

Bob Hope Only Actor To Suspend A Studio

HOLLYWOOD.—Bob Hope traveled 30,000 miles, given 150 shows for \$275. That now has been to Toronto, New York, Akron, Chicago and Toledo—all war benefit appearances.

That isn't the way Paramount Studio tells it. Paramount announced yesterday that it had suspended the comedian for failure to report for work last Monday on his third scheduled picture this year.

"If somebody'll suspend the war," cracked the film and radio star, "I'll be very happy to start another picture."

Every Bob was serious as he explained to a reporter.

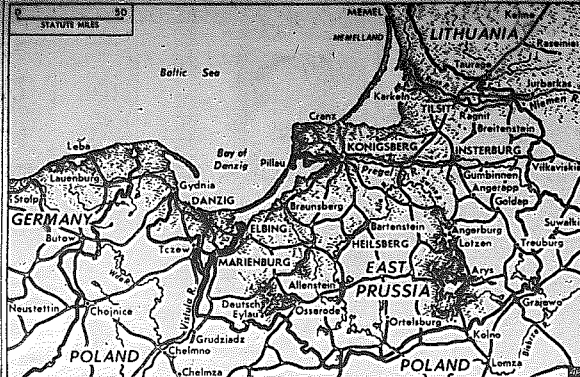
"Look: Two months ago I came back from the Southwest Pacific—tired." He and his troupe had

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EAST PRUSSIA—This base map of East Prussia, where Russian soldiers are battling the Germans, shows its relationship to Lithuania and Poland.

Tar Heels Always Greeting Each Other In Italy Via Red Cross

By HAZEL BEACHAM SHORE
ROME, Italy.—When the war is over and everyone is back in civilian clothes and milk and hot baths are no longer necessities, it will have four memories, centered about several American Red Cross Clubs.

The real reason for this is that of all the doughnuts, movies, and cable service publicity is that of these clubs who always manage to find someone from home, and that means more to the average American soldier than all of the recreational facilities combined.

Judging by the names listed in various Red Cross States books, as well as the number of men and women with whom I have talked, North Carolina is ahead of practically every state in the Union in Red Cross Club attendance.

In fact, there are those people who say that the fact that I have listed in Raleigh, Greensboro, Chapel Hill, Winston-Salem, and Burlington, causes me to be a little prejudiced.

In the clubs at Bari I found a Miss "Dollor's" note. "Naturally," she wrote, "I was a lawyer in Charlotte before I came into the Army—and there was Lt. Renner at Bari. He used to be a member of the faculty at North Carolina State College. It was at Bari that I found a Lt. Newman from Anheise, who remembered me from dances at Wake Forest College."

At the Red Cross clubs in Poggia I talked with Emily Bradstreet

from Roxboro. Emily is an American Red Cross staff assistant and, incidentally, is doing a wonderful job—just ask any GI. Red Soldier, who is in charge of all Red Cross installations at Poggia (and, brother, that's a real job) used to live in Charlotte. It was at Poggia that I saw Lt. John Snel from Columbia. He was terribly excited because I was the first person he had seen who knew that Columbia was not necessarily in South Carolina. Major Wyatt Esium, whose home is in Goldsboro, also seemed pleased to find a Carolina close mate at Poggia. Elizabeth Thornton from Greensboro is a Red Cross hospital recreation worker at Poggia and it was there that I chatted with Woody Thomas from Greenville.

"LITTLE NORTH CAROLINA"—There was a time when Naples might have served as "Little North Carolina." In those days it was almost impossible to walk down dirty, crowded Via Roma without meeting at least three North Carolinians on each corner. In fact, one ordinance outfit, located approximately 100 men from North Carolina. From that group I remember Joe Carruthers, George Huxford, J. A. Gray, David Barber, Jack Albright, Garland Hall, Charley Yates, and Robert Moore, all from Greensboro. In front of the PX, I met Lt. Charles Hayworth from High Point and Capt. Pat Pastore, both of whom attended North Carolina State College. The Naples list also included Capt. Joe Hunter from Charlotte, Dexter Freeman from Thomasville, and Tom Pitts, who

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Methodists End Session

RALEIGH.—(AP) Bishop W. W. Peete brought the sixth session of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church to a close today with the reading of appointments, and a request that the churches advance along all lines in the Greater Christian program during the next four years.

The reading of reports came before the final business. That of the statistical secretary showed that the conference's churches have progressed along all lines, that the number of members and finances increased.

The conference had no invitation for next year's meeting, so Bishop Peete appointed this committee to decide upon a plan of entertainment and to select the place, which probably will be done next year. Robert R. Taylor of Greensboro, B. B. Slaughter of Rockingham, Dr. B. G. C. Smith of Durham, W. J. Smith of Bethel, Dr. H. C. Smith of Durham, Rev. J. H. Morris of Rockingham, and the Rev. Leon Russell of New Bern.

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