

WORLD NEWS

HIS MAJESTY THE KING HAS ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF FIELD MARSHAL SIR HAROLD ALEXANDER AS GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA, TO TAKE THE PLACE OF THE EARL OF ATHLONE, WHO ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION OF RETIRING SOME WEEKS AGO.

NEWS OF THIS APPOINTMENT WILL, WE FEEL SURE, BE RECEIVED WITH CONSIDERABLE ENTHUSIASM THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION. FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER'S MATCHLESS RECORD IN THIS WAR, HIS GREAT LEADERSHIP IN AFRICA AND ITALY; HIS ATHLETIC BACKGROUND AND HIS SOLDIERLY BEARING ARE WELL KNOWN TO ALL OF US. HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH SUCH AMERICAN LEADERS AS MARK CLARK AND DWIGHT EISENHOWER SHOULD ALSO BE AN ASSET IN HIS NEW POST, WHICH CALLS FOR CLOSE TIES WITH OUR AMERICAN NEIGHBOURS.

THE EARL OF ATHLONE HAS SERVED CANADA WELL AND MERITS A LIFE OF QUIET RETIREMENT. HE IS NO LONGER YOUNG. HE AND HIS CHARMING WIFE WERE POPULAR IN CANADA AND IN THE UNITED STATES, WHERE THEY WERE PARTICULAR FRIENDS OF THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

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THE BIG THREE CONFERENCE AT POTSDAM IS OVER AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT A STATEMENT WILL BE FORTHCOMING TOMORROW.

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KING GEORGE AND PRESIDENT TRUMAN WILL MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME SHORTLY. THE KING WILL RECEIVE THE PRESIDENT ONBOARD THE BATTLE CRUISER RENOWN AND LATER ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT ON A RETURN VISIT TO U.S.S. AUGUSTA.

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PACIFIC OCEAN COMMUNIQUE NO. 452.

CARRIER AIRCRAFT OF THE U.S. PACIFIC FLEET ATTACKED ENEMY INSTALLATIONS ON WAKE ISLAND EARLY TODAY. A BATTLESHIP ALSO BOMBARDED. THERE WAS SLIGHT OPPOSITION FROM SHORE BATTERIES AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE BUT NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES, AND DAMAGE TO U.S. SHIPS WAS DESCRIBED AS "EXTREMELY LIGHT."

LIGHT UNITS OF THE U.S. PACIFIC FLEET RESCUED 283 NATIVES FROM ENEMY-HELD JALHIT IN THE MARSHALLS TODAY. SOME OPPOSITION WAS ENCOUNTERED BUT U.S. FORCES SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

PRIVATEERS YESTERDAY BLEW UP A LARGE RAILWAY BRIDGE NEAR THE MOUTH OF THE SEISES RIVER IN NORTHWEST KORES, DAMAGED ANOTHER AND TWO TRAINS AND STRAFED A CANNERY AND SMALL CRAFT. SEARCH AIRCRAFT ATTACKED INSTALLATIONS ON SAKASHIMA.

NO NEWS TODAY OF THE BRITISH AND THIRD FLEET ACTIVITIES, SO WE PRESUME THAT THEY ARE BACK OILING.

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BABY CONTEST

IMPENDING DOOM THREATENS JUDGES IN THE "UGANDA PIN-UP BABY CONTEST" AS ENTRIES CONTINUE TO POUR IN, AND PROUD PAPAS MAKE WITH THE SALES TALKS, UTTERING DIRE THREATS IF THEIR KIDS AREN'T PICKED WINNER. IN THE FIRST TWO HOURS AFTER THE CONTEST WAS ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT, 34 ENTRIES WERE RECEIVED INCLUDING ONE FROM MESS 33 OF TWO COAL-BLACK PICKANNINIES CHANTING THE ZOMBIES' EQUIVALENT OF "MAMMY'S LIL' BABY LOVES SHO'TNIN BREAD". SINCE THE FATHER FORGOT TO ENCLOSE HIS NAME WITH THE ENVELOPE, WE HAVE RULED THAT ONE OUT. REMEMBER THESE RULES:

1. ENTRIES CLOSE NOON SUNDAY. SNAPSHOTS SHOULD BE HANDED IN TO CABIN 6 BEFORE THAT DATE, WITH NO IDENTIFICATION ON THE PIX AND THE FATHER'S NAME AND MESS NO. ON THE ENVELOPE.

2. AGE LIMIT IS SIX, AND THE BABES WILL BE JUDGED ON HEALTH AND GOOD LOOKS, NOT THE QUALITIES OF THE PICTURES.

3. BABIES OVER THE AGE OF 18 MAY BE ENTERED, PROVIDED THE TAR PAPER IS FURNISHED WITH NAME, 'PHONE NUMBER AND VICTORIA ADDRESS.

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SEZ THE P.T.I.

"IF YOU WANT TO BE ABLE TO WALK FROM THE SHIP TO THE NEAREST TAXI-STAND, GET IN SHAPE WITH THE VOLUNTARY P.T. CLASSES ON THE QUARTERDECK!"

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WORLD NEWS

RESULTS OF THE RECORD SUPER-FORT RAID ON JAPAN YESTERDAY HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED, AND RETURNING PILOTS SAY GREAT FIRES ARE RAGING IN 5 HONSHU CITIES WHICH WERE ATTACKED. THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION. ONLY ONE SUPER-FORT WAS REPORTED MISSING. AFTER THIS OPERATION, ALTHOUGH MORE THAN 800 WERE REPORTED AND WERE ALLEGED TO HAVE DROPPED THE GREATEST CONCENTRATION OF BOMBS IN HISTORY. TOKYO RADIO REPORTED 5 MILLION PEOPLE WERE EVACUATED FROM FIVE BOMBED-OUT CITIES.

FOUR CENTRES OF JAPANESE INDUSTRY AND IMPORTANT PETROLEUM REFINERIES AROUND KAWASAKI WERE DEVASTATED BY HEAVY EXPLOSIVES AND INCENDIARIES.

AMERICAN PLANES FROM OKINAWA HAVE CONTINUED THEIR DAILY BLOCKADE RAIDS, RADIO TOKYO REPORTED MORE PLANES OVER NAGASAKI, AND SASABO WAS ALSO HEAVILY POUNDED.

160 LIBERATORS WERE REPORTED OVER KYUSHU IN THESE LATEST ASSAULTS. PLANES FROM IWO JIMA MADE NEW STRIKES AGAINST JAP FIELDS THROUGHOUT THE NAGOYA-KOBE AREA WEDNESDAY. FOUR AMERICAN AIRCRAFT WERE LOST.

MEANWHILE, A BATTLESHIP, CARRIER-BASED PLANES AND SOME SMALLER SHIPS MADE A RAID ON WAKE ISLAND, STILL HELD BY THE JAPS. THERE WAS MINOR OPPOSITION FROM SHORE.

AUSTRALIAN TROOPS ON BORNEO CONTINUE THEIR ADVANCES. JAP PLANES MADE ATTACKS AGAINST ALLIED POSITIONS NEAR BRUNEI BAY BUT LITTLE DAMAGE WAS REPORTED. ALLIED PLANES RETALIATED BY RAIDING JAP AIRFIELDS AND SHIPS IN SOUTH BORNEO COASTAL SECTORS.

IN CHINA, A NEW JAP ATTACK IS REPORTED ALTHOUGH THE CHINESE AT KWEILIN CONTINUE ADVANCING NORTHWARD. HEAVY FIGHTING AROUND THE INDO-CHINA FRONTIER IS ANNOUNCED FROM CHUNKING.

GEN. CHENNAULT OF THE "FLYING TIGERS", IN A RETIREMENT SPEECH, TOLD THE 14TH. AIR FORCE THAT THE JAPS ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND WERE "VIRTUALLY ISOLATED FROM THEIR HOMELAND" BY RECENT ALLIED ADVANCES.

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PACIFIC NEWS

HERE IS ADDITIONAL DATA ON THE 30 JULY STRIKES:

IN ADDITION TO DAMAGE ALREADY ANNOUNCED, THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET DESTROYED 2 AIRCRAFT ON THE GROUND, DAMAGED 7. THE B.P.F. SUNK 1 DESTROYER, 1 TRANSPORT AND 1 LUGGER; DAMAGED 2 DESTROYERS, 1 DESTROYER ESCORT, 1 AUXILIARY, 5 CARGO-CARRYING VESSELS AND 8 SMALL CRAFT. AGAINST GROUND INSTALLATIONS, SHE DESTROYED 1 LOCOMOTIVE, AN OIL TANK AND WARE HOUSES; DAMAGED 1 LOCOMOTIVE, A RADIO STATION, HANGARS AND NAVAL BARRACKS AT MAIZBRUQUES.

THE YANKS DESTROYED 1 AIRCRAFT ON THE GROUND AND DAMAGED 41; SUNK 1 OIL BARGE AND 11 SMALL CRAFT; DAMAGED 5 SMALL VESSELS PLUS NUMEROUS LOCOMOTIVES, HANGARS, THENAGOYA ARSENAL, NAVAL DOCKS AND MANY BRIDGES AND POWER HOUSES.

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OUR LOSSES IN THESE OPERATIONS: 11 AMERICAN PLANES WITH 11 PILOTS AND AIRCREWMEN AND 3 BRITISH PLANES WITH 3 PILOTS.

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BABY CONTEST

THE BEAUTIFUL BABES CONTINUE TO STORM CABIN 6, RADAR FLAT. SO FAR, THERE'S MORE THAN 40 LETTERS IN, CONTAINING SOME 60 PICTURES - AND THEY'RE ALL CUTIES! THE DEADLINE IS SUNDAY NOON AND REMEMBER, THOSE 5000-WORD AUTOBIOGRAPHIES YOU'RE SENDING IN WONT INFLUENCE THE JUDGES A BIT (WE HOPE).

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RADIO UGANDA

THE DEHYDRATED HOUR - WHAT IS IT?

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WORLD NEWS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN IS ON HIS WAY BACK FROM THE BIG 3 MEETING, BY CRUISER AND IS REPORTED TO HAVE GIVEN A GOOD ACCOUNT OF HIMSELF. THE NEW YORK TIMES OBSERVED THAT THE 3 LEADERS HAD ACHIEVED "CONCRETE AGREEMENT ON DIFFICULT QUESTIONS" AND SAID THAT THEY HAD, IN EFFECT, "ESTABLISHED A CONTINUING PEACE CONFERENCE". HERE ARE THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMME WHICH THEY EVOLVED;

A CO-ORDINATED POLICY FOR THE CONTROL OF GERMANY, GERMANY IS TO BE COMPLETELY DISARMED AND ALL NAZI ORGANIZATIONS MUST END. THE COUNTRY WILL RE-CONVERT TO AN ECONOMY OF AGRICULTURE AND PEACEFUL DOMESTIC INDUSTRIES, BUT THERE IS NO INTENTION OF ENSLAVING OR DESTROYING THE COUNTRY. CARTELS AND MONOPOLIES WILL BE BROKEN UP, LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT WILL BE PERMITTED ALONG DEMOCRATIC LINES BUT NO PARTY SYSTEM IS PLANNED.

THE BIG 3 SAW THE NEED OF HELPING ITALY GET RE-ESTABLISHED SO THAT SHE COULD ENTER THE UNITED NATIONS BLOC, POINTING OUT THAT SHE WAS THE FIRST COUNTRY TO BREAK WITH GERMANY, HAD CONTRIBUTED TO ITS DEFEAT, AND WAS NOW IN THE WAR AGAINST JAPAN. SPAIN WILL NOT BE ADMITTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS WITH ITS PRESENT GOVERNMENT. POLAND HAS BEEN GRANTED A TEMPORARY, OR RATHER, PRELIMINARY, BOUNDARY IN WHICH SHE GETS A SLICE OF EAST PRUSSIA AND GERMANY, AND ALSO AN OUTLET TO THE BALTIC SEA.

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AT THE SAME TIME, MR. TRUMAN AND CLEMENT ATTLEE, NEW BRITISH PRIME MINISTER, ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT ON THEIR PLANS TO BRING ABOUT THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF JAPAN. RUSSIA WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THIS STATEMENT.

THE PLAN, WHICH WAS WORKED OUT AT BERLIN, CALLS FOR THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF JAPAN "AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE", AND THE LIBERATION OF ALL JAP-HELD TERRITORY. GREAT BRITAIN WILL THROW INTO THE WAR ALL HER SEA, LAND AND AIR POWER WHICH CAN BE ADVANTAGEOUSLY USED.

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RADIO TOKYO SAID TODAY THAT JAPAN WAS EXPECTING INVASION WITHIN A MONTH, AND U.S. UNDER-SECRETARY OF WAR JOSEPH PATTERSON SAID; "ALREADY THE MEN AND MATERIEL ARE GATHERING. WE ARE OUT OF THE JUNGLE IN THE PACIFIC WAR".

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PACIFIC NEWS

THE JAPS ARE BEGINNING TO SEND UP SOME AIR OPPOSITION. 90 SUPER-FORTS WHICH STRUCK AT TOKYO AREA FROM IWO JIMA ENCOUNTERED 10 FIGHTERS PLANES EN ROUTE TO THE TARGET. THEY SHOT DOWN TWO AND DAMAGED ONE.

LAND-BASED NAVAL PLANES ALSO STRIKING AT TOKYO TANGLED WITH 10 JAP PLANES AND REPORTED THE SAME SCORE.

JAP PLANES ATTACKED AMERICAN SHIPPING AT OKINAWA, SINKING 1 LIGHT NAVAL UNIT (USUALLY INTERPRETED AS A DESTROYER) AND DAMAGING ANOTHER.

BUT ALLIED PLANES, RANGING ALL OVER THE PACIFIC, DID EXTENSIVE DAMAGE. AUSSIES, NEW ZEALAND AND DUTCH PILOTS HAMMERED THE JAPS ON NEW GUINEA, NEW BRITAIN, NEW IRELAND AND BOUGAINVILLE. THE YANKS GAVE THE PALAUS THEIR DAILY GOING-OVER. THE ASIATIC COAST CAUGHT ITS USUAL POUNDING, WITH THE USUAL NUMBER OF LOCOMOTIVES, CARGO SHIPS AND INSTALLATIONS GETTING BASHED ABOUT.

THE U.S. 20TH. AIR FORCE REPORTED AN INTERESTING ITEM: THEY HAVE MINED THE JAPANESE AND KOREAN WATERS SO INTENSELY, THEY CLAIM, THAT "THERE IS NOT A SINGLE SEA-LANE, HARBOR OR PORT WHICH THE ENEMY CAN SAIL WITHOUT DANGER OF BEING MINED".

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RADIO UGANDA

TOMORROW NIGHT IN THE PORT HANGAR (2000) AND VIA THE S.R.E., "THE DEHYDRATED HOUR"--60 MINUTES OF MUSIC, GAGS (VERY CORNY) AND STARK DRAMA, BY THE UGANDA BILGE-BOY PLAYERS. DONT MISS THAT EXCITING NARRATIVE: "AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE UBIQUITOUS U".

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TAKE A BOW,
MEN

THE FOLLOWING GRACIOUS SIGNAL FROM CINCPAC (ADM. NIMITZ) WAS RECEIVED THIS AFTERNOON: "TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF H.M.C.S. UGANDA. CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR SPLENDID SUPPORT OF RECENT OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AND WELCOME TO PEARL".

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SO THIS IS PEARL HARBOUR--SCENE OF ONE OF THE MOST AUDACIOUS AND TREACHEROUS ATTACKS IN WORLD HISTORY. WHILE JAPAN'S PEACE AMBASSADORS WERE TALKING WITH U.S. FOREIGN SECRETARY CORDELL HULL ON DECEMBER 7, 1941, JAP PLANES SNEAKED IN AND MADE A DEVASTATING ATTACK ON UNITED STATES WARSHIPS AT THIS BASE. IT HAS SINCE BEEN REVEALED THAT THE JAPS HAD PLANNED THE ATTACK AT LEAST THREE MONTHS IN ADVANCE. THEIR PLANES WERE PICKED UP BY RADAR AND PASSED BY A PFC., BUT HIS SENIOR OFFICER SAID TO IGNORE THEM, THAT THEY WERE PROBABLY U.S. CARRIER PLANES. (THE PFC. WAS LATER AWARDED THE D.S.M. AND SENT TO AN OFFICERS' TRAINING CENTRE, WHERE HE GRADUATED AS A LIEUTENANT.)

ALL BUT TWO OF THE U.S. WARSHIPS SUNK WERE EVENTUALLY RAISED, REFITTED, AND PUT BACK INTO ACTION. THE HULK OF ONE OF THEM LIES WITHIN A FEW HUNDRED FEET OF OUR STERN. THE USS UTAH IS BEACHED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND OFF OUR PORT QUARTER.

THE FAMED WAIKIKI BEACH AND DIAMOND HEAD COULD BE SEEN ON OUR STARBOARD HAND, ENTERING HARBOUR. THEY ARE ABOUT 10 MILES FROM OUR PRESENT (ANCHORED) POSITION.

ONE OF THE TANKER'S OFFICERS SAID TODAY: "PEARL IS ALRIGHT IF YOU HAVE A JEEP, BUT SHORE PERSONNEL HAVE 'EM ALL TIED UP, SO IT'S REALLY NOT SO HOT".

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NOBODY ON BOARD WAS MORE ANXIOUS TO GET ASHORE TODAY THAN PETTY OFFICER WREN CORDITE. SHE GOT VERY EXCITED WHEN SHE SAW A U.S. DOG ON A NEARBY CRAFT AND PLUNGED OVER THE STERN OF OUR SHIP IN HER ANXIETY. A U.S. BOAT TRIED TO FISH HER OUT, BUT SHE WOULDN'T GO TO THEM. THEN SHE SPOTTED OUR BOAT AND WAS RESCUED, A TRIFLE DAMP BUT WITH HER ARDOUR UNQUENCHED, WOOTAWOMAN!

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THE ENGINE-ROOM'S THEME SONG:
"COMIN' IN ON A CONE AND A SPRAYER,
COMIN' IN ON A CONE AND A SPRAYER,
WITH ONE BOILER GONE,
WE WILL STILL CARRY ON,
AND REACH ESQUIMALT--
ON A CONE AND A SPRAYER".

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"DEAR MA. WE SAW THE STRANGEST SIGHT TODAY. SOME KIND OF FRUIT ALL WRAPPED UP IN TISSUE PAPER, ROUND THINGS WITH A PEELING ON THE OUTSIDE AND JUICE INSIDE. WHAT'D YA SUPPOSE THEY COULD BE"?

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SPEAKING OF FRUIT--IN THE LAST STORING AT MANUS, \$69 WORTH WAS STOLEN, AND IT HAS JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT THIS SUM WILL BE CHARGED AGAINST THE CANTEEN. IN OTHER WORDS, WE ALL PAY BECAUSE A COUPLE OF OUR SHIPMATES ACTED SELFISHLY. THIS SHOULD BE A LESSON TO ANYONE WHO CATCHES ANY FILCHING GOING ON TODAY.

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THE "DEHYDRATED HOUR" RADIO SHOW WILL GO ON AT 2100 TONIGHT, PROVIDED IT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH SAILING ARRANGEMENTS. IF MEMBERS OF THE CAST ARE TIED UP WITH LEAVING HARBOUR ROUTINE, IT WILL BE POSTPONED AND STAGED LATER. THERE WILL BE ABOUT 60 SEATS AVAILABLE IN THE PORT HANGAR FOR THIS BROADCAST.

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2366 MILES TO VICTORIA!

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(BIG SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT--TWO PAGES, YET!)

BABY CONTEST

AS WE GO TO PRESS, THE JUDGES OF THE "UGANDA PIN-UP BABY CONTEST" ARE STRIPPED TO THE WAIST AND WADING THROUGH THE 90 PICTURES WHICH WERE ENTERED. THE JUDGES-- PRINCIPAL MEDICAL OFFICER, PADRE AND L/PHOTOG. TURNER--HAVE PROMISED TO COME UP WITH A WINNER IN GOOD TIME, AND THE RESULTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED OVER THE UGANDA BROADCASTING SYSTEM TOMORROW NIGHT AT 1900. IN A PRELIMINARY STATEMENT, THE JUDGES SAID: "THIS IS THE TOUGHEST THING WE'VE TACKLED YET".

CHURCH SERVICE

OUR FINAL SEAGOING CHURCH SERVICE OF THIS COMMISSION WAS HELD IN THE PORT HANGAR THIS MORNING AND SEVERAL HAD TO BE TURNED AWAY BECAUSE OF A LACK OF SEATING SPACE. PADRE WHITE WOUND UP HIS SERMONS--AT--SEA WITH A TIMELY MESSAGE ON THE TEXT: "HONOR ALL MEN. LOVE THE BROTHERHOOD. FEAR GOD. HONOR THE KING". THIS WAS A FITTING BENEDICTION FROM OUR POPULAR "BISH", WHO HAS THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE FIRST PADRE TO SERVE IN THE PACIFIC THEATRE, AS WELL AS THE FIRST PROTESTANT PADRE TO WIN THE O.B.E.

REQUEST HYMNS WERE SUNG, THE CAPACITY "CONGREGATION" LUSTILY INTONING "ALL THINGS THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL", "STAND UP!" AND FINALLY "ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS".

DEHYDRATED HOUR.

THE ATTEMPT TO SIMULATE A STUDIO BROADCAST, WITH BACKGROUND MUSIC, SOUND EFFECTS, "APPLAUSE" SIGNS AND WHATNOT, AS PRESENTED IN THE PORT HANGAR LAST NIGHT, SEEMS TO HAVE GONE DOWN PRETTY WELL. CONSIDERING THAT THE CAST HAD LIMITED FACILITIES AT THEIR DISPOSAL, AND HAD BEEN ABLE TO GET TOGETHER FOR ONLY TWO HOURS OF REHEARSALS, THEY PUT UP A CREDITABLE SHOWING. IN ANSWER TO INQUIRIES FROM PEOPLE WHO WERN'T ABLE TO GET SEATS IN THE "STUDIO", HERE IS A LIST OF THE CAST WITH THE VARIOUS ROLES THEY ENACTED:

AB. FRED "NOBBY" CLARKE--SHERLOCK HOLMES, OLD SCOTSMAN, BUS DRIVER, KATE SMITH, RUDY VALLEE, IRISH COP, PITYLIU NATIVE, ALEXANDRIA WOG, BROTHER CRAWFORD.

L/SBA. NORMAN NEWMAN--DR. WATSON, CANADIAN SAILOR ON LEAVE, "BLOSSOM", MANNY COHEN ON THE TELEPHONE, LEW LEHR, CHARLES BOYER.

AB. DAVE MILLER--NEGRO WOMAN, ANDBEW H. BROWN, GUNNERY OFFICER, SOUND EFFECTS, ORGAN BACKGROUNDS.

L/STEWARD JACK YORK--FIGHT ANNOUNCER, RADIO TOKYO NEWSCASTER, HORSE-RACE ANNOUNCER.

LIEUT. KEATE--J.M. FITZPATRICK TRAVELTALK, MARCH OF TIME ANNOUNCER, NED SPARKS, EDWARD G. ROBINSON, VANCOUVER NEWS ANNOUNCER.

CHIEF P.O. J. ESSEX--MASTER OF CEREMONIES.

BB. LEVI COOLEN--PIPES.

BUGLER--LUNN.

BAND--"ZUTTI" SINGLETON AND HIS UGANDA ORKETTE, WITH BNDSMN. D. KINEKER, SOUND EFFECTS.

CONTROL ROOM--LTO. J. KITSON.

TIDDLY MESSSES

SIGNALMEN WON AN EXTRA ORANGE A PIECE FOR MOST TIDDLEY MESS OF THE WEEK, JUDGED ON THE CAPTAIN'S SATURDAY ROUNDS. HONORABLE MENTION WENT TO MESSSES 44 AND 24.

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SUBMARINE SIGHTED JUST BEFORE NOON TODAY A SUBMARINE WAS SIGHTED FROM THE BRIDGE. IT WAS CHALLENGED AND MADE A REPLY, BUT ITS LIGHT WAS SO WEAK THAT THE MESSAGE WAS UNINTELLIGIBLE. BELIEVED TO BE AN AMERICAN SUBMARINE ON ITS WAY TO PEARL.

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ABOUT HAWAII-- STOKER MORBAN CRASHES THROUGH TODAY WITH SOME INTERESTING BACKGROUND DOPE ON THE HAWAIIAN ARCHIPELAGO, WHICH WE LEFT LAST NIGHT. IT WAS ANNEXED BY THE U.S. IN 1898 AND IS ADMINISTERED BY A GOVERNOR, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. THERE ARE 8 INHABITED ISLANDS IN THE HAWAIIAN GROUP.

THE CAPITAL AND PRINCIPAL CITY IS HONOLULU, ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU, WITH A POPULATION OF 150,000. HILO, ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII, HAS 17,000 AND IS NEXT IN IMPORTANCE.

IT IS FAIRLY WELL ESTABLISHED THAT IN 1555 A SPANIARD, JUAN DE GAETANO, DISCOVERED THESE ISLANDS, BUT DID NOT BECOME KNOWN UNTIL THE VISIT OF "THE PRINCE OF NAVIGATORS", CAPT. JAMES COOK, R.N., ON JANUARY 18, 1778. IT WAS ON THE BEACH AT KEALAKEKUA BAY, HAWAIIAN ISLAND, THAT COOK WAS SLAIN ON FEBRUARY 14, 1779.

CHIEF CROP IS NOT PINEAPPLE--HER GENERAL ECONOMY EMBRACES COFFEE, SUGAR, BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, HORSES, MULES, SHEEP, HOGS AND WATER BUFFALO, NOT TO MENTION DORIS DUKE CROMWELL AND THE TOURISTS, WHO AGREE THAT THE BEST SCENERY IS TO BE FOUND ON KAUAI, NORTHWEST OF OAHU.

SHE'S A GOOD CUSTOMER OF OURS--IN 1939 IMPORTED A MILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS WORTH OF STUFF FROM US. (WE MUST HAVE TAKEN CLOSE TO THAT AMOUNT IN ORANGES, CARROTS AND CIGARS YESTERDAY!)

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WAR NEWS GEN. MACARTHUR, WHO NOW COMMANDS THE OKINAWA AREA, REPORTS THAT 20 MITCHELLS FLEW IN ON KYUSHU SATURDAY IN THE WAKE OF A TYPHOON AND BOMBED THEIR TARGETS UNOPPOSED. THERE WERE NO ENEMY PLANES, AND NO FLAK, AS THEY ATTACKED LUMBER AND ALCOHOL PLANTS AT TAKANABE.

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IN BURMA, THE BRITISH HAVE VIRTUALLY DESTROYED THE JAPANESE 28TH. ARMY. IN RECENT WEEKS THEY HAVE KILLED 10,000 JAPS.

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SOME JAPS ARE STILL FIGHTING DESPERATELY ON LUZON, IN THE PHILLIPINES. AMERICAN LOSSES HAVE BEEN LIGHT AS THE MOPPING-UP OPERATIONS CONTINUE.

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EIGHT ENEMY FIGHTERS CAME UP TO ENGAGE U.S. PATROLS ON THE HONSHU COAST. TWO WERE SHOT DOWN AND SIX DAMAGED. AMERICAN LIBERATORS SHOT UP 22 SMALL CRAFT IN SWEEPS OVER COASTAL AREAS.

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A LAD WHO WAS FLUNKED OUT OF WEST POINT BECAUSE HE COULDN'T DO MATHEMATICS HAS JUST WON THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR FOR VALOR IN GERMANY. CAPT. DALY, 20, SHOT 13 GERMANS AS HE LED ATTACKS ON THREE GUN POSITIONS. HE WENT IN ON D-DAY AS A PRIVATE, FIRST CLASS, AND WON HIS COMMISSION ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

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DAILY LOG: 1886 MILES TO ESQUIMALT!

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JUST ANNOUNCED OVER THE RADIO THIS AFTERNOON--
LIQUOR RATIONING HAS BEEN SUSPENDED IN CANADA. (HOW DID THEY KNOW
WE WERE COMING?)

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A CERTAIN PO. TEL. READ THE ABOVE ITEM OVER OUR
SHOULDER AND SAID: "IT'S NOT THE LIQUOR THAT BOTHERS ME, IT'S THE
PARTIES. WHY DON'T THEY START RATIONING THEM"? THE BOASTFUL FELLOW.

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AND SPEAKING OF FLUIDS, THE COMMANDER ENGINEER
REVEALED TODAY THAT, IN THE TIME BETWEEN SYDNEY AND PEARL HARBOUR,
THE SHIP MANUFACTURED 1,567,328 GALLONS OF WATER FOR DOMESTIC USES
ALONE--WASHING, DRINKING, ETC. WITH THAT AMOUNT OF WATER YOU COULD
FILL A SWIMMING POOL 1200 FEET LONG, 30 FEET ACROSS AND SIX FEET
DEEP.

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THE BIG ITEM OF NEWS ON THE RADIO TODAY CONCERNED
DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW "ATOMIC BOMB", WHICH HAS BEEN INVENTED BY
CANADIAN, BRITISH AND AMERICAN SCIENTISTS AND WHICH IS REPORTED
TO HAVE A DEVASTATING EFFECT 2000 TIMES STRONGER THAN T.N.T. THE
RADIO ITEM SAID THAT IF GERMANY HAD HAD THIS WEAPON BEFORE SHE
QUIT, SHE COULD HAVE BOMBED ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, AND WALES RIGHT OFF
THE MAP; THAT IS, MAKE THE ISLANDS DISAPPEAR. THEY CONDUCTED TESTS
BY DROPPING A SMALL ATOMIC BOMB ON A TOWER. AFTER THE TEST--NO
TOWER.

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HOW DO YOU HEAR ME, MR. HIROHITO?

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ANOTHER ITEM OF RADIO NEWS TODAY SAID THAT THE
CANADIAN ARMY WAS ALREADY IN THE PACIFIC, WE BELIEVE THAT THIS
REFERS TO OBSERVERS, ONLY. THE ARMY IS NOT DUE TO START ITS
TRAINING WITH THE YANKS UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1, IN THE STATES.

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THE METEOROLOGICAL OFFICER (LIEUT. SMALL) IS
CIRCULATING VICIOUS RUMORS, UNDOUBTEDLY UNTRUE, TO THE EFFECT
THAT THERE IS FOG AND RAIN AHEAD, IN VICTORIA. HIS BAROMETERS,
GAUGES, CHARTS AND WEATHER REPORTS (DOUBTLESS MADE IN TORONTO)
ARE TRYING TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS BASE CANARD, AND WE DON'T MEAN
THE STEAMSHIP LINE. COMES VICTORIA, COMES SUNNY WEATHER. MOST
VICTORIA RESIDENTS NEVER BEGIN TO FEEL THEIR SABER CUTS UNTIL
NOVEMBER.

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APPROXIMATELY 1400 MILES TO GO!

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NO PACIFIC FLEET NEWS TODAY AND WE PRESUME THAT
THE SHIPS ARE REFUELLING. ONLY REPORT IN SAYS THAT PLANES OF THE FOURTH
MARINE WING SANK TWO BOATS AND DAMAGED TWO BUILDINGS IN
THE PALAUS EARLY TODAY.

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FOR THE WINNERS OF THE UGANDA "PIN-UP" BABY
CONTEST, TUNE IN ON THE NIGHTLY BROADCAST AT 1900 TONIGHT. THE
JUDGES WILL BE ON HAND TO SAY A FEW WORDS, AS WELL.

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A CERTAIN OFFICER LOOKED SADLY AT ONE FRIED EGG
AND TWO PIECES OF SPAM ON HIS BREAKFAST PLATE TODAY. THEN HE
SUMMONED L/STEWARD ROBILLARD.

"I THOUGHT YOU SAID 'EGGS'", HE DEMANDED.

"NO, SIR", REPLIED ROBILLARD. "THAT'S YOUR ORDER,
ALRIGHT. A EGG-AND SPAMS"

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SHIP'S NEWS

THE SHIP'S TOURNAMENTS ARE WINDING UP WITH A BANG. STARTED IN ALEXANDRIA EARLY IN THE YEAR, THEY WERE SLOW TO GET AWAY BUT IN THE LAST TEN DAYS MORE THAN 130 MATCHES OF ALL KINDS HAVE BEEN PLAYED.

ONE OF THE MOST HECTIC BATTLES OF ALL WOUND UP WITH MIDSHIPMEN CAVANAGH AND SMITH DECLARED BRIDGE CHAMPIONS OVER L/SEA. HARTLE AND AB. ENSLEY OF MESS 37. THIS JOUST WENT TO FIVE RUBBERS AND WAS NOT DECIDED UNTIL THE LAST HAND, WITH THE GUN ROOM PAIR ON TOP BY A SCANT 190 POINTS.

AB. VERGE OF MESS 58 IS THE SHIP'S CRIBBAGE CHAMP. HE DEFEATED K/CODER PAYNE OF MESS 29 IN THE FINALS.

IN THE CRIB DOUBLES FINALS, STEWARDS SCOTT AND SCRIVENS OF MESS 23 DEFEATED WARRANT OFFICERS WILLIAMS AND EVANS.

THE CHECKERS FINALS ARE BEING PLAYED OFF TONIGHT BETWEEN AB. HAZZARD OF MESS 9 AND AB. LIBBY OF MESS 11. IN THE CHESS FINALS, OA. MACBETH OF MESS 55 MUST PLAY ERA. ASHCROFT OF MESS 16 TO DETERMINE WHO MEETS CHIEF PO. TEL. MCGEE FOR THE TITLE.

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CHIEF YEO. OF SIGS. BONNER HAS BEEN HUSTLING THE BOYS RIGHT ALONG AND DESERVES A LOT OF CREDIT FOR THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THIS TOURNAMENT.

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YOU CAN SEE THE WINNERS OF THE "UGANDA PIN-UP BABY CONTEST" ON THE GUNNERY NOTICE BOARD. TO JUDGE BY REMARKS OF OBSERVERS, JUDGES THOMSON, WHITE AND TURNER HAD THEIR WORK CUT OUT FOR THEM BUT MADE A POPULAR SELECTION IN 2 1/2 YEAR OLD PATRICIA ANN ATKINSON AS THE "PIN-UP BABY" OF THE SHIP. JUST FOR THE RECORD, HERE'S A COMPLETE LIST OF THE WINNERS:

1. PATRICIA ATKINSON, DAUGHTER OF ERE. ATKINSON OF MESS 16 AND HESPELER, ONT.

2. CAROLINE BALL, DAUGHTER OF TEL. WILLIAM BALL OF MESS 30 AND TORONTO.

CORA KATHLEEN CODLEN, DAUGHTER OF AB. LEVI COOLEN OF MESS 7 AND LUNENBERG, NS.S.

HONORABLE MENTION: THE YOUNGSTERS OF AB. W.H. IRVING, MESS 3, PO. RUTHERFORD, MESS 33, CPO. BARKER, MESS 18, V/SBA. N. NEWMAN, MESS 58, ERE. A.C. PRATT, MESS 16, AB. W.C. MOORE, MESS 27.

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A HIGHLY-SUCCESSFUL AUCTION OF THE EFFECTS OF STOKER ROBERT J. RORISON, RCN. OF OSHAWA, WAS HELD IN THE REC. SPACE THIS AFTERNOON WITH RPO. L. WALKER OF WINNIPEG KNOCKING DOWN THE VARIOUS BITS OF GEAR AT GERNEOUS PRICES. A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY \$195 WAS REALIZED. AMONG THE MOST ENTHUSIASTIC BIDDERS WAS L/STEWARD J/ TAYLOR, WHO BOUGHT A WINTER CAP FOURTIMES AND RE-DONATED IT FOR AUCTION, BOOSTING THE PRICE EACH TIME. THE LATE STOKER RORISON'S SEA BAG BROUGHT THREE QUID, A TOILET KIT TWO AND THREE WOOLLEN VESTS, A SIMILAR AMOUNT.

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WORLD NEWS

ONE OF THE ATOMIC BOMBS, THE EQUIVALENT OF 20,000 TONS OF T.N.T. HAS BEEN DROPPED ON JAPAN, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY. EFFECTS OF THIS BOMB ARE NOT YET ANNOUNCED, AS THERE WAS SO MUCH SMOKE AROUND AFTER IT LANDED THAT RECONNAISSANCE PLANES COULDN'T GET PICTURES.

CARRIER AIRCRAFT OF THE U.S. PACIFIC FLEET SHOT DOWN 4 ENEMY AIRCRAFT, DESTROYED A LARGE BARGE AND DAMAGED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS NEAR THE COAST OF CHINA ON 4, 5 AND 6 AUGUST.

WAKE ISLAND HAS BEEN ATTACKED AGAIN BY THE YANKS, WITH DAMAGE TO SMALL CRAFT, BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS.

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ABOUT 1000 MILES TO GO. PAY NO ATTENTION TO THAT FOG AND RAIN, IT COMES FROM SAN FRANCISCO, IT SAYS HERE.

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WORLD NEWS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN OF THE UNITED STATES ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT RUSSIA HAD DECLARED WAR ON JAPAN, A FACT WHICH WAS HINTED AT BY WINSTON CHURCHILL WHEN HE LEFT BERLIN AFTER HIS POLITICAL DEFEAT AND SAID: "THE WAR WITH JAPAN MAY BE OVER SOONER THAN WE HAD REASON TO EXPECT."

THE DECISION WAS AN OUTCOME OF THE RECENT BIG THREE MEETING IN BERLIN WITH MR. TRUMAN, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE TALKS, GIVEN THE RIGHT TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT. THE LAST TIME THE RUSSIANS AND JAPS WERE AT WAR WAS IN 1904-05, WHEN THE JAPS WON AND HANDED THE USSR NAVY A CRUSHING DEFEAT AT PORT ARTHUR.

A RADIO STATEMENT TODAY SAID THAT "RUSSIA WOULD BE ONE OF THE BIG INDUSTRIAL NATIONS AFTER THE WAR" AND THAT AS SUCH SHE WOULD NEED TO REGAIN SOME OF THE VITAL TERRITORY WHICH JAPAN HAD ANNEXED. IT IS NO SECRET THAT THE REDS HAVE HAD A LARGE ARMY MASSSED ON THE MANCHURIAN BORDER.

RUSSIA'S ENTRY INTO THE WAR WILL PUT ALLIED BIG BOMBERS RIGHT ON THE JAPS' DOORSTEP. VLADIVOSTOK IS JUST ACROSS THE JAPAN SEA FROM HOKKAIDO AND MAKES SHUTTLE BOMBING FROM IWO, OKINAWA OR THE MARIANAS AN HON, HEADACHE FOR HON. HIROHITO.

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AS IF THE RUSSIAN DECISION WASN'T ENOUGH, THE JAPS TODAY FACE A NEW AND TERRIBLE WEAPON IN THE ATOMIC BOMB, WHOSE RESULTS WERE ANNOUNCED TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME. RECONNAISSANCE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWED THAT ONE BOMB DEVASTATED SIXTY PERCENT OF A JAPANESE CITY, LEVELLING 7 SQ. MILES "AS IF A GIANT BULLDOZER HAD PUSHED THE BUILDINGS INTO THE SEA". ONE BROADCAST SAID THAT, SO FIERCE WAS THE BOMB BLAST, THAT PEOPLE IN THE STREETS WERE BURNED TO DEATH WHILE THOSE IN HOUSES WERE SUFFOCATED, AND ADDED THAT THE CITY WOULD NOT BE HABITABLE FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS. RADIO TOKYO IMPLORED THE JAPANESE PEOPLE TO "KEEP CALM".

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THE JAPS ARE CATCHING IT AGAIN FROM THE U.S. THIRD FLEET AND THE B.P.F. AFTER AN ABSENCE OF 8 DAYS, WHEN THE ALLIED SHIPS WERE RIDING OUT A TYPHOON THREAT. SHIPPING AND AIR INSTALLATIONS IN NORTHERN HONSHU WERE THE TARGETS AT DAWN TODAY, AND THE ATTACKS ARE STILL GOING ON.

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IN A BROADCAST HEARD OVER CBR, VANCOUVER, EARLY TODAY, IT WAS STATED THAT H.M.C.S. UGANDA WAS ON HER WAY HOME FROM THE PACIFIC TO PICK UP A NEW CREW, AS 75 PER CENT OF THE ORIGINALS WERE SEEKING DISCHARGES.

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SHIP'S NEWS

THERE WILL BE A PUSSEY BAND CONCERT IN THE REC. SPACE TONIGHT AT 2000, WITH AN ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMMED ON NINE NUMBERS, MILITARY AND LIGHT CLASSIC LINED UP.

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A BALLOON, BELIEVED TO BE ONE OF THE JAPANESE, FLOATING EXPLOSIVE TYPE, WAS SIGHTED OVER THE SHIP AT 1130 TODAY. AT ABOUT 12,000 FEET. THE SPOTTING WAS DONE BY AB. JESSUP WHILE HE WAS ON HIS BACK, "FLAKERS"--WHICH PROVES THAT A GOOD LOOKOUT NEVER QUITS WORKING.

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TODAY'S SLAM AT THE GUY WHO BROKE THE LOCK IN THE HEADS FLAT TO STEAL A BOOKLET ON "HOW TO START YOUR OWN BUSINESS AFTER THE WAR". WE WONDER WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS HE'S GOING INTO. AND WE WONDER HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE HIM TO FIND OUT THAT THE FIRST THING HE SHOULD REHABILITATE IS HIS OWN SENSE OF VALUES.

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JUST ABOUT 700 MILES TO GO!

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WELCOME HOME

A SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED FROM NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS THIS MORNING SAYING: "WELCOME HOME AFTER YOUR STRENUOUS TOUR OF OPERATIONS WITH THE BRITISH PACIFIC FLEET AND BEST WISHES FOR A WELL-EARNED LEAVE".

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SHIP'S TOURNEY

THE LAST TWO WINNERS HAVE BEEN DECLARED IN THE SHIP'S TOURNAMENT, INAUGURATED LAST FEBRUARY. AB. HAZZARD WON THE CHECKERS CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER AN EPIC BATTLE WHICH WENT TO SEVEN GAMES, DEFEATING AB. LIBBY OF MESS 11. HAZZARD, THE PRIDE OF MESS 9, WON THREE GAMES, LIBBY TWO AND TWO WERE STALEMATES.

IN THE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP, ERA. ASHCROFT OF MESS 16 DEFEATED CHIEF PO. TEL. MCGEE OF MESS 18 IN TWO STRAIGHT GAMES. ASHCROFT ADVANCED TO THE TITLE BY ELIMINATING OA. MACBETH OF MESS 55 IN THE SEMIS.

WINNERS WILL BE PRESENTED WITH THEIR PRIZES TONIGHT AT 1845 AND THE CEREMONIES, WITH THE CAPTAIN, CHIEF YEO. BONNER AND PADRE WHITE DOING THE HONORS, WILL BE BROADCAST VIA THE WARNING TELEPHONE SYSTEM FROM THE DCHQ.

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WAR NEWS

CANADIAN RADIO SAID TODAY THAT THE JAPANESE CABINET HAD MET "IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION". BOTH THE RUSSIAN ARMY AND THE ATOMIC BOMB CAUGHT THEM WITH THEIR BANZAIS DOWN.

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VISITORS

MR. H.C. HOWARD, DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INFORMATION FROM OTTAWA, IS COMING ON BOARD THE SHIP AM. TOMORROW AT THE SWIFTSURE LIGHT, ABOUT 75 MILES FROM ESQUIMALT, HE IS BEING BROUGHT OUT TO MEET US IN THE CORVETTE H.M.C.S. SHEDIAC AND SHOULD ARRIVE SOMEWHERE AROUND 0400.

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FOLLOW THE BIRDS TO VICTORIA!

SOME OF THE EASTERNERS IN THE SHIP HAVE SUGGESTED THAT IT MIGHT BE AN IDEA TO PUBLISH A "GUIDE TO VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER" IN THESE COLUMNS, GIVING THEM A FEW TIPS ON PLACES TO SEE AND THINGS TO DO ON THE WEST COAST. SKIPPING THOSE REMARKS FROM THE CHEAP SEATS IN THE BACK OF THE GALLERY, WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING, WHICH IS IMPROMPTU, INFORMAL, UNBIASED, UNREHEARSED AND PROBABLY UNRELIABLE.

YOU CAN BOTH SWIM AND DANCE AT THE CRYSTAL POOL IN VICTORIA, A REALLY NICE SPOT ABOUT FIVE MINUTES' WALK FROM THE MAIN HARBOUR, AND RIGHT BEHIND THE EMPRESS HOTEL. IF IT'S MILK SHAKES YOU'RE AFTER, YOU MIGHT TRY A DRUGSTORE CALLED TERRY'S WHICH USED TO BE VERY GOOD. (WHEN WE WERE YOUNG), AND ALSO HAS FOOD AND DANCING TO A JUKE BOX IN THE BACK ROOM.

FOR STEAKS, THE CHINESE RESTAURANTS ARE QUITE GOOD. YOU MIGHT TRY THE POODLE DOG, THE VICTORIA AND (WE THINK) THE LIBERTY, THERE'S A LITTLE SPOT FIVE MINUTES FROM THE EMPRESS CALLED THE SUSSEX WHICH IS GOOD, BUT LIMITED IN ACCOMODATION. THE WAITRESSES ARE DECORATIVE AND THE MEALS RUN AROUND 65 CENTS. KELWAY'S, UP THE STREET HAS SLIPPED A BIT BUT IS NOT BAD, AND THE DOMINION HOTEL PROVIDES A VERY GOOD MEAL AT REASONABLE PRICES.

IF YOU'RE AFTER BEER, YOU'LL FIND THE PUBS FAR FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY, BUT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CLUBS (ELKS, MOOSE, ETC.) WHICH LASH OUT IF YOU'RE PROPERLY INTRODUCED. (SEE PO. STEWARD D. JONES.)

(OVER)

THERE'S ALL KINDS OF SPORT IN VICTORIA-- GOOD BASEBALL, BOXLA AND FINE GOLF COURSES, AND IF YOU HAVE THE TIME AND THE PATIENCE FOR FISHING, YOU OUGHT TO SLIP OUT TO BRENTWOOD BAY AND GO AFTER SOME OF THOSE BIG SALMON, WHICH RUN ANYWHERE FROM 5 TO 65 POUNDS. DONT FORGET THE LICENSE. IN FACT, THEY MAY NOT EVEN BE IN SEASON. WE'RE A STRANGER HERE OURSELF.

NOT MUCH NIGHT LIFE IN VICTORIA, AND AS, IS THE CASE IN MOST PERMANENT NAVAL BASES, YOU WILL PROBABLY FIND THE DATE SITUATION PRETTY WELL IN HAND.

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IN VANCOUVER, THERE ARE ABOUT HALF A DOZEN NIGHT SPOTS WITHIN A REASONABLE PRICE RANGE--THE COMMODORE, CAVE, PALOMAR, MANDARIN GARDENS (CHINATOWN). THEY HAVE VERY FUNNY LIQUOR LAWS IN B.C. YOU CAN'T BUY BEVEN WINES OR BEER WITH YOUR MEALS, AND IF YOU GO TO A NIGHT CLUB, YOU STICK THE BOTTLE UNDER THE TABLE AND DRINK FURTIVELY, ALTHOUGH YOU DONT HAVE TO WORRY TOO MUCH AS THE COPS SEEM TO TAKE A BROAD-MINDED VIEW OF THIS PRACTICE. YOU CANT EAR OR LISTER TO MUSIC IN THE BEER PARLORS, THE IDEA APPARENTLY BEING THAT YOU MUST REMAIN AS MISERABLE AS POSSIBLE WHILEWHILE YOU INDULGE.

THERE ARE LOTS OF THEATRES IN VANCOUVER, INCLUDING ONE (THE BEACON) WITH VAUDEVILLE. SPORT FLOURISHES ALL YEAR ROUND AND THERE'S A GOOD, THOUGH SLIGHTLY CROWDED, BATHING BEACH AT ENGLISH BAY, NOT FAR FROM THE HEART OF THE CITY-- 20 MINUTES WALK IF YOU RUN. FOR THAT QUIET SUNDAY, THERE'S THE ZOO AT STANLEY PARK AND SUCH A BEVY OF SUNKISSED WESTERN BELLES THAT YOU'LL WALK AROUND WITH YOUR EYE-BALLS DNAGLING ON YOUR CHEEK-BONES. THE NEW NAVAL BARRACKS, H.M.C.S. DISCOVERY, ADJOURS THE PARK AND IS WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE, AS IF YOU WERE GOING THERE ANYWAY.

IF ANY OF YOU HAVE IDEAS ABOUT BUYING A TIDDLEY HOMECOMING GIFT FOR THE WIFE OR GIRL FRIEND, THERE'S LOTS OF FINE SHOPS BOTH IN VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER. FOR A "DROOLISHUS" (THANKS AB. GALLAGHER) CASHMERE SWEATER AT ABOUT 12 DOLLARS, TRY STRAITH'S OR WILSONS, WITHER CITY.

THE BEST RESTAURNAT IN VANCOUVER IS A DRIVE-IN, ON THE FRINGE OF THE CITY. IF YOU CAN GET A CARM OR A RIDE, YOU CAN GET A FILET MIGNON WITH FRENCH FRIES, IOE CREAM AND SUPER COFFEE AT THE WHITE SPOT FOR \$1.15, THERE'S LOTS OF GOOD RESTAURANTS ON GRANVILLE ST., DOWNTOWN--LOVE'S, THE EDEN, PURDY'S, SEAFOOD G GRILL, HENRI'S GRILL (AROUND THE CORNER AT GEORGEA), ETC. ETC.

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REMEMBER--YOU ARE ENTERING A STRANGE COUNTRY. CANADA IS A DOMINION OF 12 MILLION PEOPLE RULED BY A KING NAMED MACKENZIE. THERE ARE TWO ENGLISHMEN TO EVERY FRENCHMAN IN CANADA, BUT THE FRENCHMEN TELL THE ENGLISH WHAT TO DO, THEN THE ENGLISH GO OVER AND DO IT AND THE FRENCH STAY HOME AND LAUGH AT THEM.

CANADIANS SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE, ALMOST, AS THE BRITISH AND AMERICANS. YOU WILL FIND THEM FRANK, GENEROUS, GOOD-HEARTED AND EAGER TO BE FRIENDLY. DONT CRITICIZE THEIR COOKING OR THEIR WEATHER. TELL THEM THAT THEIR GIRLS ARE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL IN THE WORLD. THEIR MOST SENSITIVE SUBJECTS ARE POLITICS, RAILWAYS, DROMGHTS, POLITICS, THE CHURCH, THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS, EAST VS. WEST, THE BLUE BOMBERS VS. TORONTO ARGONAUTS, FREIGHT RATES, THE DUKE OF WINDSOR, CANADA'S WAR EFFORT, MART KENNEY AND POLITICS.

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AMEN DROPPING A FURTIVE TEAR INTO THESE TIRED OLD KEYS, WE SAY "AU REVOIR". THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE OF THE TAR PAPER FOR THE TIME BEING, UNLESS SOME GALLANT CHARACTER WILL TAKE OVER FOR THE REFIT.

THANKS--TO AB. GORDON LITTLE FOR HIS TIRELESS DELIVERY DUTIES; TO THE C.C.O. STAFF FOR THE LOAN OF THEIR OFFICE THEIR MACHINES, THDIR MIMEO AND THEIR ORMEGS.

AS THE CAPTAIN SAID IN HIS FAREWELL SPEECH THE OTHER NIGHT: AS A SHIP, WE WORKED HARD, WE NEVER MISSED AN APPOINTMENT OR WERE LATE FOR AN ASSIGNED DUTY. WE'RE GOING TO MESS THE OLD "U".

A GOOD LEAVE TO YEZ.

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