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Patton

His Comeback Makes U. S. Military History

The General George Patton whose tough veterans are now sounding the doom of Germans in Paris is the same profane and blustering old soldier who once pinned to challenge Rommel to personal combat, who won renown as a tank expert after seeing the first armored battle at Cambrai in the last war, who slapped a hospitalized soldier in Sicily, who threatened the world with Anglo-American domination in a speech last Spring.

Last Word

Promise Of Occupation Ends Enemy's Last Hope

The President's last amendment to the Declaration of Surrender is a momentous and encouraging statement of our aims in the fighting ahead. His forthright declaration that not even surrender of Germany or Japan would be our excuse for making it certain that the fatal error of 1918 will not be repeated in our time.

Capital Chaff

Friends of both men got an ironical laugh from FDR's reference to "my old friend Gen. MacArthur" in the Bremerton Navy Yard broadcast.

Savagery At Its Worst-From Now On

By Dorman Smith

It is not the savagery of the present war that is the cause of our concern. It is the savagery of the future that we must guard against. The present war is a necessary evil, but the future war must be prevented.

Proff. Koehl

He Passed At The Peak Of A Notable Career

Many generations of students who passed through the pleasant life of Chapel Hill between wars will genuinely mourn the passing of Dr. Frederick Koehl. For 26 years he had been one of the most familiar sights on the campus and in the village, a spy, stocky figure whose inevitable brief, brief case and green suit were known to all.

Dissenter

Devey Leaps To All-Out Internationalism

Tom Devey, who protests that our early plans for making peace have the makings of ruthless power politics, has come a long way. By the record, of course, he has progressed from a position of extreme isolationism in which he opposed Lend-Lease bitterly, among other things to one of world-wide internationalism.

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The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON—This, while he's a vice-chairman of the WPB at 81, a year, no one knows how long, he will be in the company. Executives of U. S. companies are required to file.

FDR Jolts Censors

President Roosevelt probably didn't know it, but he gave credit to the censors in the House, the Army and the Navy. A bad job in his speech from the White House, admitting that his connection with the Swedish ball-bearing firm might prove embarrassing.

Justice Black's Face

Home spun Barney Whaley Democratic candidate for Senator from Colorado, dropped in on some of his old Washington friends the other day—among others—his former law partner, Justice Hugo Black of the U. S. Supreme Court.

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By Herbert Spauld, D. D.

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Stories To Make One Proud Of Our Boys

By HAL BOYLE

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE—but only ten days ago! A scrapping, two-fisted Texas sergeant who was taken prisoner after killing five Nazi snipers made his escape a few minutes later, by beating his two captors in a hand-to-hand struggle as their car passed through a dust cloud.

Stewart Granville of Starbuck, Tex., first sergeant for a reconnaissance squadron, driving along the front in a jeep, ran into enemy 88 mm. and sniper fire.

Locating the positions and numbers of the Germans, he began a solo manhunt. He begged five before two Nazis suddenly jumped from behind a hedgehog and got the drop on the rugged, red-faced, 26-year-old noncom. He surmounted them only to be hit by a machine gun.

Disarmed, he was put in the back seat of a car by the Germans, an officer and an enlisted man who were in the car toward the German rear lines.

"We passed through a lot of dust on the road and I just reached up in front and went to work on both of them in the same blow," he said. "I knocked both out of them."

After slugging the men unconscious—the driverless car running into a ditch—the sergeant climbed out, bade the pair an informal adieu and biked three miles across the country to his own home.

He got back in time forchow.

WANTS PURPLE HEART

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Louis, a member of a three-man demolition team who was waiting to blow a hole in a hedgehog for a raiding party, was killed by a machine gun sticking out, and tossed it into the gun position, killing several of the enemy.

During the action he was struck and spun around by a shell splinter, but it skinned him so slightly that he was not awarded a Purple Heart, although that would mean combat by enemy action.

Louis has seen a number of these decorations on his buddies and thinks they are a "very nice-looking species." He wants one, too, he says, but added cautiously: "You have to be hurt or killed to get a Purple Heart, and I might not have the chance to be only hurt the next time."

Before abandoning their foxholes one day the Germans were busy trapping them with potato-masher grenades attached to 20 mm. anti-aircraft shells.

"They have a trip wire which sets off a grenade and bursts the leg of the man," said Francis W. King of Arlington, Iowa, leader of a demolition team who has been working to win a Purple Heart.

No American has been wounded thus far by these traps, he said. The traps are particularly dangerous because of the large burning radius of the flask shells.

It wasn't until he had marched two Germans to an American outpost that Sgt. Pete Bonavich of San Antonio, Tex., learned he had taken them prisoner with an unloaded rifle.

The two Nazis armed with machine-pistol and rifle, came forward to see if they were going to be caught, he said.

Bonavich pointed the rifle at them, motioned them forward and disarmed them. After turning them over to a guard at the outpost, Bonavich found out his rifle was unloaded.

Man-of-the-act treasure taken by Napoleon from other captives were returned to their rightful owners but there was little damage to the city during the Allied occupations of 1814-15 and Paris remained the world's most beautiful city.—Editorial Research Dept.

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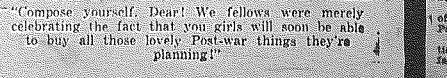
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"Compose yourself, Dear! We fellows were merely celebrating the fact that you will soon be able to buy all those lovely Post-war things they're planning!"