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RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Assoc. Ed. of *Coronet*, and his wife Betty increased the population by one, a son, Ralph H. the III. Proud papa was subject of a profile in the Feb. *Writers' Journal*.

ALLEN HADEN, Information Officer in Diplomatic Section, GHQ, Tokyo, expects to stay put until June. He says his wife, son and daughter are all enjoying Japan.

JOHN DONOVAN, NBC's Mediterranean correspondent, hopes to head for Paris in mid-April after his book is written. John, dog's best friend, is looking for a friendly Boxer bitch for his Palestinian Boxer pet and buddy, "Timoshenko". We recommend Joe Steel's bitch "Tallulah".

MEYER LEVIN, in Paris, interrupts work on his new book *I'll Tell You No Lies* to report the birth of his son, Gabriel. (Here's to a long series of books and kids. Ed.)

**OPERATION S O B**

(Survivors of the Beaches)

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This summer American War Correspondent Assn. members who will not be guests of the Air Force in Alaska or the Navy in Pensacola and Corpus Christi or Okinawa will no doubt find themselves on the plush ride to the Normandy beaches planned by American Overseas Airlines as a commemorative pilgrimage on the 5th Anniversary of D-Day. Selection of the newsmen invited to make the trip posed a vexing problem for Ben Wright, public relations chief of American-Overseas and remembered by many correspondents as PRO of Gangway Press Camp. From the small army of accredited reporters, Wright singled out the correspondents who were originally selected by SHAEF to go with the first assault waves by sea or who flew over the beaches with air invasion units.

The invited guests will leave New York for London on American Overseas Airlines on June 3 from London, fly to the Omaha and Utah beaches in C-47 Aircraft on June 5.

Following a tour of the beaches on June 6, the party will retrace the routes followed by the American Forces, stopping briefly at St. Mere Eglise, St. Lo, Mortain, Falaise, Rheims, Paris, Verdun, Luxembourg, Bastogne and The Ardennes, Aachen, Cologne and other historic dateline cities. The battlefield itinerary will conclude in Frankfurt on June 11 and the boys will fly as observers on the Airlift between Frankfurt and Berlin and return to the United States June 13.