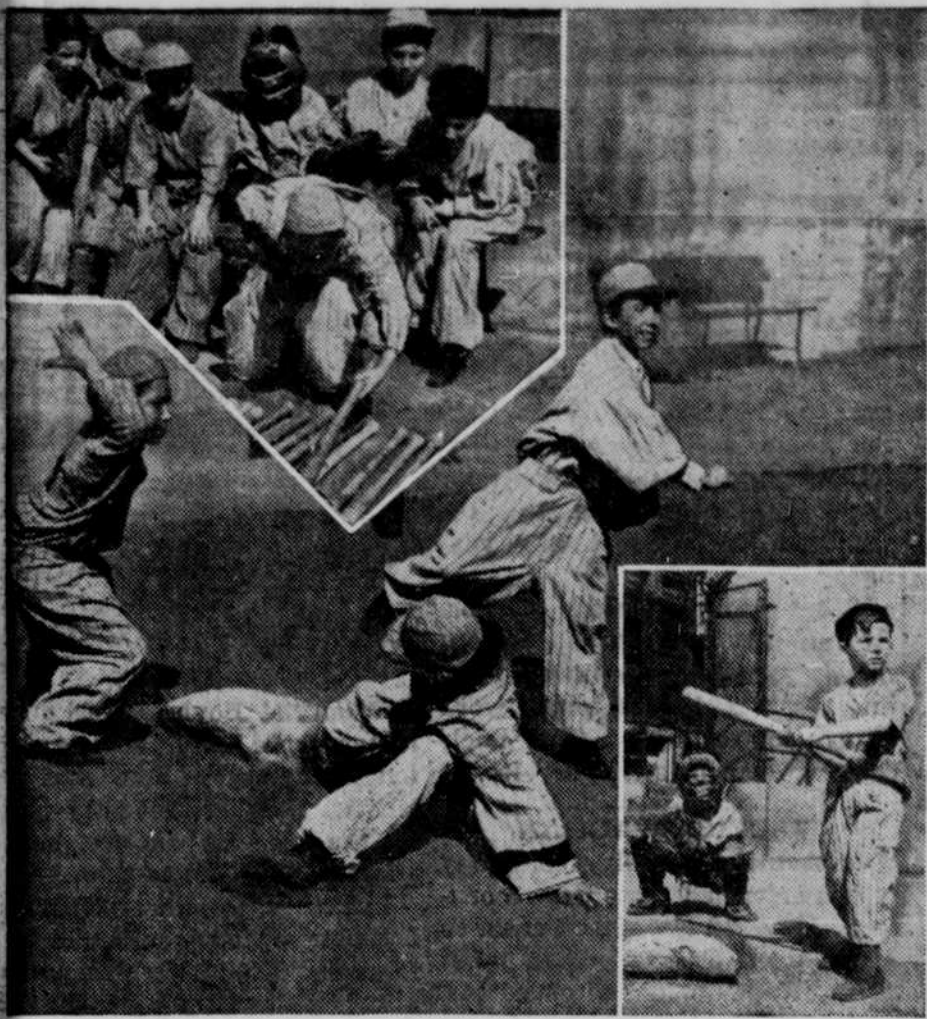


Baseball Unaffected by Army Draft



The sandlotters—future major players, show the stuff that has made baseball America's own and greatest ball game. The suits may be large, the weight and strength lacking, but the skill and pep cannot be surpassed by any professional team. Members of boy clubs do their part in keeping youngsters off the street.

Allied Prosecutor



Above, Justice Robert H. Jackson, U. S. Supreme court, recently appointed as chief of counsel, for the United States, in charges of atrocities. Below: Admiral Karl Doenitz, who, at time of surrender, was leading German government and must account to Allies at trials.

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

A COMMITTEE of connoisseurs in chic headed by Lady Mendl recently named Gene Tierney the best dressed girl in moviedom.

Just prior to that a national magazine listed Gene among the top four beauties of the screen, the others being Hedy Lamarr, Ingrid Bergman and Linda Darnell.

And since 20th-Century-Fox's talent poll evidently puts her at the acting top—she's come off with all the best roles the lot has to offer in 1945—I thought it time to find out how Gene feels about life in general.

It's amusing to know that the next two Tierney releases will not display Gene's modern sartorial talents. When I came on the "Dragonwyck" set, where she was making a scene with Vincent Price, she was wearing the fashions of 1944. And in "A Bell for Adano," which is being shown in theaters this month, she's clad in the picturesque tatterdemalion of a peasant girl in a captured Italian town.

But not until "Leave Her to Heaven," which Gene begins in late spring, will she wear a chic modern wardrobe again—the sort of clothes that made "Laura" such a hit with women.

Take It From Me

Since nobody has gotten around to awarding Gene the medal for brains—such evidently not being included in obvious star assets—let me be the one to name her one of the most nimble minds in one of the steadiest little heads ever crowned by laurels. Designers love to create bizarre and extravagant whimsies to emphasize her intriguing face and rhythmic design. But in her private life and tastes Gene is conservative to a degree. Wears little or no makeup, and her shining brown hair is the precise shade nature gave her.

So, because she's young, super-lovely, mother of a 15-month-old daughter, Daria, and a happy wife, Gene's fans have come to think of her as a sort of high priestess of the modern theme. A girl of tomorrow. Nothing is farther from the truth.

"Hedda," she said, "sometimes I really think our fans believe we live in a sort of crystal and plastic dream world. But I'm not looking forward to jumping into a helicopter and landing on the studio roof instead of driving down the canyon each morning with good old Butch, my police dog, on the front seat beside me. And, aside from the fact in personal tastes, I'm really not looking forward to the day when television, all-out air transport, and chores done by robots in solar houses will be a reality. Think how much charm it will take from living. Besides, few of the young things of today realize it will take years and years to develop such living. A lot of my friends seem to feel the post-victory year will be something worthy of Jules Verne's imagination.

I suggested she was probably influenced by the character of Miranda, the lovely heroine of Ernst Lubitsch's production "Dragonwyck."

Extremes Are Out

Gene has just as definite ideas about fashion, too. Although she has been named the best dressed woman in Hollywood, she frowns on extremes. Boiled down to a couple of essentials, her don'ts on dress come to:

"Don't be conspicuous. Conspicuous makeup, color, line, detail, and combinations violate the rules of good taste. The well dressed woman looks just right for the occasion—blends into the moment."

Gene is thrilled at playing the role of the evil sister in "Leave Her to Heaven."

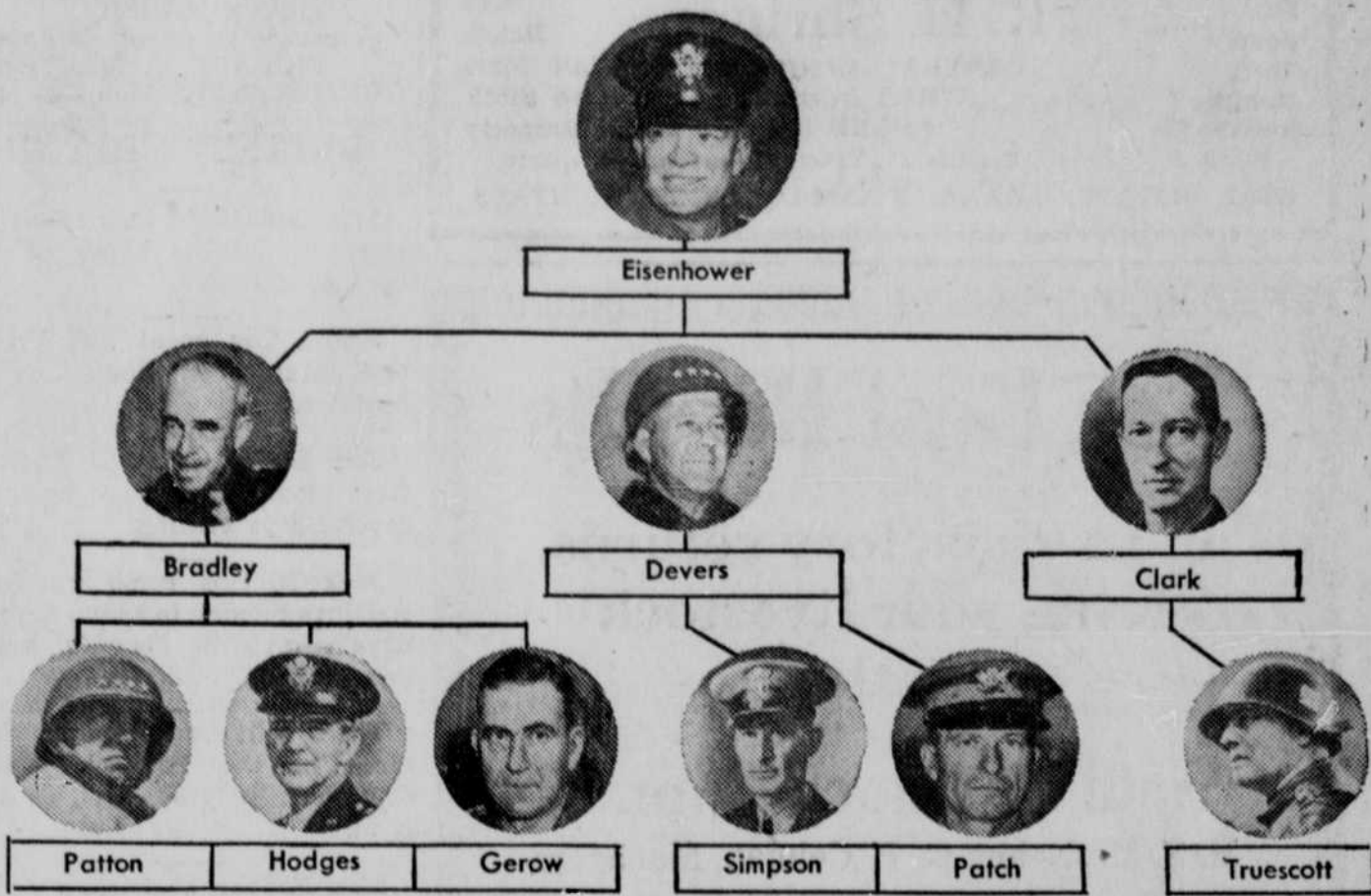
"Ellen has acting quality, and that is what an actress should consider," she says. "The bad girls of fiction have given more opportunities to stars than the sweet young things."

I remember when Gene Tierney played half-castes, outlaw girls, Eurasians—for a time she was almost as typed in the sarong as Dotty Lamour, or threatened to be. She didn't rise easily into the high place on the screen in which she now finds herself, although she is practically cameraproof, undoubtedly one of the best lens subjects in the industry today. She has graciousness and much personal charm, and a complexion of flawless beauty.

Chit-Chats on This and That

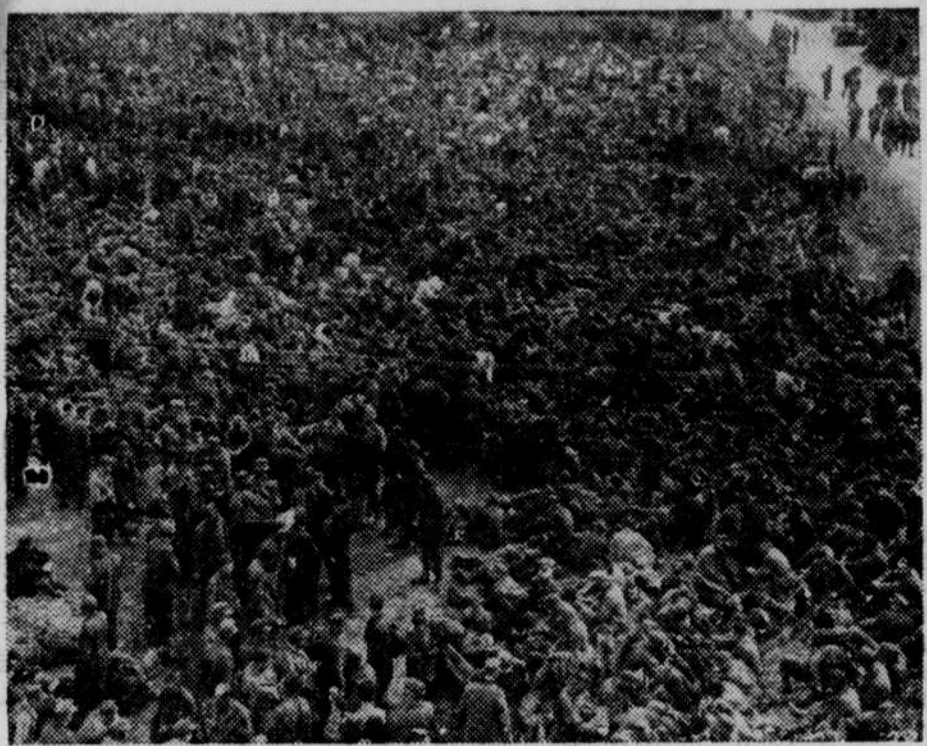
Some new buys indicate picture trends. Heywood Brown's stories, "The Sun Flower" and "The Boy Grew Older," recently have been taken over by Hollywood. John Steinbeck's "Cannery Row" will be on the summer production schedule. . . . Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer will do three Sir Walter Scott novels—"Ivanhoe," "Quentin Durward," and "Kenilworth." . . . Joan Leslie definitely will play the Marilyn Miller role in "Silver Lining," and Bob Hutton in the Jack Pickford part.

Nation's Hats Off to Hard Task Well Done



The organization of the American forces in Europe which brought about the complete collapse and unconditional surrender of the once-unbeatable German forces which set out to rule the world. To Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, his army group commanders, Bradley, Devers and Clark, we render thanks. To General Patton, General Hodges and General Gerow, under Bradley; General Simpson and General Patch under Devers and to General Truescott, under Clark in Italy, the credit of directing the world's finest army is due. A job well done, by the finest staff ever assembled in the history of any war.

Final 'Master Race' Roundup



Nazis, Nazis, Nazis, everywhere, now prisoners of Allied armies, no longer the "Master Race" of the world, they were to conquer. Photo shows the Ruhr roundup, typical of all parts of Europe, where Germany was still fighting before her unconditional surrender.

Right-Hand Bower



Photo shows Edward D. McKin, 49, of Omaha, Neb., newly appointed by President Truman to be his chief administrative assistant. He was a former insurance executive, and had known Truman during his senatorial years.

We Are Coming—You're Next, Japs!



This is the James Montgomery Flagg poster planned to shift the attention of war workers to the big task ahead in the Pacific, and to encourage them to stay on the job. The distribution of these posters was one of the first steps taken by the war department to emphasize that there must be no letdown in production as a result of the end of war in Europe.

Liberty Lights Up



Lady Liberty presents a dazzling figure, as rays of brilliance surround the national monument for the first time since December 7, 1941, the day of infamy. The statue on Bedloe Island in New York harbor was flooded on V-E Day with vapor lamps.

End of World's Greatest Conflict



When Col. Gen. Gustaf Jodl, German chief of staff, with back to camera, center, signed the document under which all remaining forces of the German armies were bound to lay down their arms in unconditional surrender, he ended the most brilliant and devastating war in the history of the country.

Modern Tom Thumb



This full-grown horse, not a pony, was discovered by employees of the U. S. grazing service in San Juan river canyon, Utah, weighing only 199 pounds, stands three feet high.

Germany's Nazi Down—Japan Soon to Follow



Left: President Harry S. Truman, officially ending the war in Europe. Gathered around him are members of his cabinet, family and officials. Right: Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander, makes announcement of German unconditional surrender at SHAEF, France. At left is Sir Arthur Tedder, deputy supreme commander. The world's greatest war was thus brought to a successful conclusion.

Pacific G.I.s Tame and Use Pets



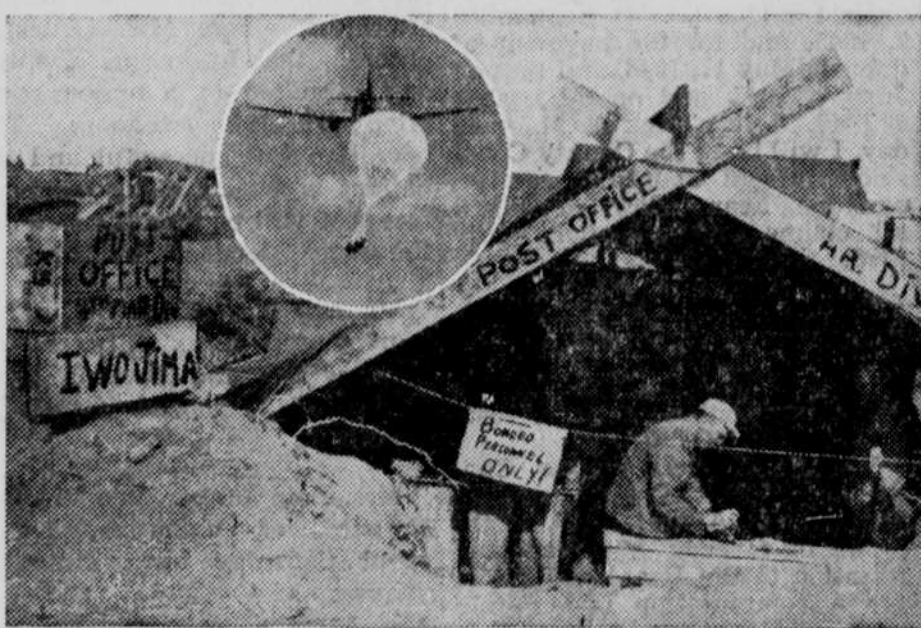
Dogs, goats or monkeys, regardless of nationality, the American expeditionary forces in the Pacific have tamed, adopted as pets and put to use to hunt out the Japs, locate poison gas, gun emplacements, or furnish milk to sick buddies. Thousands of rare and unusual pets will be brought into the United States when Tokyo falls.

Pity the S-VE-Eper



Michael Parrotta, New York sanitation department sweeper, is one man who thinks that Victory is not all it's cracked up to be. His was the job of cleaning up the paper blizzard aftermath that covered 45th street, New York City.

War-Born Lessons Dropped From Air



The accelerated educational schedule developed in the wartime emergency, which put the student through a normal four-year college course in from 28 to 36 months, will be discontinued as soon as possible by most colleges, but the government will see that substitute courses are furnished to G.I.s by airmail wherever desired. Returned soldiers may still secure training desired.

New Diving Record



Jack Browne, 28 years old, is shown through the porthole of the decompression chamber as he was slowly released from the peak pressure to set record of 550 feet dive.