THE SIDE THIS MORNING. OBSERVERS SAY HIS CHANCES OF SURVIVAL ARE SLIM, AS THE PLANE SEEMED TO DIVE RIGHT DOWN AFTER CRASHING. A DESTROYER WAS DETACHED TO LOOK FOR HIM.

ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF YESTERDAY'S STRIKE WAS THE STARTING OF THREE MAJOR OIL FIRES NORTH OF HIRARA. EIGHT CAMOUFLAGED BARGES WERE HIT AND A CAMOUFLAGED RADIO STATION STRAFFED. THERE WAS NO AIR ACTIVITY REPORTED.

MOVIES ON TAP....."HANGMEN ALSO DIE" IS JUST ABOUT PACKED UP AT THE WINNER WONDERLAND, THAT POPULAR LITTLE SHOOTING GALLERY IN THE LEE OF THE FORWARD FUNNEL. NOW THEY'RE SHOWING "THE WHITE CLIFFS OF DOVER" WITH IRENE DUNNE, AND CHIEFS AND PO'S ARE BILLED FOR TOMORROW NIGHT'S SHOWING.

HOW ABOUT A LITTLE PRE-SHOW MUSIC BY THE CORN GOBBLERS?

CANADIAN NEWS.....IN A LETTER TO YE ED., PAUL MALONE OF CANBERRA WRITES: " I HAVE BEEN APPOINTED RETURNING OFFICER FOR THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS FOR THIS AREA, WHICH COMPRISES YOUR ESTABLISHMENT. VOTING WILL BEGIN ON MAY 30 AND IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR ME TO HAVE THE VOTES BACK HERE FOR COUNTING BY JUNE 11. THE BALLOTS OF COURSE, WILL BE SENT UP BEFOREHAND...I AM HOPING THAT YOUR ESTABLISHMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE SO THAT YOU ALL WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE".

SIR ERNEST MACMILLAN, THE NOTED CANADIAN CONDUCTOR OF TORONTO IS HAVING A VERY SUCCESSFUL TOUR OF AUSTRALIA.

WHEN HMCS GUYSBOROUGH WAS SUNK (APPARENTLY NOT FAR FROM IRELAND) 63 OUT OF A CREW OF 90 WERE LOST. PO. DENNY WALKER OF VICTORIA, FORMER OLYMPIC SWIMMER, TOLD HOW 42 MEN WERE CLINGING TO ONE RAFT. AT THE END OF 12 HOURS, THERE WERE ONLY 12 LEFT, AND OF THESE, SIX SUBSEQUENTLY DIED FROM EXPOSURE.

HMCS ANNAN HAS SUNK A GERMAN U-BOAT AND TAKEN PRISONERS. THREE OFFICERS AND SIX RATINGS WERE DECORATED. SEVEN OF ANNAN'S CREW WERE WOUNDED BY ENEMY GUNFIRE BUT THEY ALL RECOVERED.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....500 AMERICAN SUPER-FORTS HAVE RAINED 1,250,000 FIRE BOMBS ON WAR MUNITIONS PLANTS IN THE THIRD JAP CITY OF NAGOYA. THEY WERE PURED OUT AT THE RATE OF 40 TONS A MINUTE, AND 16 OF THE CITY'S 61 SQUARE MILES HAVE BEEN DEVASTATED. AIRCRAFT FACTORIES AND MUNITIONS PLANTS WERE HIT. FLAK WAS MEAGRE AND ONLY A FEW AMERICAN PLANES WERE LOST.

ON OKINAWA, THE YANKS HAVE ADVANCED 200 YARDS BUT THE JAPS ARE FIGHTING BITTERLY AROUND NAHA. THEY TRIED TO MAKE A NEW LANDING ON THE ISLAND BUT WERE REPULSED. THE YANKS HAVE CAPTURED AN AIRFIELD, WHICH IS AN IMPRTANT VICTORY. THEY ALSO TOOK A VITAL HILL AND ARE NOW SWINGING THE ATTACK AWAY FROM NAHA.

ADMIRAL NIMITZ HAS ANNOUNCED NEW ATTACKS ON THE FLEET BY JAP SUICIDE BOMBERS, SUNDAY AND MONDAY. 25 OUT OF 35 WERE DESTROYED, THE YANKS SUFFERING DAMAGE TO TWO LIGHT UNITS.

ON MONDAY, THEY SHOT DOWN 28 JAP PLANES BUT A MAJOR U.S. WARSHIP SUFFERED DAMAGE.

NAVY SECRETARY FORRESTAL TOLD THE U.S. HOUSE THAT THE JAPS WILL PROBABLY BEGIN AN ALL-OUT SUBMARINE ASSAULT ON AMERICAN SUPPLY LINES IN THE PACIFIC. HE SAID THAT THE MAIN JAP NAVY HAD BEEN REDUCED TO " A MEDIUM-SIZED TASK FORCE" BUT THAT THEY STILL HAD AN EFFECTIVE SUBMARINE FLEET. THE HOUSE APPROVED A BILL GIVING THE NAVY 25 BILLION DOLLARS WITH WHICH TO OPERATE FOR THE COMING YEAR.

ON MINDANAO, CONVERGING U.S. FORCES THREATEN TO CUT THE ISLAND IN TWO. ON NORTHERN LUZON, THOUSANDS OF JAPS ARE HOLDING OUT BUT THE AMERICANS ARE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS. THIS SECTOR WILL BECOME "THE ENGLAND OF THE PACIFIC" WHEN IT IS CLEARED AWAY FOR FINAL ASSAULTS ON THE JAPANESE HOMELAND, ALTHOUGH IT IS 1350 MILES AWAY.

ON NEW GUINEA, THE AUSSIES ARE WITHIN 3 MILES OF WEWAK. IN FU-CHOW OPPOSITE FORMOSA, BITTER FIGHTING IS GOING ON BETWEEN THE CHINESE AND JAPS.

AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL ESTIMATES THAT JAP CASUALTIES IN HONAN PROVINCE, CHINA RECENTLY TOTAL AT LEAST 11,000. THE BRITISH IN BURMA HAVE ADVANCED 91 MILES * PAST LIBERATED RANGOON. AMERICAN PLANES HAVE SUNK 72,000 TONS OF ENEMY SHIPPING IN RECENT WEEKS, ACCORDING TO ADMIRAL NIMITZ.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT, RUSSIANS AND YUGO-SLAVS HAVE JUST ABOUT WIPED OUT REMAINING NAZI RESISTANCE. THEY HAVE TAKEN 1,250,000 PRISONERS SINCE THE ARMISTICE WAS SIGNED, INCLUDING MORE THAN 100 GENERALS.

GEN. EISENHOWER HAS WARNED THAT THE POLICY OF "FRIENDLY ENEMIES" TOWARDS THE NAZIS DOES NOT GO. HE IS STICKING BY THE ORIGINAL AIM OF STERN JUSTICE FOR THE NAZIS, AND THE SAME GOES FOR COLLABORATORS WHO ARE NOW BEING TRIED IN THE LIBERATED COUNTRIES. QUISLING GOES ON TRIAL IN OSLO SHORTLY.

MAJOR-GEN. JIMMY DOOLITTLE, WHO STAGED THE FIRST AIR RAID ON JAPAN IS BACK IN WASHINGTON AWAITING A NEW APPOINTMENT. MOST OF HIS MEN HAVE ALREADY BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE PACIFIC.

(OVER)

NAVAL MESSAGE.

To:

From:

SHIPS NEWS.....TODAY WAS AN HISTORIC DAY IN THE "FIGHTING U". IT IS THE FIRST DAY SINCE THE COMMISSIONING OF THE SHIP THAT THERE WERE NO DEFAULTERS ON THE DOCKET!

WE HAVE JUST BEEN ADVISED THAT ONE OF THE LADS DECORATED IN HMCS ANNAN WAS CPO DOUG BARKER (HE WON THE DSM), WHO IS A BROTHER OF CPO KEN BARKER OF THE UGANDA. THEY SAY THAT OUR BOY KEN WON'T SETTLE FOR ANYTHING LESS THAN A V.C. FROM HERE IN!

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....ADMIRAL NIMITZ HAS ANNOUNCED TWO MORE CARRIER-BASED PLANE RAIDS ON JAPANESE HOME ISLANDS. LATE SATURDAY NIGHT AVENGER BOMBERS OF ADMIRAL SPRUANCE'S TASK FORCE HIT FOUR PLACES ON KYUSHU ISLAND, SHOOTING DOWN 12 JAP PLANES. THEN, ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY, ALL TYPES OF CARRIER PLANES MADE HEAVY ATTACKS AGAINST AIRFIELDS THROUGHOUT KYUSHU AND SHIKOKU. IN TWO DAYS, AMERICAN PLANES DESTROYED 164 JAP PLANES IN THE AIR AND ON THE GROUND, AND DESTROYED OR DAMAGED 108 OTHERS ON THE GROUND. ANOTHER 73 PLANES WERE ATTACKED WITHOUT ANY VISIBLE RESULTS. THE ATTACKS PRECEDED THE BIG FIRE-BOMB RAID ON NAGOYA. EARLY REPORTS SHOW 10 AMERICAN PLANES LOST FROM THESE ATTACKS ON MONDAY, PLANES FROM "BABY FLAT TOPS" HIT AIRFIELDS IN THE SAKA-SHIMA GROUP (WHICH WE ARE CURRENTLY ATTACKING) AND POSITIONS ON KUMIT ISLAND. NO IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE SOUTH OKINAWA BATTLE, THE ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO LAND BEHIND THE YANKS NEAR MACHINATO AIRFIELD BUT WERE TURNED BY NAVAL GUNS. THE ARMY'S 77TH DIVISION CAPTURED CHOCOLATE DROP HILL AFTER A HEAVY, 5-DAY BATTLE IN WHICH THE ENEMY SUFFERED SEVERE LOSSES.

HERE'S GOOD NEWS FROM AMERICA, THE WAR LABOR BOARD HAS ANNOUNCED THAT 2,000 SUPER-FORTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN DELIVERED, AND THAT THEY ARE COMING OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINES AT THE RATE OF 200 A MONTH.

MOST RECENT STATEMENT ON U.S. MANPOWER RECKONS THAT THEY WILL HAVE AT LEAST 7,000,000 TROOPS OUT HERE WITH THE VERY BEST EQUIPMENT WITHIN 12 MOS.

INDUSTRIAL CENTRES HAMMERED IN JAPAN ARE REGARDED 88 MORE VULNERABLE THAN GERMANY'S WERE.

THE NAVY DEPT. REPORTS THAT AMERICAN SUBMARINES HAVE SUNK ANOTHER NINE ENEMY SHIPS, INCLUDING FIVE SMALL COMBATANTS, ONE LARGE TANKER AND THREE CARGO SHIPS. SINCE PEARL HARBOR, THE AMERICANS CLAIM 1128 VESSELS SUNK.

ON MINDANAO, FIERCE FIGHTING IS STILL GOING ON ALTHOUGH 90% OF THE 37,000 SQUARE MILE ISLAND HAS BEEN LIBERATED. IN ONE AREA SAVAGE HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING IS GOING ON, WHERE AMERICANS ARE USING BAYONET, FIST AND BLOWS FROM THEIR HELMETS TO WIPE THE JAPS OUT. SOME OF THEM WRESTLING WITH JAPS, TUMBLED INTO THE RIVER AND HELD THEM UNDER THE WATER UNTIL THEY DROWNED.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN AND PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL EXPRESSED HOPE LAST NIGHT THAT THEY MIGHT MEET SOON WITH JOSEPH STALIN. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TRUMAN TOLD REPORTERS THAT HE HAD AGREED WITH GEN. EISENHOWER THAT A FREE PRESS SHOULD BE SET UP IN GERMANY. THIS IS DIRECTLY OPPOSED TO WHAT O W I CHIEF ELMER DAVIS RECOMMENDED LAST WEEK: A STRICTLY CONTROLLED PRESS FOR THE NAZIS. TRUMAN SAID THAT AMERICA'S FIRST CONCERN IN POST-WAR REPARATIONS SHOULD BE THE ABSOLUTE ASSURANCE OF DISARMAMENT OF GERMANY AND JAPAN.

BERLIN IS RAPIDLY BEING CLEANED UP-- WITH THE GERMANS DOING THE WORK UNDER THE DIRECTION OF RUSSIANS. FOUR-WAY TRAFFIC HAS BEEN RESUMED IN THE STREETS AND SUBWAYS ARE RUNNING AGAIN. ELECTRIC LIGHT IS BACK ON AS WELL.

480 GERMAN SHIPS HAVE SURRENDERED SO FAR, INCLUDING A SUBMARINE WHICH CAME UP OFF THE COAST OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, U.S.A.

LIEUT. GEN. WIDMEYER HAS ORDERED AN 11 P.M. CURFEW FOR AMERICAN AND CHINESE MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE CHINA THEATRE, TO MAINTAIN HEALTH AND MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY. ON SATURDAYS AND HOLIDAYS, THE CURFEW IS AT MIDNIGHT.

CHINESE SAY THAT THE JAP IS PUTTING UP A TOUGH FIGHT IN THE STREETS OF FU-CHOW, WITH BOTH SIDES SUFFERING HEAVY LOSSES.

THE AUDDIES AND DUTCH ON TARAKAN ARE HEARING ANOTHER OIL FIELD. PLANES ARE SUPPORTING GROUND TROOPS AND ATTACKING TARGETS ON NEARBY BORNEO.

DONT BELIEVE A WORD OF IT.....THE BUZZES, LIKE THE PRAIRIE FLOWERS, GET WILDER EVERY HOUR. THE UGANDA WAS NOT SUNK BY THE JAPS, OR EVEN BY JAPANESE RADIO: THE RUSSIANS HAVE NOT INVADED SWEDEN: AND S. COOLEN IS NOT THE BASTARD SON OF BUFFALO BILL. WAIT UNTIL YOU HEAR IT ANNOUNCED BEFORE YOU SPREAD IT!

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....THE JAPANESE RADIO TODAY CLAIMED TO HAVE CAPTURED AN AMERICAN PILOT ON OKINAWA WHO SAID THAT THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET CONSISTED OF "THE CARRIERS, INDEFATIGABLE, INDOMITABLE AND VICTORIOUS: THE BATTLESHIPS KING GEORGE V AND HOWE; 3 CRUISERS AND 12 DESTROYERS". JAPANESE RADIO ADDED: "SINCE HE DID NOT MENTION THE ILLUSTRIOUS, WE PRESUME THAT SHE HAS BEEN SUNK". (THIS IS A FAMILIAR INTELLIGENCE STUNT, GIVEN OUT WITH THE IDEA OF "FISHING" FOR INFORMATION, WITH THE HOPE THAT WE WILL CORRECT IT AND THUS TELL THEM THE PRECISE MAKEUP OF OUR FLEET).

THE JAPS ALSO SAID THAT THIS AMERICAN PILOT ALSO ADMITTED THAT 45% OF THE AMERICAN CARRIERS HAVE BEEN SUNK AND 48-49% OF THE ENTIRE FLEET.

MEANWHILE, SOME INTERESTING FIGURES WERE GIVEN OUT TODAY ON THE OKINAWA FIGHTING. AMERICAN CASUALTIES UP TO MONDAY THIS WEEK WERE 21,000 AND JAP. CASUALTIES UP TO TUESDAY, 47,000. THE DEAD ARE IN THE RATIO OF 11 JAPS TO 1 AMERICAN.

NAVY SECRETARY FORRESTAL SAID THAT U.S. FLEET CASUALTIES AROUND OKINAWA TOTAL 4,720, INCLUDING 900 KILLED, 2,746 WOUNDED AND 1,075 MISSING.

U.S. MARINES HAVE ENTERED BAHIA. 12 JAP PLANES ATTACKED THE FLEET ON TUESDAY BUT 9 WERE SHOT DOWN AND NO DAMAGE SUFFERED. NEXT MORNING ENEMY RAIDERS SLIGHTLY DAMAGED TWO U.S. HELD AIRFIELDS.

FOR THE SECOND TIME IN THREE DAYS, MORE THEN 500 SBPER-FORTS DROPPED 3500 TONS OF INCENDIARY BOMBS ON NAGOYA. THEIR OBJECTIVE WAS THE MITSUBISHI AIRCRAFT WORKS, SAID TO BE THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

AMERICAN NAVY, ARMY AND MARINE AIRMEN HIT MANY OTHER PACIFIC TARGETS INCLUDING THE SOUTHERN RYUKUS, FORMOSA, ROUSHU, YAP, PALAU, WAKE, THE MARSHALS AND SHENSHU.

ON MINDANAO, THE YANKS HAVE FOUGHT WITHIN 8 MILES OF VALENCIA AIRPORT JUST BELOW THE CAPTURED DELMONTE AIRDROME. AMERICAN PT BOATS HAVE DONE A LOT OF DAMAGE IN THE AREA.

THE AMERICANS ON LUZON ARE WITHIN 3 MILES OF LOCKPON ON THE EAST COAST. MORE DUTCH TROOPS HAVE LANDED ON THE SOUTHERN TIP OF TARACAN ISLAND, OFF BORNEO. REINFORCING KOREAN FORCES, AND OTHER DUTCH AND AUSSIES CLEANING UP.

THE CANADIAN NAVY LOST A RACE WITH THE AMERICAN FOR A RICH PRIZE 500 MILES OFF NEWFOUNDLAND--A 1600-TON GERMAN SUBMARINE MAKING ITS WAY TO JAPAN. IN IT WERE FOUND 3 HIGH-RANKING NAZI AIR FORCE OFFICIALS, WITH PLANS AND TWO DEAD JAP OFFICERS WHO HAD COMMITTED HARI-KIRE.

ADMIRAL INGRAM OF THE U.S. NAVY REVEALED THAT A SUBMARINE WAS SUNK SOUTH OF ICELAND LAST SUMMER WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BE JAPANESE BECAUSE OF THE JAP MARKING ON A QUANTITY OF FLOTSAM WHICH FLOATED TO THE SURFACE AFTER THE ATTACK.

MRS. HEINRICH HIMMLER HAS BEEN CAPTURED AND CLASSIFIED AS "A DISPLACED CITIZEN", NOT A PRISONER. SHE SAYS SHE BELIEVES HER HUSBAND WAS KILLED IN THE BERLIN FIGHTING AND ADDED THAT SHE HOPED SO, BECAUSE "ALL NAZI LEADERS WERE BETTER OFF DEAD".

THERE'S A REPORT THAT THE GERMANS WONT ACCEPT ADMIRAL DOENITZ AS THEIR LEADER. THE WAR CRIMES TRIALS GET UNDER WAY IN LONDON ON MAY 31, WITH U.S. ALREADY NAMING ITS FOUR DELEGATES. AFTER THE LONDON CONFERENCE ARRESTED CRIMINALS WILL BE TRIED IN THE COUNTRIES WHERE THEIR CRIMES WERE COMMITTED.

GEN. EISENHOWER HAD HIS FIRST NIGHT OFF IN THREE YEARS WHEN HE WENT TO A LONDON MUSICAL. HE WAS GREETED ENTHUSIASTICALLY WITH CRIES OF "GOOD OLD IKE" AND SAID: "IT'S THE NICEST NIGHT I'VE HAD SINCE THE WAR STARTED".

A FEW NEW CARS ARE PROMISED FOR AMERICANS THIS YEAR, WITH GEN. MOTORS AND FORD TO BRING OUT NEW, LOW-PRICED MODELS.

ALL AMERICAN CAMPS AND STATIONS WILL GO ON A CIGARETTE RATION OF 6 PACKS A WEEK ON JUNE 3RD. IT'S HOPED THAT THE SITUATION WILL EASE A LITTLE FOR CIVILIANS IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE MONTHS.

FIFTEEN MORMON MEN, FATHERS OF 287 CHILDREN, HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO (OVER)

NAVAL MESSAGE.

To:

From:

JAIL TERMS OF NOT LESS THAN FIVE YEARS APIECE IN UTAH.
(HORRIBLE THOUGH; WHAT IF THE UGANDA GOES BACK TO SYDNEY!!!)

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....SAN FRANCISCO RADIO, BROADCASTING AT 1730 THIS EVENING, HAD NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT JAPAN'S REPORTED PEACE FEELERS. THE ONLY WORD RECEIVED IN THE SHIP TO DATE CAME IN THE FORM OF A SIGNAL FROM OUR COMMANDING OFFICER, SAYING THAT HE HAD PICKED UP A RADIO REPORT FROM NEW GUINEA, QUOTING REUTERS NEWS AGENCY TO THE EFFECT THAT EMPEROR HIROHITO WAS WILLING TO GIVE UP JAPAN'S CONQUESTS TO GREAT BRITAIN AND AMERICA IF HE WOULD BE PERMITTED TO FORM HIS OWN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. THE ALLEGED ANSWER WAS "NO".

THE COMMANDING OFFICER WARNED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO CONFIRMATION OF THIS REPORT. IF IT PROVES TO BE TRUE, ALLIED REASONS FOR REFUSING THE OFFER ARE SELF-EVIDENT. JAPAN WOULD STILL HAVE PARTS OF THE NAVY AND AIR FORCE LEFT. HER CITIES WOULD NOT HAVE FELT THE FULL WEIGHT OF OUR AIR ASSAULT. AND NOTHING WOULD ABOUT HER CONQUESTS IN CHINA. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT SHE DID NOT OFFER THESE TERMS TO CHINA, ONLY TO GT. BRITAIN AND THE U.S.

OUR LEADERS ARE STICKING BY "UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER". TAR PAPER READERS WILL RECALL THAT THEIR FATHERS OFTEN MOANED: "WE DIDN'T FINISH THE JOB PROPERLY IN 1914-18". WE ARE TAKING NO CHANCE OF MAKING THE SAME MISTAKE A SECOND TIME.

THE BATTLE OF OKINAWA IS TEACHING ITS DECISIVE STAGE. THE 10TH. ARMY IS BATTLING IN NAHA AND CLOSING IN ON SHORI, KEYSTONE OF THE JAP DEFENCE LINES ACROSS THE SOUTHERN SECTOR. THE MARINE 6TH. DIVISION HAS PENETRATED TO THE HEART OF NAHA AFTER THROWING A BRIDGE ACROSS THE SOTO RIVER. (ISN'T THAT SILLY NAHA HAS A POPULATION OF 66,000.

THE BRITISH IN BURMA ARE MOPPING UP AFTER THE JAPS, WHO ARE ELEEING EASTWARD.

AERIAL PHOTOS SHOW THAT JAPAN'S LARGEST OIL STORAGE AREA AND ONE OF ITS LARGEST REFINERIES ARE OUT OF OPERATION, ALONG WITH TWO IMPORTANT MILITARY FUELLING STATIONS, AFTER THE 400 B-29 STRIKE ON MAY 10TH. TOKIYAMA NAVAL FUEL STATION AND TOKYUAMI COAL YARDS AND SYNTHETIC FUEL FACTORY ON SOUTH-EAST HONSHU AND OSHIMA NAVAL OIL STORAGE CENTER WERE TARGETS.

THE U.S. NAVY DISCLOSED ONE OF THE MOST SPECTACULAR STORIES TO COME OUT OF THE WAR. MORE THAN 1000 MEMBERS OF THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER "FRANKLIN"'S CREW WERE KILLED OR WOUNDED MARCH 19 WHEN JAP DIVE BOMBERS SCORED TWO DIRECT HITS, SETTING OFF AN ENTIRE CARGO OF EXPLOSIVES AND TURNING THE FLAT-TOP INTO A FLOATING HELL. SURVIVORS KEPT THE 27,000 TON SHIP AFLOAT, AND BROUGHT HER HOME FROM THE SCENE OF THE TRAGEDY, WHICH WAS ONLY 66 MILES FROM THE JAP COAST IT WAS THE MOST SERIOUS CASUALTY SUFFERED BY A U.S. VESSEL IN THIS WAR.

A BRITISH SUBMARINE COMMANDER "SIGHTED ISLAND, SANK SAME". LT. A.C. CHANDLER REPORTED HIS PERISCOPE SHOWED TWO PALM TREES, CLUSTERS OF HIBISCUS BRUSH AND OTHER FOLIAGE MOVING SWIFTLY THROUGH A CALM SEA. HE OPENED FIRE AT 1000 YARDS, BLOWING THE STERN OFF A CAMOUFLAGED JAP LANDING CRAFT, CAUSING 100 JAPS TO ABANDON SHIP. HE SAID THERE WERE PROBABLY 80 SURVIVORS.

SONJA HENIE LEFT TODAY FOR THE PACIFIC, AT THE REQUEST OF THE WAR DEPT, TO ENTERTAIN THE TROOPS. (WHEREINHELL SHE'S GONNA FIND ICE?) THE FORMER LINER NORMANDIE IS UNLIKELY TO SEE SERVICE IN THIS THEATRE.

THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S LIKENESS WILL BE ON A NEW COIN.

300 RESTAURANTS WILL CLOSE IN NEW YORK JUNE 1, DUE TO FOOD RATIONING AND SHORTAGE. SHORTAGE IS BLAMED MOSTLY ON THE BLACK MARKET.

THE MOTHER OF GRANCES FARMER, FORMER SEATTLE ACTRESS, HAS FILED A SECOND INSANITY COMPLAINT AGAINST HER DAUGHTER, WHO WAS RELEASED FROM A SANITARIUM IN WASHINGTON MARCH OF LAST YEAR.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL: CINCINNATI 4, PHILADELPHIA 2; NEW YORK @ CHICAGO 5; PITTSBURG 12 BROOKLYN 3. AMERICAN LEAGUE GAMES POSTPONED, RAIN. TUG O' WAR.....A SHIP'S TUG-O-WAR CONTEST IS NOW UNDERWAY. IN THE FIRST PULLS RUN OFF THIS AFTERNOON ON THE QUARTERDECK, WHITE WATCH FO'C'SLEMEN DEFEATED TOPMEN; BLUE WATCH FO'C'SLEMEN DEFEATED QUARTERDECKMEN; AND BLUE WATCH STOKERS DEFEATED TORPEDOMEN. IN AN INFORMAL PULL, WARDROOM DEFEATED THE W.O.'S.

(OVER)

NAVAL MESSAGE.

To:

From:

HOW COULD THEY LOSE WITH THAT ROPE LASHED TO "Y" GUN TURRET???

CONGRATULATIONS..... TO ABLE SEAMAN DAVE MILLER OF PORT ARTHUR AND HALIFAX, WHO IS 29 TODAY. AB MILLER IS LEADER OF THE UGANDA DANCE BAND, WHO GAVE A NICE RECITAL IN THE PORT HANGAR AT NOON TODAY, AND CONTRIBUTES A LOT TO THE SHIP.

AT PRESS TIME, NO:WORLD NEWS AS YET TODAY, DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE NEWS ROOM IS PAINTING OUT AND RECEIVING SETS HAVE NOT BEEN IN OPERATION. HOWEVER, IF WE ARE ABLE TO PICK UP SOME NEWS IN THE NEXT HOUR OR SO, IT WILL BE BROADCAST IN*THE 1900 ROUNDUP FROM THE LITTLE DCT. 60 FEET ABOVE THE SEA.

IN THE MEANTIME WE HAVE SOME SHIP'S NEWS:

MILEAGE.....TODAY, THE "FIGHTING U" PASSES THE 40,000 MILE MARK IN ITS TRAVELS ACCORDING TO FIGURES COMPILED BY COMMANDER (E). WE HAVE BEEN DOING AN AVERAGE OF MORE THAN THE DISTANCE ACROSS CANADA IN EACH TRIP UP FROM LEYTE. ONE OPERATIONAL TOUR OUT HERE EQUALS APPROXIMATELY TWO ROUND TRIPS ON THE NORTH ATLANTIC "MILK RUN" BETWEEN NEWFIE AND DERRY.

MAIL CALL.....ANST. LIEUT. SMALL SAYS; "THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT, FOR SENDING TELEGRAMS AND CIGARETTES FROM CANADA TO H.M.C.S. UGANDA, THE "F.M.O. OTTAWA IS NOT ACCEPTED AS AN OVERSEAS ADDRESS. THERE IS ALSO EVIDENCE THAT FOR LETTER MAIL, B.F.M.O. SAN FRANCISCO IS THE BETTER ADDRESS BY 10 OR 15 DAYS, NO MATTER WHETHER YOU LIVE IN EASTERN OR WESTERN CANADA. YOU ARE ADVISED TO SWITCH TO THE LATTER ADDRESS, IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN USING IT ALREADY.

WANTED.....A JEW'S HARP, BAZOOKA OR ANY SIMILAR INSTRUMENT IS NEEDED URGENTLY BY THE UGANDA CORN GOBBLERS, IF ANYONE HAS ONE OF THESE, AND IS WILLING TO LEND OR DONATE IT TO THE CORN GOBBLERS, HE IS REQUESTED TO PHONE THE MAIN EXCHANGE, 56, PRONTO, AS THE BOYS ARE PLANNING ON RESUMING THEIR SRE SESSIONS.

HELP WANTED.....THREE VOLUNTEERS ARE WANTED, TO DO A JOB ON THE "TAR PAPER" WHICH REQUIRES ABOUT 15 MINUTES A DAY, AROUND 1830. ONE MAN IS NEEDED TO RUN OFF THE STENCIL AND TWO, TO DELIVER THE PAPER. FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS THE DELIVERY JOB HAS BEEN DONE VOLUNTARILY BY AB. ARMSTRONG (OAKVILLE) AND AB. SUTHERLAND (VICTORIA), AND WE FEEL THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO A BREATHER. WILL ANY HANDS WILLING TO TAKE THIS ON FOR A FEW MONTHS PLEASE CONTACT LIEUT. KEATE, CABIN 6, RADAR FLAT.

THE "NEWS GATHERING" STAFF REMAINS THE SAME, WITH SPECIAL OPERATORS DUNHAM, TREBLE AND MACALEER DOING YEOMAN SERVICE ON THE RECEIVING SETS, TO BRING NEWS TO THE SHIP'S COMPANY BOTH VIA THE TAR PAPER AND THE RADIO BROADCAST. CONGRATULATIONS.....OUR BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TODAY TO STEWARD JOHN TAYLOR, OF SARNIA, WHO IS 30. STEWARD TAYLOR IS "CHAMPION FATHER" OF THIS SHIP, WITH SIX CHILDREN BACK HOME. HIS MATES SAY THAT HE HAS BEEN DOING A GRAND JOB FOR CANADA IN OUR TOUR, CEMENTING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT SEVERAL PORTS ALONG THE WAY, WHERE HE IS ASSURED OF AN ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME AT ANY TIME HE CARES TO RETURN.

WHO'S BIRTHDAY TOMORROW?

PROMOTION.....CONGRATULATIONS TO SUB. LIEUT, JONES, OF THE A.D.R. WHO HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT. LIEUT, JONES HAS MOVED OUT OF THE GUN ROOM TO THE WARDROOM.

DID YOU KNOW.....THAT ONE OF THE YOUNGEST RATINGS IN THE SHIP, AND THE OLDEST, COME FROM NEWFOUNDLAND? AB. SAMUEL MARSHALL LEFT CARBONEAR AT 15, FALSIFIED HIS AGE, AND JOINED UP AT SYDNEY, N.S. HE IS NOW 19. "POP" O'REILLY IS LISTED ON THE OFFICIAL BOOKS AS BEING 45, BUT ACTUALLY HE WILL BE 50 ON DECEMBER 6 OF THIS YEAR. "POP" CAN SPIN A DIP OR TWO THE MAKE THE YOUNG FRY PAY ATTENTION

IN THE LAST WAR HE WAS AT JUTLAND, THE DOGGER BANK, HELIGOLAND AND ZEEBRUGGE, AND WAS TORPEDOED 9 TIMES--THREE TIMES IN ONE DAY, WHICH HE THINKS MAY BE A RECORD. AFTER THE WAR, HE WAS AN HONEST RUN-RUNNER AND NOW HAS A LITTLE SPOT "DOWN A FEW STEPS AND A COUPLE OF TURNS AROUND THE CORNER" IN NEW YORK CITY.

"POP'S" MOTTO: "I'M ALL FOR GEORGE AND I'D A PACIFIC VOLUNTEER".

EX BAD WEATHER HAMPERED OUR AIR ARM IN STRIKES TODAY, ALTHOUGH THEY DID MANAGE TO FIND A HOLE IN THE CLOUDS AND UNLOADED SOME BOMBS ON ISHIGAKI AIR STRIP, WHICH WAS BELIEVED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE AS A RESULT OF PREVIOUS ASSAULTS.

THERE WERE A COUPLE OF ACCIDENTS IN THE FLEET TODAY, EARLY THIS MORNIG THE DESTROYER ~~XXXXX~~ QUILLIAM WAS IN COLLISION WITH THE INDOMITABLE, IN THE FOG. SHE WAS TAKEN IN TOW AND ESCORTED BACK TO LEYTE BY BLACK PRINCE.

ONE OF OUR AIRCRAFT HAD TO BE DITCHED, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE OF DAMAGE IN THE FIRST STRIKE. A YELLOW LIFE-RAFT WAS FOUND IN THE WATER BUT IT WAS EMPTY. ALSO FOUND IN THE WATER WAS A RUBBER-ENCASED JAPANESE PETROL TANK. WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....TROOPS OF THE AMERICAN 10TH. ARMY MAINTAINED HEAVY PRESSURE ON THE ENEMY ALONG THE WHOLE SOUTHERN FRONT OF OKINAWA ON MAY 18, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE FROM GUAM, MEETING STRONG OPPOSITION ALL THE WAY. THE ENEMY ON OKINAWA AT THE END OF MAY 17 HAD LOST 48,013 KILLED IN ACTION. GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES HAD 140,000 CIVILIANS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION.

AMERICAN CASUALTIES ON OKINAWA TO MAY 18 ARE: ARMY TROOPS 3093 KILLED AND MISSING; 12,078 WOUNDED. FLEET MARINE FORCES: 1239 KILLED AND MISSING, 6180 WOUNDED. U.S. PACIFIC FLEET: 4000 KILLED AND MISSING 3958 WOUNDED.

THERE HAS BEEN ANOTHER BIG AIR-RAID ON TOKYO. B-29'S ALSO HIT NAMAMATSU, JAPANESE PRE-WAR TEXTILE CENTER. THE RAID WAS MADE WITH DEMOLITION BOMBS YESTERDAY. THIS LATEST ATTACK MAKES MORE THAN 69 SQUARE MILES OF DEVASTATION ON JAP CITIES BY SUPER-FORTS SINCE NOVEMBER. BOMBED OUT SECTORS INCLUDE 17 SQUARE MILES OF TOKYO AND MORE THAN 11 SQUARE MILES OF NAGOYA.

IN EUROPE, DISPUTES HAVE ARISEN BETWEEN THE ALLIED MILITARY COMMAND AND MARSHAL TITO, HEAD OF THE YUGO-SLAV FORCES. TITO HELPED LIBERATE PARTS OF SOUTHERN AUSTRIA AND NORTHERN ITALY. THE ALLIES SAY THAT NOW THE FIGHTING IS OVER, HE SHOULD WITHDRAW BUT TITO CLAIMS HE HAS THE RIGHT TO STAY IN COUNTRIES WHICH HE HAS HELPED LIBERATE. FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER FAILED TO REACH AGREEMENT AND THE MATTER HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE BRITISH AND U.S. GOV'T.

THE CHINESE HAVE CAPTURED FU-CHOW AND FREED THE CITY OF JAPS FOR THE SECOND TIME IN FOUR YEARS. THE OCCUPATION WAS COMPLETED FRIDAY,

RADIO TOKYO CLAIMS THAT 10 MORE ENEMY WARSHIPS WERE SUNK ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY IN OKINAWA WATERS.

DANISH AND JAPANESE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS HAVE BEEN BROKEN, AND ALL SIGNS INDICATE THAT OTHER LIBERATED COUNTRIES WILL FOLLOW SUIT AS SOON AS THEIR GOVERNMENTS ARE SET UP, AND THEIR PRODUCTION SWINGS BACK INTO STRIDE.

ALFRED ROSENBERG IS THE LATEST NAZI BIGGIE TO BE CAPTURED. HE WAS FOUND HIDING IN A BERLIN HOSPITAL.

DOMESTIC NEWS.....MACKENZIE KING HAS ANNOUNCED THAT 30,000 CANADIAN VOLUNTEERS TROOPS WILL SERVE IN THE PACIFIC THEATRE, ALONG WITH NAVAL AND AIRFORCE UNITS.

JOHN L. LEWIS AND THE HARD COAL OPERATORS AGREED ON A CONTRACT TODAY SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. IT WILL GIVE MINERS AN EXTRA DOLLAR THIRTY-SEVEN A DAY. HOPE IS EXPRESSED THAT THE MINERS WILL GO BACK TO WORK MONDAY, ENDING A 19-DAY STRIKE.

IN PHILADELPHIA, 1600 WORKERS WILL BE VIRTUALLY DRAETED TO SPEED COMPLETION OF TWO AIRCRAFT CARRIERS AT NAVY YARDS IN ORDER THAT THE "FRANKLIN" WILL BE QUICKLY AVENGED. THE CARRIERS ARE "VALLEY FORGE" AND "PRINCETON". THEY ARE EXPECTED IN ACTION AGAINST THE JAPS SIX MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

CERTAIN SPECIAL OFFICERS ARE BEING DISCHARGED FROM THE U.S. NAVY NOW THAT THEIR JOBS ARE DONE. AMONG THEM ARE CMDR. GENE TUNNEY, FORMER HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPION, WHO TOOK OVER THE NAVY'S PHYSICAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN IN 1940. HELP WANTED.....ANYBODY WHO KNOW WHERE WE CAN DIG UP SOME GRAMAPHONE NEEDLES, SO THAT THE RECORD PROGRAMMES MAY BE CONTINUED? THE BROADCASTING BOX IS NOW DOWN TO ITS LAST FOUR NEEDLES.

AND WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR 3 TAR PAPER HANDS. STEP UP MEN, DONT YOU REALIZE THAT YOU, TOO, MAY EARN UP TO TWELVE-FIFTY A WEEK BY THIS FASCINATING COURSE IN JOURNALISM????...

CAPTAIN'S SPEECH.....IN AN INFORMAL TALK FROM THE BRIDGE AT 1900 TONIGHT THE CAPTAIN OURLINED PLANS FOR FUTURE MOVEMENTS. AFTER FUELLING THIS TIME, WE WILL RETURN TO THE SAKASHIMA AREA FOR ANOTHER STRIKE AND THEN THE FLEET HEADS SOUTH FOR A MAJOR REPLENISHMENT.

SOME SHIPS WILL GO TO AUSTRALIAN PORTS, WHILE OTHERS WILL STAY AT MANUS. AMONG THESE IS THE UGANDA. THE CHOICE WAS MADE ON A "LAST ONES UP, ~~LAST ONES DOWN~~" BASIS, WITH A PROMISE THAT THE SHIPS LEFT BEHIND IN MANUS THIS TIME WOULD GET FIRST CRACK AT CIVILIZATION WHEN OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AGAIN PERMIT.

THE CAPTAIN SAID THAT WE WOULD PROBABLY BE IN MANUS ABOUT THREE WEEKS, AND WHILE WE WERE THERE, THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THAT WE MIGHT ENGAGE IN A STRIKE AGAINST AN ISLAND IN THAT VICINITY.

A NUMBER OF HANDS HAVE ASKED YE TAR PAPER WHAT'S TO DO IN MANUS AS FAR AS WE CAN GATHER, THERE ARE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE WAY OF SWIMMING AND BASEBALL, MOVIES SHOULD BE DEFINITELY BETTER IN THE AREA, WITH THE YANKS CLOSE AT HAND. THERE IS A NATIVE VILLAGE ASHORE BUT IT IS BELIEVED TO BE OUT OF BOUNDS. HOWEVER, IT IS POSSIBLE TO TAKE A WALK ASHORE AND THAT SHOULD APPEAL TO A LOT OF THE SHIP'S COMPANY.

TODAY'S STRIKE.....HERE IS A ROUNDUP OF THE DAY'S ACTIVITIES: "ALL FOUR SERVICEABLE AIRFIELDS WERE WELL BOMBED AND ARE NOW BELIEVED TO BE OUT OF ACTION. CLOUDS LATE IN THE DAY MADE ACCURATE ASSESSMENT IMPOSSIBLE. HIRARA TOWN AND PORT INSTALLATIONS WERE ALSO ATTACKED AND FIRES STARTED. TWO RADIO STATIONS AND HIRARA AIRFIELD BARRACKS AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS RCKETTED AND ALL DAMAGED OR SET ON FIRE. TWO FURTHER RADIO STATION, BARGES, MOTORX TRANSPORT AND A TENTED CAMP WERE WELL STRAFED AND DAMAGED. SIXTY TONS OF BOMBS WERE DROPPED. ONE MYRT SNOOPER (RECONNAISSANCE) SPLASHED BY BELLCATS. NONE OF OUR AIRCRAFT IS MISSING."

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....PRIME MINISTER MACKENZIE KING, ON RETURN FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE, ARRIVED IN VANCOUVER ON WEDNESDAY, AND IMMEDIATELY BEGAN A CAMPAIGN TO PUT THE LIBERAL PARTY BACK IN POWER. THE PLM. SAID THAT UNTIL THE JAPS SUFFERED THE FATE OF HER AXIS POWER GERMANY, CANADA'S WAR EFFORT WOULD BE DIRECTED ACROSS THE PACIFIC AND THAT VANCOUVER WOULD BE THE EMBARKATION POINT.

THE FIRST TROOP-SHIPS BEARING CANADIANS HOME FROM THE WESTERN FRONT ARE EXPECTED LATE IN JUNE. IT WILL BE CHRISTMAS BEFORE ALL THE TROOPS ARE HOME FROM EUROPE.

AT EDMONTON, MR. KING SAID THAT THE R.C.N. WOULD EMPLOY 13,500 MEN IN THE PACIFIC WAR, ALONG WITH 30,000 ARMY PERSONNEL. THE STRENGTH OF THE AIRFORCE HAS YET TO BE DECIDED UPON.

SEVEN THOUSAND CANADIAN PRISONERS HAVE BEEN RELEASED IN GERMANY. THERE ARE 1700 CANADIANS AT HONG KONG, ONLY TWO OF WHOM ARE FROM THE CANADIAN NAVY.

25,000 TIRE TUBES WILL BE RELEASED FOR SALE TO CAR OWNERS IN CANADA, AS THEY MOVE TO CUT RATIONING.

THE YANKS ARE STILL MEETING FIERCE RESISTANCE ON OKINAWA, BUT HAVE SUCCEEDED IN ENVELOPING THE KEY DEFENCE CITY OF SHURI. AN AMERICAN RADIO STATION HAS ALREADY BEEN SET UP ON OKINAWA.

AMERICAN G.I.'S OF THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION HAVE UNCOVERED HERMAN GOERING'S \$2,000,000 ART COLLECTION (THAT SHOULD BE \$200,000,000, EXCUSE US) AND HAD A SHORTLY THE OTHER DAY, MOST OF THE STUFF WAS PILFERED WHEN THE NAZIS WERE RIDING HIGH.

IT HAS BEEN REVEALED THAT THE 10,000 TON CRUISER (JAP) SUNK BY THE BRITISH EAST INDIES FLEET WAS ONE OF THE MACHI CLASS.

MARSHALL TITO ANNOUNCED THAT 12,000 TO 20,000 YUGO-SLAV TROOPS WOULD BE MOVED OUT OF AUSTRIA WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

AMONG THE U.S.C. ENTERTAINERS COMING TO THE PACIFIC SHORTLY ARE KATHERINE HEPBURN, FRANK SINATRA, RAYMOND MASSEY AND AMOS 'N' ANDY.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

To:

From:

FINE POINT.....SHPWT. HENRY STROPPEL SOLVED THE GRAMAPHONE NEEDLE SHORTAGE REFERRED TO YESTERDAY. FIRST HE PRESENTED A NEW NEEDLE. THEN HE SUGGESTED THAT THE OLD ONES BE PUT ON THE HIGH POWER MACHINE. WE DOOD IT!.

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HALIFAX RIOT.....AN AUSTRALIAN PRESSCLIPPING RECEIVED ON BOARD BY PO. CODER TAYLOR TELLS OF \$5,000,000 DAMAGE DONE IN V-E DAY CELEBRATIONS IN HALIFAX, AND THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY IS BEING BLAMED FOR IT.

MAYOR BUTLER OF HALIFAX HAS INDICATED THAT HALIFAX CITIZENS WILL DEMAND RESTITUTION FROM THE GOVERNMENT, AND HAS SO ADVISED THE GOVERNMENT. HE BLAMES THE NAVY FOR GIVING 8000 MEN LEAVE.

THE BODY OF AN UNIDENTIFIED NAVAL OFFICER WAS FOUND ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, AND THE BODY OF A SAILORMAN REPORTED TO HAVE DIED OF ALCOHOLIC POISONING, IS AT PRESENT IN THE HALIFAX MORGUE.

UNOFFICIAL REPORTS SAY THAT POLICE PATROLS AND EVEN ARMY TROOPS COULD NOT CONTROL THE MOB, WHICH WENT MERRILY ON ITS WAY BURNING STREET CARS AND RAISING HELL GENERALLY. IT WAS THE BIGGEST SHAKING THE CITY HAS HAD SINCE THE 1917 EXPLOSION.DEAR OLD SLACKERS.....

THE GRAVY BOAT.....HERE'S SENSATIONAL NEWS THE ADMIRALTY PRIZE COURT HAS 11 MILLION POUNDS (AUSTRALIAN MONEY) FOR DISTRIBUTION FROM SEIZED ENEMY SHIPS AND CARGOES, AND THE FIGURE IS EXPECTED TO RISE TO 20 MILLION, AS ANOTHER 8 MILLION IS AWAITING DECISION.

BASED ON LAST WAR'S GRANTS, AN ADMIRAL WILL RECEIVE 3000 POUNDS, A CAPTAIN 500, A LIEUTENANT 120, A SEAMAN 25 AND A BOY 15.

IT IS NOT KNOWN DEFINITELY WHETHER THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY GETS CUT IN ON THIS MELON, BUT THE GENERAL CONSENSUS SEEMS TO BE THAT ALL ROYAL NAVY ADJUNCTS WILL SHARE IN THE SPLIT. THE TAR PAPER HAS INTERVIEWED THE COMMANDER ON THE SUBJECT JUST BEFORE PRESS TIME, AND HE FEELS THAT THIS WILL BE THE CASE, AS A SIMILAR PRACTICE WAS FOLLOWED AFTER THE LAST WAR.

PLUG.....ROBERT TURNBULL, WRITING FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES, SAID IN A STORY: "AMERICAN NAVAL OBSERVERS WITH THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET AGREE THAT THE SPIRIT AND AGGRESSIVENESS OF THE MEN IS UNSURPASSED IN ANY NAVY. NO ONE IS MORE ANXIOUS TO GET INTO BATTLE THAN THEIR MEN. THEIR MORALE IS IMMENSE".

THE ARTICLE IN QUESTION BORE THE HEADLINE: "THE BRITISH NAVY IS UNSURPASSED TOO".

MESSAGE WAS SIGNALLED TO THE FLEET BY ADMIRAL SIR BERNARD RAWLINGS TODAY.

PACIFIC NEWS FLASHES.....SAN FRANCISCO PRESS AND RADIO TODAY PUBLISHED NEWS OF THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET'S STRIKES OF MAY 20 AND 21, SAYING THAT SHE BOMBED AIRFIELDS, BARRACKS, PORT INSTALLATIONS AND BUILDINGS IN THE BAKASHIMA GROUP, AND THAT ONE ENEMY PLANE HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN.

AT DUSK ON MAY 21, ABOUT 15 ENEMY AIRCRAFT ATTACKED U.S. SHIPS IN THE OKINAWA AREA. EIGHT WERE DESTROYED AND THE REMAINDER GOT OUT WITHOUT CAUSING DAMAGE.

HEAVY RAINS AND MUD SLOWED OPERATIONS ON OKINAWA YESTERDAY. THE ENEMY HAS APPARENTLY DECIDED NOT TO DEFEND YOMABARU, WHICH HAS BEEN HEAVILY BOMBED. THE JAPS COUNTER-ATTACKED EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING BUT THE FIRST MARINE DIVISION REPULSED THEM, KILLING 88.

THE FIRST U.S. PILOTS FROM THE EUROPEAN THEATRE HAVE RETURNED HOME. AFTER LEAVES AND A REFRESHER ON THE BIG PLANES, THEY WILL FLY OUT HERE TO GO AGAINST THE JAPS.

A SMALL GROUP OF ENEMY BOMBERS MADE A LOW LEVEL ATTACK ON IWO JIMA DURING THE NIGHT OF MAY 21, CAUSING A FEW CASUALTIES. TWO ENEMY PLANES WERE SHOT DOWN. IN MOPPING UP OPERATIONS ON IWO AND THE MARIANAS, U.S. FORCES IN ONE WEEK KILLED 94 OF THE ENEMY AND CAPTURED 134.

DETAILED NEWS ON THE 1000 BROADCAST TONIGHT.

SOCIAL NOTE.....PO. WREN CORDITE HAS TAKEN TO CHEATING GUN.

HELP, HELP!.....WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR TAR PAPER VOLUNTEERS. THE ONLY FIRM OFFER SO FAR HAS COME FROM STC. WOLLACOTT, THE "ROBERT W. SERVICE" OF THE MESS-DECKS, AND HE'S ONLY VOLUNTEERING SO HIS MESS CAN GET A COPY.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....KING GEORGE HAS ACCEPTED PRIME MINISTER WINSTON CHURCHILL'S RESIGNATION, AND HIS REQUEST THAT PARLIAMENT BE DISSOLVED. HE HAS ASKED HIM TO SET UP A "CARETAKER GOVERNMENT" UNTIL AN ELECTION CAN BE HELD, PROBABLY IN JULY. NONE OF THE RADIO COMMENTATORS TODAY SEEMED UNDULY ALARMED AT THIS DRAMATIC ANNOUNCEMENT, WHICH SEEMS LIKE A POLITICAL CHESS MOVE ON THE PART OF THE P.M. TO FRUSTRATE THE LABOR PARTY AND SWING THE TIDE IN FAVOR OF HIS PARTY AT THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION.

550 SUPER-FORTS HAVE HIT TOKYO WITH 4,500 TONS OF INCENDIARY BOMBS. THIS IS THE GREATEST RAID TO DATE IN THE PACIFIC THEATRE AND A FORE-TASTE OF WHAT'S IN STORE FOR THE JAPS. FIRES WERE SEEN HIGH IN THE SKY AT A DISTANCE OF 200 MILES.

A REPORT FROM SAN FRANCISCO SAID: "AMERICAN AIR POWER WILL BE STRIKING ALL PARTS OF JAPAN FROM OKINAWA VERY SOON". THE FIGHTING IS STILL TOUGH ON THE ISLAND, BUT THE MARINES SCORED AN ADVANCE OF 1000 YARDS ON ONE FRONT OVERNIGHT AND ARE TAKING THE ISLAND, JAP BY JAP.

U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID THAT 1 MILLION TONS OF WAR CARGOES DESTINED FOR EUROPE, WILL BE DIVERTED TO THE PACIFIC THEATRE.

JOSEPH DAVIS, FORMER U.S. AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA, IS EN ROUTE TO LONDON TO CONFER WITH MR. CHURCHILL, WHILE HARRY HOPKINS AND AVERILL HARRIMAN ARE EN ROUTE TO MOSCOW TO CONFER WITH JOSEPH STALIN.

ON BOUGAINVILLE, THE AUDDIES HAVE KILLED 5,000 JAPS IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. FIGHTING IS BITTER ON LUZON. ON MUNDANAO, CONVERGING AMERICAN ARMIES WHICH ARE SPLITTING THE ISLAND IN HALF ARE ONLY 8 MILES APART.

PHILLIPINES-BASED PLANES BOMBED FORMOSA TWICE, SHANGHAI, AND CANTON. ON TUESDAY, SEARCH PLANES ATTACKED HONSHU, AND RADAR INSTALLATIONS ON SHIKOKU.

SYRIA AND LEBANON HAVE BROKEN OFF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH FRANCE AS A RESULT OF TROOPS PASSING THROUGH THE LEVANT.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN HAS MADE SOME EXTENSIVE CABINET CHANGES. AMONG THOSE TO GO WERE FRANCES "MA" PERKINS, SECRETARY OF LABOR, AND CLAUDE WICKARD, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

SPORTS NEWS.....THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE TUG-O-WAR CONTEST ON THE QUARTERDECK YESTERDAY WAS THE SMASHING VICTORY SCORED BY A SHIP'S BOLLARD OVER THE STEWARD'S TEAM. WHILE THE OFF-THE-ARM BOYS KINED UP ON THE STARBOARD SIDE OF "Y" GUN TURRET, SOME WAGS SECURED THE OTHER END OF THE ROPE TO THE BOLLARD, AND GAVE THE SIGNAL TO "YO-HEAVE-HO", PAYING OUT JUST ENOUGH LINE TO LET THE STEWARDS KNOW THEY WERE IN A CONTEST--LIKE YOU PLAY A FISH, SUCH AS A SUCKER. THE STEWARDS, INSPIRED BY SUCH STALWARTS AS "PIN-BALL YORKE" AND "ONE-ARM ROBILLARD", DID THEIR BEST TO UPROOT THE QUARTERDECK, WHICH ON PAST OCCASIONS HAS PROVEN REMARKABLY SECURE, AND JUST AS THEY WERE ON THE POINT OF COLLAPSING, THEIR ARCH-FOES LET THE LINE GO--AND THEY COLLAPSED!, THE ONLY MEALS YOU CAN GET OUT OF THE BOYS NOW ARE CROW AND HUMBLE PIE.

IN MORE STANDARD FORMS OF THE ART, TORPEDO RED DEFEATED RADAR; BAND DEFEATED OFFICERS "A", STOKERS BLUE DEFEATED COMMUNICATIONS (TODAY THEY COULDDN'T LIFT A SIGNAL PAD!) AND THE STEWARDS, PANTING HEAVILY, WON BY DEFAULT FROM THE QUARTERDECK BLUES.

(COME, COME, JONES, I SEE YOU, SLIPPING THAT VIAL IN MY SOUP!) TAR PAPER VOLUNTEERS.....WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE TAR PAPER HAS 5 VOLUNTARY HELPERS, WHICH SHOULD KEEP US GOING STRONG FOR AWHILE. THE STOKERS WERE FIRST TO COME FORWARD, WITH WOOLLACOTT AND WARBOCK; THEN LITTLE OF RADAR AND DIXON OF SEAMEN; AND FINALLY, SGT. HARRIS OF THE GOOD OLD DENTAL CORPS. (WHAT AM I SAYING?) THANKS A LOT MEN.

TODAY'S QUOTE.....STOKER BORISON, OVERHEARD WHILE GAZING THOUGHTFULLY AT H.N.S. HOWE-- "THANK GOD, I DONT HAVE TO PAINT THAT B----- ALL BY MYSELF"!

TODAY'S STRIKES NONE OF OUR AIRCRAFT WERE LOST IN YESTERDAY'S EFFECTIVE STRIKE AGAINST ISHIGAKI AND HIRARA. AN EARLY SIGNAL ON STRIKE "BAKER" TODAY REPORTS THE MAIN RUNWAYS OF MIYARA AND ISHIGAKI BOMBED BY EIGHT HITS A PIECE. NO NEW AIRCRAFT WERE SEEN. VILLAGE OF SHIRAH, MANY MILITARY HUTS AND LORRIES WERE DAMAGED IN STRAFING ATTACKS.

A SPECTACULAR PIECE OF WORK OCCURRED LAST NIGHT WHEN ONE OF OUR ~~LIFEGUARD SUBMARINES, SEEING LIGHTS ON AN AIRFIELD, SURFACED AND SHELLED~~ ISHIGAKI.

WORLD NEWS.....A DRAMATIC STORY CAME OUT OF GERMANY TODAY, TELLING HOW HEINRICH HIMMLER, AFTER BEING CAPTURED BY BRITISH TROOPS, BIT INTO A VIAL OF POISON TUCKED UNDER HIS TONGUE AND WAS DEAD IN 15 MINUTES. HIMMLER WAS CLEVERLY DISGUISED AS A CIVILIAN. HIS MOUSTACHE WAS GONE AND HE WORE AN EYE PATCH. AFTER QUESTIONING HIM (HE WAS PICKED UP WITH A GROUP OF ABOUT 20 CIVILIANS CROSSING A BRIDGE), THEY BECAME SUSPICIOUS. FINALLY HE DEMANDED TO SEE THEIR COMPANY COMMANDER AND IN A DRAMATIC GESTURE REVEALED HIS IDENTITY.

A DOCTOR WAS GIVING HIM A THOROUGH GOING-OVER AND ASKED TO SEE INSIDE HIS MOUTH. HIMMLER BIT THE GLASS VIAL AND DROPPED UNCONSCIOUS. THEY TRIED TO KEEP HIM ALIVE BUT HE PASSED AWAY IN 15 MINUTES.

SAN FRANCISCO RADIO, REPORTING THIS NEWS TODAY, SAID THAT "IF THE STORIES OF THE DEATHS OF HITLER AND GOEBBELS ARE TRUE", THERE IS ONLY ONE NAZI EX-BIG SHOT ALIVE, JOACCHIM VON RIBBENTROP. THAT "IF" MAKES IT SOUND AS IF THE AUTHORITIES ARE NOT YET CONVINCED THAT THE TOP PAIR ARE DEAD, ALTHOUGH RECENT EVIDENCE HAS BEEN THAT HITLER DIED IN A COMA AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS.

WAR NEWS UNDER-SECRETARY OF WAR JOSEPH PATTERSON OF THE U.S. SAYS THAT THE JAPS CANT HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER ON OKINAWA, AS MORE MEN AND MATERIAL WILL BE POURED AT THEM INCESSANTLY. NEWS TODAY WAS THAT RAINS HAD SLOWED DOWN PROGRESS, BUT THE YANKS HAVE PUSHED TWO BRIDGES ACROSS A RIVER NEAR NAHA WHICH HAVE OPENED UP THE JAP DEFENCES CONSIDERABLY. THE JAPANESE RADIO SAID TODAY THAT "THE FUTURE OF THE EMPIRE WAS BEING DECIDED RIGHT NOW ON OKINAWA, AND THEY ADMITTED THAT THE SITUATION WAS SERIOUS.

CANADIAN ARMY OFFICIALS HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT SOME JAPANESE BALLOONS HAVE LANDED IN WESTERN CANADA. THEY SAID THE APPARENT OBJECTIVE WAS TO SET GASES AND FORESTS ON FIRE. THE LOCATION WAS NOT GIVEN, BUT FROM THE SCATTERED INCIDENTS OF THE BALLOONS IT IS FELT THAT THEY MUST HAVE BEEN SET OFF FROM THE HOMETLAND, NOT FROM SUBMARINES AS AT FIRST SUSPECTED.

JAPANESE RADIO TODAY MADE THE STATEMENT THAT RUSSIA WANTS KOREA, MANCHURIA AND FORMOSA.

THE SYRIANS ARE DRAFTING TROOPS TO COPE WITH THE SITUATION IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY, WHERE FRENCH TROOPS HAVE TAKEN UP RESIDENCE.

IN A REPORT FROM PARIS TODAY, LEON BLUM SAID THE DE GAULLE GOV'T. WAS A DICTATORSHIP. HE CLAIMS THAT STRIKE AND POLITICAL TROUBLE ARE ALREADY BREWING IN FRANCE.

THREE AMERICAN DIVISIONS HAVE JOINED UP IN MINDANAO, AND GEN. MAC ARTHUR HAS SAID THAT THE OPERATION "IS NOW IN THE MOPPING-UP STAGE".

ON LUZON, THE YANKS ARE PRESSING FORWARD TO CLEAR THE NORTHERN HALF OF THE ISLAND. IN NEW GUINEA, THE ABBIES HAVE KILLED 1000 JAPS IN RECENT ADVANCES.

BASEBALL SCORES.....AMERICAN LEAGUE:

NEW YORK	6	11	0	NATIONAL			
CHICAGO	3	12	4	NEW YORK	7	10	0
				CINCINNATI	6	10	1
BOSTON	3	14	1	PITTS.	10	14	3
ST. LOUIS	6	9	2	BOSTON	9	15	4
PHILA.	7	11	0	PHILA.	6	8	1
DETROIT	2	8	1	CHICAGO	3	5	1
CLEVELA.	1	6	0	ST. LOUIS	7	12	0
CASH.	6	3	1	BROOKLYN	5	13	1

CAPTAIN'S SPEECH.....THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE CAPTAIN'S SPEECH FROM THE BRIDGE TONIGHT WAS THE NEWS THAT ADMIRALS RAWLINGS AND BRIND OF THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET HAD RECOMMENDED TO ADMIRAL SIR BRUCE FRASER THAT, WHEN THE NEW CRUISERS ARRIVE, UGANDA SHOULD GO BACK TO CANADA TO RE-COMMISSION. AS FAR AS THEY KNOW AT PRESENT, THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS SHOULD ARISE ABOUT JULY.

THE CAPTAIN WARNED HOWEVER, THAT THERE WERE A LOT OF "IFS" CONNECTED WITH THIS PROPOSAL; SIR BRUCE MIGHT REFUSE; THE SHIPS MIGHT NOT GET HERE; OTHER CRUISERS MIGHT BE SUNK, ETC; THUS HE CAUTIONED AGAINST ANY PREMATURE CELEBRATIONS. HE PERSONALLY CONSIDERED THE CHANCES "FAIRLY GOOD".

MEANWHILE THE GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED FOR A LIST OF VOLUNTEERS AND WE WOULD PROBABLY BE RE-VOTING ON THE QUESTION AT MANUS, ALONG WITH THE FEDERAL ELECTION--IF THE BALLOTS GET THROUGH ON SCHEDULE. THE CAPTAIN ASKED THE SHIP'S COMPANY TO TRY AND LOOK AT THE QUESTION, AS IF THEY WERE IN CANADA DECIDING NOW.

AS FAR AS PRIORITIES ARE CONCERNED: VOLUNTEERS WILL BE GIVEN THE FIRST BREAK, SHOULD THE SHIP RETURN TO CANADA.

ENTERTAINMENT.....PROSPECTS FOR MANUS ARE NOT AS BAD AS THEY SEEMED AT FIRST. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT THERE ARE FACILITIES FOR SWIMMING (WITH A SHARK GUARD) BASEBALL AND SOCCER; THAT MOVIES WILL BE CHANGED EVERY SECOND NIGHT (AND WE HOPE TO CUT IN ON SOME OF THE NEW YANK ONES); THAT BEER IS SOLD IN CANS FOR A NICKEL A CAN, AND THE AFTERNOON QUOTA IS FOUR.

TO MAKE THE MOST OF OUR OPPORTUNITIES, A COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP EMBRACING ALL BRANCHES, TO ORGANISE A FULL SLATE OF SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT. AMONG ITEMS PLANNED ARE BALL GAMES, WAR CANOE RACES, A SWIMMING GALA, A RIFLE SHOOT, MUSICAL CONCERTS, BINGO, "JAM SESSIONS", RADIO SHOWS AND POSSIBLY A CONCERT PARTY. A SUGGESTION WAS MADE THAT A TROPHY BE STRUCK IN THE SHIP FOR THE WINNING DEPARTMENT.

THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE TO NOMINATE A REPRESENTATIVE IMMEDIATELY, SO THAT WE CAN START THINGS ROLLING: SEAMEN TOPMEN, SEAMEN FX, SEAMEN AX, TORPEDOMEN, STOKERS, COMMUNICATIONS, RADAR, EXECUTIVE CHIEFS AND POS, (TYPEWRITER BREAKDOWN HERE; SLIGHT PAUSE WHILE WE SWITCH TO THE CONSOLE OF THE MIGHTY IMPERIAL); OFFICERS AND MISCELLANEOUS BRANCH (STORES COOKS AND STEWARDS, BAND ETC.). WITH A LITTLE COOPERATION, WE CAN HAVE A LOT OF FUN, HOW ABOUT IT MEN.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....THE JAPS ARE DOING EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO LICK THE YANKS ON OKINAWA. THEY ARE FAR FROM BEATEN, TOO--AS THEY SHOWED WHEN A LARGE NUMBER OF SUICIDE PLANES DAMAGED 11 LIGHT U.S. NAVAL UNITS AND DESTROYED 7 U.S. PLANES ON THE GROUND.

500 AMERICAN SUPER-FORTS DROPPED 4000 TONS OF FIRE BOMBS ON TOKYO MAIN DISTRICT EARLY TODAY. THE AMERICANS LOST 12 PLANES, THEIR HEAVIEST LOSS YET. IT WAS THE 24TH. RAID ON TOKYO SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 1944.

CAROLE LANDIS HAS GONE TO RENO TO DIVORCE THE AMERICAN FLIER, MAJ THOMAS WALLACE, WHOM SHE WOODED AND WON DURING A HECTIC DAY WHEN SHE WAS TOURING ENGLAND AND THE MED. IN "FOUR JILLS AND A JEEP".

HAVE YOU BEEN ON THE UPPER DECK TONIGHT? THAT MOONLIGHT IS FRONT-PAGE NEWS IN ANY NEWSPAPER, INCLUDING THIS ONE.

BIRTHDAYS.....THERE'S THREE BIRTHDAYS IN THE SHIP TODAY--AB. "DUKE" LAMB, EX-ZOOT ZUITER AND GASH GRUTE SENTRY, WHO IS 20 AND OLD ENOUGH TO GO OUT WITH GIRLS, NOW; L/STO. ELMER ROY CAMPBELL, WHO IS 26; AND LT. CDR. (E) CLARKE, WHO REFUSED TO DISCLOSE HIS AGE TO THE PRESS. HE DIDN'T MIND SO MUCH, BUT THAT EXPLOSIVE CIGAR...!

BASEBALL SCORES.....YANKS 5 CINCY 2; CUBS 4 PHILS 3; CARDS 9 DODGERS 7; PIRATES 5 BOSTON 3; IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE; TIGERS 2 A'S 1; CLEVELAND 3 WASHINGTON 0; WHITE SOX 4 YANKEES 3.

THE LAST PIPE.....DUTY CIRCULATION DEP'T...--CLOSE UP!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR....."THE EDITOR:- UGANDA TAR PAPER. I REGRET TO INFORM YOU I HAVE BEEN MISQUOTED IN YOUR VALUABLE PAPER OF YESTERDAY'S DATE, ON THE SUBJECT OF 'PRIORITIES'. WHAT I SAID WAS THAT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE JAP WAR WHO WERE RETURNING TO SERVE IN THE SHIP WOULD GO ON LEAVE FIRST.

"ON THE SUBJECT OF PRIORITY OF RELEASE FROM THE SERVICE I SAID VOLUNTEERS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO FOREGO THEIR PRIORITIES EXCEPT AS AMONG THEMSELVES (I.E. OTHER VOLUNTEERS) UNLESS THERE WERE A SUPER-ABUNDANCE OF VOLUNTEERS, THE OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENT OF HEADQUARTERS IS; "PRIORITY RELEASE POLICY IS DEPENDENT UPON THE OVERALL TOTAL OF THOSE VOLUNTEERING AND MAY HAVE TO BE MODIFIED IF THERE ARE SHORTAGES WITHIN INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES'.

"PLEASE MAKE THIS CLEAR TO YOUR READERS AND LISTENERS."

(SGD.) E.R. MAIRGUY.

U.S. DOMESTIC NEWS.....OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO CANADIANS TODAY ITS THE NEWS THAT PRES. TRUMAN HAS BEEN VOTED AUTHORITY (239 TO 153) TO MAKE WIDESPREAD REDUCTIONS IN TARIFFS, TO STIMULATE RECIPROCAL TRADING BETWEEN NATIONS, THE LEGISLATION, WHICH NOW HAS TO BE APPROVED BY THE SENATE, WILL PROLONG THE LIFE OF RECIPROCAL TRADE FOR THREE YEARS, WITH ITS EXPANDED POWERS. IT WOULD ALLOW TARRIF CUTS IN SOME ITEMS UP TO 75% BELOW LEVELS OF THE REPUBLICAN SMOOT-HAWLEY ACT OF 1930. THE ULTIMATE EFFECT OF THIS LEGISLATION IN CANADA MAY BE TO PROVIDE SUCH ITEMS AS CARS, WASHING MACHINES, VACUUM CLEANERS, ETC., AT LOWER PRICES.

MAJOR JIMMY DOOLITTLE (NOW A MAJOR-GENERAL), WHO LED THE FAMOUS "SHANGRI-LA" BOMBING ON JAPAN IN APRIL 1942, SAYS THAT JAPAN WILL BE PASTED EVEN HARDER THAN WAS GERMANY. IN HIS FIRST RAID, GEN. DOOLITTLE USED CARRIER-BASED B-25'S; NOW HE WILL HAVE LAND-BASED 4-ENGINED BOMBERS WITH PLENTY OF FIGHTER COMER.

THE AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND EXPECTS TO HAVE ONE FLIGHT EVERY SIX MINUTES ACROSS THE ATLANTIC, WHEN IT STARTS FERRYING TROOPS FROM EUROPE. TACTICAL PLANES WILL BE FLOWN OVER AT THE RATE OF 100 TO 125 A DAY BY THE SAME CREWS WHO FLEW THEM IN COMBAT. THEY WILL RETURN 50,000 SOLDIERS A MONTH.

THE U.S. WAR DEPT. IS NOT GOING TO DRAFT NURSES AS SUGGESTED RECENTLY. THEY SAID THAT "RAPIDLY CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE PAST SIX WEEKS ELIMINATED THE NEED FOR IT".

PRIVATE JOSEPH MC GEE, WHO WAS GIVEN TWO YEARS IN CHOKEY AND A DISHONORABLE DISCHARGE FOR SOCKING A PRISONER OF WAR, WAS FREED 24 HOURS AFTER IT CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF CONGRESS. THE SENTENCE WAS ASSAILED AS "RIDICULOUS". AN EXPLOSION AT THE HISTORIC EDGEWOOD ARSENAL KILLED 12 AND INJURED 51, FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

WORLD NEWS FLASHES.....U.S. BOMBERS HAVE PRACTICALLY DESTROYED TOKYO, THE THIRD LARGEST CITY IN THE WORLD. JAPAN ADMITTED IN A RADIO BROADCAST THAT THE DEVASTATION WAS GREAT. RETURNING PILOTS AGREED THAT THE CITY HAD BEEN VIRTUALLY RAZED.

THE AMERICANS LOST 31 BOMBERS IN THE TWO RAIDS, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY. THE JAP PREMIER SAID THAT THE IMPERIAL PALACE HAD BEEN SEMERELY DAMAGED.

THE JAPS ON OKINAWA ARE FLEEING FROM THE CENTER ON NAHA AND APPARENTLY HOP E TO MAKE A FINAL STAND IN SHURI. THE YANKS ARE HOT ON THEIR TRAIL.

ONE AMERICAN PATROL PLANE DESTROYED 20 JAPANESE FREIGHTERS BY A DARING SOLO RAID ON THE BORNEO PORT OF BANDJERJASIAN. HE ALSO DESTROYED FIVE SHIPS ON THE WAYS AT A NEARBY SHIPYARD.

THE JAPS LOST 100 PLANES IN SUICIDE COUNTER-ATTACKS AROUND OKINAWA THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.

CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE.....AT 0730 TODAY THE CAPTAIN READ A SIGNAL FROM OUR C-IN-C, ADMIRAL SIR BRUCE FRASER, SAYING THAT HE HAD APPROVED THE SUGGESTION OF ADMIRALS RAWLINGS AND BRIND, AND HAD SIGNALLED OTTAWA SUGGESTING THAT UGANDA BE RECALLED TO CANADA FOR LEAVE AND RE-COMMISSIONING WHEN OTHER CRUISERS BECOME AVAILABLE. THIS SHOULD BE ABOUT MID-JULY....NOW ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS APPROVAL FROM OTTAWA.

CENSORSHIP.....LAST NIGHT'S SIGNAL, ROUNDING UP EVENTS OF OUR FIRST OPERATION, AND ALSO TODAY'S SIGNAL FROM SIR BRUCE, GIVE RISE TO CERTAIN QUESTIONS REGARDING CENSORSHIP, AND THE FOLLOWING POLICY HAS BEEN LAID DOWN:

1. IT IS PERMISSABLE TO SAY THAT THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET HAS ENGAGED IN STRIKES AGAINST THE SAKASHIMA ISLANDS, BUT UGANDA CANNOT BE SINGLED OUT SPECIFICALLY. ANY REFERENCE OF ACTION MUST BE TO "THE FLEET".

2. IT IS NOT PERMISSABLE TO WRITE AND SAY THAT YOU "ARE COMING HOME", AS THIS HAS REFERENCE TO SHIP MOVEMENTS, WHICH ARE STRICTLY ON THE "TOP SECRET LIST". IF AND WHEN THE PLAN FOR UGANDA TO RETURN IS APPROVED, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO INCLUDE A VAGUE HINT SUCH AS "MAY SEE YOU SOMETIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE" OR WORDS TO THAT EFFECT.

3. IT IS PERMISSIBLE TO SAY THAT THE SHIP HAS COVERED MORE THAN 40,000 MILES, BUT NO OUTLINE OF THE METHOD OF CONDUCTING AN OPERATION (UP TWO DAYS FOR A STRIKE, BACK TO THE FUELLING AREA, ETC.) MAY BE MENTIONED. NOR CAN YOU GIVE ANY FIGURES OF PLANES LOST, ETC.

POETRY DEP'T.....APROPOS OF TODAY'S SIGNAL FROM SIR BRUCE FRASER, THE TAR PAPER HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING BIT OF POETRY, WHICH SHOULD BE SUNG TO THE TUNE OF SIR HARRY LAUDER'S FAMOUS "I THINK I'LL GET WET IN THE SUMMER".

"I THINK I'LL GO HOME IN THE SUMMER,
I THINK I'LL GO HOME IN JULY.
OH BOY! I'LL GET FED, AND I'LL SLEEP IN A BED
AND I'LL NEED NO MORE LOVE ON THE SLY.
COME LET'S SING OF OTTAWA'S KING,
MACKENZIE'S THE MAN WE ADORE--
THE HUMAN TORPEDO AS GOOD AS BUSHIDO,
UGANDA IS OUT OF THE WAR".

--LIEUT. E. MAKOVSKI.

EDITORIAL.....IN THE LAST FEW DAYS WE HAVE SEEN TWO MOTION PICTURES, ONE CALLED "LITTLE ACCIDENT" (WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN CALLED "MAJOR ACCIDENT") AND ANOTHER TITLED "HUNTED MEN" (WE'D LIKE TO JUNT FOR THE MEN WHO FOISTED THAT CAN OF CORN ON US.) WE NOMINATE FOR THE MOST BANAL SCENE IN THE HISTORY OF CELLULOID THE ONE IN WHICH THE HARDENED CRIMINAL, JOE ALBANY, CHOKES BACK A TEAR AS HE HANDS OVER HIS JUNIOR G-MAN BADGE TO THAT OBNOXIOUS BRAT "BUTCH" IN THE LATTER PICTURE.

IN "LITTLE ACCIDENT" THERE WAS ONE ACTOR (ETIENNE GIRARDOT) WHO IS DEAD MORE THAN FOUR YEARS. IN "HUNTED MEN" THERE WAS ANOTHER (LYBBE OVERMEN) WHO PASSED AWAY ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO.

IS THIS REALLY THE BEST WE CAN DO? OUT HERE, WHERE ENTERTAINMENT IS XXXR RARE AND SORELY NEEDED, SURELY WE ARE ENTITLED TO THE BEST THE NAVY CAN PROVIDE. WHO IS TO BLAME FOR THIS ABOMINABLE STUFF WE'RE LOCKING AT? THE NAVY HAS A DEPARTMENT TO LOOK AFTER SUCH THINGS, AND THERE IS AN OFFICER OUT HERE TO DO THE JOB FOR THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET. IT'S TIME OUR MOTION PICTURE OFFICER, LIEUT. WINSER (WHO ONLY SHOWS WHAT HE CAN GET), REARED UP ON HIS HIND LEGS AND BELLOWED FOR BETTER TREATMENT. HE WILL HAVE THE SUPPORT OF EACH ONE OF US.

COINCIDENCE.....DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE OF LEADING COOK WALLIS? HE LOST A RONSON LIGHTER IN CHARLESTON AND MORE OR LESS GAVE IT UP. SOME MONTHS LATER, AND AT LEAST 8000 MILES AWAY, HE WALKED INTO A PUB. IN ALEXANDRIA, WENT DIRECTLY TO A TABLE, AND FOUND HIS LIGHTER THERE, WITH HIS NAME ENGRAVED ON IT, AND EVERYTHING!! (PUZZLE: HOW DID IT GET THERE?)

WORLD NEWS.....WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE 10.15 BROADCAST TONIGHT.

MESSAGE FROM THE FIRST LORD.....MR. A.V. ALEXANDER, THE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY, HAS SENT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO THE FLEET: AND AT HOME AND ABROAD, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RESIGNATION: "ON LEAVING THE ADMIRALTY TODAY FOR THE SECOND TIME IN MY LIFE I SAY FAREWELL TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE FLEET. YOUR TOILS AND ENDEAVOURS DURING MORE THAN FIVE YEARS HAVE BEEN CROWNED WITH GLORIOUS VICTORY. YOU WILL NOW GO ON TO COMPLETE THE TASK NO LESS GLORIOUSLY. TO HAVE BEEN THE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY DURING THESE MOMENTOUS YEARS IS A PRIVILEGE WHICH I GREATLY PRIZE AND MY INTEREST IN THE FORTUNES OF THE ROYAL NAVY AND PRIDE IN ITS ACHIEVEMENT AND TRADITION WILL CONTINUE UNDIMINISHED. GOD BLESS YOU ALL".

WORLD NEWS.....THERE ARE NOW 200 BRITISH SHIPS IN THE PACIFIC AND MORE ARE ON THEIR WAY. THE ADMIRALTY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE CONVOY SYSTEM IS NO LONGER NEEDED IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC, AND MERCHANT SHIPS ARE RUNNING INDEPENDENTLY BURNING NAVIGATIONAL LIGHTS.

450 SUPER-FORTS YESTERDAY DUMPED 3200 TONS OF INCENDIARY BOMBS ON YOKAHAMA, THE FIRES BURNING FOR 56 HOURS. THIS IS JAPAN'S GREATEST PORT. THE CITY HAS A POPULATION OF A MILLION.

ONE HALF OF NAHA, THE CAPITAL OF OKINAWA, IS NOW IN AMERICAN HANDS. THE JAPS ARE STILL FIGHTING STUBBORNLY.

LONDON SAYS THAT THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE BIG 3 POWERS IS TO MAKE SURE THAT GERMANY AND JAPAN CAN NEVER AGAIN WAGE WAR.

GEN. JAN CHRISTIAN SMUTS OF SOUTH AFRICA IS EXPECTED IN OTTAWA NEXT MONTH FOR A CONFERENCE WITH P.M. MACKENZIE KING.

HARRY HOPKINS, ADVISER TO THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, HAS HELD HIS SECOND MEETING WITH ANTHONY EDEN AT THE FOREIGN SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

SHIP'S NEWS.....WE'RE DUE IN MANUS EARLY TOMORROW MORNING.

L/SEA. NORMAN SHERRON OF CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., IS RECOVERING IN SICK BAY AFTER AN EMERGENCY APPENDIX OPERATION SUNDAY NIGHT. ALL THREE M.O.'S ATTENDED SHERRON, WITH SURG. LIEUT. COADY DOING THE SURGERY.

CAPT. "TOOTHIE" HOLLISTER OF THE CANADIAN DENTAL CORPS HAS RECEIVED HIS HIGHEST FEE FOR FILLING A TOOTH RIGHT HERE ON BOARD SHIP. WHEN HE HAD FINISHED DOING A JOB ON ERA. JOHN "PORKY" PERKAZIS, RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A VISIT TO HIS NATIVE ATHENS, HE WAS PRESENTED WITH 500 THOUSAND MILLION DRACHMAS. IT USED TO BE WORTH 7 1/2 CENTS AMERICAN, PER DRACHMA, NOW ITS INFLATION MONEY.

WANT TO GET YOUR SHOES MENDED? L/SEA. EVANS HAS GOT SOME LEATHER SOLES AND HEELS AND IS OPEN FOR ENGAGEMENTS AS SHIP'S COBBLER. HE LEARNED THE TRADE IN PRE-NAVY DAYS, WORKING AROUND THE MINES. YOU CAN GET HIM VIA THE TROPEMEN'S MESS OR THE MAIN EXCHANGE WORKSHOP.

FOR THE STATISTICALLY-MINDED, DURING OUR FIRST OPERATION UGANDA FIRED 547 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THIS FIGURE IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR MENTION IN LETTERS.

MANUS ENTERTAINMENT PLANS ARE MOVING RIGHT ALONG. DONT MISS "THE DEHYDRATED HOUR"!

HERE ARE A FEW ITEMS CULLED FROM CLIPPINGS BACK HOME.

HALIFAX.....VICE-ADMIRAL JONES HAS TAKEN OVER FROM REAR-ADMIRAL MURRAY IN HALIFAX, AND "SWEEPING INVESTIGATIONS" ARE BEING CARRIED OUT, WITH REGARD TO THE \$5,000,000 V-E DAY RIOTS. SEVERAL HUNDRED SAILORS ARE IN DETENTION AND THE CITY JAIL IS JAMMED. STIFF SENTENCES HAVE ALREADY BEEN METED OUT. A PETTY OFFICER CHARGED WITH BREAKING AND ENTERING, AND THEFT, GOT 5 YEARS. TWO KILICK WHO BROKE A PLATE GLASS WINDOW GOT TWO YEARS EACH. ANOTHER PETTY OFFICER GOT THREE YEARS FOR BREAKING, ENTERING AND THEFT.

ADMIRAL MURRAY SAID IN A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS THAT CIVILIANS LED THE ASSAULT, AND SERVICE MEN JUST TRAILED ALONG. PICTURES IN HALIFAX PAPERS SEEM TO SHOW MORE CIVILIANS THAN SERVICE-MEN, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL SAILORS ARE PICTURED RED-HANDED CARRYING AWAY CASES OF BEER.

ONE GWAC WAS PICTURED WITH A CLOTHES DUMMY'S HEAD IN HER ARMS, A BOTTLE OF BEER IN ONE HAND, A TOP HAT OVER HER SERVICE CAP, AND WITH AN AIRMAN HOLDING HER UP.

PLATE GLASS WINDOWS ALL ALONG BARRINGTON STREET WERE SHATTERED. THE RIOTING LASTED FOR TWO NIGHTS AND A DAY. MANY OTHER SMALL TOWNS IN NOVA SCOTIA REPORTED SIMILAR RIOTS, WITH THE LOCAL LIQUOR STORES MAIN TARGET. IN DARTMOUTH RAPE WAS REPORTED. THE NAVAL OFFICER FOUND BEATEN TO DEATH ON DALHOUSIE CAMPUS WAS IDENTIFIED AS LT. CMDR. JOHN SMITH, RCNR, FORMER C.O. OF ST. FRANCIS.

THE REST OF CANADA WAS APPALLED AT THE HALIFAX SHOW. TORONTO HAD A BIG PARADE AND A LOT OF NOISE, BUT LITTLE DAMAGE. WINNIPEG WAS QUIET. IN VANCOUVER, LIQUOR STORES AND BEER PARLORS WERE CLOSED.

SEVERAL SERVICE MEN IN HALIFAX SAID THAT THEY WERE "SO SHAMED OF THEIR UNIFORMS THEY WANTED TO GET OUT OF THEM, SO THAT THEY WOULDN'T BE MARKED". AND THE MOST SIGNIFICANT OBSERVATION CAME FROM A SOLDIER VETERAN OF SICILY, ITALY AND NORMANDY, WHO BROKE INTO TEARS AND SAID: "IS THIS WHAT WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING FOR?"

VOLUNTEERING.....AN OTTAWA DESPATCH REVEALS THAT 90% OF NAVAL PERSONNEL ARE VOLUNTEERING FOR THE PACIFIC. LETTERS FROM HOME INDICATE THAT THOSE WHO WERE NATTERING MOST ABOUT BEING IN THE SERVICE HAVE DONE A SWITCH-ABOUT SINCE THE END OF THE WAR IN GERMANY AND ARE NOW CLAMORING TO GET OUT HERE.

ESQUIMALT LOST.....AS BINTED AT IN A TAR PAPER BROADCAST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, THE MINESWEEPER HMCS ESQUIMALT WAS TORPEDOED AND SUNK OFF HALIFAX JUST A WEEK BEFORE V-E DAY. FIVE OFFICERS AND 39 RATINGS WERE LOST AND THERE WERE 26 SURVIVORS. CAPTAIN WAS LIEUT. R. MACMILLAN, D.S.C. AND BAR, OF CHARLOTTE-TOWN, P.E.I. HE IS ONE OF TWO SURVIVING OFFICERS.

MAIL CALL.....INST. LIEUT. SMALL SAYS: "WORD HAS BEEN RECEIVED OFFICIALLY THAT AIR LETTERS FORMS MAY NOW BE MAILED TO CANADA FREE OF POSTAGE AND THEY ARE GUARANTEED AIR TRANSIT. ORDINARY MAIL IS GIVEN AIR TRANSIT IF POSSIBLE BUT IT IS STILL NOT GBARANTEED.

RATS!.....PETTY OFFICER BIRCH WANTS TO START A RAT-CATCHING COMPETITION IN THE SHIP, HE HAS BEEN HAVING NIGHTMARES ABOUT THEM--SOMUCH SO, IN FACT, THAT HE HAS RIGGED HIS "MICK " WITH RAT-GUARDS AT EACH END. WE DONT MIND THE COMPETITION, SO LONG AS NOBODY HAEMS THE LITTLE GRAY DEVIL WE HAVE IN THE D.C.T.--THE MASCOT OF THE U.B.S.

BEER ASHORE.....ASK THE CHIEFS AND PO'S WHO VISITED ONE OF THE ISLANDS TODAY. "A NICKEL A CAN FOR ICE-COLD SCHLITZ", ONE OF THEM REPORTED, ON HIS RETURN TO THE SHIP. "MMMMMM".

WORLD NEWS.....WE ALMOST FORGOT: AIR REPORTS SHOW "VERY LITTLE LEFT " OF TOKYO...LORD "HAW HAW" HAS BEEN CAPTURED BY BRITISH TOMLIES WHO CRIED "YOU YELLOW TRAITOR-- IN OUR HANDS AT LAST"!...BRITISH EMPIRE CASUALTIES TO DATE TOTAL 1,128,000 OF WHOM 307,000 HAVE BEEN KILLED...THERE'S AND ALL-OUT ASSAULT ON OKINAWA AND THE END IS EXPECTED WITHIN A COUPLE OF WEEKS...WE SAY SO-LONG TO LIEUT. LEVKOFF OF THE US. COMMUNICATIONS TEAM, WHO IS OFF TO SYDNEY... LUCKY FELLOW.