

'Mystery Army' Hammers at Nazi Fortifications



Lieut. Gen. William H. Simpson, upper left, commander of the Ninth army, called the "Mystery army" due to secrecy surrounding its movements since its capture of Le Havre. Lower left, shows the "Weasel," one of the reasons given for the rapid advance of the Ninth army. Lower right, General Eisenhower talks to the men of the 29th infantry division of the Ninth army. Upper right, a sniper search is conducted by members of the Ninth army, during mop-up operations in Gellenkirchen.

Named Secretary of State Aides



These four men were nominated by President Roosevelt to be aides to Secretary of State Edward Stettinius. Upper left, W. L. Clayton, named as assistant secretary of state. Upper right is Archibald McLeish, assistant secretary of state. Lower left is Joseph C. Grew, named under-secretary of state. Lower right is Nelson A. Rockefeller, assistant secretary of state. Opposition developed in senate.

Leads Paratroopers

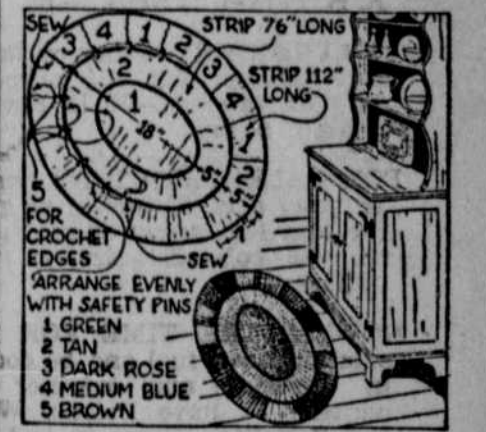


Maj. Gen. James Gavin, 37, of Mount Carmel, Pa., commander of the 82nd Airborne division, has led his men through combat jumps in Sicily, Italy, Normandy, and in Holland where the paratroopers aided in the capture of the Nijmegen bridge.

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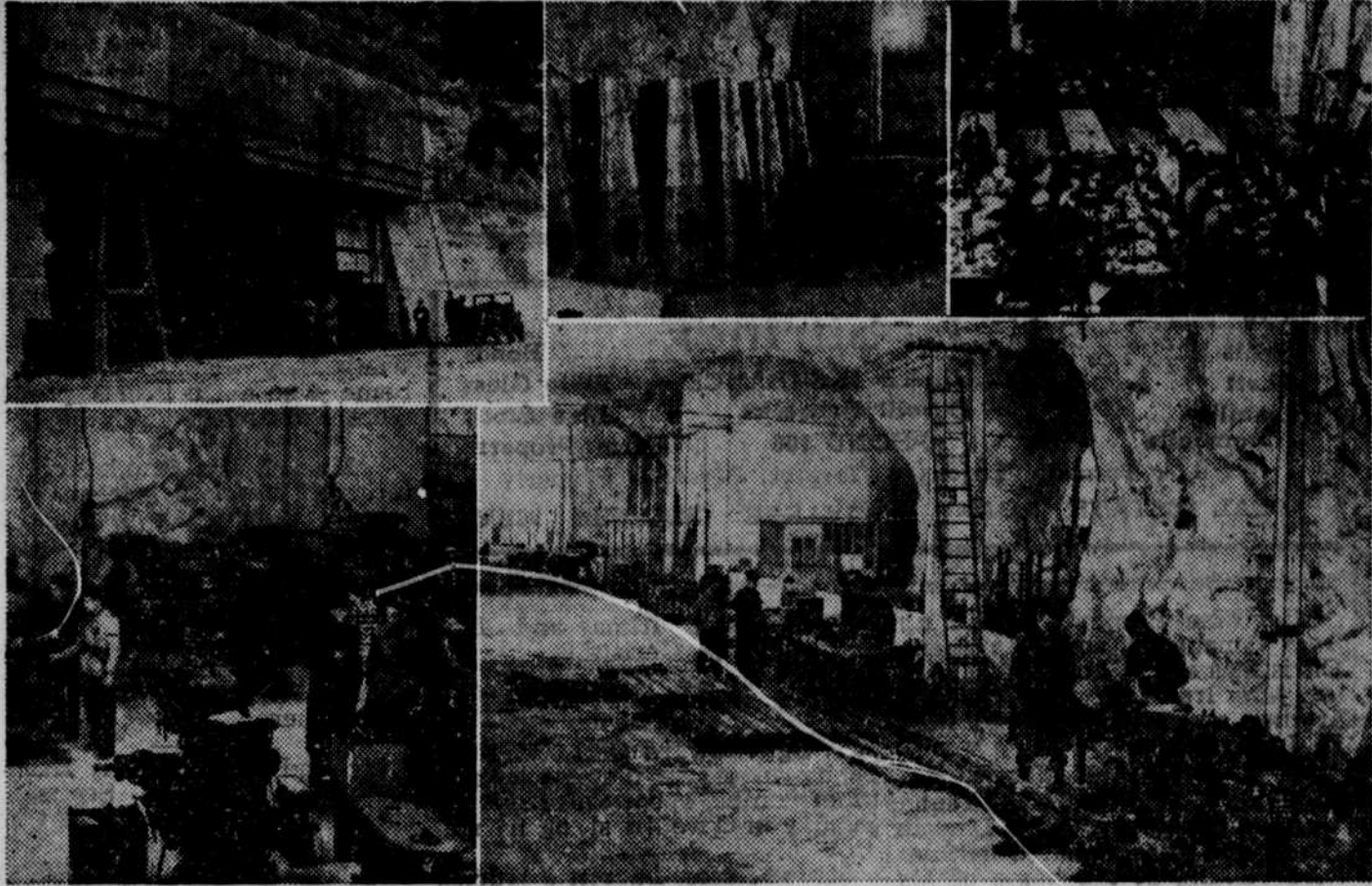


evenly distributed fullness. The trick is in pinning them in place first as shown in the diagram. If you do not have the colors indicated, remember that it is always worth while to dye the rugs so that they blend harmoniously.

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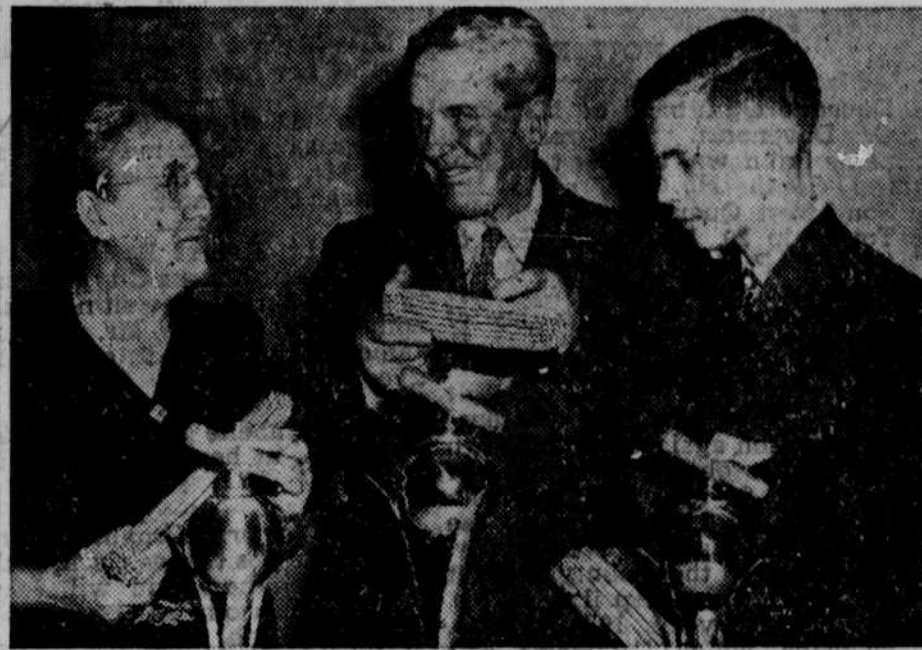
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Above photo shows division of the largest aircraft manufacturing syndicate in France, which was driven underground by bombs of the U. S. army 8th air force. The underground cave was located at St. Astier, covering half a million feet of floor space. The cave was captured by Maquis troops on D-Day, and is now being used by the Allies. Meals are served within the cave.

National Corn Growing Champions



The new national corn growing champions. Left, Mrs. Bertha Den Adel, of Leighton, Iowa, woman champion, who produced 145.34 bushels of corn per acre. Center, grand champion George L. Renner, Sioux Falls, S. D., who grew 176.69 bushels per acre. Right, junior champion Arthur Eugene Else, Elm Creek, Neb., 150.47 bushels.

War Touch of Humor



One of the humorous road signs that was erected near the fighting front in Holland, giving many an Allied soldier a laugh as he passed along on his way into action. This sign is near the sector captured by Canadian forces.

Russ Constitutional Draft Submitted to Citizens

The reciprocal regard existing between the people of Russia and their government was shown in 1936 during the framing of their new constitution.

Its first draft was published in 10,000 newspapers and 60,000,000 pamphlets for study by the people. Then discussion of its 146 articles at 527,000 public meetings, attended by 36,500,000 citizens, resulted in 150,000 suggestions and amendments, all of which were considered and a number of them were adopted by the Supreme Soviet.

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Young China Seeking the Light



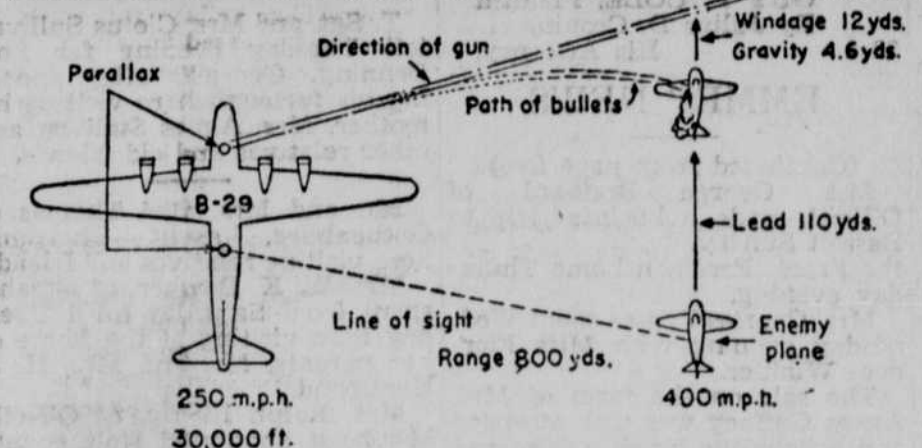
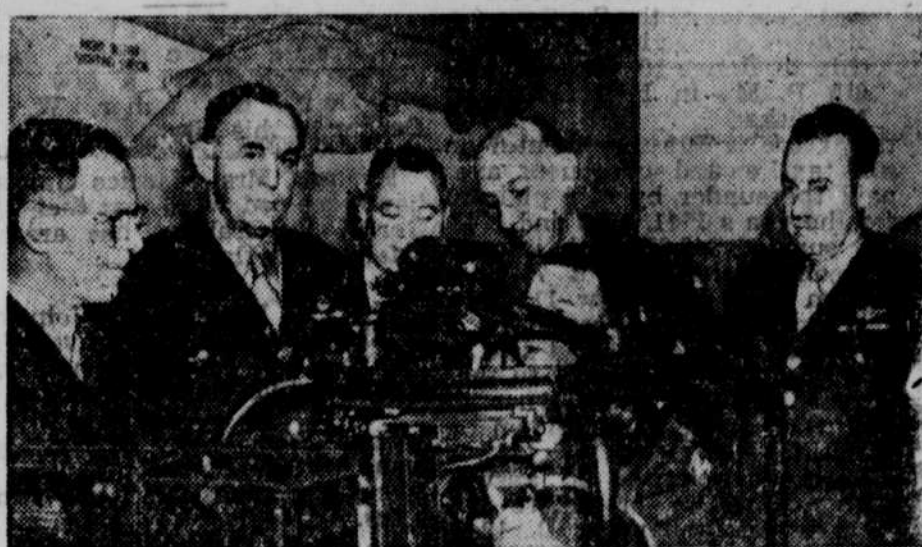
Young China learns to sing, upper left, and receives instructions in workings and usage of electrical gadgets, upper right. Not all is play, however, as shown in lower photograph, where young China is lined up on their way to the cotton mills to do their share in driving out the Japs from their homeland.

Brothers Act Again



Coastguardsman August R. Caminiti balances his brother, Army Corp. Peter A. Caminiti, on one hand in an exhibition of muscular control, when they met on a troop transport. The Caminitis of Brooklyn played prewar vaudeville but now entertain GIs with their acts.

Gunnery of B-29 Superfortresses



Upper photo shows the central gunnery control system of a B-29 Superfortress, which was demonstrated publicly for the first time in New York city. Lower photo shows how the central control system functions in combat so precisely that an unescorted B-29 can strike on bombing missions at the heart of Japan.

Know Your Air Army



Insignia of the 16 United States army air forces, including the recently activated 20th, are displayed by Air WAC Pvt. Margaret Galaher of Jersey City, N. J., for the first time in a photo, as a salute to "Winged Victory."

Pick on Someone Your Size!



An interesting sidelight of the New York Poultry show was this would-be "battle" between a White Plymouth Rock cockerel and a White Rose Comb bantam. Even though the cock has his leg raised in a threatening gesture, he thought better of his action in picking on his tiny bantam opponent.

'Produce or Fight'



James G. Byrnes, above, War Mobilization director, who recently issued a call for drafting of all 26 to 37 year-old non-defense workers. War work or war, he demands.

'Puss-in-Boots' Joins U. S. Army



No fancy patent leather pumps for these patriotic kittens. A pair of well-worn GI shoes provide an ideal medium for "Puss-in-Boots," as played by Tinker Tricks and Pinkle Purr, who have joined the American forces now stationed in Australia. They are being trained for the coming invasion of Japan.

Leads Fifth Army



Veteran on Anzio, Lieut. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott has been named commander of the U. S. Fifth army in Italy, succeeding Lieut. Gen. Mark Clark.

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