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Swapping Boats At Sea Hard On One's Shins

By LEE G. MILLER

ABOARD A CRUISER IN THE CELEBES SEA—(By Wireless)—In three days this water-shy landlubber has clambered onto a dozen different kinds of boats and ships.

His shins and knees are battered, and his arms are practically numb from climbing rope ladders. The sedentary life I've lived so many years in Washington seems far, far removed.

Let's see: Monday I went from cruiser to whaleboat to destroyer, and that night — after dark and in choppy waters — I went back the same way. Except that it was too rough to go direct from whaleboat to cruiser. So I had to jump onto a PT boat that was alongside the cruiser. I thought I'd never make it, but I did.

Gauging the rise and fall of the two craft as best I could in the dim light and landing on all fours. Then getting a handhold and foothold on that dangling rope ladder was something too, and when I tumbled over the rail at the top I swore I'd never leave the cruiser again till we got to home base.

But the next day there I was again — cruiser to small boat to PT, and PT to small boat to a big command ship, and then to smallboat to PT to LCI, and LCVP to LCI, and back to PT and whaleboat and cruiser, bruise piled on bruise.

That will be enough of that, said I, as I painfully hoisted myself into an upperbunk. Uh huh. Next morning down the cruiser's ladder again to another PT, and presently I was stepping over a whole raft of PTs to board a tender for lunch. And then off in a PT to a pier and from the pier to an LCVP—via an LCM—and onto another pier by rickety steps. And later from the pier to the admiral's barge to the command ship and back to a PT. And from PT to the cruiser.

And as I write this I'm saying to myself, there'll be no more such nonsense. Now I wonder what will come up tomorrow. Probably a submarine.

These PT crews are nice people. At lunch I met among others Lieut. Cmdr. Francis Tappan, of Los Angeles, commander of a "task unit" of PTs. He was all-American end at University of Southern California.

The PT captain who put me ashore on D-Day at Tarakan, Lieut. (j.g.) Ben Stephens, was a basketball star at the University of Iowa. He used to work for a rubber company in Akron but calls Cambridge, Ill., home, and his wife is now in Cedar Rapids.

Two PT men went ashore with us that day. One was Seymour Rice, one of the navy's new combat correspondents. He assuaged my fears of drowning somewhat by assuring me he was a good swimmer and would dive for me if I slipped off the battered pier into the water. Rice is from Kansas City and Los Angeles and he used to write murder stories for a living. He said he'd written 600 or 700 of them for pulp magazines.

The other man ashore was Lieut. (j.g.) Harold B. Stoughen, of Dumont, N. J., executive officer on another PT. He had a camera, and took a picture of me crouching behind an abandoned Jap pillbox for protection from shellfire. He promised to send me a copy, but I doubt if the pose will be flattering.

My PT skipper on D Plus One was Lieut. B. J. O'Neill, of Baltimore. O'Neill's boss had told him to inform the two admirals who were passengers that he didn't want the PT to go up to the Tarakan pike, but that of course it was up to the admirals. It went to the pier all right.

The "exec" of this PT was Lieut. (j.g.) Charles Hendrickson. He still wore an ensign's gold bar, and explained his promotion was so recent he hadn't had time to "put the bar on the grindstone." It seems you can grind off the gold of an ensign's bar and find lieutenant's silver underneath.

Hendrickson used to have bakeries in Knoxville, Greenville and Morristown, Tenn. His wife, who lives in Greenville, ran them for a while after he entered the navy but the burden was so heavy on her he finally sold out.

The PTers are a fine, friendly, good-looking bunch. But some of them think a little wistfully that the PT has about run its course as a spectacular weapon in this war.

Richard the Lionhearted believed to have invented tarring and feathering as a punishment.

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Champion Cards Trounced Twice By Boston Braves

NEW YORK, May 17 (UP)—The St. Louis Cardinals hit bottom yesterday when they lost two games to the Braves in Boston, 5 to 4 in 14 innings, and 4 to 1.

The first defeat was caused by a school-boyish muff by Elvin (Buster) Adams in the ninth with two out. Boston scored twice to tie the score and won the game for relief pitcher Charley Barrett on a double by Phil Masi and a single by Dick Culler in the 14th.

Yet the Dodgers, playing as if they were in the world series already, won their 11th straight game yesterday for the longest consecutive streak under the regime of manager Leo Durocher. They beat the visiting Pittsburgh Pirates for the third straight time, 3 to 1, behind Hal Gregg's almost perfect control pitching. Gregg, in notching his fifth victory against one defeat, struck out five, walked only one.

The Giant's version of murderer's row, Manager Mel Ott, Phil Weintraub and Ernie Lombardi, hit sixth inning homers to give Pitcher Bill Vosselle support for his seventh victory without a defeat, a 6 to 0 shutout over the visiting Cubs in a night game.

Dick (Kewpie) Barrett provided the Phils with good pitching in a 6 to 2 seven-inning victory over Cincinnati at Philadelphia. Ed Heusser lost his first game after three triumphs. Jim Wasdell led the 10-hit Philly attack with a triple and two singles.

For the third straight day, all American league games were rained out.

Tenth-Inning Rally of Acorns Beats Sacramento

By United Press
The Oakland Acorns staged a garrison finish against Sacramento last night to rack up a 3-2, 10-inning victory and jump into a virtual tie for second place in the Pacific Coast league standings.

In the only other game played, the tailed Hollywood Stars finally hopped on the San Diego Padres for a 6-3 triumph. The San Francisco-Sealtly and Los Angeles - Portland games were rained out. They will play double headers tonight.

Joe Wood, jr., son of the famous Boston Red Sox twirler, had the Oaks practically beaten in the last of the ninth at Encryville. With Sacramento ahead, 2-1, and two out, the crowd of 6,000 — which purchased almost \$5,000,000 worth of war bonds — began leaving the park.

Error Starts Fireworks
Bill Catcher Billy Raimondi lined a single to left and went to second when Al McElcath kicked the ball around. Tom Hafev was nominated to pinch hit for Pitcher Red Mann and came through with the bop that brought Raimondi in with the tying marker.

Floyd Stroname, who received credit for the win, blanked the Sac in the 10th. Norm Dewees opened Oakland's half of the frame with a double. Wood purposely walked Les Scarsella. Frank Hawkins hit a long fly to left and Dewees went to third after the catch.

Vic Picetti smashed a ground-er at Second Baseman Gene Handley who wasted a second tagging out Scarsella, then threw to first in an attempt to complete a double play. But Picetti was safe by a step and Dewees had scored the tie-breaking tally.

Carl Dumber of San Diego, who had a nine-game winning streak earlier in the season, suffered his fourth straight loss as Hollywood clubbed him off the hill in four innings. Bob Williams had the Padres baffled until the ninth when he had to be relieved by Joe Mishasek.

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Brooklyn	16	6	.727
Chicago	10	11	.476
Boston	10	11	.476
St. Louis	10	12	.455
Pittsburgh	9	13	.409
Cincinnati	8	12	.400
Philadelphia	6	18	.250

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	12	6	.667
New York	13	7	.651
Detroit	11	7	.611
St. Louis	9	9	.500
Washington	10	12	.455
Philadelphia	9	12	.429
Boston	8	12	.400
Cleveland	6	13	.315

PACIFIC COAST			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Portland	30	13	.691
Seattle	23	18	.561
Oakland	25	20	.556
San Diego	23	23	.500
Los Angeles	21	23	.477
San Francisco	20	23	.465
Sacramento	20	24	.455
Hollywood	13	31	.295

Max Schmeling Is Found In Hamburg

LONDON, May 17 (UP)—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Hamburg said Max Schmeling, former heavyweight boxing champion, was found there today.

An Exchange Telegraph correspondent said Schmeling was arrested on the Hamburg waterfront by two military policemen of the 53rd Welsh division. He was in civilian clothes, the agency reported, and said he had been discharged from a paratroop regiment. The MP's who arrested him had seen him in the ring, the dispatch said, and evidently were certain of the identity.

Indian Holdout Awaits 'Fair' Offer

CLEVELAND, May 17 (UP)—The Recalcitrant Jeff Heath, the Cleveland Indians' hard-hitting "holdout" outfielder, will report to the Tribe "if they make me a fair offer," it was learned here today.

Heath, who wants to be traded, has spent the first month of the current baseball season at his Seattle, Wash., home.

JOCKEY IS UPSET

ARCADIA, Calif., May 17 (UP)—Otto Grohs held an early lead in the jockey race today by riding winners in the first three races at Santa Anita race track. Grohs narrowly escaped being trampled in yesterday's featured seventh race when he was thrown by the favorite, Orio, as the eight horse field broke from the starting gate.

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RIGHT BACK WHERE THEY STARTED—With V-E Day properly celebrated, ye old hoss player, upper right, bulging with bankroll crying for action, settles himself to perusal of his favorite literature and proceeds to figure just how and where to give his dough exercise. Upper left, 3-year-old racer, Calatycism, is shown news of Germany's surrender by exercise boy and groom at Belmont Park. Below is scene happily visualized by all—racing under full sway.

Cooper Suspended By Card Manager

BOSTON, May 17 (UP)—Another round in the salary battle between Pitcher Morton Cooper and the St. Louis Cardinal management is in the offing following Cooper's suspension yesterday by Manager Billy Southworth.

Southworth acted after Cooper left the Cardinals without notice, presumably to go to St. Louis for another salary conference with club President Sam Breadon.

Breadon, however, was in Rochester, N. Y., transacting business with the team's farm club there. Advised of Cooper's suspension, he said, "The matter is entirely in Southworth's hands."

Most of the speculation here centered around the fact that Cooper probably will attempt to persuade Breadon to sell or trade him to another major league club. He told some of his team mates he was worried over sickness at home.

New York Giants Have Brother Team

NEW YORK, May 17 (UP)—The New York Giants had the newest brother combination in the majors today when they brought in First Baseman Al Gardella from their Jersey City farm club to team with substitute outfielder, Danny Gardella.

Birds have four kinds of feathers: flight feathers, clothing feathers, downy feathers, and thread feathers.

Coasting Along

By HAL WOOD United Press Staff Correspondent

FRESNO, Calif., May 17 (UP)—Attracted by the glitter of some of the biggest names in the world of sports, more than 10,000 track and field fans were expected to flock to Ratcliffe stadium here on Saturday to witness the 19th annual west coast relays.

On the strength of past performances, Coach Dean Cromwell's University of Southern California Trojans were being hailed as the favorites to defend their relay crowns. Cromwell today entered a 25-man team, which will probably be the largest single team-entry of the meet.

However, the Trojans are looking for some of the keenest competition they ever have faced in the famous relays. They aren't exceptionally strong this season and already have tasted defeat at the hands of the California Institute of Technology's well-balanced outfit, which will have 20 men in this meet.

For the first time in years, Cromwell won't have a man for the 100-yard dash. However, in the other dash events the men of Troy will be strong, as usual.

The Trojans will furnish one of the big names in the meet in the person of Earl Audek, shot-putting champion.

Lt. Allen Tolmich, the national AAU hurling champion, now stationed at Portland army air base, is one noted title-holder entered, and Corp. Ed Gorson, 1932 Olympic games broad-jumping champion, is another.

Tolmich is expected to get tough competition from 17-year-old Jack Norberg, University of California's undefeated timber-topper, and Lt. John Meeks, ex-

Horse and Dog Racing Meets Set

PORTLAND, May 17 (UP)—Horse and dog racing meets were sanctioned today by the Oregon racing commission for 1945.

The Multnomah Kennel club was granted 72 racing days for the greyhounds, which includes the special meetings for the George A. White's service men's club and the Oregon war bond committee. The season runs from June 18 to Sept. 24.

An 11-day meeting was granted the Northwest Jockey club for Gresham between May 28 and June 16, with a probable opening date of June 5.

The Multnomah county fair association was given six days during the annual fair between Aug. 20 and 25, and an additional six days between August 27 and Sept. 1.

Hoppe Holds Lead In Billiard Tourney

SEATTLE, May 17 (UP)—Willie Hoppe, challenger for the world's three-cushion billiard title, led Champion Welker Cochran by 51 points today as the pair moved on to San Francisco after finishing "the Seattle section of their cross-country series."

Hoppe won the final match here 60-62, while Cochran took the afternoon game 60-40. The scores for 80 games tallied 4,283 for Hoppe and 4,232 for Cochran.

WANER IN BUSINESS

PITTSBURGH, May 17 (UP)—Paul (Big Poison) Waner, who heeled major league pitchers for 19 seasons, is building concrete burial vaults today—just two weeks after his unconditional release by the New York Yankees.

Waner said he entered partnership with Dr. Jack Munyon in the vault-building business a week ago and because of the labor shortage, he has been helping in the shop.

ATHLETE SENTENCED
BOSTON, May 17 (UP)—Former Colgate athlete Josiah R. Lancaster of New York was sentenced to a two year federal penitentiary term yesterday for failing to report for his army induction.

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