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## The Lighter Side...

Gen. Eisenhower was telling Prime Minister Churchill that British Tommies were a good influence on GI's—they were toning down the GI exuberance. As Churchill leamed with pride a GI came rushing into the room.

"General," he said, "Can I borrow your jeep?"

"See what I mean?," said Gen. Eisenhower. "A year ago he wouldn't have asked."

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Waiter: All we have left are burlesque sandwiches.

Customer: What's a burlesque sandwich?

Waiter: It's a tomato without dressing.

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Guide: We are now passing the largest brewery in the world.

Sailor: I'm not.

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"William, how do you suppose all those empty bottles got in the cellar?"

"Dunno—I never bought an empty bottle in my life."

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SK2c: I see where a man who speaks eight languages has just married a woman who speaks four.

BM1c: That seems to be about the right handicap.

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"Tommy, why are you scratching yourself?"

"No one else knows where I itch."

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Irritated chief: Look here, you! Are you the instructor of this class?

Boot cut-up: No, sir, I'm not.

Chief: Then stop acting like a fool.

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Lady: Are you the sailor who saved my little boy from drowning?

Sailor (proudly): Yes, ma'am.

Lady: Well, where's his hat?



## AIR SCOOP

General Electric's jet aircraft engine not only powers Lockheed's P-80 *Shooting Star* but also feeds warm air to the pressurized cabin of this new plane.

The air flows from the compressor of the jet engine into the enclosed cabin. Temperature of the air is controlled, making heavy flying clothes unnecessary for the pilot and also enabling him to fly at high altitudes without an oxygen mask. Pilot fatigue is minimized, not only through this new tapping of the jet power but because of the lack of vibration in the jet powered aircraft.

### Take-Offs On Tracks

Reported in the current issue of *Aviation News*: "Visitors to an Army Air Forces depot recently were shown a captured German aircraft tire with a flat tread, about 20 inches wide, with an inch-deep indentation of four inches width in the center. The tire was designed to enable planes to take off from railroad tracks.

"AAF officers said they had no information on the outcome of tests, but conceded that the Army has never carried on similar experimentation and that no such tires are being made in this country."

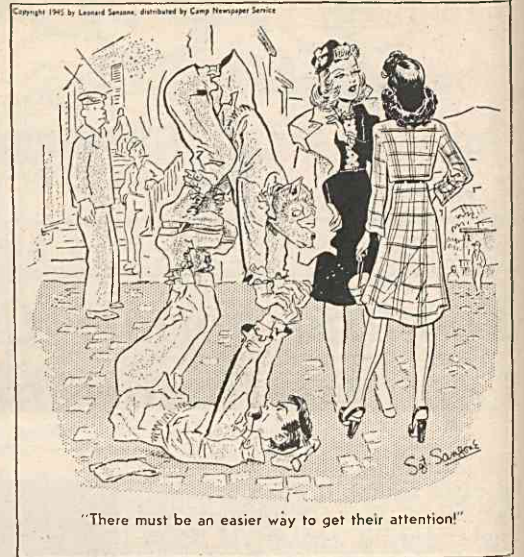
### JATO-Equipped Mariners At Iwo

Navy flying boats equipped with JATO—jet assisted take-off—were able to take off from the rough waters at Iwo Jima before the island's airfields were operative and thus fly important protective searches to within 100 miles of the Empire. A conventional take-off in the water and wind conditions at Iwo would have sprung the hull of any plane, the Navy Department reports. JATO halved the take-off time for the big two-motor *Martin Mariner* flying boats, reducing greatly the stress on the aircraft. The *Mariners* searched the seas to spot any attempt by Jap fleet remnants to challenge the huge armada of ships.

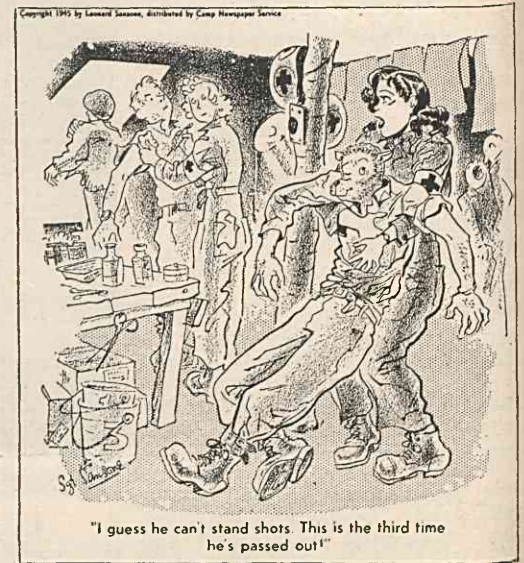
Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, USN, commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet, and Chief of Naval Operations: "Battleship fire provides the only gun (or weapon for that matter) that is sufficiently powerful and accurate to knock out reinforced concrete pillboxes 8 to 10 feet thick and other similarly strong land gun emplacements. . . . The new applications of naval gunfire in amphibious operations, as well as in fleet actions, have demonstrated that the battleship is a versatile and essential vessel, far from obsolete."

## The Wolf

by Sansone



"There must be an easier way to get their attention!"



"I guess he can't stand shots. This is the third time he's passed out!"

"To build from the havoc of this war a peace that will endure is a task far beyond the strength and wisdom of any one man or group of men. It will require the active participation and support of all the American people—and of all the other peace-loving peoples of the world."—SECRETARY OF STATE EDWARD R. STETTINIUS, JR.

Navy pilot over the Bonins: "I've got four already—and 30 more cornered."

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British pilot to CO of USS *Saratoga*, after landing on her huge flight deck: "Sir, I feel as if I had landed in your state of Texas."

## Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

## Snappy Story



MISS LACE, THE TROUBLE IS, YOU LEAD A FELLER ON—THEN, JUST WHEN HE THINKS YOU'RE WILLING, YOU BACK OUT!

I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT, GENERAL...



LET'S USE THE SOFA... I'LL SLIP INTO SOMETHING MORE COMFORTABLE AND BE RIGHT WITH YOU

OH BOY OH BOY!



I KNEW YOU'D LOOK AT 'EM IF I ASKED YOU NICE... THIS HERE IS ONE I TOOK OF THE KID SISTER ON MY LAST FURLOUGH...

MILTON CANIFF