

Soviet Marines in Russian Advance, Too



These spectacular action pictures were taken in the same sector of the far northern Russian front. Automatic riflemen of the Baltic fleet charge the Nazi enemy from what appears to be a captured blockhouse (top, right). Lying in the grass at the left (top picture), is the body of a wounded man. Below: Marines advance headlong in face of German fire. One man, at left, is crumpling in death as other marines surge in to take his place.

FDR Envoy in India



William Phillips, personal representative of President Roosevelt, is shown at the left talking with members of the American and Indian press, following his arrival at New Delhi, India. The trip was made by plane. In the center, with glasses, is Durga Das, of the Statesman. Half-hidden behind the turbaned man is Herbert Matthews, an American newspaper man. At the right, wearing a turban, is A. S. Iyengar of the Lahore Tribune.

Actual Fighting Pictures of Battle of Buna



True the Australians drove the Japs out of Buna, but they paid a price. Coming from the battlefield is the long line of stretcher bearers (left), taking the wounded to a dressing station in the rear. Right: Look at the angle of this Australian-manned mortar, which seems to point straight into the sky. As a matter of fact, there is a slight angle, so that the shells will fall on the fleeing Japs, who are less than 100 yards away. No practice shot, this, but an actual fighting picture in which the shell had the name of many Japs on it, in the famed battle of Buna.

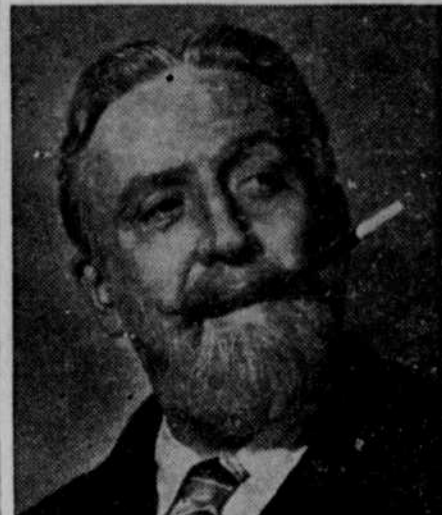
Star Dust
STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

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THE March of Time's "One Day of War—Russia, 1943" is probably the best documentary film that has come out of this war. That was the opinion of Walter Graebner, their war correspondent, when he saw it in Moscow. His adventures in getting it to the MOT's New York office would make an exciting mystery film. Once, when he looked for the cans of film, they had disappeared! He waited in Teheran for a duplicate print to be flown to him, and the plane was forced down on the way. The African offensive broke, and he had to cover it. When the film finally reached Cairo the Egyptian customs refused to pass it, till he talked them over.

John Garfield isn't finding his midget automobile so cramped since he worked in Warner Bros. "Air Force"—he spent most of his time in an improvised tail gun position in the Flying Fortress Mary Ann. Mary Ann is the heroine of the picture.

Monty Wooley, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," became the man who came to Al Jolson's air program, "Life Begins at 8:30," and remained to co-star. After two guest



MONTY WOOLEY

performances the combination of Jolson and Wooley was seen to be so satisfactory that it was made a permanent one. Now it's known as the Al Jolson-Monty Wooley program, at the insistence of the former.

Marcy McGuire, RKO's 17-year-old find, is likely to become the pet of the music publishers. Making her screen bow in "Seven Days' Leave" she sang "Touch of Texas" and "I Get the Neck of the Chicken" straight into the Hit Parade. And her performance won her a top role in her company's forthcoming Kay Kyser-Edgar Bergen comedy, "Keep 'Em Sighing."

Gig Young put his heart and soul into his portrayal of the co-pilot of "Air Force's" Mary Ann, which depicts the air war against the Japs from the days of Pearl Harbor. His father-in-law and close friend is a prisoner of the Japanese.

The "Town Hall Club" of Boston bestowed scrolls on Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, calling their NBC humor "earthy," and hailing it as having "helped to unify Americans in our war effort by supplying democratic laughter with which to form a bond of wellbeing among our people." Quite a tribute to two comedians who just started out being funny as a way of earning a living!

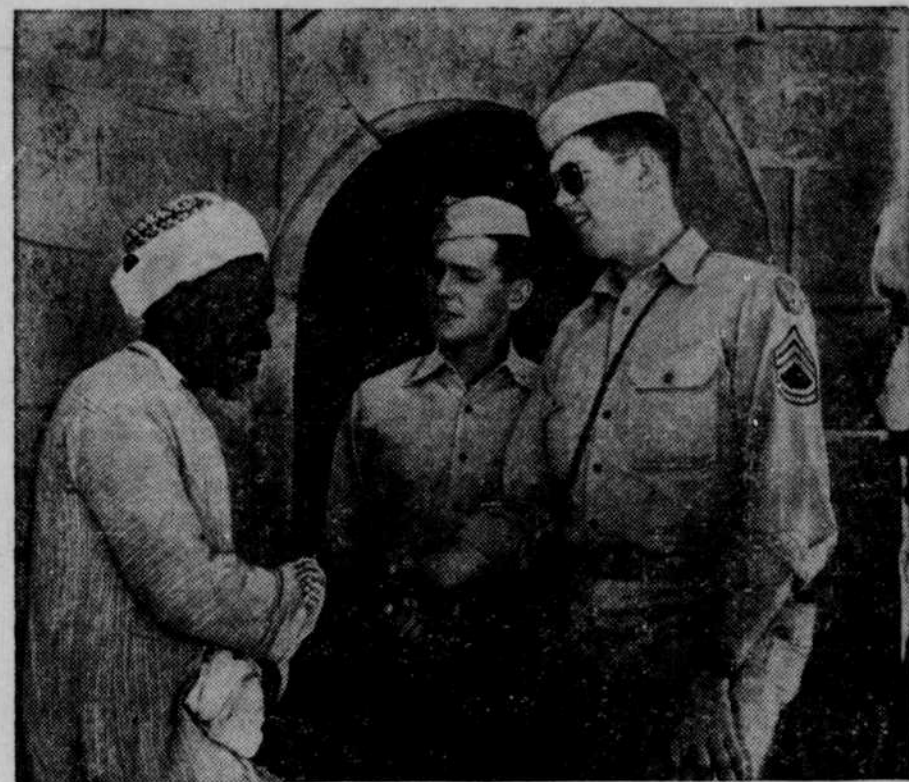
Ever wonder what's happened to the kids of "Our Gang"? Farina's now a soldier, serving in Australia; "Fatty" Joe Cobb's a defense worker. Mary Kornman is happily married. Jackie Davis is Dr. John Davis, USN. Freckle-faced "Mickie" Daniels works in an aircraft factory, Johnny Downs alternates between stage and screen, Harry Spear's a bank accountant. Jackie Condon is in service, J. R. Smith is a successful salesman, and blonde Jean Darling has become a very popular night-club singer.

A technicolor musical called "New Orleans" is being made ready for Alice Faye, so it looks as if she's to lose no time now that she is working again. Meanwhile, she'll be co-starred with Carmen Miranda in "The Girls He Left Behind."

"Navy Hotel," a story of the WAVES and the SPARS, will be one of those super-super musicals, set against the background of a Miami hotel; Charles R. Rodgers wants Benny Goodman and his orchestra for both acting and musical parts in the United Artists production.

ODDS AND ENDS—Bette Davis' first film on her return from her vacation, several months hence, will be "Mrs. Skeffington" . . . In the making of "One Day of War—Russia, 1943" 30 out of 160 cameramen were killed in action . . . The Aldrich Family series won't lose Jimmy Lydon after all; the army rejected him . . . The title of the picture co-starring Gracie Fields and Monty Wooley has been changed from "Buried Alive" to "Holy Matrimony" . . . Dame May Whitty is in her 77th year, but the distinguished actress recently signed a new long-term contract with Metro; the first picture will be "Madame Curie."

Yanks Pay Visit to Jerusalem



U. S. army Liberators bomber fighters, having seen action against the enemy in the Middle East, were allowed time off for a visit to Jerusalem. Here they are bidding good-bye to a keeper at Solomon's stables.

Shoe Rationing Steps Up Shoe Sales



Shoe shops throughout the country are doing a gold-rush business, particularly in women's shoes, incident to rationing. Continuing until June 15 a pair of shoes may be purchased upon presentation of Stamp No. 17 of War Ration Book No. 1. Photo shows a shoe store in New York doing a rushing business with Stamp No. 17.

Axis Collaborationist Begins Busy Day



A homey scene with the Laval's at Chateau Chateldon, near Vichy, as Pierre Laval is about to leave for his office. Standing on each side of him are his daughter, Jose De Chambrun, and his son-in-law, Rene De Chambrun.

For Labor Draft



Bills to draft labor for war industry, covering both men and women, were introduced into the house and senate, respectively, by Rep. James Wadsworth of New York (left), and Sen. Warren R. Austin of Vermont (right). The draft would be handled on the selective service principle. They are shown looking over the measure before it was presented.

Army Moms Popular



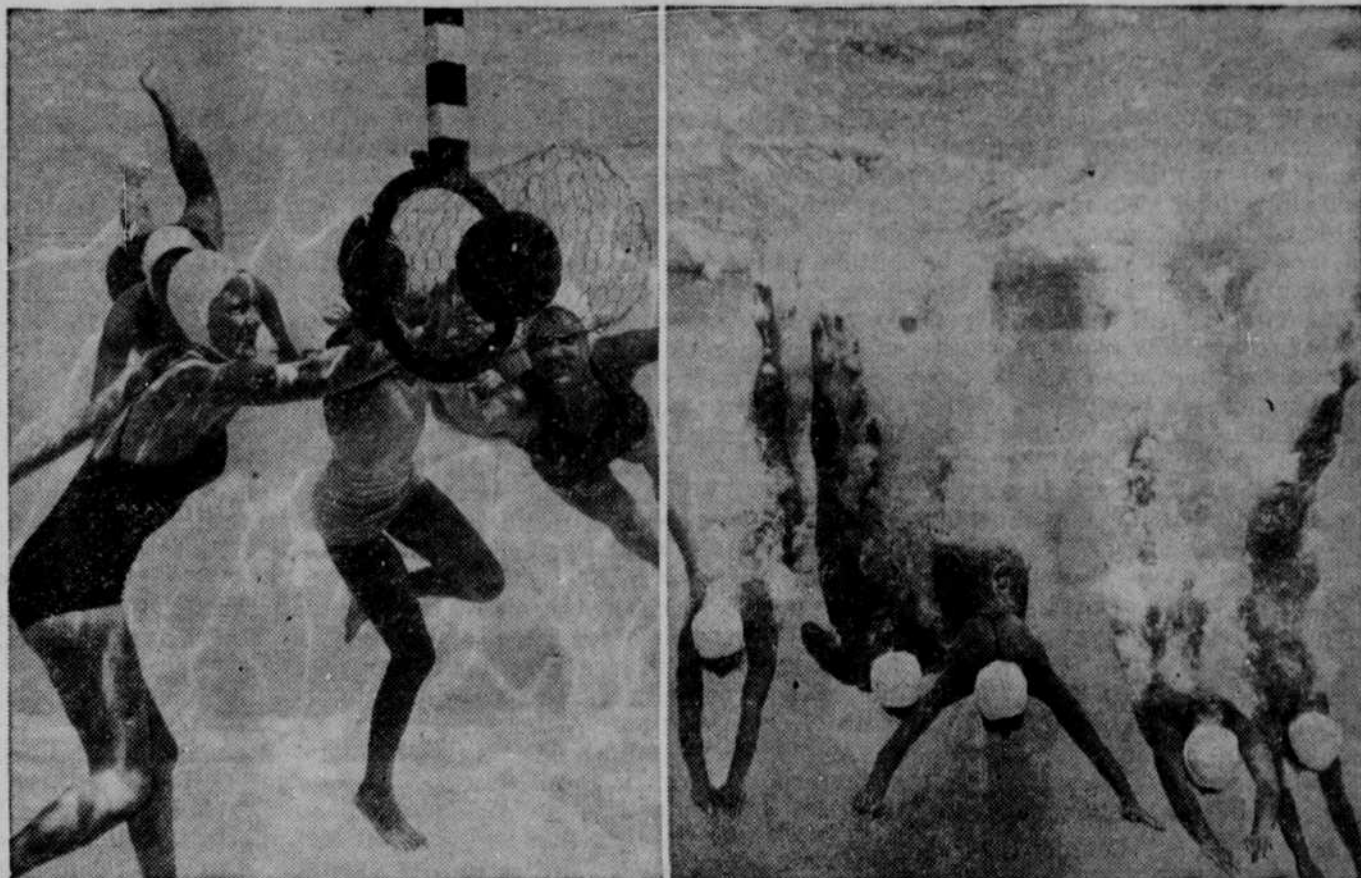
Some 500 women from Atlantic City and its environs have volunteered to act in the capacity of "army moms" at the post. They help the enlisted personnel by shortening sleeves, lengthening trousers, repairing rips, sewing on chevrons, and performing other services which the boys appreciate. The soldiers chip in and buy wings for their adopted moms. Here we see Mrs. Helen Neppell sewing on a button for a soldier.

Ready for Stork



Short of doctors, the Ridgefield, N. J., police force is receiving training in obstetrics—just in case. Here an officer shows the real "bedside manner" as he uses eye dropper to put argyrol into baby's eyes.

Vitality Needed as Basketball Goes Under Water



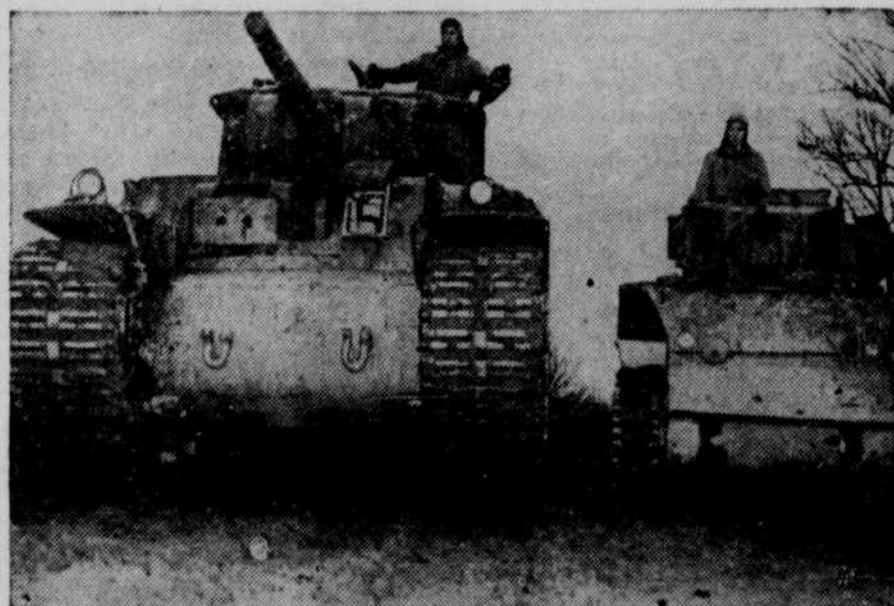
These girls from the Los Angeles Athletic club disport with pleasure in the very unusual game of underwater basketball, which requires the full of swimming skill and endurance. Water polo was a national sport for men for many years; now underwater basketball may take its place. In picture at right the girls dive into the pool for the start of the game. At the left a goal is scored by the girl in the black suit.

'Pig Boat' Back From Successful Prowl



The bewildered gun crew of a U. S. submarine is shown when their "pig boat" returned for an overhauling, after a successful South Pacific patrol. "Old Betsy" is a bit rusty and moss-bedecked, but the mechanism is in good condition. The four replicas of Jap flags on each side of the conning tower denote two enemy warships and two merchantmen sunk.

'Junior' Meets 'Mr. Big' of Armored Forces



Biggest vehicle of the armored force is this M6 heavy tank, which tips the beam at 60 tons. As yet no sobriquet has been given the big fellow. It is usually the British that dub the unofficial titles on our tanks (Gen. Grants, etc.). The new M5 light tank (16 tons) has been named "Junior" by Lieut. W. Gibson of the armed force board, who is shown in the turret.

Battling Pershing



Pvt. John J. Pershing wanted action and got it. He is shown standing at the entrance to a shelter on the New Guinea front in Buna. The young man is third cousin of Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the AEF in World War I.

Adolf's Schoolmate



Oscar May of Philadelphia, now a member of the treasury department's war bond sales staff, went to school with Hitler in Austria. He remembers the German leader very well, and revealed that Hitler was expelled from school.