

It's Achin vs. Paavo or Belcastro Tuesday

Champ or no champ, title match or no title match, Walter "Th' Sneeze" Achin, Chinese mat mangle popular, will get his main event match at the armory next Tuesday night. Jujitsuing Walt whipped Jack "Bash 'Em" Lipscomb this week, just what he was supposed to do in order to get next week's title shot, and if Paavo "King Kong" Katonen, the Coast lighthavy champ with the changing draft status, falls to return to the northwest in time to tussle with Sneezie the latter still gets to wait off the main event against newly returned Pete Belcastro.

Katonen was called to California by his draft board some days ago and promised upon leaving that if said draft board found him poor timber for Uncle Sam's army he'd hop right back to the northwest. If he gets here he'll put his covered belt on the block against Achin.

Belcastro, who most village crutch customers will have little trouble recognizing as the one and only "Walloping Wop from Weed," found his Weed, Calif., super - service station business not too lucrative these days, so bought himself a new pair of tights and opened a come-

Guest Speaker



Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of the College of Puget Sound, who will be guest speaker at the 31st Older Girls' conference being held in Salem today, Saturday and Sunday. Dr. Thompson will appear at the 9 o'clock meeting Saturday morning and the afternoon session the same day. The First Presbyterian church is conference headquarters.

Briefs Filed In Flagg-PGE Suit

Filing of briefs and transcription of testimony and arguments remained in the injunction action undertaken by the Portland General Electric company against George H. Flagg, public utilities commissioner, and George Neuner, attorney general, as proceedings wound up before Judge George R. Duncan in circuit court Thursday afternoon.

The plaintiff company has until February 21 to file its brief. Emergency order instituted by the commission to reduce company rates in a number of towns and rural sections of the state, excluding Salem, and sole point which caused PGE to launch the action, bore the brunt of argument and testimony during Thursday's court proceedings.

The order has 60 days to run out of the original 120. Cassius R. Peck, attorney for the plaintiff, complained that the order was imposed without formal hearing or advance notice, in questioning Flagg who was a main witness for the defendant parties.

Flagg countered with the assertion that negotiations had been almost completed between the parties prior to institution of the order, but had broken down at the last moment, and that the order had been consummated on the supposition that agreement almost had been reached and would be reached when negotiations were resumed.

Flagg further contended that the emergency order was a simple way out - a saving of time and trouble in wartime conditions, and that a hearing would not have fitted the emergency.

Peck compared the rates of the Northwestern Electric company of Portland with the plaintiff company's asserting there was a favorable comparison, and asking why an emergency order had not been levied against the other company. Flagg said such an order would be imposed against Northwestern Electric after conclusion of the action if rate conditions of the companies remained similar.

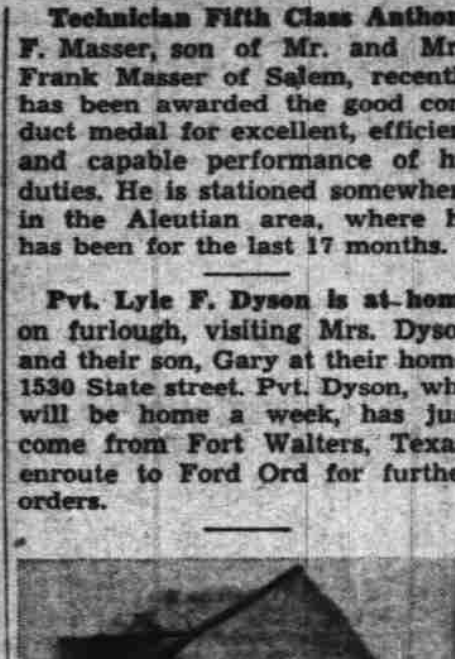
Both parties intimated their desire for an early decision by Judge Duncan. Rex Kimmell appeared for the attorney general, while William C. McColloch and McDannell Brown represented the public utilities commissioner.

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing



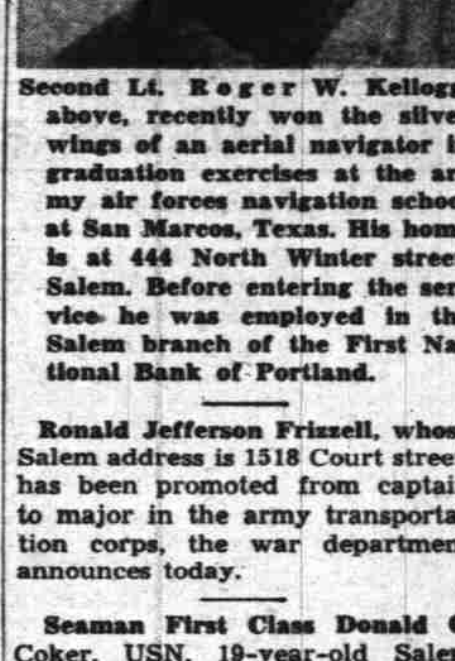
Technician Fifth Class Anthony F. Masser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masser of Salem, recently has been awarded the good conduct medal for excellent, efficient and capable performance of his duties. He is stationed somewhere in the Aleutian area, where he has been for the last 17 months.



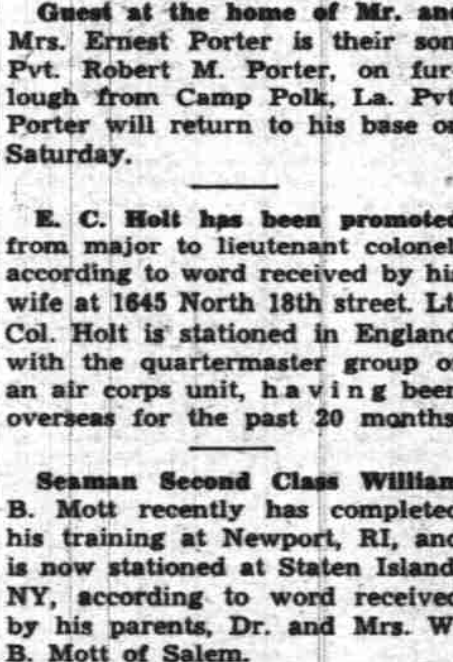
Pvt. Lyle F. Dyson is at home on furlough, visiting Mrs. Dyson and their son, Gary at their home, 1530 State street. Pvt. Dyson, who will be home a week, has just come from Fort Walters, Texas, enroute to Fort Ord for further orders.



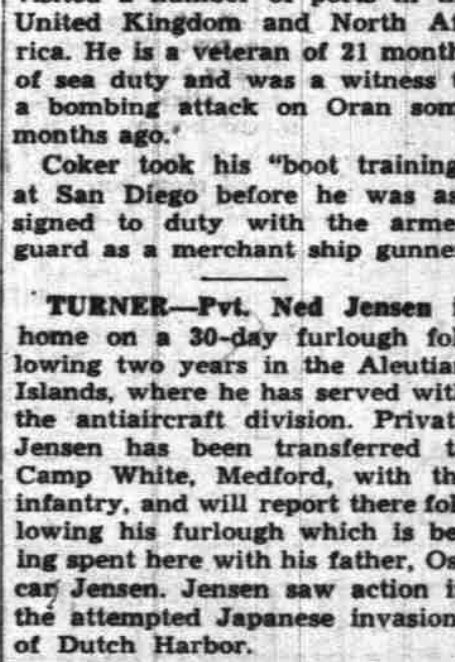
Second Lt. Roger W. Kellogg, above, recently won the silver wings of an aerial navigator in graduation exercises at the army air forces navigation school at San Marcos, Texas. His home is at 444 North Winter street, Salem. Before entering the service he was employed in the Salem branch of the First National Bank of Portland.



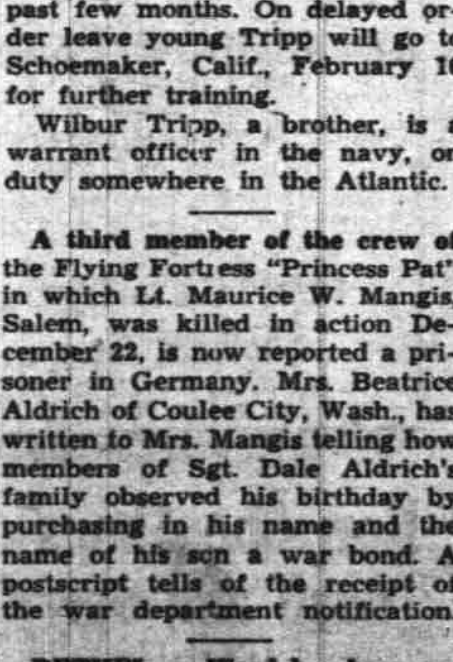
Ronald Jefferson Frizzell, whose Salem address is 1518 Court street, has been promoted from captain to major in the army transportation corps, the war department announces today.



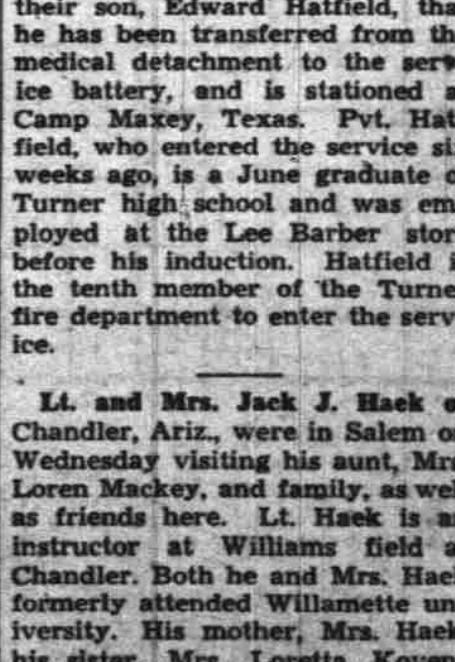
Pvt. Edward L. Parcell, son of Mrs. Charles Norton of East Garden Road, is one of the service men left to guard the Aleutians. He is believed to be on Attu. He is a cook for his company and writes that lately the men have appreciated some fresh bear meat served to them, a welcome change from the dehydrated foods which furnish good meals but do not have flavor of the fresh foods.



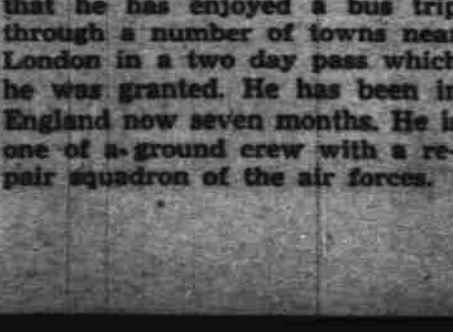
Seaman First Class Donald C. Coker, USN, 19-year-old Salem sailor attached to the US naval armed guard center at New Orleans, La., has just returned from sea duty as a member of a naval gun crew assigned to an American merchant vessel, headquarters of the eighth naval district at New Orleans announced. He is the son of Mrs. Irene J. Coker, 1127 Hines street, Salem.



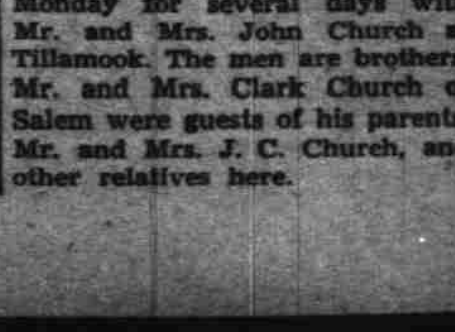
Lt. Ned Jensen is home on a 30-day furlough following two years in the Aleutian Islands, where he has served with the anti-aircraft division. Private Jensen has been transferred to Camp White, Medford, with the infantry, and will report there following his furlough which is being spent here with his father, Oscar Jensen. Jensen saw action in the attempted Japanese invasions of Dutch Harbor.



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hatfield have received word from their son, Edward Hatfield, that he has been transferred from the medical detachment to the service battery, and is stationed at Camp Maxey, Texas. Pvt. Hatfield, who entered the service six weeks ago, is a June graduate of Turner high school and was employed by the Lee Barber store before his induction. Hatfield is the tenth member of the Turner fire department to enter the service.



Lt. and Mrs. Jack J. Haek of Chandler, Ariz., were in Salem on Wednesday visiting his aunt, Mrs. Loren Mackey, and family, as well as friends here. Lt. Haek is an instructor at Williams field at Chandler. Both he and Mrs. Haek formerly attended Willamette university. His mother, Mrs. Haek, his sister, Mrs. Loretta Kovenz and her baby daughter, drove over from Corvallis to be with Lt. and Mrs. Haek.



Mrs. M. J. Tripp, 1547 Market street, is a son, Sam, who has been attending naval electrician's school for the past few months. On delayed order leave young Tripp will go to Schoemaker, Calif., February 16 for further training.

Rumors Say Vancouver, B. C. Gets Coast Loop Franchise

Ball Park Sale Big Question; Sick Involved

Breadon Denies Deal Moving Sacramento 9 VANCOUVER, BC, Feb. 10.—(CP)—The question of whether Vancouver will have a team in the Pacific Coast baseball league this summer was confused to night through lack of confirmation of rumors.

The News-Herald published a sports page story saying Vancouver interests have acquired the Sacramento franchise. However, official announcement of the move has been held up through failure to reach an agreement with owners of Athletic park, up to its sale the home of the Vancouver Caplanos of the Western International league.

(At St. Louis, Sam Breadon, who owns the Sacramento club and franchise as a farm in the Cardinals' system, said "I've made no deal of any kind." He refused further comment.)

The News-Herald said the "Most perplexing problem is: 'Who owns Athletic park?' and added that a telephone check was made with Emil Sick, president of Seattle Rainiers, to check a report interests connected with the Rainiers had purchased the park.

The News-Herald quoted Sick as saying he was not able to make a definite statement regarding purchase of the park. The newspaper added "But he did not deny that his company had purchased the park."

Vancouver officials of the Canadian Pacific railway, owners of the park, have refused any comment pending consummation of sale of the park through its head official at Montreal.

Detroit Lions Eye Northwest

SEATTLE, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The success the Washington Redskins professional football team had in training in the Spokane area a few years ago may bring the Detroit Lions to Seattle early next fall for pre-season workouts, announced Lions Coach Gus Dorais here today.

Coach Dorais said the Lions were much interested in trying the northwest as a training center and even if transportation blocked the move this year the trial probably would be made as soon as war conditions permit.

Sweepstakes Set

PORTLAND, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Oregon Public Links Golf association set its second sweepstakes for Sunday at the City View course here.

To Majors



HUGH LUBY, Oakland second-sacker and the Coast league's "player of the year" for 1943, goes to the New York Giants next spring (if he reports).

STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor



Meet Sgt. Bill Shakespeare

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE, hiked from private to sergeant last week in an infantry regiment in Camp Adair's Trailblazer division, isn't THE William Shakespeare of the written classics, naturally, but give him a football and he'll show you how he became a classy All-American while attending Notre Dame a few years ago. He's pictured above while "practicing" at Adair recently. (Trailblazer photo)

Leslie Holds Swim Session

Most of the swimmers in the first annual Leslie junior high school intramural swimming meet held at the YMCA pool yesterday afternoon went to a sextet of boys—Ralph Blakely and Alfred Smith in the seventh grade, Jack Miller and Don Ray in the eighth, and Milton Thompson and Don Phillips in the ninth. Thirty boys under the direction of Coach Bob Keuscher, took part in the meet which determined winners to compete in the 15 events against Parrish on February 17. Results:

7th grade backstroke—Blakely first, Henry Balonsifer second, 54 seconds; 8th grade—Moorman first, Jack Miller, second, 42 seconds; 9th grade—Thompson first, Phillips second, 43 seconds. 7th grade breast stroke—Smith first, Balonsifer second, 55 seconds; 8th grade—Ray first, Moorman second, 48 seconds; 9th grade—Thompson first, Phillips, second, 51 seconds.

7th grade free style—Blakely first, Smith second, 40 seconds; 8th grade—Kenny Wright first, Miller second, 40 seconds; 9th grade—Ron Sheets first, Thompson second, 40 seconds.

7th grade diving—Smith first, Blakely second; 8th grade—Ray and Miller tied for first; 9th grade—Phillips first, Valdez second.

Relay teams selected to compete against Parrish were: 7th, Balonsifer, Roland Dally, Bob Herring; 8th, Ray, Moorman, Wright; 9th, Sheets, Richard Cocking, Jack Michaels.

High scorers for the meet were Blakely and Thompson, who headed the 7th and 9th graders, respectively, with 13 points apiece. Jack Miller paced the 8th graders with 10 points.

Hellships Defeat Mexicans, 67-47

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The Albina Hellships, one of the Pacific northwest's two top independent basketball teams, turned on the scoring pressure in the second half Wednesday night to defeat Chihuahua State college of Mexico, 64-47.

Stretch, shipbuilder guard, led the scorers with 20 points.

Bang, Bang-Bang!

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Billy Arnold threw a right uppercut, missed, then connected with a left hook to Henry Jordan's chin, and the main bout was over at the Olympics tonight.

Only 34 seconds elapsed as Arnold registered his 16th straight knockout, all scored in two rounds or less.

Older Girls' Conference Opens Today

Three hundred girls and young women, ranging in age from 14 to 24 years, participants in the Older Girls' conference here this weekend, face a full schedule of activities when they register at 3 o'clock this afternoon, conference officers said Thursday. Headquarters will be at the First Presbyterian church.

Principal speaker, Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of the College of Puget Sound, is scheduled to make his appearance Saturday.

Both Mrs. Martha Ferguson McKeown of Hood River and Miss Muriel White of West Lynn, director and assistant director of the conference, have Salem and Willamette university backgrounds. Nine years ago Miss White, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert White of Salem, was president of the conference, statewide organization which meets annually. Frances Kells of Astoria is this year's president.

1944 Start In Lumbering Favorable

SEATTLE, Feb. 10.—Facing a quota of eight billion feet of lumber for 1944, the west coast lumber industry has made a far better start than in 1943, due to the prevailing open winter and favorable logging conditions. Log supply has been kept up and log inventories are larger than they were a year ago.

SEATTLE, Feb. 10.—The weekly average of west coast lumber production in January was 157,843,000 board feet, or 99.9 per cent of 1940-1943 average. Orders averaged 165,858,000 ft.; shipments, 153,280,000. Weekly averages for December were: production 147,765,000 ft. (93.5 per cent of the 1940-1943 average); orders, 158,867,000; shipments, 161,118,000. Four weeks of 1944, cumulative production, 631,372,000 ft.; four weeks, 1943—421,125,000; four weeks, 1942, 637,390,000.

Orders for four weeks of 1944 break down as follows: rail, 531,000,000 ft.; domestic cargo, 53,991,000; export, 14,441,000; local, 63,909,000.

The industry's unfilled order file stood at 1,032,970,000 ft. at the end of January; gross stocks at 465,842,000.

The labor situation again is taking a serious turn because of the inroads of the draft on the skilled men of the industry. More men of irreplaceable experience in key jobs of west coast lumbering are being drafted than ever before.

No relaxation is evident in 1944 demand for lumber. At recent meetings of northwest army and war production board representatives, the very critical war needs for lumber were emphasized afresh in the most positive terms. These needs are expanding on every battle front. Reconstruction of demolished areas conquered by US troops increasingly will demand more lumber. An example is Nagai where the rebuilding of the dock area alone has required 2000 carloads of lumber, while at Tarawa where the top of the atoll was practically blown off, large quantities of lumber had to be provided before our troops could establish their defenses.

House Wrangles Over Postoffice Allotment

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A sharply-split house wrangled all most five hours today for republican efforts to slash appropriations for the treasury and post-office departments for the fiscal year 1945—an economy drive that was only partly successful.

Adjournment after three days of debate found only \$272,692 pared from the \$1,318,578,572 measure, with scores of items remaining to be disposed of tomorrow.

Pacific Coast Egg Output Hits New High

By WALTER WARREN SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—(AP) Pacific coast egg production is astounding the experts, the poultrymen and the trade.

Last week it hit a record high, with 95,104,000 cases—30 dozen to the case—delivered at 66 California, Oregon and Washington packing plants. Nothing like it had ever been seen before.

There are more laying hens on poultry farms than a year ago. That would account for a great part of the 23 per cent increase over last year in volume of eggs coming into the market.

But the surprise comes, in the fact that in some areas, particularly the Pacific northwest, the increase in eggs is greater than the increase in hens.

That is particularly puzzling to feed experts, who had predicted a drop in egg production because of the scarcity of protein feeds. Higher efficiency in production, with lower protein supplies if long continued would indicate the poultry industry had been overdoing the protein feeding, and might set the experts on a new study of feeding techniques. Coincident with the peak production there has been a marked increase in the use of corn and a relative increase in wheat feed.

Eggs have come in so fast that both the trade and the army have begun to worry about storage space in San Francisco.

Stilwell Forces Clean Up Japs

By THORBURN WLIANT WITH CHINESE - AMERICAN FORCES IN THE NORTHERN BURMA JUNGLE, Feb. 7.—(Delayed)—(AP)—Japanese troops backing out of the Hukawng valley are now fighting suicidal delaying actions which are slowing a few units of Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's Chinese forces slightly, but are costing the Japanese a tremendous toll.

In some engagements the Japanese have been killed to the last man after holding the Chinese only a day or so.

The Chinese already have captured two key points, Taro, a Chinwin river village, and Talphi Ga, a village on the Tunan river from which a motor road connects with the Burma railway to Mogaung.

The next major objective logically will be Malingwan, the valley's largest village.

The Chinese around Tazun are mopping up small Japanese units before driving farther southward.

One Japanese captured during a mop-up tried to shake hands with Stilwell while I was present, but the general snapped:

OSC Reveals Proposed WFA Support Prices

CORVALLIS, Feb. 10.—(P)—Support prices proposed by the war food administration (WFA) for several 1944 crops were announced today by Oregon State college's agricultural extension service.

The list does not include support prices for many vegetables and fruits which will be announced shortly before marketing seasons, or on hay and pasture seeds, which will be fixed later.

Proposed later: Smooth, dry edible peas of the varietal types Alaska, bluebell, Scotch green, first and best, marrowfat and white Canada, \$5.65 a hundred for US No. 1 grade and \$5.40 for No. 2 in carlots.

Late potatoes, 90 per cent of parity calculated as of July 1, 1944, effective at shipping point level on potatoes graded, sacked and loaded FOB cars. Specific schedules to be announced later.

Barley, 90 cents a bushel for No. 1 stores on farms on warehouses. Sugar beets, \$3 a ton more than the 1942 price for standard quality, delivered at designated points.

Charge Apple Ceiling Broken

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Members of the Washington congressional delegation told OPA Administrator Chester Bowles today that retail ceiling prices on apples are being openly violated throughout the country. "With the result that wholesale ceilings are also being thrown into the discard."

They charged in a letter that non-adherence is due to a lax attitude on the part of OPA employees who contact the retail trade.

"It is our view," the letter continued, "that enforcement must begin at the retail level and that it should be pressed with sufficient vigor that the retailers will realize that the OPA means business. It is obvious that if the retailer is forced to sell at ceiling prices he will not pay over-ceiling prices to the wholesaler and in that event the wholesaler cannot pay over ceiling prices to producers."

"We hope that you can take such action as is necessary to see apple prices are reasonably well enforced through the country."

Martin Sheythe Funeral Held

PEDEE—Funeral services for Martin E. Sheythe of Tigard, were held Thursday in Corvallis. He was injured in a fall at Poole & Monigie's, February 7, and died as a result of skull injury the next day. Burial was made at Oak Crest cemetery.

A graduate of Oregon State college, he married Alfreda Janzen in 1931. He was athletic instructor for four years in Junction City, two years at Estacada and three years in Tillamook before going to Tigard. He is survived by his widow; a daughter, Geraldine; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sheythe, Pedee; three brothers, Francis Sheythe, Corvallis; John Sheythe, Madras; Donald Sheythe, Mill City. He was a member of the Tillamook Odd Fellows lodge.

Yugoslavs Forbid Return of Peter

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(AP) The free Yugoslav radio reported that parliament meeting recently at Cernomelj had approved unanimously a resolution "forbidding" King Peter II to return to Yugoslavia.

A broadcast communique said the parliament had "inflicted a devastating defeat on German troops and Mihailovic Chetniks near Gacko," a town 45 miles south of Sarajevo.