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PARIS & VICINITY
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 81
STRAITS OF DOVER
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 78

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Tuesday, June 26, 1945

U.S. Sends Lend-Lease To Siberia

WASHINGTON, June 25 (UP).—The U.S. is supplying lend-lease aid to bolster Russian power in Siberia where the Red Army is pinning down strong Jap forces on the Manchurian border, it was disclosed today. Lend-lease shipments to European Russia have been halted.

Foreign Economic Administrator Leo T. Crowley revealed the new details about the shift in lend-lease emphasis for Russia in testimony made public by the House Appropriations Committee.

The committee recommended appropriations totaling \$3,134,000,000, more than 99 percent for war purposes, for the 1944-45 and '46 fiscal years. This figure represents a cut of \$17,000,000 from the budget bureau estimates.

Lend-Lease Program Shrinks

Crowley said that no funds would be needed during the 1946 fiscal year for lend-lease aid to Latin-America, North Africa and eastern Europe including the Balkans. He added that lend-lease aid to France, Belgium and the Netherlands, in connection with redeployment, would end in about a year.

Explaining the program for Russia, Crowley told the committee: "Although the Soviets have not declared war against Japan lend-lease aid is being continued to the extent that in the opinion of the President and his highest military strategic advisers it is a military advantage to the United States."

Large Force Pinned Down

The possibility of Russia's entry into the war loomed as Soviet troops pin down large numbers of Jap troops in Northern Manchuria which might otherwise be diverted against the Allies in the Asiatic Theater, Crowley asserted.

He added that the Russian entry into the war would undoubtedly help shorten the Pacific campaign and save thousands of Allied lives. He said that shipments to Russia are intended to furnish supplies and services necessary to support the program of essential Soviet requirements in the Far East approved by U.S. military authorities.

The committee recommended in its report that FEA be given the requested \$1,975,000,000 new funds for the 1946 fiscal year and that \$1,982,000,000 in unexpended funds be reappropriated.

Crowley said that FEA also wants
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Gen. Clark to Command Yanks in Austrian Zone

ROME, June 25 (AP).—Gen. Mark W. Clark has been chosen to command occupation forces in the U.S. Austrian zone, it was disclosed today.

With the creation of Clark's new organization it is believed the 15th Army Gp. composing the 5th and 8th Armies will soon formally dissolve.

Vienna to Greet GIs Joyously; Reporter Tells of Life in City

By Howard Byrne
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
VIENNA, June 25.—When American troops march into Vienna in the near future to assist the Russians in occupying the city, they will receive the greatest ovation since Paris or Rome. It will be difficult for them to realize that Austrians who will be pelting them with flowers were fighting them until a short time ago.

Announcement that British, American and French troops would soon take over their respective zones in Vienna was greeted with great enthusiasm here today. Viennese hearts sank early this month when it was observed that the small Anglo-American Military Mission which had visited the Vienna headquarters of Russian Lt. Gen. Blagodatoff, had left town. The

'Black Hawks' Flock to Home Roosts Before Heading to Pacific



First ETO division to be returned to the States as a complete unit, the 86th "Black Hawk" Div. arrived in New York aboard three transports, one of which carried a large banner to let America know who was coming. After furloughs in the States, Black Hawk will be re-deployed to the Pacific theater.

RR Men's Draft Eased to Speed Redeployment

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—In a move to speed the redeployment of troops to the Pacific, Selective Service today ordered special consideration of deferment requests for western railroad employees.

Instructions to local draft boards said this consideration had been urged by the Army and Navy and Office of Defense Transportation for men on certain jobs with railroads operating west of Lake Michigan, Illinois, the Indiana state line and the Mississippi River.

Critical occupations are trainmen, engineers, firemen, conductors, brakemen, switchmen, foremen, yardmen, dispatchers, yardmasters, telegraphers, towermen, blacksmiths, boilermakers, car inspectors, electricians, machinists, molders, sheet-metal workers and signalmen.

Selective Service headquarters told local boards that the impact of redeployment "will fall most severely upon western railroads and traffic will steadily increase to an all-time peak in December, 1945."

Selective Service also noted special recruitment drives for western railroad workers and authorized draft boards to give "full consideration to the requests of registrants for permission to make such transfers."

Troops 'On Loan to ETO' Home on Way to Pacific

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Seven troopships steamed into New York harbor yesterday, bringing home from Europe 8,180 happy Yanks, including 6,520 members of the 97th Inf. Div.

Brig. Gen. Milton B. Halsey,
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Devers Answers Frat Critics, Says Changes May Be Made

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Gen. Jacob L. Devers said today that "something will be done" about the U.S. Army's non-fraternization rule in Germany after a senator told the home-front on his return from the ETO that the ban was as "unenforceable as prohibition and should be repealed."

"The average GI is not breaking this rule—there is a small percentage of men who'd break any rule," the Sixth Army Group Commander told a press conference. He asserted, nevertheless, that "something must be done about it and something will be done."

The general added that the ban soon would be relaxed in Austria, where a free election would be held so that Austria could function as an independent state.

Sen. Homer Capehart (R-Ind.) earlier had said that "Love is blind. You can't change human nature." Other senators who returned from Europe with him generally agreed, pointing out that "the poor boys are lonely" and that German girls are "quite attractive and healthy."

Sen. John L. McClellan (D-Ark.), although saying he thought the policy was wise for the present, admitted that "if a girl is pretty, American soldiers don't care if she happens to be German."

Developing the same idea, Sen. Chan Gurney (R-S.D.) noted that during the Civil War federal soldiers were marrying southern girls when feeling between the North and South was at its worst.

Others pointed out that a similar ban in World War I was revoked in 1919 when it proved unworkable and thousands of doughboys brought German wives and some babies home with them.

However, Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.) said the non-fraternization order needs more time to be tested.

The senators' remarks on the widely-discussed ban came only a few days after Gen. Eisenhower said non-fraternization would remain in effect until the last elements of Nazism are destroyed.

Date of Allied Entry Into Nazi Capital Set

BRUNSWICK, June 25 (AP).—The date of the British march into Berlin to take up positions in the occupational zone has been set and a unit of the famed Seventh Armored "Desert Rats" Div. is awaiting the signal to start the 120-mile trip to the German capital.

Brigadier J. M. K. Spurling, commander of the Leicestershire Reg. who will lead the 131st Infantry Brigade into Berlin, said the date when American, British and Canadian troops would take up posts allotted by the Allied Control Commission has been fixed, but was "a top secret."

Patton Urges Preparedness

HAMILTON, Mass., June 25 (ANS).—"This will be the last war, if we are prepared," Gen. George S. Patton Jr. told 5,000 cheering neighbors here today.

Speaking at a reception on the Hamilton High School lawn, he said that the "war is not ended. It will take blood, sweat and honest labor to win it."

Lecturing civilians, he added: "If the Fifth Division had taken a day off to go to the races, when it was at the Rhine, what would have happened? When you do things like that, you are gambling with the life blood of Americans who died because they were not supported."

Court Reporters Added To List of Essentials

Court reporters with the military occupational specialty number 230 have been added to the list of critical specialists in the ETO, Com Z Headquarters disclosed yesterday. As a result, they may not be released from this theater under the points system, regardless of their adjusted service rating score.

Arms Seen as Needless Soon For Some Occupation Troops

NEW YORK, June 25 (AP).—The situation in Europe is becoming so orderly that "we are thinking of taking arms away from the majority of those in the army of occupation," Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Sixth Army Group commander, said at a press conference yesterday.

"Germans will obey when they know they've met their master and they know we are their master," he said. Devers, foreseeing no trouble with Germany, said that the Reich "has been knocked out for 100 years and all we have to do now is to see that she doesn't get out of step." He did emphasize, however, that Germany had been in the hands of criminals and that her professional army leaders were "just as bad as the Nazis."

Ninth AF Split; Part To Pacific

BAD KISSINGEN, Upper Bavaria, June 25.—The world's largest tactical air force—the U.S. Ninth—is being broken up, part of it to go to the Pacific and part to remain in Europe, Ninth Air Force headquarters here announced today.

Thirteen thousand men, both flying and ground personnel, are scheduled to leave the ETO by July 1, headquarters said. Involved in the movement are three fighter-bomber and two light bombardment groups, six reconnaissance squadrons, a reconnaissance group headquarters and 44 auxiliary units.

Redeployment Via U.S.

These units, which will be redeployed via the U.S., are now being processed through the Assembly Area Command at Rheims, and in the coming month other units will follow until only an occupational air force remains. This will stay in Germany as long as American ground forces remain.

First tactical units to be moved are the 50th and 358th Fighter Groups of the 12th Tactical Air Command, which flew with the Seventh Army; the 373rd Fighter Group of 19th TAC, which worked with the Third Army; the 409th and 410th Bombardment Groups, which saw service over the entire Western Front before and throughout the continental campaign; the 39th and 31st squadrons of the 363d Reconnaissance Group; the 162nd and 15th squadrons of the 10th Reconnaissance Group; the 10th and 22nd squadrons and the headquarters of the 61th Tactical Reconnaissance Group.

The fighter groups, all of which flew Thunderbolts, and the reconnaissance squadrons will return to the U.S. by boat. Combat crews of the bombardment groups will fly their A26 Invaders across the Atlantic.

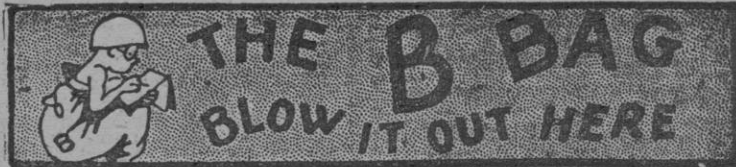
Units Going by Boat

Personnel traveling by water will include 72nd and 167th liaison squadrons; Second, 16th and 86th Air Depot Groups; 22nd, 23rd and 98th depot repair squadrons; 90th, 95th, 98th and 312th depot supply squadrons; 468th and 477th Air Service Groups; 886th and 895th Air Engineer Squadrons; 710th and 719th Air Material Squadrons; 86th and 87th Transport squadrons; 21st Weather Squadron detachments. Also 768th Chemical Depot Co., Aviation; 34th medical supply platoon; 24th medical veterinarian section; 118th, 122nd and 127th MP Cos.; 1915th, 1925th, 1927th Ordnance Ammunition Cos.; 1966th Ordnance Depot Co.; 1936th, 1946th, 2044th, 2048th, 2049th, 2062nd and 2086th QM Truck Cos.; 429th and 430th QM platoons; 459th Signal Construction Bn., and the 877th, 896th and 919th Signal Depot Cos.

FBI Arrests Two Spaniards

PHILADELPHIA, June 25 (ANS).—The FBI arrested two Spanish seamen on charges of smuggling messages to Nazi agents in Spain, when the freighter Manuel Calvo docked here today. They will be given a hearing Thursday.

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Close West Point

Have just finished reading in S & S that Rep. James G. Fulton proposes the establishment of naval and military academies for women. I recommend that rather than establishing more West Points and Annapolises, we improve the Army and the Navy by eliminating West Point and Annapolis altogether. Alarming?

The writer entered extended active service from the National Guard in 1940 as a captain, and for 3 1/2 years of the 4 1/2 years served, has continuously held positions calling for grades 1 or 2 above any attained rank—efficiency rating 47.5 out of a possible 50. Ten years of business background along with Army Correspondence Courses, Armory Drills, summer camps, etc., have enabled me to successfully compete, as far as efficiency and position are concerned, with the West Pointers. We National Guard and Reserve officers call them "The Union."

Mine is a typical case-history of countless other guardsmen and reserve officers. We were there when it came to using us to get a job done; a job that we gladly entered, with enthusiasm. We have not been there when the promotions were passed out. I offer as evidence the myriads of young colonels and lieutenant colonels from "The Union" who were still attending "The Point" while we were turning out a finished product ready to fight the Japs and Germans. I also offer in evidence the dearth of general officers from the ranks of the Reserve Corps and National Guard.

This "Union" system does not foster harmony, preserve unity or contribute to efficiency. It does build up resentment. For example, if there is a vacancy in the finance department for a full-colonel, why do we waste one of these masters at the art of war in such a position? Our Army is made up of every possible type of ex-tradesman or ex-professional men, including ex-bankers. Why do we have ex-stevedoring experts, rated at 50 or 60 thousand dollars per year by private business, working in our Army Ports for colonels or brigadier generals whose speciality is infantry or artillery? Generally, it is because the vacancy for a colonel or a brigadier general "doesn't exist today in the infantry." But a "Union" man must have his periodic boost—so we'll have him run a Port. What does the "Union" man know about complex things like communication systems compared to the ex-AT & T man who has been building lines clear across the U.S. for years prior to entering active service?

Criticism without a solution to a problem is worthless. I therefore offer a plan for the creation of a better, unified Army.

- 1—Eliminate West Point.
- 2—Create an Army of the United States—no other category, a set part to be active, the remainder inactive. Discontinue the Reserve Corps and the National Guard.
- 3—Make it possible for any normal male (or female if we want 'em—bless their hearts!) who decides he wants an Army career—and after taking 4 years of military training in any college or university—to be given a 2nd lieutenantancy in the Army of the United States, on probation for a year. Up to now he has cost the government nothing above what is now spent to maintain ROTC in our schools.
- 4—Determine, during this year, whether or not he possesses leadership and what may be his avocation. (Qualities which specially fit him for Infantry, Artillery, Ordnance, Engineer etc.)
- 5—If he measures up to the standard after his year's probation, send him to an Arm or Service school for a year's intensive, specialized training; if he doesn't measure up to the standard, terminate his military career.
- 6—To maintain a commission, all inactive Army officers to attend two weeks' camp each year with an active unit and participate in Army Correspondence Courses.

Army serial numbers to be assigned in sequence regardless of active or inactive status and thus eliminate the present stigma placed on any officer not possessing a Regular Army serial number.

7—Promotion based on merit and longevity—one year's active service to count as 3 years inactive service as far as longevity and time in grade are concerned.

8—Continue the Command and General Staff School for those proving themselves qualified. — "Non-Union Man."

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Women at War

This afternoon, while trying to dodge an oncoming truck at a Paris intersection, I failed to see a couple of "oncoming" WAC officers, and when the truck went past I was called back into the middle of the street and ordered to render a salute. What I want to know: Is an enlisted woman's life of such little consequence to her officers? This extreme of military courtesy has never been insisted on by any Army officer to my knowledge. And, incidentally, a WAC had just been knocked down on that same street by a car.—Pfc WAC.

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Single Bliss (?)

In the June 8 issue of The Stars and Stripes we saw that Sen. Albert Gore has a plan whereby the married men's wives and families may be sent over here to help keep the non-fraternization rule in effect.

That is all well and good. But what about us single fellows? We have been in Germany now for about eight and a half months and we have had no passes to a place where "fratting" is permitted. How about a plan to help us out in this deal?—Cpl. Patrick Morris (and 2 others.—Ed.), 258 F.A. Bn.

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Glider Pilot Courses

There has always been a problem in the minds of some COs regarding keeping glider pilots busy. To alleviate that situation, especially for those glider pilots placed in the Army of Occupation, it is suggested that schools be set up in the ETO for glider pilots. Two schools which would be beneficial to all units having glider pilots in their organization, namely: C47 transition school for those physically fit, and navigation school for all who are desirous of that additional duty.

Glider pilots should have a dual capacity. When not actually performing glider work, they should have another rating such as a power rating, or a navigation rating which would make them twice as useful to their organization.—A Glider Pilot, 442 T.C.G.

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Protest

The war over here in Europe is over—so someone of rank who forgets that the present Army has a higher intelligence rating than any army the U.S. had before, comes out with the statement that clerks are essential.

Clerks are essential—so essential that a few months ago the typewriters they pounded were replaced by rifles. Clerks are so essential that they are entitled to two stripes. So essential that the WACs were formed to take over their duties that the infantry wouldn't be lacking replacements.

The war over here is over and we have not forgotten that the war in the Pacific is still going on, but someone is going to have a damn hard job of convincing clerks that they are essential—after all, my friends, it was the Army that showed them how unessential they have been.—J. H. L., Q. M. Ster Co.

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Teamwork

Sometime ago, when we were stationed in England, a plan took effect whereby American personnel was exchanged in quite a number of units for British personnel. The purpose of this exchange was for each command to see how the other worked and to better relations between the two peoples.

Now that the war in this sector has finished, I propose that the same procedure be carried out between white and colored units who have not already had the opportunity to work together. It is just as important, if not more important, that these people have also a better understanding of each other. A realization of this plan will better fit us for our task in the Pacific as well as our role in making the world a better place.—C. B., 364 Engrs.

Negro Outfits Paid Tribute For Ammo Job

By Allan N. Morrison
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
Maj. Gen. Henry B. Saylor, chief ordnance officer of the ETO, paid tribute yesterday to Negro ordnance men who, he pointed out, handled more than 75 percent of all ammunition used by American forces in Europe.

Of a total of 6,000,000 tons of ammo transported between D-Day and V-E Day, more than 4,500,000 tons were handled by Negro EM, who comprised 11 per cent of all ordnance personnel in the theater. "Not only did these Negro troops 'pass the ammunition,'" said Gen. Saylor, "but on numerous occasions many of them fought the Germans, participated in patrols and took prisoners."

76 Negro Units

The ordnance men operated forward ammunition supply points, known as ASPs up front, from which ammunition of all types was supplied to infantry, artillery and armored units.

A total of 13,118 of the 14,323 Negro ordnance men who served in the ETO handled ammunition. There were 76 Negro units among the 101 ordnance ammunition companies, or slightly more than 75 per cent.

These ammunition men were most active during and following the Ardennes break through in December. During that campaign the 101 ammunition companies received and issued 24,000 tons daily.

Tells of Courage

Examples of the courage displayed by Negro ordnance men were cited by Gen. Saylor. Members of the 655th Ordnance Ammunition Co. unloaded a trainload of white phosphorous shells on Dec. 26 near Soissons, France, while shells were exploding all around them. Another Negro unit, the 57th Ordnance Ammunition Co., earned the name of the "Fighting 57th" when some of its personnel fought a pitched battle with 51 German SS troops near the Belgian border in September, with 36 Germans being killed. In addition to the ammunition units, there were five Negro automotive maintenance companies, one of which worked with the 12th Army Group and four in Com Z, repairing Army vehicles. Two of the 20 ordnance motor vehicle distributing companies were Negro units.

Black Marketing Laid to Tommies

LONDON, June 25 (AP).—Millions of cigarettes sent duty free from England to British Army troops on the Continent are being sold on the black markets in Paris, Brussels, and The Hague, the London Evening News reported today. "Men are having sent to them many more cigarettes than they need and are selling them at a handsome profit to the black market profiteer. They then are converting cash received into foreign stamps, watches, small pieces of jewelry and are having these things smuggled back for sale here."

The paper said it was easier to buy popular brands of English cigarettes in Brussels than in London.

30-Day 'Kamerad'



Mixed in with a mob of German prisoners after being wounded while leading his squad during a Third Army attack last fall, Cpl. Gilbert Beamsderfer of Ephrata, Pa., spent 30 days as a "Nazi" PW in an American camp before he convinced a Philadelphia nurse he knew a lot about Pennsylvania. Camp officials sent Beamsderfer's fingerprints back to the States and his identity as an American soldier finally was established. Now a patient at Cushing General Hospital, Beamsderfer gets his plate filled in a chow line.

Drifting Mines Reach Alaska

SEATTLE, June 25 (UP).—The Japanese may be making desperate attempts to cripple Pacific shipping by floating mines along the Japanese current, which sweeps northward from Japan along the Aleutian Islands and south along the Alaska coast and the west coast of the U.S.

The 13th Naval District confirmed an earlier warning from the Coast Guard at the Alaskan port of Ketchikan that floating mines had begun appearing along the Alaska coast. Thus far there is no confirmation that the mines are of Jap origin, and there is a possibility that they may have broken loose from American fields.

"We are not sure yet whether any of the mines have drifted this far south," 13th Naval District HQ in Seattle said. "We have just received a warning issued to shipping from the 17th Naval District in Alaska and are investigating. It is entirely possible that the mines are Japanese."

Texas Continues Poll Tax

AUSTIN, Tex., June 25 (ANS).—Gov. Coke R. Stevenson has vetoed, on the theory that it violated several sections of the state constitution, a bill passed by the 49th legislature giving members of the armed forces the right to vote in 1945 and 1946 elections without payment of a poll tax.

News Briefs

Baltimore Horse Riviera

BALTIMORE, June 25 (ANS).—Baltimore's police horses are looking forward to a newly-established rotation policy under which each of the 16 animals will get two weeks' vacation—with hay. The horses will be sent, two at a time, to loaf and eat as much as they want at the Baltimore Country Humane Society's pastures near Pikesville, Md.

Thanks for Iwo Jima

IWO JIMA, June 25.—Brig. Gen. A. W. Kissner, chief of staff of the 11th Bomber Command, has written the Fourth Marine Div. thanking its men for their part in securing Iwo, where already more than 300 B29s have made emergency landings. In gratitude, the 11th AF is naming a new Superfortress for the division.

The Difference Goes to War

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Paper collected from the city's streets after Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's tour totaled only 77 tons. Other demonstrations have resulted in as much as 2,500 tons of ticker-tape and torn paper tossed from buildings, but this time the public was asked to show its enthusiasm in other ways.

Montana Tops Bond Drive

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Top Treasury officials today congratulated the people of Montana as that state, for the fifth time, became the first in the nation to make all its War Bond quotas. The Treasury announced that Montana had exceeded its Seventh War Loan Bond quota of \$16,000,000 by more than \$200,000.

FHA OKs 155 New Homes

CHICAGO, June 25 (ANS).—The Federal Housing Authority announced today authorizations for construction of 155 new homes in five Midwest states. They were: 25 each in Columbia, Mo., Albert Lea, Minn., and Owensboro, Ky.; 15 in Worthington, Minn.; 50 in Muncie, Ind., and 15 in Estherville, Iowa.

Five Years for Blowup

WENATCHEE, Wash., June 25 (ANS).—Because of a minor family squabble, Ralph St. Luise dynamited his brother's home with 46 charges, on June 4. The home was empty at the time of the blast. Yesterday he was sentenced to five years in the state penitentiary.

Entertainment Today

Paris Area

MOVIES TODAY

ENSA-PARIS—"Objective Burma," with Errol Flynn, Metro Marbeuf.
MARGNAN—"Having A Wonderful Crime," with Pat O'Brien and George Murphy, Metro Marbeuf.
OLYMPIA (midnight show at 2330)—"Having A Wonderful Crime," with Pat O'Brien and George Murphy, Metro Madeleine.

STAGE SHOWS

OLYMPIA—"A Gay Promenade," French variety show, Metro Madeleine.
EMPIRE—"Passing Thru Paris," French variety show, Metro Etoile.
ENSA-MARIGNY—Old Vic company from London in Shaw's "Arms and the Man," Metro Marbeuf.
MADELEINE—"Jeep Jamboree," with Mickey Rooney, Bobby Breen and Jim James Band, Metro Concorde.

MISCELLANEOUS

STAGE DOOR CANTINE—Floor show at 1930 and 2130. Dancing 2000 to 2300, partners provided, Metro Etoile.
COLISEUM NIGHT CLUB—65 Rue Rochechouart. EM only. One civilian guest allowed, Metro Anvers.
L'ARMORIAL NIGHT CLUB—14 Rue Magellan. Officers only. One civilian guest, Metro George V.

Rheims Area

MOVIES

PARAMOUNT—Rue Thillois, "Winged Victory," 1400, 1830 and 2030.
MODERNE—Rue Barbette, "Salome, Where She Danced," 1830 and 2015.

STAGE SHOWS

MUNICIPAL THEATER—Place Myron Herriek, "Flying High," musical comedy, 2000.
AMPHITHEATER—Rue Goint, off Blvd Henry Wasnier, Variety Show, 2000.

MISCELLANEOUS

RECREATIONAL CENTER—Rue Talleyrand, Ice cream, coke and beer. Civilian guests permitted.
RHEIMS TENNIS CLUB—9 Blvd Pasteur, Rackets and balls available.

MUSIC AND DANCING

POLAR CLUB—82 Rue Gambetta, Enlisted personnel and civilian guests. Dancing, snack bar and soft drinks.
CHATEAU CLUB—Blvd Henry Wasnier, Beer, cokes, snack bar, game room, Opens 1100.
ARC NOEL CLUB—Rue Noel, Enlisted personnel only. Entertainment, coffee, doughnuts and sewing.
ARC CLUB EM—3 Blvd de la Paix, Entertainment, coffee, doughnuts and cokes.
OFFICERS' RC CLUB—Rue Etope, Entertainment, coffee, doughnuts and coke.

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Paris Pinups

By Fischetti



"Hell, that joint wasn't so expensive!"

The American Scene:

Before V-E, 20 Strikes A Day; Now—35 to 50

By William R. Spear

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, June 25.—Strikes in the U.S. have doubled since V-E Day, according to the Labor Department's Conciliation Service.

An overwhelming majority of America's workers are still on the job turning out the weapons and supplies to defeat Japan, and strikes represent only a very small percentage of the total labor picture. But Howard T. Colvin, director of the Conciliation Service, says that many workers feel less responsibility for staying on the job since the defeat of Germany, especially in view of the large cancellation of government war contracts.

While the war in Europe was on, strikes never exceeded 20 per day. But since May 8, the daily average has jumped to between 35 and 50.

Many of the work stoppages result from apparently trivial causes. At the Detroit aircraft plant of the Briggs Manufacturing Co., 3,500 workers left their posts protesting the lack of meat in sandwiches supplied by a catering concern. Harold R. Word, of the CIO United Automobile Workers, said it was not a strike but that "workers have to take time off to take their wives shopping for food because they cannot get what they need in neighborhood stores."

In other plants there were walkouts because wives made more money than husbands working in the same factory and because lunch-time checker games were prohibited.

The Agriculture Department reports the spring pig crop this year totaled about 51,687,000. Thus it failed to reach the government goal of 57,500,000.

Clever, These Women

WOMEN aren't able to do much about food rationing but they have found a way to get around shoe rationing—a legal way, at that. They're buying unrationed shoes with plastic or composition soles, then taking them to a shoemaker and having them resoled with genuine leather.



Ike Gets 'Key' to Brooklyn.

Presidency in case of death of the President and Vice President has struck a constitutional snag. The Constitution requires that succession be limited to "an officer" of the government and authorities say that a member of Congress is not an officer. The proposal is now in Congress, with its future uncertain.

Pretty Tough, the Home Front

A briefing officer explained to his men returning from Europe for furloughs before Pacific assignment that they might have to go on a vegetable and fish diet at their homes and told them: "If you don't think you can stand it we'll be waiting here for you with open arms. So don't be afraid to come back before furlough is up."

Five times as many Americans have been injured in traffic accidents since Pearl Harbor as have been wounded in the war, according to Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council. He said 3,100,000 had been hurt in traffic accidents, compared with 613,111 wounded listed by the Army and Navy as of June 1. Dearborn warned that "drivers must remember their vehicles are old and that many operators are out of practice."

MORGENTHAU commandos are due to strike at Florida beachheads very shortly. J. J. Brown, special agent for the Treasury, has announced that the International Revenue Intelligence Unit in Miami is about to expand its staff from nine to 59 persons within the next week or so. Big gamblers and free spenders, who may have forgotten an item or two in tax returns, are targets.

Marriage Figures Highest Among Farm Girls

Women's Corner: According to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, western girls—especially those living on farms—have the best chance of marriage. This, in an age of surplus women, is news. The report mentions that an unmarried woman between 45 and 49 or one who has not at one time been married is a rarity in farming areas of the west—96.6 of the gals having murmured "I do." In New York things are tough and all of the northeast is a bad bet for matrimonial intendeds. Southern gals get hitched youngest.

NIGHTCLUB proprietors were checking their tills and shaking their heads. Business in niteries is definitely on the downgrade, and the decline, they think, is due to people realizing that the days of big money may be past for a while. Folks are not plunging into nightlife like they did a year ago and soldiers are not showing their sweeties the town on such a grand scale as before. All in all nightclub owners are, according to Billboard, faced with the prospect of having to give the customer more for his dollar. Things are really getting tough.

A taxpayer from Missouri who married again within a year of his first wife's death applied to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for two \$500 exemptions—one for each wife. But the bureau wasn't willing to be shown the logic of it and said that as far as tax collectors were concerned a man has only one wife in any year. The bureau for some reason or other also ruled that a man's mother-in-law remains his mother-in-law even if his wife dies.

THE week's ten top tunes: "Sentimental Journey," "Dream," "Bellbottom Trousers," "There, I've Said It Again," "Laura," "You Belong To My Heart," "Candy," "The More I See Of You," "My Dreams Are Getting Better All The Time," and "I Should Care."

Soapbox Orators Are Out Again



The first Washington, D.C., permit issued to a street corner orator in ten years went to Mrs. Laura Somers who launches "Fight Inflation Week" with a speech against black markets. Mrs. Somers represents the District League of Women Shoppers.

Senate Opponents of FEPC May Resort to Filibuster

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Senate opponents of the Fair Employment Practices Commission indicated today they would resort to filibuster tactics should an effort be made to provide the agency with funds after July 1.

Supporters of the FEPC hope to obtain an allotment of \$446,200 for it through the War Agencies Appropriation Bill, which comes up for Senate action tomorrow. The measure calls for \$771,538,765 to finance a score of war-born agencies during the fiscal year beginning July 1.

The House refused funds for the FEPC, but the Senate Appropriations Committee authorized Sen. Dennis Chavez (D-N.M.) to offer the amendment from the floor of the Senate. A two-thirds vote would be required for its adoption.

Chavez is the author of legislation which would create a permanent FEPC, with broader powers than that exercised by the present agency. FEPC was set up by President Roosevelt in an executive order to deal with employment discrimination because of race, color or creed.

In an interview, he said the new House rule on livestock slaughter "gives me a weapon to deal with the black market in meat."

He added, "It gives me authority to require affirmative proof of the destination of every carcass of beef and I intend to revoke the license of any slaughterer furnishing meat for the black market."

Black Mart End In Meat Seen

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Rep. Clinton P. Anderson (D-N.M.), who becomes U.S. food chief on July 1, said today that Congressional changes in the price control extension bill would break up the meat black market.

Anderson would not discuss other far-reaching amendments, which would make him virtual czar over everything the nation eats.

In an interview, he said the new House rule on livestock slaughter "gives me a weapon to deal with the black market in meat."

Liner Never Fired Shot, Nor Saw Sub

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—The Queen Mary never sighted a submarine or fired one of its more than 50 guns at any enemy in 60 wartime Atlantic crossings, the ship's captain, Commodore Sir James Gordon Partridge Bisset, declared yesterday.

Sir James, estimating the liner had carried 650,000 troops, of whom 500,000 were Americans, had high praise for GIs. Not one observed that old custom of drawing mustaches on murals or paintings in the Mary's lounges nor did anyone carve his initials in the ship's paneling, he told reporters.

Only the Mary's 750-foot long railing on the promenade deck bears millions of GI's initials, nicknames and dates.

Paratroopers Combat Oregon Forest Blaze

BEND, Ore., June 25 (ANS).—A huge forest fire was being fought in the mountains along the Metolius River today after Army paratroopers and other fighters checked it on one sector.

Starting late Wednesday on the river slope, the blaze quickly covered 800 acres in nearly inaccessible country. Paratroopers were flown in from Pendleton Field to Redmond Army Air base and trucked to the scene.

Senate Memorial Service

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—The Senate suspended legislative business today for a memorial service to six senators who died in the last year. They were W. Warren Barbour (R-N.J.), Ellison D. Smith (D-S.C.), Frederick Van Nuys (D-Ind.), Francis Maloney (D-Conn.), John Moses (R-N.D.), and James G. Scrugham (D-Nev.). Scrugham died of a heart ailment at San Diego Naval Hospital Saturday.

\$459,041 Paid In '43 by GM to Its President

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—The Treasury Department today made public a list of 575 persons who received more than \$75,000 in salary and other payments in 1943.

The list is topped by Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, with a salary of \$459,041. Thomas J. Watson, president of International Business Machines Corp., was second with \$425,549, and Fred MacMurray, movie star, was third with a salary of \$419,167 from Paramount.

Wilson is not necessarily the highest salaried man in the U.S., however, because a second list will be announced later. Louis B. Mayer, whose last announced annual pay was \$1,138,992 from Loews, Inc., will presumably be on this list.

These annual lists issued by the Treasury include only salary compensations for personal services, paid by corporations to their officers and employees. They do not show income derived from stock dividends, interest on bonds and the like, and thus never include the incomes of such monetary giants as Henry Ford, John D. Rockefeller and J. P. Morgan.

Six GM Executives on List

General Motors placed six of its high-bonused executives among the first ten names on the list, but in all six cases the executive's salary was less than one-third his total pay. To illustrate, Wilson's actual salary was \$150,000, plus a bonus of \$289,695, with other compensations of \$19,346.

Following Wilson, Watson and Mac Murray were: Ormond E. Hunt, General Motors, \$359,519; Albert Bradley, General Motors, \$350,432; E. H. Bobst, president of Hoffman-La Roche, Inc., \$308,175; John Thomas Smith, General Motors, \$306,311; Donaldson Brown, General Motors, \$306,161; Charles F. Kettering, General Motors, \$306,118; and Charles P. Skouras, film executive, \$300,000.

Barbara Stanwyck, film actress, with \$323,333 would rank sixth, but the total covered more than 12 months, and thus is not comparable with the others. Her total was made up of \$100,000 from Paramount in the calendar year 1943 and \$223,333 from Warner Brothers in the 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1944.

Bing Crosby was listed with a salary of \$294,444 from Paramount, but this did not include his radio fees.

Other Screen Actors

Some other high-salaried film performers: Bob Hope, \$244,583; Bette Davis, \$241,083; Rosalind Russell, \$202,500; Gary Cooper, \$187,500; Ray Milland, \$169,000; Paulette Goddard, \$166,500; Alice Faye, \$163,333; Claudette Colbert, \$150,000, and James Cagney, \$150,000.

Several large studios, including Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Universal and Columbia, were not on today's list.

Considering salary only and not commissions and bonuses, Fred MacMurray's \$419,167 led by a wide margin. Outside Hollywood, the biggest salary on the list was \$230,000 paid to C. E. Sorensen by the Ford Motor Co., followed by J. H. Rand Jr., of Remington Rand, Inc., \$222,243; W. H. Laboyteaux, of Johnson Higgins, \$209,515; W. S. Gifford, of American Telephone and Telegraph Co., \$206,250; Alfred P. Sloan Jr., of Central Motors, \$200,000, and Cornelius F. Kelley, of Anaconda Copper, \$200,000.

The Treasury is required by law to make such information public. All salaries on the list are before taxes.

Abduction Charge Must Wait War's End

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., June 25 (ANS).—Prosecution of an indictment warrant against former Assistant State Attorney General Ralph Rogers, of Cambridge, charging him with abduction of a Taunton, Mass., waitress and being the father of her child will have to wait until the end of the war or until the Army releases Rogers.

District Attorney Frank E. Smith said that Army authorities at Fort Robinson, Ark., had refused to surrender the soldier on the contention that the indictment was not serious enough to warrant interruption of his military service.

N.Y. Gets More Cigarets, Mostly of Newer Brands

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Cigarets were more plentiful in retail stores throughout the city today but the increased supply was composed mostly of new or lesser-known brands.

Cost of Living Rises in U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Rising food costs accounted largely for the seven-tenths of one percent increase in the U.S. cost of living during the month ending May 15, according to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

The average retail food costs moved up 1.6 percent, principally because the prices of fresh fruit jumped 64 percent.

Clothing costs advanced three tenths of one percent, as shortages in lower-priced lines continued, Miss Perkins asserted.

Church Head Relected

ALBERT LEA, Minn., June 25 (ANS).—Dr. N. C. Carlsen, synodical president of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church for 20 years, was reelected at the group's convention here. H. J. Hansen, of Blair, Neb., was reelected treasurer.

Literally Speaking

Special Service Gave GIs Chance To Blow It Out

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—The American Army said it with harmonicas as well as mortars, machine-guns and artillery, it was revealed today in testimony before the House Appropriations Committee.

For spare time amusement, GIs had almost 1,000,000 musical instruments in Europe, with 446,359 harmonicas included in the total.

The War Department said that the Special Services Division also distributed tonettes, an instrument not listed in Webster's Dictionary, but described by soldiers as a cross between an ocarina and a flute.

Other popular instruments included 78,297 flutes, 69,171 ocarinas, 36,385 ukeleles, 6,136 guitars, 1,705 accordions, 705 banjos, 3,221 bass viols, 875 musical cow bells, 717 clarinets, 4,324 cornets, 705 cymbals, 515 drums, 918 oboes and 104 xylophones.

Nazi Leaders Reported in Secret Meeting

SWISS-GERMAN FRONTIER, June 25 (AP).—Seven former high-ranking SS officers, holding their first postwar secret meeting, were told there is definite evidence that Adolf Hitler is dead, according to frontier reports.

The meeting featured "Heil Hitlers" and the "Horst Wessel" song and praise for Heinrich Himmler as a "brave and realistic German," according to information reaching here.

The meeting was said to have been held near Frankfurt-On-Main and presided over by a former director of an SS school and identified only as Kaufman Krause. Krause was quoted as saying he had definite information that Hitler is dead and the only question before the Nazi council is whether it would be better to announce he is dead or to exploit the legend that the Nazi leader is alive.

At any event, the SS decided to lie low temporarily and capitalize on the trouble that they anticipate between the Allies before the end of 1945.

Krause reportedly stressed that the nucleus of SS must at present be saved from Allied manhunters who are using various methods to trap the SS leaders, including agents provocateurs.

Meanwhile, lists are being kept of men who are offering their services to the Allies.

Mob Threatens Pole Lecturer

GLASGOW, Scotland, June 25 (AP).—Police protection was necessary last night to escort Dr. Jan Jagodinski, of a Polish news agency and a recent prisoner of the London Polish government, from a theater here where he had addressed a public meeting.

Jagodinski, who was recently arrested by the émigré government for alleged desertion from the Polish Army, told the audience that members of the "high officer caste" among Poles in Britain would resist any orders to lay down their arms.

The Pole told the press that the back door of the theater was broken down by 100 Polish soldiers and sailors, who swarmed in shouting: "You communist; we are not going to listen to any Russian propaganda here."

"They tried to lynch me, but police intervened," Jagodinski added. The Polish journalist was held at an émigré government detention camp in Scotland, but was released pending further action.

New British Cruiser Serving in Pacific

LONDON, June 25 (AP).—The British Navy now is using a new class cruiser known as the "Swiftsure," the Admiralty announced.

Two ships of the new class already have been commissioned. They are the HMS Swiftsure and the HMS Ontario. The Swiftsure is servicing in the Pacific.

The cruisers have a displacement of 8,000 tons and a designed speed of 31 knots. Their armament includes nine six-inch guns in triple turrets and ten four-inch anti-aircraft guns on twin mountings. They also carry six torpedoes in triple tubes.

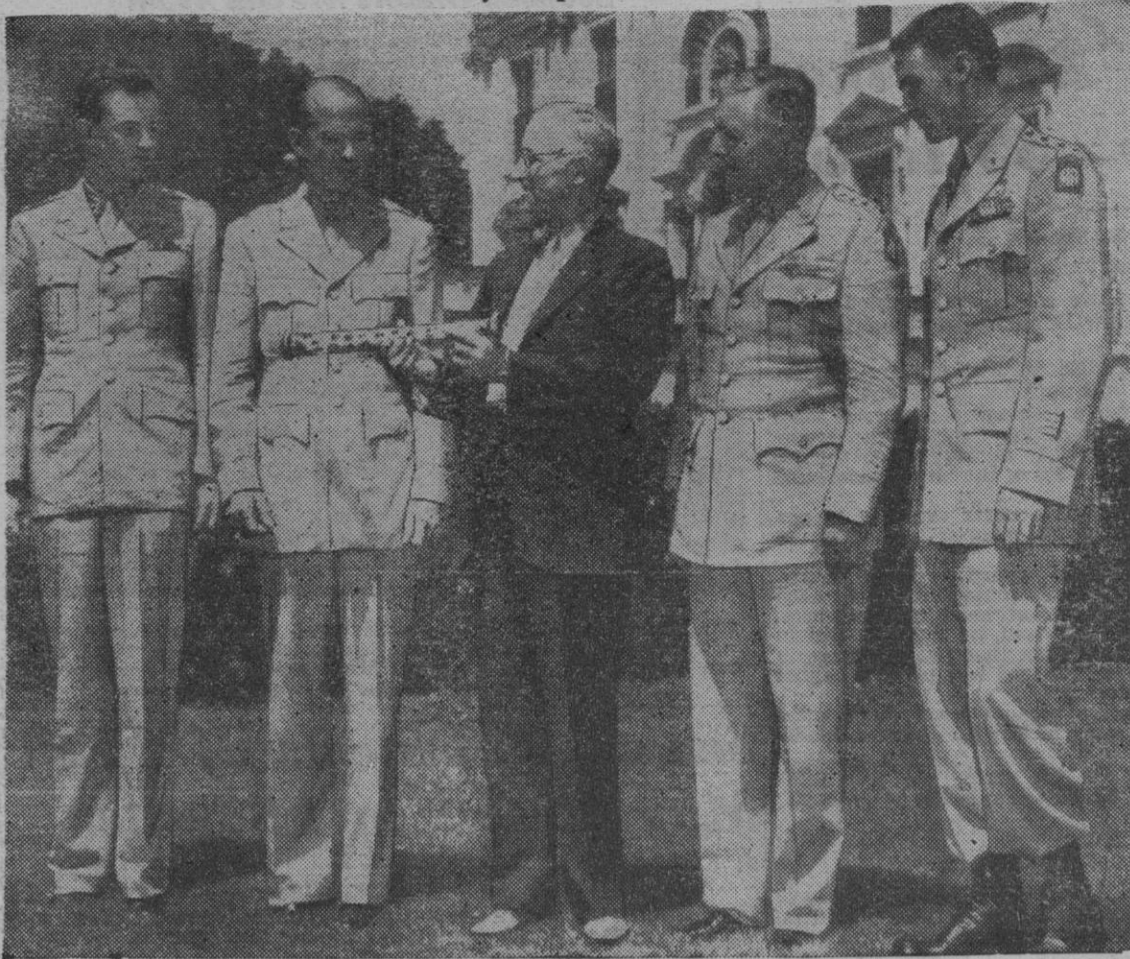
Business Censorship Is Cut to Minimum

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Byron Price, director of censorship, said today the censoring of business communications has been reduced until all that remains "is in connection with the most essential wartime controls." In a letter to Charles A. Richards, chairman of the committee on censorship of the National Foreign Trade Council in New York City, he wrote: "you may be quite sure the office of censorship will not embark on witch hunts or fishing expeditions into peacetime precincts."

Ike Statue in London Urged

LONDON, June 25 (UP).—The Sunday Times editorially advocated today the erection of a statue to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in central London. The only Americans now so honored are Washington, whose statue is in Trafalgar Square, and Lincoln, in Parliament Square.

The Commander-in-Chief Inspects the Reichsmarshal's Baton



President Harry S. Truman holds Hermann Goering's diamond-studded baton, once the symbol of the Reichsmarshal's authority, which Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch brought to the White House from the ETO. Left to right: Maj. J. M. Wilson, Jr., aide to Lt. Gen. Lucian Truscott; Gen. Patch, Seventh Army commander; President Truman; Gen. Truscott, Fifth Army Commander, and Maj. Gen. James Gavin, 82nd AB Div. commander.

Bride 'Meets' GI's Mother Over Transatlantic Phone

By Sid Schapiro

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, June 25.—A GI's bride of three weeks was introduced to her mother-in-law in one of the first three transatlantic telephone calls to be put through soon after the service was resumed between Britain and the U.S. last Saturday.

S/Sgt. Erving Grosch, a UK base 86-pointer from Milwaukee, Wis., serving with Co. A, 3113th Signal Service Bn., and his wife, Lee, sweated out the call for two days. At the home of the bride's parents in West Acton, London, the newlyweds heard last Thursday that the Transatlantic telephone service would be resumed.

Immediately the young couple dashed to the phone in the foyer. "Operator, I want to make a Transatlantic call," said Grosch. The operator informed him the service had been suspended in 1939. Grosch explained what he had just heard. A check-up with the supervisor enlightened the operator.

Although the lines opened officially at 2 PM Saturday, he placed the call for 8 PM (2 PM in Milwaukee), and immediately sent a stand-by cable to his mother. However, the call went through late.

When the call finally came through, the operator informed Grosch of military censorship, saying: "Warning: Your conversation can be heard by the enemy. Use great discretion."

"Hello, mom," Grosch shouted into the mouthpiece, "can you hear me?" The connection was clear. Then he said: "I want you to meet my wife. Here's Lillian, but all of her friends call her Lee."

"Hello, darling," said Grosch's mother to her daughter-in-law. "We are looking forward to your arrival here. Your home is all ready."

The operator chimed when three minutes of actual speaking time elapsed, and the Groschs in London stretched the conversation with the Groschs in Milwaukee another minute for an additional cost of one pound.

Maj. Harold F. Strohsen, Garden City, LI, and Capt. Joseph H. Krug, Chicago, both on leave from the AMG Rhine Province Detachment in Germany, each placed a transatlantic call at 11 AM Friday for 2 PM the following day.

Krug's call to his home came through first, at 2:39 PM (7:39 AM in Chicago). He was on the phone 14 minutes, because of connection difficulty, but was charged five pounds for five minutes' actual conversation time.

The major's call came through at 2:56 PM (8:56 AM in New York). His wife and three children, in the midst of moving to the country for the summer, were unreachable by phone. So Strohsen, who was a prosecutor in Nassau County, N.Y., called his secretary to get news of his 11-year old son, Charles, who had been playing ball.

Burma Bandits Get Jap Arms

CALCUTTA, June 25 (AP).—The ancient practice of dacoity, or gang robbery, in Burma has gone modern, Southeast Asia Command Hq reported yesterday.

Bandits, armed with modern weapons obtained from the Japanese, have become a major problem, the announcement said. With machine-guns, grenades and two-inch mortars, they have been robbing and killing in raids on isolated houses and cart convoys.

Among 175 captured in counter measures by British military authorities was a Burmese woman carrying a Jap tommy-gun. Five bandits have been killed in battles with the police.

Until they obtained Jap weapons, the bandits had been armed with makeshift arms.

Senate Votes Penalties For Secret Info Leaks

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—A bill making willful disclosure of secret coded government information punishable by a \$10,000 fine and ten years in prison was passed by the Senate and sent to the House.

As drafted by the War and Navy Departments, the bill's penalties would apply both to disclosures of U.S. Government secret information and of information received by this government from other nations.

2 Magic Words Get Him into Soviet Zone

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—Rep. George M. Grant (D-Ala.) told reporters yesterday of using two magic passwords to cross the Elbe River into Russian-occupied Germany. They were:

"Foosevelt Soviets."

Grant, back from a survey of the European food situation, said that Russian guards lowered their guns immediately and let him and his party pass.

Women Leaped To PWs' Aid

WENTWORTH, England, June 25 (UP).—Twelve women parachutists formed part of a secret Allied force organized to contact prison camps and prevent massacres and disorders when Germany collapsed.

This was disclosed yesterday at a farewell party of the 'chutists, who were known as Special Allied Airborne Reconnaissance Force. SAARF will disband July 1.

Commanded by Brigadier J. S. Nichols, the force was comprised of men and women from the U.S., Britain, Poland, France and Belgium. Some of them had previous contact with the European underground movements, and one 23-year-old woman of undisclosed identity made three parachute jumps—two in France and one in Belgium.

SAARF made only one jump as a unit, Nichols revealed. That was in the area of the Altengrabow prison camp, 35 miles west of Berlin, between April 25 and May 3.

Six teams—two British, two American and two French—were dropped. Two teams were captured inside the camp, but persuaded the German commander to allow them to use their radio sets to contact SHAEF. The Allied parachutists arranged for the evacuation of the prisoners before the arrival of Allied troops.

UNRRA Office Moves

Personnel in the Paris area interested in applying for UNRRA positions following discharge, as outlined in Sunday's edition, are asked to apply at 25 Blvd des Italiens rather than at 67 Avenue des Champs-Élysées. C. H. Cramer, UNRRA personnel director, announced the move of his headquarters to the new address today.

Oise Section Opens School To Tame Wild Motor Jockeys

OISE BASE SECTION, June 25.—A 10-day training school for reckless drivers was opened today in the Oise Section to halt increasing misuse of the roads.

MPs and seven special squads will halt speeding vehicles, which will be given first and second echelon maintenance inspections. Worst offenders will be slated for training at the school.

A strenuous schedule is in prospect at the school. The first class will start at 5 AM, and others continue until 9 PM. Those ordered to report will bring full equipment, including shelter-half and rifle.

Calisthenics, infantry drill and

Reporter Finds Vienna Eager To Meet Yanks

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with shattered masonry, and said "Vienna will rise again."

Any vehicle with American markings which pulls up to a Vienna curb is immediately surrounded by crowds. Girls smile at you and old people wring your hand. All ask the same question: "When are you Americans coming? We've been waiting for you so long."

Most Viennese are perplexed by the American non-fraternization policy, of which the radio has told them. In Vienna, Russian soldiers and civilians mingle freely.

Conditions in Russian-occupied Vienna contrast sharply with those in the American zone.

"The Russians could not bring Vienna bread, but they gave us music instead," said Mrs. Albert Schlick, an American who has been the president of Vienna's American University Club for 20 years.

"We don't miss bread so much if we have music," she said. "Music has always been more important to Vienna than bread."

Opera, musical comedy and excellent ballet have already opened in Vienna. Three legitimate theaters have plays on the boards and 36 movie houses are showing Austrian and German films with weekly Russian newsreels. For the last few weeks they also have been showing Hollywood's "Mission to Moscow." Playing to capacity audiences, the film has won the vociferous applause of both Russians and Austrians.

Two Newspapers

The Viennese get their news from the Vienna radio and two daily newspapers, published by the Social Democratic and Communist parties.

Merchants have been encouraged to open shops, but stocks are pitifully small. Purchases are rationed.

The present bread ration in Vienna is 250 grams of black bread daily if you are unemployed, 300 for those who work and 400 for people who are doing heavy labor. Restaurants have nothing to serve but ersatz coffee and most Viennese are forced to eke out their food ration with black-market purchases where the prices are terrific. The Russians have been making raids against the big time black market.

Black-market lard costs 1,500 marks, meat is 400 marks a pound and coffee is 2,000 marks a pound. Lunch in a black-market cafe is 800 marks.

All bank deposits are frozen. Salaries of government employees and civil servants are limited at 150 marks monthly. Viennese find it impossible to earn enough to keep abreast of the cost of living.

Most of the damage to Vienna's inner city occurred on March 12 of this year, when Allied bombers demolished every building on the famed Kartnerstrasse, from the Opera House to St. Stefan's Cathedral. Most first-class hotels are gone. Schoenbrunn Park, which was one of Vienna's show places, escaped with minor scars. Vienna is bitter against the Germans because much of the damage to the city's fine buildings was done by SS men out of spite.

When the Russians approached the city, Germans set fire to St. Stefan's. This brought many Viennese rushing into the streets, weeping because the church has been the symbol of their city.

Even more eager than the Viennese to see other Allied troops is the colony of several hundred British and American citizens which remained in Vienna during the war. These Britons and Americans are still without means of communication with their government.

Athens Plane Crash Kills 11

ATHENS, June 25 (Reuter).—A twin-engine British plane crashed here today killing its 11 passengers.

General Strike Threatened by Belgian Reds

BRUSSELS, June 25 (AP).—Belgian Communists threatened today to call a general strike if Lt. Gen. Ganshof van der Meersch forms a new government at King Leopold's request.

Dr. Albert Marteau, Minister of Public Health and Communist spokesman, said that "more than 2,000,000 Belgian workers" have been alerted for a general strike against any government that might be formed in behalf of Leopold.

Marteau, who was arrested by Van der Meersch May 10, 1940, in a general roundup of Communists, said that the Belgian working class would consider it a "provocation" if Van der Meersch assumed premiership.

Remains with King

It was reported yesterday that Van der Meersch, High Commissioner for the State, was one of two men of a five-man delegation who stayed behind with the King at St. Wolfgang, Austria, leading to speculation that he may accept Leopold's offer to form a new government.

"Le Drapeau Rouge," the Communist party's newspaper, today described Van der Meersch, prosecutor of thousands of wartime Nazi collaborators, as the "famous agent of reaction, absolutism and repression."

King Leopold has made it clear that he will not abdicate and that he intends to return to Belgium. However, there still is no clue when the King intends to return.

(Prime Minister Achille van Acker's cabinet submitted its resignation more than a week ago, effective on the return of the King to Belgian soil.)

Castle Turned Into Fortress

(The London Daily Mail reported that Leopold's castle in Austria has been turned into a fortress guarded by American troops of the 106th Cavalry Div. Members of the royal family, on their rare sorties from the castle, are accompanied by armed guards. Viscount du Parc, the King's aide, said that Leopold was studying books on political and economic questions.)

(Some sources, according to the United Press, said that Leopold has been seeking Allied reaction on his proposed return to the throne. Recently he summoned his ambassador to London, Baron Cartier de Marchienne, to Austria for a conference on Allied opinion.)

(Other Belgian observers, the United Press said, expressed extreme doubt in Van der Meersch's ability to rally a considerable number of Belgians in the event a new government is formed by the King, even though Van der Meersch's personal prestige, as a successful resistance leader, is still great in Belgium.)

Exiled Poles May Return

LONDON, June 25.—Sources in close contact with the development of the new Polish government in Moscow disclosed today that Poles in exile would be given an opportunity to return home "at the earliest possible moment" provided they could establish "true and faithful" democratic feeling toward the new government, the United Press reported.

The new Polish government is expected to be announced Tuesday night, with Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, former Premier of the London exile regime, taking the post of deputy prime minister and minister of agriculture.

Recognition of the new government by the U.S. and Britain appeared dependent on Poland's pledge to hold a "free and unfettered" general election demanded by the Crimea Conference.

At the same time reliable sources asserted that the chances of Poland signing the United Nations Conference charter were slim.

Veteran Faces Charge Of Kidnaping Wife

CHICAGO, June 25 (ANS).—When Emery Person, 25, a discharged veteran, appears in Felony Court Wednesday on charges of kidnaping and burglary his defense will be that a man cannot steal his own wife.

Person carried off his estranged wife, Laverne, 20, last Sunday, after he broke into the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lamont Powell. He was arrested later in Kenosha, Wis., and his wife went back home again.

Island Business Slides Up With Banana Sale

MADRID, June 25.—The U.S. Army has contracted for 6,000 tons of bananas to be exported from the Canary Islands to its forces in the ETO, causing rejoicing in the Canaries, where banana exports had virtually halted during the war. The Army is also buying 2,000 tons of tomatoes.

Big Reich Cities Face Famine

WIESBADEN, June 25 (UP).—Residents in Germany's large industrial cities face starvation next winter, Allied military authorities here stated today.

Although nearly 90 percent of all productive land in the area under Allied occupation has been sown, the chief problems are manpower and transportation, the authorities explained.

To cope with the labor situation, authorities are releasing more than 2,000,000 prisoners, but the need for transportation facilities still remains, despite the use of some former German military vehicles.

A further difficulty in the way of distribution is that under the present military government setup, there is nothing like an overall plan for feeding the country. Each community and county is more or less thrown back on its own resources.

Many military government officers are now doing weekly barter business with neighboring communities. AMG officials fear that when the Russians take over the zone west of the Elbe, the bulk of Germany's population will remain in territory occupied by the French, U.S. and Great Britain, while the food-producing areas will be in the hands of the Russians.

NBS to Move Headquarters

By Wade Jones
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NORMANDY BASE SECTION HQ, Deauville, June 25.—This headquarters, which controls the port at Le Havre and eight nearby staging and assembly areas, will move to Brussels, Belgium, before July 10 and the Ninth Army headquarters, now in Germany, will move here.

In the same move, NBS will absorb the Channel Base Section, which controls the port of Antwerp with headquarters at Lille.

While NBS will gain considerable territory under the new arrangement, it relinquished control of all territory below the Seine River today when Col. Eugene M. Caffey, deputy base commander, officially returned the area to the French in a ceremony at Rennes.

It has been previously stated the Ninth Army headquarters, now without divisions or corps, would return to the States in the near future.

Bond Drive Nears End, 5 Billions Over Goal

WASHINGTON, June 25 (ANS).—The Seventh War Loan went into its final week today with more than five billion dollars oversubscribed, but with the "little money" goal unmet.

Total sales announced stood at \$19,467,000,000, with corporations making up \$12,992,000,000 of that amount, far beyond their seven-billion quota.

Individual sales of \$6,475,000,000 were at 92.5 per cent of the objective.

MP Taken for Ride in Nice; 28 Profiteers Land in Clink

By Dan Regan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NICE, June 25.—When an Irishman happens to be an MP lieutenant—well, look out, 1/Lt. Austin D. Moran, of Milford, Mass., hopped into a horse-drawn cab in front of the Hotel Ruhl, Nice. He got out at the Hotel Royal. The bill was 250 francs. Later Moran checked the French price control and found that the actual tab should have been 40 francs.

Cpl. George Stone, another Bay State from the 64th MP Co., was assigned to the job. Stone took

off his MP brassard, opened his collar and rolled up his sleeves. A French gendarme, in civilian clothes, accompanied him. They started out to do Nice, Stone would stop a horse-drawn taxi and ask the charge to any destination. If the response was an exorbitant price, the gendarme stepped up and nabbed the profiteer.

Before the curfew knocked them out of a job they had dragged 28 taxi jockeys to the bastille. The take so frightened other drivers that a later check showed that most taxis were keeping their charge close to the ceiling.

Miss Reconnaissance of 1945



Reconnaissance pilots—who are trained to recognize a good thing when they spot it—have selected Helen Szikora of South Orange, N.J., as "Miss Reconnaissance of 1945." GI judges of the Ninth AF's 67th Tac. Recon. Gp. picked Helen from photographs submitted by men in the group. The South Orange model was Sgt. Norman Germond's entry. Reconnaissance report on Miss Szikora: Height, five-feet-two; weight, 118; age 21. She is blonde, with blue eyes.

I & E Enlarges Staff School

The ETO education program gained impetus yesterday with the enlarging of the Army Information and Education Staff School at Cité Universitaire, Paris, where Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, told 700 officer students that educational activity was one of the most important missions of the Army's occupational duty.

The commanding general of Com Z then went on to state: "It is my desire that this program be given a high priority on the time and energies of all personnel." Brig. Gen. Paul W. Thompson, chief of the theater I & E Division, introduced Gen. Lee.

The Cité Universitaire training center now enrolls 700 officers weekly and is designed to train administrators, instructors and supervisors in the preparation of instructional material to assist other officers in conduct of the program. The number of officers attending the school will be increased to 1,000 weekly by July 1.

Previously operating as a continental branch, the Paris institution has been consolidated with the Shrivenham, England, school as the 6819th AIESS and will expand to receive the combined enrollments and for additional quotas as needed.

More than 13,000 officers have been graduated from the two schools since they opened last October.

Little Flower Blooms As Views Are Upheld

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia said yesterday that the recommendations of the 13 northeastern governors who met to discuss the meat shortage and other food problems proved "that I was right all along."

LaGuardia asserted that he had long advocated using red points for meat only and a re-examination of the slaughtering system, both recommended by the governors.

Army Will Aid Cleric Students

Com Z Headquarters disclosed yesterday that in the absence of regular theological courses in the ETO educational program, provision has been made for informal instruction and guidance of men wishing to prepare themselves for the clergy.

The plan is to assign such men as special chaplains' assistants. They would receive instructions from the chaplains and would work with them, wherever feasible, in the performance of their religious duties. Students' home churches would be notified that they were receiving instruction and preparing for the clergy.

Each unit chaplain will be allowed an additional assistant, the second assistant being a prospective theological student. Chaplains will be required to examine the special assistants to ascertain that they intend to enter the clergy and that they have an adequate educational background.

Contents of Hitler's Safe: Gown Designs

BREMEN, June 25 (UP).—The secret of Hitler's personal strongbox was revealed today by Capt. Holly Morse of Los Angeles, former film director now attached to an Army photographic unit.

Morse said members of his outfit discovered a wall safe behind a sliding panel in Hitler's chalet. Cutting into the safe, they found eight designs for women's costumes—nothing else.

'Royal Boudoir' Shelters Wac In Shangri La

WAKE ISLAND, Dutch New Guinea, June 25 (ANS).—WAC Cpl. Margaret Hastings, of Oswego, N.Y., who was marooned with two soldiers in a plane crash May 13 in hidden Shangri La Valley, or New Guinea, has a "royal boudoir" rigged from a parachute.

A message received from Capt. Cecil Walters, who is directing parachutists who leaped into the valley to aid the trio, revealed this today and added: "She's getting along with 14 men here as well as any woman could and so far nobody has cut any throats."

Rescue efforts were further delayed today because of difficulties in glider pickup tests. The plan is to have a towplane swoop down and lift a glider from a field prepared in the valley. Col. Ray T. Elsmore, Far Eastern Air Command cargo chief, said he hopes to make the rescue within a few days.

Price Controls In Reich Curb Inflation Peril

By Ernie Leiser
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

TWELFTH ARMY GROUP, June 25.—There is no evidence of inflation in Germany at present, and price controls established by the Nazis and continued under Allied occupation are holding costs down "remarkably well," Maj. Joseph Moss Jr., Military Government finance officer, said today.

There is a severe currency shortage, especially in small bills, he said, but currency found in four central hoards has been widely distributed in an effort to relieve that shortage. The hoards were found at Magdeburg, Munich, Regensburg and in the Merkers salt mines, where a great treasure in gold also was found.

Distribution Controlled

Distribution has been under strict supervision by MG officials. The shortage is most severe in banks, Moss said, since at the height of the bombings depositors withdrew their money for safekeeping elsewhere. Despite the shortage, more than 3,000 banks have been opened in the 12th Army Group zone, with deposits of more than 3,000,000,000 reichsmarks.

Finance control officers, according to Moss, have been rounding up assets in the form of gold and silver bullion, coins, precious stones, bonds and paper money of all nations, and have brought them to a central store near Frankfurt, where Treasury experts are counting and inventorying them. He declined to estimate the total value of these assets.

The Army Group MG officers are preparing to turn financial control of the U.S. zone over to the Group Control Council. Moss said German finances were in surprisingly good shape, with the mark maintaining a value near its actual 40-cent level, unlike the last war, when it became almost valueless.

Officials in Custody

Most of the Nazi Finance Ministry and Reichsbank officials, including Dr. Walther Funk, head of both, have been taken into custody, Moss said, and are being questioned for information about the operation of German finance. Funk has been of less value than have the top civil service employees, he declared, and much valuable information is being obtained from them.

Banks have been opened in every important town occupied by the Americans, and in most small towns as well, according to Moss. The extent of these renewed operations has been left to the banks themselves. Active Nazis and Nazi sympathizers have been eliminated from important posts in financial institutions or in the finance departments of governmental organizations, Moss said, and the assets of suspected individuals, or of Nazi Business firms and industries have been blocked.

Rounding up of the gold, silver and foreign exchange hoards, which were scattered in remote places all over Germany because of the bombing of Berlin, has been simplified somewhat by the strict control the Nazis had over these assets. Only very limited amounts have turned up in the hands of the public.

By now, Moss said, the bulk of the German gold and currency reserves, together with most of the loot from occupied countries, has been recovered, aiding in the stabilization of German finance. The Russians are using Allied invasion marks, too, based on the same valuation as are the Americans (10 cents to the mark). Moss concluded.

Japs Hard Fighters, Dumb—Maj. Gen. Smith

FONTAINEBLEAU, June 25.—"The Japs are hard-fighting soldiers, but they are dumb—not nearly as smart as the Germans," Maj. Gen. Ralph C. Smith, U.S. military attache at Paris and former commanding general of the 27th Inf. Div. in the Pacific, told a graduating class of officer candidates here. Military attaches of 12 of the United Nations including the United States, France, Poland, Russia, China, Greece, Turkey, The Netherlands, Canada, Belgium, Persia and Yugoslavia, were present at the ceremonies which were followed by a demonstration of flame throwers, bazookas and rifle grenades.

UK GIs Give Blood

LONDON, June 25 (AP).—The UK Base Hq announced today that American soldiers in Britain donated 71,136 pints of blood from September, 1944, to the VE-Day, for frontline troops.

Tigers Sweep Pair From Browns

Yankees Trip A's Twice; Ferriss Wins

NEW YORK, June 25.—Seven-hit twirling by Hal Newhouser and airtight relief work by Dizzy Trout after Walt Wilson weakened in the second game marched the Tigers to a double victory over the Browns yesterday, 5-1 and 4-3, protecting Detroit's game-and-a-half advantage over the Yankees in the American League chase.

Newhouser, who had a shutout until Mark Christman clubbed a homerun in the ninth, earned his sixth straight and 11th victory of the campaign, being aided by Doc Cramer's homer. Tex Shirley, who gave way to Bob Muncief in the second inning, was the loser.

McQuinn, Stephens Homer

Homeruns by George McQuinn and Vern Stephens moved Nelson Potter ahead in the afterpiece, but Cramer's second four-bagger of the day, coming in the fifth inning, erased Detroit's deficit. Trout came in and held the Browns in check, winning when Eddie Mayo opened the ninth with a single, moved to third on Roy Cullenbine's single and raced across on Rudy York's long fly.

Two homeruns and a double by Bud Metheny paraded the Yankees to a 13-5 romp over the Athletics and Bobo Newsom, and the Bronx Bombers annexed the windup, too. 6-3. Mike Garbarik also homered for the Yanks and Charley Metro slugged a four-bagger for the A's in the opener as Hank Borowy fashioned his ninth triumph.

Jess Flores bowed to Ernie Bonham in the second affair, relinquishing a two-run lead provided by Bob Estalella's homerun in the first inning. Snuffy Stirnweiss homered in the last half of the first, and Bud Metheny's single in the third chased home two runners and carried his mates ahead to stay.

Ferriss Wins No. 10

Dave Ferriss hurled the Red Sox to a 6-5 verdict over the Senators for his tenth victory of 1945, as Eddie Lake's homer pinned the loss on Mickey Haefner. The Griffs took the nightcap, however, when Chi's Pieretti notched a two-hit 5-1 victory over Clem Hausmann.

Seven runs in the third inning brought the White Sox a 7-4 victory over the Indians after the Tribe coasted through the first game, 7-3, behind Steve Gromek's eight-hit pitching. Gromek halted the White Sox with two hits during the first seven innings, then yielded six in the last two frames after his mates had collected 11 off Bill Dietrich and Johnny Johnson.

A three-run double by Tony Cuccinello off Earl Henry in the third inning of the second game started Ed Lopat on the road to victory, although Earl Caldwell replaced Lopat in the ninth to hold the lead safe after two runs had been scored.



National League

New York	7-5	Philadelphia	6-1	
Brooklyn	9-3	Boston	1-6	
Pittsburgh	7-3	Cincinnati	3-4	
St. Louis	8-3	Chicago	2-6	
W	L	Pct	GB	
Brooklyn	37	22	.627	—
St. Louis	33	25	.569	3 1/2
Pittsburgh	32	26	.552	4 1/2
New York	33	28	.541	5
Chicago	29	25	.537	5 1/2
Boston	28	28	.500	7 1/2
Cincinnati	24	30	.444	10 1/2
Philadelphia	16	48	.250	23 1/2

American League

New York	13-6	Philadelphia	5-3	
Cleveland	7-4	Chicago	3-7	
Detroit	5-4	St. Louis	1-3	
Boston	6-2	Washington	5-5	
W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	35	22	.614	—
New York	33	23	.589	1 1/2
Boston	30	27	.526	5
Chicago	31	28	.525	5
Washington	27	28	.491	7
St. Louis	25	29	.463	8 1/2
Cleveland	23	31	.426	11
Philadelphia	20	36	.357	14 1/2

Cubs Purchase Starr From Pittsburgh Pirates

CHICAGO, June 25.—The Cubs today announced the purchase of right-hander Ray Starr from the Pirates, and the optioning of infielder Mack Stewart to Nashville. The 38-year-old Starr had been under suspension by the Pirates for failing to accompany the club on a trip last week.

Giants Turn Back Phillies, 7-6 and 5-1

NEW YORK, June 25.—Mel Ott's Giants returned to the first division by spanking the luckless Phillies twice yesterday, 7-6 and 5-1, while all other clubs in the National League—including the front-running Dodgers—marked time by dividing their Sabbath doubleheaders.

The New Yorkers, who ousted the Cubs from fourth place, grabbed the opener when Rene Monteagudo lost a fly in the sun and it went for a triple to reward Bill Voiselle with his first triumph since May 20. The Phils threatened in the ninth inning but Andy Hansen arrived in time to retire dangerous Vince DiMaggio for the final out with the tying run on third base.

Emmerich Wins Easily

A walk to Danny Gardella and hits by Johnny Rucker, George Hausmann, Jim Mallory and Phil Weintraub sent the Giants off to a 4-0 margin in the first inning of the nightcap, and Rookie Bill Emmerich was master of the situation the rest of the way. Nap Reyes drove in the other New York run, while Jim Wasdell's single scored Monteagudo, who had doubled, in

the eighth to deprive Emmerich of a shutout.

After the Dodgers pummeled Jim Tobin for a 9-6 nod to extend their winning spree to eight straight, the Braves came back to capture the windup, 3-1, with Nate Andrews stifling the Bums after a three-week layoff. Tommy Holmes of the Braves, the league's leading batsman, hit safely in both games to stretch his hitting streak to 21 games.

Vic Lombardi staggered to victory in the early contest, allowing 12 hits as Dodgers clubbed Tobin for four runs in the fourth, one in the fifth and four more in the eighth. Andrews stopped the Dodgers with six hits, the same number yielded by Curt Davis, but Bonton clustered two with a walk in the eighth for their winning margin.

Joe Bowman registered his fifth victory since joining the Reds as he shaded the Pirates, 4-3, after Pittsburgh had won the opener, 7-3. Rip Sewell coasted through the first game when the Bucs climbed on Elmer Riddle, who has been out of action with a shoulder ailment since May, 1944, for enough runs

to win in the two and two-third innings Riddle survived.

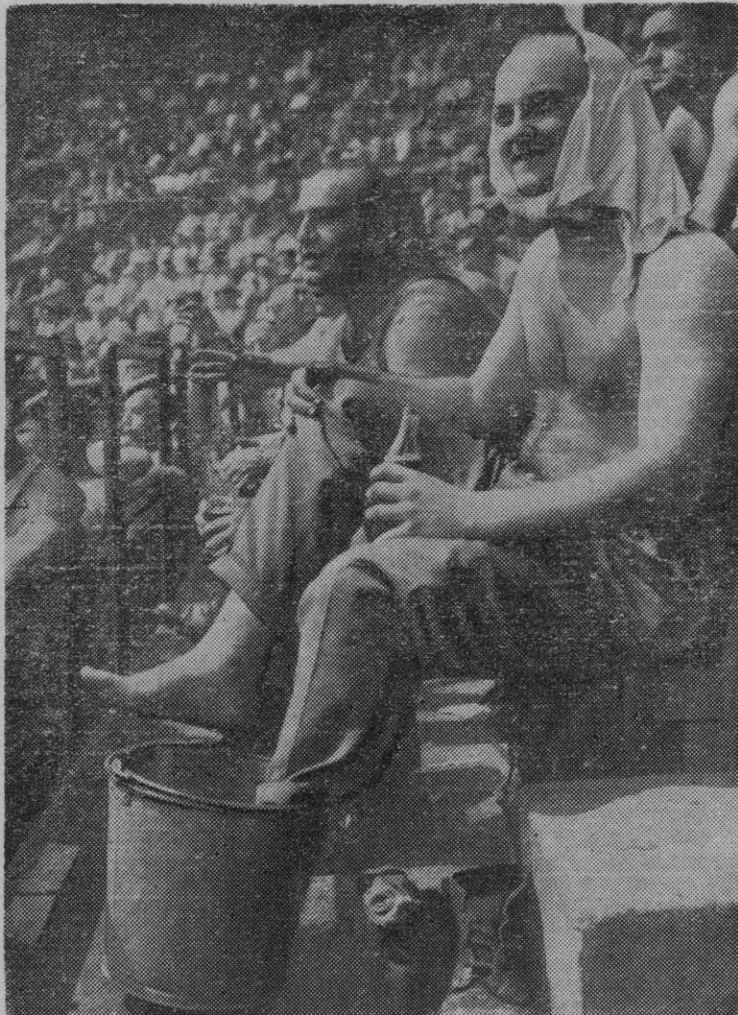
Singles by Dain Clay, Al Libke and Frank McCormick produced the winning run in the home half of the seventh for Bowman after Pete Coscarart's homerun had tied the score in the top part of the inning. Max Butcher was the loser.

An overflow throng of 44,508 paid customers in Chicago saw the Cardinals victimize the Cubs in the first game, 8-2, but the local club salvaged the late tilt, 6-3. Charley Barrett won his fifth decision since coming to the Cards from Boston in exchange for Mort Cooper, easily outpitching Ray Prim in the opener.

In addition to scattering ten hits, Claude Passeau swatted a three-run homer to start Jack Creel's downfall in the second game. Whitey Kurowski homered for the champions in the third inning.

Johnny Hopp, Cardinal outfielder, was beamed by Prim in the second inning of the opener and was rushed to the Masonic Hospital for examination. However, Hopp's injury was described as "a bump on the head, without any concussion," according to Dr. S. C. Ull.

Flatbush Clown in Action



This "character" didn't want to miss his beloved Dodgers in action on the hottest day of the year so he brought his own cooling system to Ebbets Field. He was rewarded when the Bums defeated the hated Giants, 5-4.

Van Horn Turns Back Tilden; Greenberg, Segura Also Win

NEW YORK, June 25.—Big Bill Tilden, 52-year-old dean of American tennis players, extended youthful Welby Van Horn to the utmost before succumbing, 6-4, 11-9, in the Red Cross Victory tennis exhibitions at Forest Hills yesterday.

Ken Heintzelman Wins for 65th Div.

AUSTRIA, June 25.—Ken Heintzelman, former southpaw star of the Pittsburgh Pirates, hurled the 65th Inf. Div. to a 12-5 victory over the 11th Armd. Div., striking out 19 Thunderbolts en route.

The 65th lineup was studded with former big leaguers, including George Archie, Washington first baseman; Harry Walker, Cardinal outfielder and George Scharein, Phillies shortstop.

Archie and Walker failed to connect for a hit off Gib Gibson, former Springfield, Mass., chucker. Paul Wargo, who was in the Cardinal farm system, paced the 65th attack with four hits in as many trips to the plate.

The wily perennial had Van Horn on the run in early stages of the match, but his legs refused to stand the pace and his 26-year-old foe eventually ran Tilden into the ground.

Lt. Seymour Greenberg, southpaw from Chicago and the AAF, defeated Dick Skeen, Tilden's victim Saturday, 6-0, 8-6, and Pancho Segura, two-fisted racket wielder from Ecuador, turned back Billy Talbert, of Indianapolis, 2-6, 6-2, 6-0, in other feature matches. Capt. Frankie Shields, back in the States after more than two years in the ETO, stopped Manuel Alonso, 6-1, 6-4.

Pauline Betz divided her two-set match with Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke, winning the opener, 6-4, and losing the second, 6-1. In a mixed singles match, Vinnie Richards, former world's doubles champion, defeated Alice Marble, ex-women's singles ruler, 6-3, 6-4.

Byrd Annexes 'Big 4' Title

DETROIT, June 25.—Byron Nelson's golf dynasty was temporarily crushed by Sammy Byrd, who forsook baseball to earn a living on the links, when the former Yankee outfielder won the "Big Four" invitational tournament at his home course yesterday, finishing the 72-hole marathon with a nine-stroke margin over Lord Byron.

Byrd, who stroked a sensational 8-under-par 64 over the Plum Hollow Country Club course Saturday, repeated the sizzling performance in yesterday's early round to assume a 12-stroke advantage over Nelson. Byrd's final round card of 72 gave him a total of 269, while Nelson's 69 brought him home with 278.

Jug McSpaden finished third with 286, and Craig Wood, who looked like a floundering amateur most of the way, trailed the field with 312 as he failed to approach par in any of the four rounds.

Although Nelson didn't have a chance to win, he was in position for an eagle on the final hole. When the putt went astray, however, he blew up and took a bogey six.

More than 10,000 fans trailed the players yesterday, contributing to the Percy Jones Army hospital servicemen's fund.

New York A.C. Cops AAU Crown

NEW YORK, June 25.—The New York Athletic Club won the 54th annual Metropolitan AAU track and field championships yesterday at Randalls Island with 72 points, 24 more than the second place N.Y. Pioneer A.C. The Columbia Middies were third with 35 1/2 points.

Jim Rafferty, unbeaten indoor miler of the winter campaign, came from behind to whip Tom Quinn of the Grand Street Boys' Club by nine yards in 4:17.9. Rudy Simms, Pioneer A.C., trailed by another 12 yards, while Phil O'Connell, Rafferty's teammate, came in fourth.

Johnny Taylor, 17-year-old sensation, suffered his first defeat when Jimmy Herbert, Grand Street veteran, overtook him in the final yards of the 440-yard run in :48.8. Rudy Nedd, Pioneer A.C., took the century in 10 seconds flat, and Jack Morris, N.Y.A.C., won the 120-yard high hurdles in :15.8.

Runs for the Week

American League										
	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	To		
Boston	X	1	P	4	10	5	8	28		
Chicago	1	5	4	X	4	X	10	24		
Cleveland	X	3	0	1	2	X	11	17		
Detroit	0	4	5	5	4	5	9	32		
New York	X	0	P	14	2	7	19	42		
Phil'phia	X	3	5	P	0	6	8	22		
St. Louis	X	4	1	X	8	1	4	13		
Washington	X	11	7	P	5	6	10	38		

National League										
	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	To		
Boston	X	9	15	X	7	12	7	50		
Brooklyn	2	P	12	9	8	14	12	57		
Chicago	X	X	5	5	2	4	8	24		
Cincinnati	X	1	X	0	1	X	7	9		
New York	1	2	10	X	6	8	12	39		
Phil'phia	X	P	3	2	5	9	7	26		
Pittsburgh	X	X	3	4	3	X	10	20		
St. Louis	X	0	X	4	5	6	11	26		

Behind The Sports Headlines

By C. E. McBride
Kansas City Star

THE magnates of the All-America Football Conference, due to start when the war ends, might take a cue from Charley Bidwell, who has dropped \$400,000 trying to win with the Chicago Cards of the National League. But Bidwell can stand the gaff. He's majority stockholder in Hawthorne racetrack, vice-president of Sportsman's Park and owner of dog tracks in Miami, Jacksonville and Tampa. He's also owner of a printing business that turns out 90 percent of the country's pari-mutuel tickets and race-track programs.

By William Keefe
New Orleans Times-Picayune

FOLLOWERS of racing will remember how A. K. Macomber imported the magnificent colt, North Star II, for the Kentucky Derby, and how North Star broke down in training and never raced in this country. And how Sun Briar broke down prepping for the Derby. Now comes another twist of fate which takes from racing Fred Hooper's Hoop Junior. This true Dixie steed, it now seems, either broke down in the running of the Derby or the Preakness. He has a bowed tendon in his left foreleg and may never race again.

By Arch Ward
Chicago Tribune

A Rockford high school—either East of West—has won the Illinois prep golf championship for the last five years and it's predicted no other city will win the event for some time. The reason: Rockford, a city of 100,000, has five country clubs and four public fee golf courses. A youngster can buy a season ticket for a dollar which admits him to any public course in the city. Adults can buy the same privilege for \$4, the nation's greatest golf bargain.

By Ed Wray
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

SENATOR-COMMISSIONER Happy Chandler may be enjoying his circus stunt of trying to ride two jobs at the same time. Happy may be happy about his new situation, but nobody else in the baseball world seems to be. In fact, our baseball brass hats appear to be on the verge of becoming very unhappy about it. There's growing aloofness on the part of the Harridges and Fricks and O'Connors which could break into open revolt at any time. And the situation is more powder-keggy because gossip has it that Happy has not signed his contract yet. The reason for that, we are told, is that it isn't even in his possession yet. That makes becoming militant more difficult. You can't use a gun if you don't have one.

By George White
Dallas Morning News

THE official announcements last weekend afford a basis on which Ft. Worth can establish a claim as football capital of the Southwest for 1945. Confirmation finally was given a report that the Ft. Worth Army Air Field would be a point of concentration for the Southwest's football team in the newly-organized Army Air Force Football Conference. If the team assembled is in keeping with the schedule being planned, followers of the Ft. Worth AAF eleven will be in for the highest quality of football.

By Jack Carberry
Denver Post

THIS is a very fine time to pose the question "What is an amateur?" The Brooklyn Dodgers stand atop the National League, and if any individual is responsible it's Howie Schultz. You may remember last winter the AAU announced that Schultz, attending Hamline U. after a year with the Dodgers, was a professional and any team playing Hamline with Howie in the lineup would likewise be branded a pro. It was argued here that professionalism in one sport doesn't make a boy a professional in others. When the baseball season got under way, Brooklyn—picked little better than seventh—began to show signs of life. There was a weekness at first base, however, and Schultz was at St. Paul. Schultz valued his education. He wanted the Bums to do well, but first he was a college man looking to a future. He stayed at Hamline until graduation, then joined the Dodgers. His action, we believe, gives him a simon pure rating in college athletics which cannot be disputed even by the AAU's loud-speaker.

Minor League Results

International League

Buffalo 3-4, Jersey City 1-0
 Newark 8-7, Rochester 4-6
 Montreal 8-5, Baltimore 4-3
 Toronto 5-5, Syracuse 4-7

W L Pet
 Montreal...41 21 661 Toronto...25 28 472
 Jersey City...34 23 596 Rochester...22 35 379
 Newark...32 22 593 Syracuse...20 34 376
 Baltimore...33 26 559 Buffalo...18 35 340

American Association

Louisville 2-2, Milwaukee 1-6
 St. Paul 9-1, Toledo 6-4
 Minneapolis 8-14, Columbus 7-3
 Indianapolis at Kansas City, postponed, rain

W L Pet
 Indianap...36 25 590 St Paul...29 30 492
 Louisville...36 26 581 Columbus...28 36 438
 Milwaukee...33 24 579 Minneapol...25 35 417
 Toledo...33 28 541 Kansas City...21 37 392

Southern Association

Atlanta 7-6, Nashville 1-1
 Chattanooga 15-12, Birmingham 9-4
 New Orleans 2-7, Little Rock 1-5
 Memphis, 3-0, Mobile 6-1

W L Pet
 Atlanta...37 21 628 Little Rock...26 31 456
 Chattanooga...22 621 Memphis...24 33 421
 N. Orleans...27 23 617 Birmingham...24 34 414
 Mobile...33 28 541 Nashville...16 41 281

Eastern League

Elmira 5-9, Wilkes-Barre 4-13
 Scranton 16-5, Williamsport 1-6
 Hartford 6-9, Binghamton 1-4
 Albany 8-2, Utica 5-1

W L Pet
 Wilkes-B...23 19 568 Elmira...22 23 489
 Albany...27 21 563 Scranton...22 24 478
 Hartford...23 19 548 Utica...21 24 467
 Williamsport...20 545 Binghamton...13 27 325

Pacific Coast League

Portland 4-5, San Diego 2-1
 Sacramento 5-2, Seattle 4-0
 San Francisco 7-3, Hollywood 0-4
 Oakland 11-0, Los Angeles 3-1

W L Pet
 Portland...51 32 614 Sacramento...41 43 488
 Seattle...45 37 549 Los Angeles...41 44 482
 S. Francisco...43 41 512 San Diego...41 45 477
 Oakland...43 43 500 Hollywood...32 52 381

League Leaders

American League

G	AB	R	H	Pct
Cuccinello, Chicago	56	199	29	68.342
Case, Washington	51	205	28	67.327
Eiten, New York	56	200	35	64.320
Johnson, Boston	58	223	31	70.314
Peck, Philadelphia	37	150	17	47.313

National League

G	AB	R	H	Pct
Holmes, Boston	58	246	60	95.386
Rose, Brooklyn	53	213	48	78.366
Kurovski, St. Louis	54	199	39	71.357
Cavaretta, Chicago	55	207	41	73.353
Ott, New York	61	220	41	77.341

Home Runs

National—Lombardi, New York, 13; DiMaggio, Philadelphia, 11.
 American—Stephens, St. Louis, 11; Johnson, Boston, 8.

Runs Batted In

National—Olmo, Brooklyn, 54; Elliott, Pittsburgh, 48.
 American—Eiten, New York, 41; Johnson, Boston, 40.

Stolen Bases

National—Olmo, Brooklyn, 11; Barrett, Pittsburgh, 9.
 American—Case and Myatt, Washington, 14; Stirnweiss, New York, 10.

Pitching

National—Bowman, Cincinnati, 5-0; Cooper, Boston, 6-1.
 American—Christopher, Philadelphia, 11-2; Ferriss, Boston, 10-2.

Ruffing Rejoins Yankees on Road

NEW YORK, June 25.—Charley Ruffing, ace right-hander of the Yankees before he entered the service after the 1942 World Series, today signed a contract and left with the club on its western trip. Ruffing was recently discharged from the Army Air Forces.

Terms were not disclosed by Club President Larry McPhail, but the latter said: "In view of Ruffing's long service with the Yankees, we didn't haggle." Ruffing had been working out with the team the last two weeks.

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 1401-NBC Symphony 2115-Kate Smith
 1501-Beaucoup Music 2145-Navy Reporter
 1601-Baseball 2201-Pacific News
 1630-Strike Up Band 2206-Merely Music
 1701-Ignorance Pays 2301-One Night Stand
 1730-Reminiscing 2330-Guy Lombardo
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 1805-On the Record 0200-World News
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Births Folks at Home Send These GIs Swift News of Sir Stork's Arrival:

L. T. Harold R. Hipp, Birmingham—girl, June 13; Capt. William J. Price, Duncan, Okla.—girl, June 13; Sgt. Anthony J. Graine, Elmhurst, N.Y.—girl, June 13; Pfc George F. Fischer, Verona, N.J.—Carole Frances, June 14; Cpl. Sam Martorelli, Bayonne, N.J.—Judith Anne, June 14; Pfc Ira E. Jacobs, Brooklyn—girl, June 15; Capt. Divers, 346th Inf.—girl, June 15.

AAF to Use Okinawa As Base for Superforts

GUAM, June 25.—American troops on Okinawa continued their mopping-up activities today, while in Honolulu Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the AAF, announced that the vital island would be used as a B29 base, cutting more than 1,000 miles off the present Tokyo express from the Marianas.

Adm. Nimitz said today that the killing or capturing of 4,259 Japanese on Okinawa in the last 24 hours brings the total enemy casualties there to 109,755.

Up to Saturday night, the Jap dead numbered 101,853 and prisoners, 7,902, including 2,689 slave laborers. The original estimate of the garrison was 60,000, later revised upward to 85,000.

Arnold, who has just completed a tour of the Pacific, also declared that retention of Pacific bases is so important that "the fate of mankind may depend on it."

"I've come back convinced that we should have a bridge across the Pacific," Arnold said. "Otherwise, how will we ever be able to defend ourselves?"

Japs Concede Loss

Citing the success of the Superfortress, Arnold said that an enemy with a similar or improved plane "will be able to destroy our cities unless we have these bases."

He said that B29s will be "able to carry far more bombs and to run many more missions per airplane" from Okinawa. The present run from Tinian, Saipan and Guam to the industrial heart of Japan around Tokyo and Nagoya is about a 3,000-mile round trip. From Okinawa it is 1,800 miles both ways and only 325 miles one way to the southernmost island of Kyushu. Arnold added that Iwo Jima has already saved 1,100 Superfortresses as an emergency base.

The Jap radio, meanwhile, conceded the loss of Okinawa, saying that Lt. Gen. Mitsuri Ishijima, commander in chief of the garrison there, had "conducted the final offensive on the mainstay of the enemy, June 20." Nimitz had announced cessation of organized resistance last Thursday, June 21.

Army and Marine patrols were combing the rocky southern tip of the island for Jap garrison remnants, although some of the enemy sought to slip back into the northern end of the island. Soldiers took 972 Japanese prisoners in the last 24 hours.

Chinese Close on Liuchow

CHUNGKING, June 25 (AP).—Chinese forces striking toward Liuchow have reached a point six miles from the rail junction town, the Chinese high command announced today. Other Chinese forces were said to be fighting inside Liuchow, former American air base in southeast China.

'Haw Haw' Claims Reich Citizenship

LONDON, June 25 (Reuter).—William Joyce, the Nazi radio's "Lord Haw Haw," asserted he had been a German by adoption since 1940 at the opening of the Crown's case against him yesterday. Joyce is charged with high treason.

Most of the day was spent arguing about Joyce's status as a British subject, his solicitor contending the Crown could not prove him a subject inasmuch as Joyce had been born in New York City of an Irish father. A birth certificate was introduced in evidence.

Joyce was formally remanded to jail until Thursday when he will be committed for trial by the July sessions at Central Criminal Court.

Naval Congress, Groups Arrive in Chungking

NEW YORK, June 25 (ANS).—Six U.S. congressmen and a contingent of American naval personnel arrived in Chungking today, according to a BBC broadcast monitored here. Names and the nature of the mission were not mentioned.

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funds for Norway and Italy to "prevent disease and unrest" during the period of "military responsibility."

Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy told the committee that the Army had vital interest in Italy because U.S. troops are still stationed there and that the stability of the Italian nation was essential to peace.

Crowley did not disclose the specific figures, but it is believed that Britain would receive the largest share of lend-lease for the war against Japan.

U.S. Paratroops Join in Attack On Luzon Japs

MANILA, June 25 (AP).—Hundreds of veterans of the U.S. 11th Airborne Div. descended on rice paddies near the northern Luzon port of Aparri, Saturday and swung south to join the final battle for Cagayan Valley, where an estimated 20,000 Japs are trapped.

Commanded by Maj. Gen. Joseph M. Swing, the paratroops made contact with guerrillas already in the area and the combined force quickly captured Lal-lo, a town 11 miles south of captured Aparri and only 53 miles north of Tuguegarao.

Tuguegarao, capital of Cagayan Province, still was held by another guerrilla force despite three days of savage enemy counter-attacks. Its occupation cut the Japs' last 60 miles of territory in northern Luzon in two.

Land Without Opposition

Meanwhile, the 37th "Buckeye" Div. drove north up the Cagayan Valley to aid Col. Russell W. Volckmann's Tuguegarao defenders. Saturday night the division was only eight miles away.

Gen. MacArthur announced Japanese dead and captured in the Philippines campaign now number 413,000. Last week 283 Americans were killed and 589 captured while 9,200 Japs were killed and 1,400 captured.

The Airborne troops landed at Damalaniugan airfield, four miles south of Aparri, without opposition. Field dispatches said the landing was made "with the precision of a practice maneuver."

To land supplies, jeeps and other equipment the paratroops used gliders for the first time in the southwest Pacific. Mobile radio equipment also was carried to aid the division's rapid push down the Cagayan.

Formosa in Ashes, Jap Radio Admits

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25 (UP). Tokyo radio admitted today that six months of systematic American air raids have demolished most cities of Formosa and sent residents fleeing to the hills.

With cities "reduced to cinders," the broadcast said, city dwellers have "dispersed and organized themselves into various combat formations to meet any possible emergency."

Domei News Agency said Gen. Ushijima apologized to the Emperor and the Japanese people the day before he and his forces made a final charge into American lines on Okinawa.

It quoted a message received June 19 as saying the Okinawa battle "turned out contrary to our expectations." Apparently Ushijima was given up for dead, since the Tokyo radio paid him tribute in obituary terms.

Eisenhower Returns to Capital For 'Social Call' on Stimson

By Jules Grad

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

WASHINGTON, June 25.—After blazing a 1,000-mile trail of glory through the Midwest, Gen. Eisenhower slipped into Washington today with a minimum of fanfare.

Here to confer with Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson in what an aide said would be a "social call," the general told photographers his arm was so tired from waving, it was about to drop off.

Each time the Supreme Commander's train stopped at tiny hamlets and teeming cities through Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania, cheering thousands gave him a typical American welcome and he returned their greetings with a wave.

At St. Louis this morning an estimated 1,200 jammed the city's Union Terminal to see Ike, his wife and his son, 1/Lt. John Eisenhower, walk a few steps from the Missouri Pacific to a flower-filled

Borneo Invaders Carry Wounded to Aid Station



Australian troops of the crack Ninth Inf. wade a stream on their way to an aid station carrying buddies wounded in Borneo.

3 AFs Hammer Borneo Port; Japs Fear Another Landing

MANILA, June 25 (AP).—Two U.S. air forces joined the Royal Australian AF yesterday in an assault on the southeast Borneo port of Balikpapan to prompt a Japanese warning that another landing on Borneo was in prospect.

As the Aussie invaders of Borneo drove down the island's north coast toward the Miri oilfields after taking those at Seria, more than 150 Liberators, Mitchells and Lightnings of the RAAF and the Fifth and 13th U.S. AFs dropped more than 200 tons of bombs on Balikpapan.

Tokyo radio said many Jap civilians had been evacuated from the off-hit sector, but warned that resident Japanese "without exception are poised to take up arms to annihilate the enemy should he land."

Enemy broadcasts, reporting heavy Allied warships also pounded Balikpapan, said landing attempts had been completely checked. Gen. MacArthur's report on Borneo operations did not confirm these assertions.

Little enemy opposition was encountered by the Australian Ninth Div. in northern Borneo, and the Japs apparently were withdrawing in the belief that they had inflicted maximum damage to the island's richest petroleum areas.

At captured Seria, potentially the richest oil area in the British Empire, the advancing Aussies found the oilfields ablaze, and at least 21 of the field's 50 wells still were burning yesterday.

Legal Experts to Confer On War Crime Trials

LONDON, June 25 (AP).—The conference of legal experts from the four major western powers will open tomorrow to plan trial procedure for the main Nazi war criminals. The U.S., represented by Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson, advocates a collective trial before a military high tribunal.

Storm Sweeps Carolina Coast

CHARLESTON, S.C., June 25 (ANS).—The center of the tropical hurricane sweeping up the Atlantic seaboard from the Caribbean passed 40 miles east of here early today and swung northeastward parallel to Carolina's beach resort area.

The Weather Bureau said the core of the storm would pass over or slightly east of the Carolina Capes and that strong winds from gale to full hurricane force would be felt from north of here to Hatteras.

Persons on low exposed beaches from Georgetown, S.C., to Cape Hatteras, N.C., where the coastline swings farthest eastward, were warned to be ready to move to higher terrain.

Moving at about 20 miles an hour, the storm lashed across Florida early yesterday without causing any great damage and swung northeastward. It passed along the Georgia coast without incident, but seaboard cities and towns reported high winds and heavy rains.

Charleston began to feel the first effects of the big blow shortly after midnight. The Weather Bureau reported gusts of wind up to 45 miles an hour. Winds measuring up to 70 miles an hour were reported near Savannah a few hours earlier.

Originating early last week in the western Caribbean, the storm followed nearly the same course across Florida as a hurricane last October which caused great property damage in the citrus section.

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manded the column which relieved Bastogne; Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker, 76th Inf. Div. commander; Maj. Gen. Frank A. Keating, 102nd Inf. Div. commander; and Brig. Gen. Julian M. Chappell, commander of the 15th Troop Carrier Wing of Ninth Troop Carrier Command.

Pittsburgh Fetes Generals

PITTSBURGH, June 25 (ANS).—The nation's steel capital put on one of the most spectacular shows in its history today to welcome 64 veterans led by Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Sixth Army Group commander; Gen. Joseph McNarney, American Mediterranean commander, and Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson, Ninth Army commander.

The veterans, who arrived in New York from Paris yesterday in five transports, came here after spending the night in New York. Pittsburgh gave them a 23-mile parade complete with an air show and artillery salutes.

S.F. Delegates Gather to OK World Charter

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—Delegates to the United Nations Conference gathered today in plenary session to vote formal approval of the world security organization charter in their last action here.

Tomorrow will mark the end of the conference, with President Truman addressing the delegates. The President was scheduled to arrive today from Olympia, Wash.

After voting approval of the charter, the delegates were expected to sign five official copies. Presses of the University of California printed copies of the official text in English, French, Russian, Spanish and Chinese.

No meetings took place yesterday, and most delegates took advantage of a warm, sunny day to rest and play at beaches and nearby mountain resorts.

It was believed that Italy would have to wait several months at least before being approved as a member of the world organization. While it was reported that the U.S. and certain other governments support Italy's entrance relatively soon, other nations which fought Italy and in some cases are still technically at war with her, maintain that a formal peace must be established first.

A place among the signatory pages of the charter for the eventual inclusion of Poland has been reserved by the steering committee. The action followed the U.S. and British announcement that they welcomed the Moscow statement about the agreement of rival Polish factions to form a Polish government of national unity.

Truman on Way To Close Parley

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 25 (ANS).—President Truman, his hopes pinned on early Senate approval of an international peace charter, brought his Pacific northwest vacation to an end today.

He was to fly to the Postwar Security Conference at San Francisco, stopping off in Portland, Ore., to visit the Portland veterans' hospital and tour the city.

Between times he will meet delegates of 50 nations who have been at work since April 25 drafting a formula under which it is hoped all men eventually may live in peace.

The President will fly the document to Washington after homecoming celebrations at Independence, Mo., Wednesday and Kansas City Thursday.

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commander of the 97th, hung captured flags and the division's banners on the railings of the troop transport Brazil, former passenger liner, as she neared Pier 84. "We were just on loan to the European Theater," Halsey said. "Our original job was to fight in the Pacific. Coming home is a nice interlude, but we will have to be moving on soon." The 97th was in Europe four months.

19 From Second Div. Leave

For U.S. as Advance Party

ASSEMBLY AREA COMMAND, Rheims, June 25.—Sixteen officers and three enlisted men of the Second Inf. Div. left here today from Camp Norfolk as an advance party to the U.S. The unit will go to the U.S. on its way to the Pacific.

The Second Div., which landed on Omaha Beach on D-Day-plus-one and fought its way to Czechoslovakia, arrived at the assembly area only two days ago for redeployment. It was the first division to enter Leipzig and is a veteran of five ETO campaigns.

Hot Meals En Route

U.S. soldiers traveling by rail to embarkation points will be served hot meals at "food stops" now being established along the principal routes in an effort to eliminate kitchen cars.

The "food stops" eventually will include the towns of Lerouville, Saarbrücken, Montigny-le-Roi, Saarguemines, Macon, Saarburg, Beaune and Joinville. Recreation halls, where free magazines, newspapers, radios, ping pong tables and medical attention will be available, also will be included at the "food stops."

Fifth Corps Going Home

PILSEN, June 25.—After more than three years in Europe and participation in five major campaigns, the Fifth Corps is going home.