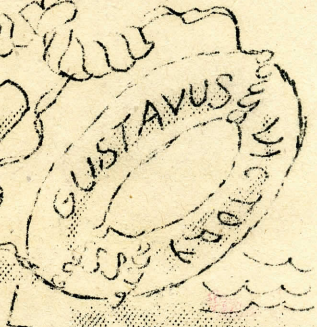


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SS GUSTAVUS VICTORY

OH! WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNING

I'VE GOT A WONDERFUL FEELING



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World Wide NEWS

WASHINGTON

Armed Forces

Today the war department announced that the army ground forces swelled from 23 divisions in 1939 to a total of 89 divisions at the end of the war in 1945. The ground forces themselves had a total of 4,429,000 men.

In Honor

Plans have been made to bring home approximately 200,000 of the nations men who were killed in the war. The time element is figured from 2 to five years.

A shrine is to be erected in Washington as a war memorial to the nation's war dead.

Coal Strike

Today it was announced that approximately 35,000 people will be idle this week because of the two weeks old soft coal strike which is as yet to be settled. John L. Lewis announced he was willing to settle the strike if his terms were met.

Project Started

The Department of Interior announced the starting of the Missouri Valley Project which will cost two million dollars and will take about three years to complete.

Immigrants

The first immigrants to come to the United States since the beginning of the war will board a ship early in May from Bremerhaven, Germany for the USA.

Vienna, Austria

Herbert Hoover, President Truman's delegate to UNRRA is now in Vienna, Austria to confer on the food situation there.

LONDON

Peace Treaties

Britain came out today with the statement that they will oppose any separate peace treaties for any members of the Axis. Britain was speaking very pointedly to Italy.

WARSAW

Elections

Poland is to have its first general elections the first half of July.

ITALY

Elections

The recent local elections in Italy show a marked degree against pro-fascist and reactionary forces.

CHUNGKING

Civil War

Manchuria is reported in a state of general civil war. The communist government has sent two formal protests to the United States against the military aid the United States is giving China. The situation in China is reported more critical than a month ago when Gen. Marshall left.

SHANGHAI

A number of Germans here are to be arrested as pro-axis and violators of the peace terms.

TOKYO

Gen. McArthur reports that Japan is no longer a major problem but a group of lesser problems.

NOTICE

PX hours are from 1300 to 1430 hours in the mess hall.

THIS AND THAT

40th BOMB WING

One of the units aboard is the 40th Wing and they have with them the 306th 384th, and 92nd Bomb Groups.

All of these groups were in the 8th and 9th Air Force during the war. They established quite a record with their B17ns and other heavy bombers.

"Catch that Red Heat!!"

Too late. She was caught last Feb. by Capt. Burnett of A.C.S. located in Paris. He has 49 months service and is returning to his home in the state of Washington.

The Redhead is none other than Lt. Smith also of A.C.S. with 40 months in the service and hails from Madison, Wisconsin.

They were married last February and spent their honeymoon in Switzerland. Now they are heading West to that wonderful state that has those delicious apples which you fellows are eating aboard ship. That's Washington.

"Man Alive, Smell that Cooking?"

At this time we wish to thank the personell down in the Galley that are preparing the terrific food we've been having. Keep the job up.

"Joke of the Week"

The ship's paper finally came out that is between Burps and Gulps. In fact excuse me. Burp.

"The Shows Coming to Town"---IF

This coming Thurs. night in the Rec. Hall there will be a Vaudeville Show.

Anyone who wishes to participate will see Sgt. Donovan at the Ships station "CAV" or the P.A. System any time before noon. Actors, Singers, Musicians, and dancers are needed. Let's go fellows for a big show. Haba Haba.

"MUSIC DEPRECIATION"

The boys up in the P. A. box are really having a time and send out the best in the ship's record library. But to make the program better just drop in and give them your requests between the hours of 1300 to 1400 and 2000 to 2100.

All the classics will be played in the morning and the best in Swing will played in the afternoon.

"Officer's Only"

Deputy Compartment C.O. Capt. Bowers has been so devoted to his job that he has remained in Compartment "J" since the beginning of the trip. Such devotion to duty should not go un-rewarded.

His "Aid de Camp" Lt. "Spearhead" Murphy is faithfully performing his duties as "Chief Bunk Engineer."

TELEGRAMS HOME

The Special Service Officer announces that he has on hand Western Union "safe arrival" messages with the message, "Arrived Afely. Expect to see you soon. Don't attempt to contact or write me here. Love."

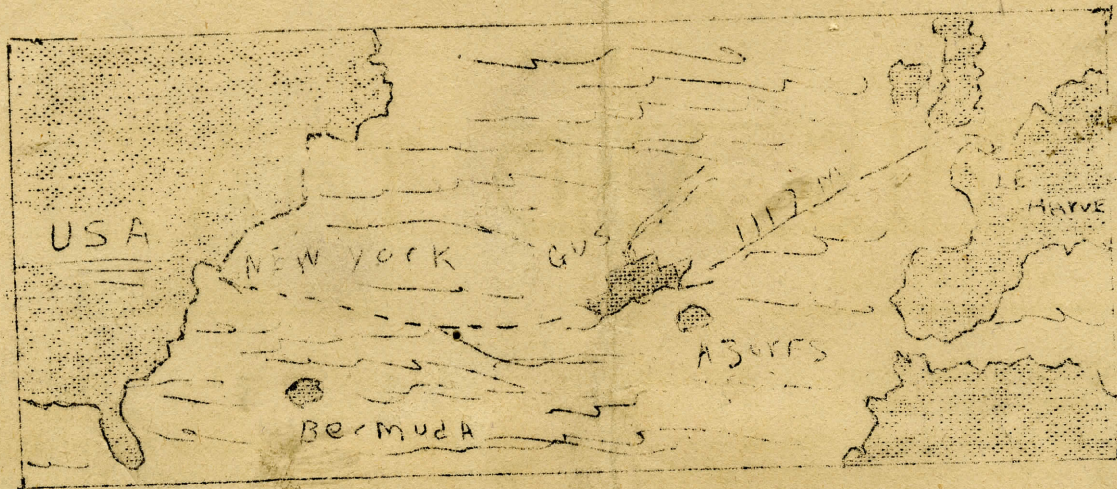
This message can be sent to any point in the country for 31 cents and will be deposited in the main New York Western Union office as soon as the ship docks. Blanks will be distributed by company officers and first sergeants to those interested tomorrow.

MOVIE NOTES

Today's entertainment at the Gustavus theater brings to you "THE PIRATES AND THE PIRATES" with Bob Hope and Virginia Mayo in technicolor.

Those lucky boys with pink tickets will be able to see the showing at 1400 hrs. and the boys with the blue one at 1900 hrs.

SHIP'S POSITION



Since the 11 of April we have covered 1117 miles and at present we are in the vicinity of Latitude 46 50' North, Longitude 27 37' West. In the last 25 hour perion we have gone 371 miles at the average speed of 16.6 knots.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER DEBARKATION

Whether you're returning home for a furlough or a discharge you'll learn soon after debarkation that the Army can—and frequently does—move swiftly. The system which the New York Port of Embarkation now uses in handling a minimum of delay.

Here's what will happen:

Upon arrival at the pier in New York Harbor you will be ferried—probably as a group—to a train terminal. From there you will be taken to one of three DISPOSITION CENTERS in the metropolitan area: as it now stands you men will probably be sent to Camp Kilmer in New Jersey.

Your stay at the Disposition Center will be short—anywhere from 24 to 48 hours. Here you will be given a clothing check, a physical check and a chance to get back your land legs. Although no passes will be allowed from here you will have the opportunity to telephone or wire home.

From here you will be sent to the

PERSONNEL CENTER nearest your home—the one you selected at La Havre. At first you will go to the RECEPTION STATION at this Personnel Center where you will be seeded. If you are not eligible for a discharge, or are re-enlisting, you will be given a 45-day furlough from here immediately. If you are eligible for discharge you will proceed to the SEPERATION CENTER located on the same post.

At the Seperation Center it will take from 1 hour to 5 days to get you on a Discharge Roster. Once you're on that roster it shouldn't take more than 48 hours to go through the discharge procedure. However, should something go wrong here the Army promises that your stay will be absolutely no longer than 15 days, even if all your service records are missing.

So sit back and relax now. The Army has it all figured out. You really don't have to worry.

A RETRACTION AND AN APOLOGY

It is seldom indeed that a newspaper is successfully used to perpetrate a hoax on the public but we are afraid we have been taken in this time. A diligent inquiry aboard ship has failed to produce any Pfc Arthur X. Gibbs who advertised for an officer to be a messenger boy in his tailor shop at \$7 per week. Our sincerest apologies to the officers who went to all the trouble of writing out long summaries of their backgrounds in hopes of getting the job. If anything else comes up we will be glad to let them know and meanwhile their letters will be held in strictest confidence.

NOTICE

If there is any of you fellas or gals that have anything that you would like to have published in the ship's paper bring it around to the troop office at 1730 hours daily and we will try and help you out.

This is your paper and it is you that is making the material for it, so help us out and bring in that material.
