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# 4,000 GIs Demonstrate in Frankfurt; 'Hunger Strike' Held by 3,500 on Guam

## Yokohama GIs in 'Near Mutiny'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (A.P.).—More than 3,500 EM and officers of the 315th Bombardment Wing, 20th Air Force, on Guam, staged a "hunger strike" last night against the demobilization slowdown, a Navy news dispatch reported today.

At the same time, in Yokohama, Col. Charles A. Mahoney, Provost Marshal of the Army Service Command there, said he broke up what he described as "near mutiny" of Eighth Army troops yesterday. The men greeted Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, with cries of "we want to go home."

Mahoney said he severely reprimanded the soldiers, but he denied using abusive terms as charged in a mimeographed throwaway, entitled "Discharge," circulated among the troops today. He charged a "lot of Communists and hot-heads" were stirring up the GIs.

The paper quoted Mahoney as saying: "If you want to go home, I'll take you home. I'll see you get to Yokohama prison. \* \* \* If you want lace panties, I'll get them for you. \* \* \* You are acting like a lot of G—D—babies."

### New Meeting Called

"Discharge" announced a scheduled mass meeting tomorrow in front of Eighth Army headquarters. Col. W. N. Todd, of the command's general staff, said he saw no reason why the meeting should be prohibited.

In Washington, War Department officials expressed the view that demonstrations by EM were definitely not acts of mutiny and any disciplinary action should be the

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## GI Saves Major Saw Beating

By Art White

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Maj. Richard E. LoBuono, former Lichfield Provost Marshal, today was picked out of a five-man officer lineup by Pvt. Theodore T. Taylor, Negro soldier of New Brunswick, N.J., as one of five men present when he was beaten into unconsciousness at the 10th Reinforced Depot stockade.

Later, Taylor pointed out Pvt. Arthur B. Duncan in an identification parade of 16 enlisted men, including all nine Lichfield guards awaiting trial, as one of the two guards who took him from his bunk for the beating.

Identification of LoBuono and Duncan brought to four the number so far identified as witnesses to the thrashing. A fifth man allegedly present has not yet been named.

Taylor yesterday picked out 1/Lt. Granville Cubage from an identification lineup of six officers as the second officer present at the beating.

Taylor declared that the other guard was not in the lineup, and, therefore, according to his testimony.

## 2-Headed Baby Dies At Birth in Virginia

NORTON, Va., Jan. 9 (AP).—A two-headed male infant was delivered by a caesarean operation performed last night at Norton General Hospital on Mrs. Viola May Matthews Brickey, 25. The infant was born dead.

Paris GIs March, Protesting End of Redeployment



An estimated 1,000 GIs staged a march in Paris Tuesday night protesting the end of redeployment. The procession proceeded down the Champs-Elysees in orderly fashion. (Other Picture page 8.)

## Byrnes Reveals Atom Accord

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP).—The U.S., Russia, Great Britain and Canada are in agreement on safeguards for atomic energy secrets under whatever control plan the United Nations Organization may set up, James F. Byrnes, U.S. Secretary of State, announced today.

After a conference with the American delegates, Byrnes said that as far as he knew the entire U.S. delegation found his views on atomic bomb safeguards acceptable.

Following Byrnes' statement today Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich.), leader of the group which had worried about possible Russian access to bomb secrets, declared that he was now "completely reassured."

With harmony restored to the American delegation, the decks were cleared for the opening session of the United Nations Assembly.

Five major issues, besides the atomic question, confront the organization. They are:

1—Selection of six small nations to sit on the Security Council, where permanent seats are held by the U.S., Britain, the

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## Troops Are Being Discharged 'As Fast as Possible'—Truman

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP).—Slowdown in the Army's rate of demobilization was attributed by President Truman to a "critical need for troops overseas." In a statement yesterday, he declared he was convinced both the Army and Navy were demobilizing "with commendable efficiency and

with justice to all concerned."

## National Phone Tieup Feared

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP).—With New York in partial cable isolation from the rest of the world for the second day, a strike today by more communications workers threatened to paralyze the entire telephone system in the U.S.

In New Jersey, more than 600 members of the Association of Communications Equipment Workers, with 6,000 members throughout the U.S., struck against the Western Electric Company, the first to go out in the threatened national strike.

A union spokesman said that picket lines around telephone exchanges in 42 states would be re-

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Taking cognizance of complaints in Congress about delays in return of troops and of demonstrations among troops themselves, the President asserted, "The armed forces have been reduced as fast as possible."

Slowdown in the Army's rate of demobilization, he declared, "is not arbitrary action, but an inescapable need of a nation in carrying out its obligation in this difficult and critical post-war period."

To satisfy himself that demobilization is proceeding with all possible speed, the President said he had made a new review of Army and Navy procedures.

"The Army has now released well over half the 8,300,000 men in service when the European fighting stopped," Mr. Truman's formal statement declared. "More than 4,750,000 men and women have

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## N.Y. Times Chides GIs in Manila

### Congress Also Blamed; Daily News Raps 'Brass Hats'

The Stars and Stripes Bureau  
NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Controversy touched off by the War Department announcement that redeployment would be slowed has become a leading topic for discussion for the press as well as for GIs.

The conservative New York Times devoted its principal editorial yesterday to a verbal spanking of soldiers who demonstrated in Manila and lambasted Congress, too, charging it with the responsibility for the furor.

The newspaper PM gave a sympathetic hearing to the protesting troops and carried an article by Dale Kramer, ex-correspondent for

Yank in the Pacific, which said that "GIs have blown their tops."

The New York Daily News features a piece this morning by Lowell Limpus, formerly a war correspondent in the Far East, blasting "callous brass hats" who look after their own comfort before those of the troops. Limpus saw them as the chief culprits.

All papers carried lengthy news accounts on the slowdown.

The New York Times editorial said, in part: "The first amendment to the Constitution guarantees all citizens the right to peaceably assemble and petition for a redress of grievances. Presumably 'protest-

ing' soldiers believe that they are only exercising that right.

"What is right and proper for a citizen in a democracy doesn't hold in these cases. The men in Manila and Le Havre are reverting without warrant to a civilian status. They are not yet civilians; they're still soldiers. What they have done is indefensible and they should be made to understand this. We are still in a state of war. No peace treaties have been signed.

"Without first-hand knowledge, it is impossible to visualize many minor reasons for discontent. These, however, are all relatively

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## Wacs Join Protest on Slowdown

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (A.P.).—Demonstrations against the slowing down of redeployment reached a theater-wide basis tonight when more than 4,000 soldiers and Wacs gathered in the bitter cold at the USFET headquarters compound.

"Why are men overseas being made goats while all rulings favor men at home?" one GI yelled from his lamppost platform over the milling, cheering crowd. With dramatic suddenness, mimeographed notices appeared in mess halls, PXs, on company bulletin boards and in the great I.G. Farben building—USFET headquarters—at noon, calling for a protest march beginning at 7 PM.

Army morale authorities said any meeting within the USFET compound would not be banned.

### 'United We Stand'

One of the notices said: "Do you want to go home? Then make your plans known. Join the protest march. Be there. It takes a demonstration to help us, we will give them one to remember. United we stand, divided we fall."

There was no indication where the notices originated, but distribution was widespread, extending to Red Cross clubs and other GI centers.

In Mourmelon-le-Grand, 20 miles from Reims, \$1,519.24 was collected at a mass meeting held last night at the 193rd Gen. Hosp. for the purpose of sending cables to columnist Walter Winchell and Sen. Elbert D. Thomas, chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, "to help us publish the facts of our case."

Spokesmen said an estimated 1,500 GIs and officers representing 37 outfits in and around Mourmelon showed up at the Army theater, and approximately 500 had to be turned away.

### Men Called Idle

The cables charged that although "the Army insists that there is a necessity of getting rid of surplus property before we can go home, in the areas around Verdun, Reims, Suippes and Soissons numerous units have done nothing since V-E Day."

"In the camps, men have laid around doing nothing. Thousands of us have done nothing for months except to be transferred from one unit to another," the cables, sent today, said.

Money poured in at the meeting in francs, marks and even American dollars. Largest of the contributions—\$200—was made by a chaplain, who said that officers could not speak out but were nevertheless backing the GIs, because they want to get home too.

### 45-54-Pointers Involved

Chairman of the carefully-planned demonstration was Sgt. Sydney Katz, who was helped by T/5 Russell Stern, T/3 Hans Grimms, T/5 Arthur M. Daggett, Cpl. Arvin Schrader and T/4 Sam Alterman; all of the 193rd.

Point scores of the demonstrators range from 45 to 54. They said in their cable that they had been "waiting impatiently for our higher point comrades to leave so that we would follow when our time came. Now it appears that we don't count at all."

At Camp Philip Morris, several hundred members of units of the 84th Inf. Div. today marched to camp headquarters and sent a delegation to the Le Havre POE center in order to get the "straight dope" on an alleged radio report that was said to have stated that

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Rockettes Kick Back

Our feelings have been hurt and we were grieved when we read in The Stars and Stripes of Jan. 3 the inaccurate reports regarding the members of our Radio City Rockettes company who remained in Paris on New Year's Day.

The references to drunken parties were unfair.

This is the true story that should have been printed:

There was confusion at the last moment as to whether or not the movement was canceled. We were given permission either to go to Le Havre at once, or to remain in Paris awaiting further orders. Our ship was delayed a week because of storms, so those of our company who went to Le Havre had to return to Paris again to wait. We don't think this is the first time a ship was delayed in the ETO.

When the company assembled at 4 AM New Year's Day, we were all present to receive our passports and orders. No one was drunk, but we were all tired. There were no AWOLs.

The writers of this letter attended the Opera until 11:30 New Year's Eve. Then we went to Notre Dame Cathedral, hoping to hear a midnight mass, but we were disappointed.

This is the first unfair publicity we have had since coming overseas and we hope this note will help correct the bad impression people have received from the printed stories.—The Radio City Music Hall Ballet.

Hits Patton Obituary

There are still enough warm-blooded soldiers in the ETO to deplore the feeble and perfunctory article published in S and S, 22 Dec., on Gen. Patton.

We naturally expected this sort of an obituary from the jackals of the press, that have been hounding this great soldier. That sort never forgives or forgets, but I always supposed The Stars and Stripes was published by soldiers and tried to reflect the soldier's sentiment.

We who loved and trusted Gen. Patton object to your digging up, the very day of his death, the few allegations that have been made against him. This is no time for hair-splitting praise in an Army paper for a great soldier and a most gallant gentleman. You haven't helped us to bear our grief.—Lt. Plimmer, Inf.

BPO Could Use Plumbing

In "Army Talks," 25 Nov. 45, page 24, there is a picture of a display of surplus plumbing fixtures. The display had been fixed up by an engineer depot at Alizay, France. These items would have been just the things we needed when we fixed up our base post office, but we could never get any at all.

We chased all over Germany to pick up whatever fittings we could get. We had to take whatever German houses had to offer; we could get none from the Army. Our requisitions always came back marked "not available."

Some of that surplus could be taken off Army hands by this outfit if it can be let go to Americans. Or must all "surplus" be liquidated by giving it to European countries?—Forgotten Plumber, 25th Base PO.

Hits Medical Supply Waste

The waste of medical supplies in this theater is both unnecessary and undesirable. Here's how it works and how it can be stopped.

Medical detachments come to staging areas burdened with huge quantities of blankets, litters, plasma, sulfadiazine and other items. These are dumped on staging area dispensaries which have neither use for them nor the transportation facilities to move them to a depot—if one could be found that would accept medical supplies.

With UNRRA and civilian medical agencies critically short of almost everything, some means should be provided for picking up and distributing these supplies which no Army facility seems to want. Most of the important items like plasma, bandages and sulfa drugs are expendable and therefore not subject to inventory.

A setup for distributing medical supplies, similar to Ltr. USFET AG 005-AGO 1 Dec. 45, which provides for the distribution of Christmas toys, should be put into effect to turn over to UNRRA, civilian medical agencies or anyone who needs them the medical supplies and equipment jettisoned by units on their way home.—W. W. Weisberg, Capt. MC, Ninth Field Hosp.

Two Famous Estates Considered As Permanent UNO Home



These two estates are being considered as possible permanent homes of the United Nations-Organization. At left is the ancestral home of the late President Roosevelt at Hyde Park, N.Y., and at right is a view of the Ruth Cutten estate at Ridgefield, Conn.

Vienna Girls Shedding Wehrmacht Mates

VIENNA, Jan. 9 (AP).—More than 8,000 divorce suits have been filed in the Vienna civil courts since July, most of them by Viennese women who married Germans and have now decided they do not want to be Germans after all. Many of the women do not

really want to give up their husbands, but they prefer that to being shipped to Germany. When the war came, there was a rush for marriage licenses, the local girls being eager to wed German troops who had moved into their country in 1938 and courted them.

The German high command helped things along by making "long-distance" weddings possible. Many of the Viennese girls thought this very romantic. Now, however, the Viennese wife of a German is regarded as a German and finds herself unable to hold a job, forced to

obtain a permit to live in her home town, and faced with the prospect of being sent to Germany to make her way as best she can. She therefore looks for a divorce lawyer, hoping to regain her Austrian citizenship by shedding her husband.

American Forces Network

Table with columns for Time, TODAY, and TOMORROW, listing various radio programs and their broadcast times.

GI BILLBOARD

Paris Area MOVIES TODAY MARGNAN—"Love, Honor and Good-bye." Virginia Bruce, continuous 1400-2300. Metro Marbeuf. ENSA PARIS—"Diamond Horseshoe." Betty Grable, Dick Haymes. Metro Marbeuf. OLYMPIA—Midnight show, same as Margnán, Metro Madeleine. STAGE SHOWS ENSA - MARGNAN—"French Ballet." Ballet International, French Folk Dances, Bohemian Feast, France 1900. MISCELLANEOUS PX Fountain SHOP—Adjacent to Main PX at Rue de Provence and Rue du Havre. Open daily except Sunday 1300-2130. Malted milk, ice cream, sundaes, beer. PX BARBER SHOPS—12 Rue de Seze (opposite Rainbow Corner), weekdays 0800-2000, Sunday 0900-1700, with beauty parlor, 146 Champs-Elysées, 0900-1900 weekdays only, with beauty parlor, 48 Avenue Kléber, 0900-1900 weekdays only, no beauty parlor. COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers. LE PRADO CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Ternes or Etolle. ARMORIAL CLUB—Officers and guests only, 14 Rue Magellan. Metro George V. OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment RIC 64-41. Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Metro Bourse. COLUMBIA ARC CLUB—Dance at 2000 2 Rue de L'Elysee. Marseille CAPITOLE—"Man Alive." Pat O'Brien, Ellen Drew. Nancy SHOWTIME—"Confidential Agent." Charles Boyer, Lauren Bacall. Le Havre STEERING WHEEL—"And Then There Were None." SELECT—"Mildred Pierce." PHILIP MORRIS—"Magic and Music."

Barkeep Accused of Slaying Rich Aunt, Pal and Aunt's Pup

French police yesterday arrested Edouard Berthet, 42, proprietor of a fashionable bar, and charged him with murdering his rich aunt, killing his friend and hanging his aunt's dog, the United Press said.

Berthet's aunt, Marie Veullot, was found dead, hanging in a closet, Dec. 20. On Jan. 3 the body of Antoine Conte was found on a roadway between Puisseau and Orleans.

Berthet contended that Conte killed his aunt and that he killed Conte for revenge. Police, after making inquiries and finding valuables worth 300,000 francs in the apartment of Berthet's mistress, charged that Berthet and Conte hatched the plot and executed the Veullot crime together.

Police said Berthet killed the dog because it licked his hands after the murder of its mistress. It was found hanging in the bathroom.

Largest Crowds Since '17 Worship On Russian Yule

MOSCOW, Jan. 9 (UP).—Worshippers celebrating the Russian Orthodox Church's Christmas crowded cathedrals and churches yesterday in probably the largest numbers since the 1917 revolution. The crowds included hundreds of youths and Red Army officers in contrast to pre-war years, when most of the worshippers were women and elderly persons. Patriarch Alexis conducted services in Yakokhovskiy Cathedral here before a congregation which overflowed into a compound.

Navy Troopship Towed Into Port

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9 (ANS).—The crippled Navy troopship St. Mary's, returning 1,866 servicemen from Okinawa, was towed into port here Sunday after a five-day battering by heavy seas and gales. Disabled by burned-out bearings 490 miles off the California coast, the St. Mary's was towed by the cruiser Nashville to the Golden Gate, where she was taken over by a Navy tug for docking.

Australia to Take Part In Peace Settlements

SYDNEY, Jan. 9 (AP).—"Australia will now be afforded a full opportunity of participating in both European and Pacific peace settlements," Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, declared yesterday. He added, however, "unfortunately, all the good results achieved in Washington by the Far Eastern Commission are now threatened by the proposal of the Moscow foreign ministers' conference to give each of four nations—the United Kingdom, U.S., Russia and China—the individual right to veto the decisions of the commission of eleven nations."

Peace, Brother By Jerry Callahan



JERRY CALLAHAN "It's not so bad here, once you get used to the chicken."

Sadist Slaying Trial Is Set

Dr. Maurice Petiot, who is accused of committing 27 torture murders, will be brought to trial early in March, according to Fernand Gollety, French High Court prosecutor.

Gollety revealed to the United Press previously unknown details of the sadistic Rue Lesueur slayings in which refugees seeking escape from occupied Europe were lured into a torture chamber where the fashionable doctor watched their death agonies through a peephole.

Police believe that there were at least 63 victims, but during a 15-month investigation it has been possible to identify only 27.

Petiot attracted the refugees to his home with promises to enable them to escape to America. In this way they carefully covered their traces, and when relatives did not hear from them they assumed that they had made good their escape. The doctor estimated he had cleared 50,000,000 francs in fees paid by the victims.

Ammo Train Blast Laid to Booby Trap

MARLBOROUGH, Jan. 9 (AP).—A German booby trap may have touched off last Wednesday's ammunition train explosion, it was intimated at an inquest into the death of eight victims.

Col. G. C. H. Heron, commander of the central ammunition depot at Corsham, told the Wiltshire coroner that at the time of the blast two trains were being loaded, one with German and American and the other with British ammunition.

"We have all heard of booby traps and that is what we are assuming at the moment," he added.

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**A Storm Makes an Impression**



GIs survey storm damage to the cruiser Portland after it docked and discharged 1,000 soldiers in New York. Two GIs were killed and 22 were injured by the storm on the Atlantic crossing.

**The American Scene**

**N.Y. Parade, Largest Since War I, To Be Strictly GI, With Helmets, ODS**

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (ANS).—The 82d Airborne Div. was undergoing last-minute preparations at Camp Shanks this week in preparation for Saturday afternoon's Victory Parade down Fifth Av. More than 13,000 men, 200 vehicles and two tank companies from Fort Knox, Ky., will participate in the parade, biggest Army procession since the First Inf. Div. parade at the close of World War I. The 82d, 13th Airborne and Fourth Inf. Div. bands will participate in the parade, which will begin at 1 PM at Washington Square and proceed up Fifth Av. to 86th St. The uniform for the victory parade will be strictly GI—with steel helmets, ODS and weapons.

Washington has launched a drive against suspected typhus-laden rats estimated at more than a million strong. U.S. Public Health Service officials said the typhus control program in the capital city would serve as a gauge for similar drives in other cities.

IN Wichita, Kan., Charles Wingrove, who served under General Grant in the Civil War and witnessed the surrender of General Lee, celebrated his 101st birthday anniversary Sunday. Wingrove was born at French Creek, Va., Jan. 6, 1846, and enlisted for the Civil War at the age of 16.

**Hoover Blames War-Time Delinquents for Crime Wave**

A crime wave which might rival that of the "roaring twenties" is now threatening the U.S., but wartime delinquents, rather than returning war veterans, are responsible. J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Bureau of Investigation, said at Miami Beach.

Hoover said souvenir weapons brought home by GIs are being obtained and used in crimes of violence. He urged veterans to keep these weapons out of the hands of black-marketeers who sell them to hoodlums.

The new town board of Brodhead, Ky., has invoked a 10 PM curfew for business houses in an effort to quell a wave of lawlessness which has taken three lives within a week.

The board, however, has met with financial difficulties trying to obtain two new town marshals to replace one who was slain and another who resigned.

HERE is a comforting thought: The OPA announced in Washington that metal beds which have not been produced for civilians since 1942, will come back to retail stores at March, 1942 prices.

THE first postwar taxicab to reach New York was on display this week at the Packard Motor Car Co., but police regulations bar its use as a replacement for the city's weary taxi fleet.

Regulations require that taxis be able to carry five passengers, all seated in the rear and separated from the driver by a partition. The Packard model seats two of its five passengers beside the driver who is within a plexi-glass compartment.

**Newlyweds Have 3 Chances in 5 for Lasting Marriage**

Starry-eyed couples applying at the marriage license department of the county clerk's office in Salt Lake City have three chances out of five for a lasting marriage, according to the ratio indicated by divorces granted and wedding licenses issued in 1945.

The last half of last year saw 303 interlocutory divorce decrees issued in third district court while 2,021 hopeful pairs walked out of the city and county building with marriage permits. During the first six months, there were 1,611 licenses issued against 635 divorces, making a 12-month total of 3,332 weddings and 1,438 divorces.

MICHIGAN is planning one of the most ambitious highway construction programs in the nation. Already completed are plans for projects to cost \$17,165,000 and planning of additional projects, estimated at \$105,839,000 is on the drawing board.

Figures compiled by the Public Roads Administration place Michigan fourth among all states in highway construction proposals. New York ranks first, Ohio second and Georgia third.

**Atomic Energy for Commercial Use in 3 to 5 Years**

Use of atomic energy for specified commercial purposes within three to five years was forecast at an annual meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers in Detroit.

Based on the progress that has been made in studies of commercial uses for atomic energy, it seems possible that it can be utilized for power in large stationary plants and transport units, such as ships, possibly super-sized aircraft of the jet-propulsion type and rockets, according to Dr. John Ray Dunning of Columbia University.

Dr. Dunning said he saw no evidence that atomic energy can serve for motor vehicle propulsion, however, as there must be five to 10 feet of space allowed as protection against radiation.

**Tornadoes, Floods in South Kill 15, Injure 50, Leave Hundreds Homeless**

Tornadoes and floods left 15 dead, more than 50 injured and hundreds homeless in Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee and Louisiana, as heavy rains sent rivers pouring over their banks.

Whole towns were isolated as flood waters covered highways, railroads and tore out communication lines. Weather Bureau officials issued new flood warnings for

lowland areas. The heavy rains were accompanied by heat-wave temperatures throughout the South.

Red Cross headquarters in Atlanta reported six deaths at Carrollton, Miss., and three at Sunflower, Miss. Both towns were hit by tornadoes.

In Hickman County, Tenn., swelling waters burst two Tennessee Valley Authority dams on the Duck River and destroyed two power substations and two houses.

Nearly 50 families were homeless at Villa Platte, La., after the town was struck by a tornado, and cyclonic winds badly damaged the business district of St. Martinsville, La.

At Amite, Miss., more than 100 families were homeless after a tornado leveled homes, and Dayton, Tenn., was isolated by rising waters of Richland Creek.

An estimated 600 were without shelter in southeastern Kentucky, suffering from its worst flood since 1929. The Cumberland River was still rising, imperiling towns and cities.

Flood waters washed away four bridges and overran lowland farms at Gainesville, Ga.

Meanwhile, the Big Bend country of southwest Texas reported the heaviest snowfall on record as the death toll in five east Texas counties mounted to 30 from last week's tornadoes. Property damage was set at \$2,600,000.

**Navy Pardons Negro Sailors**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (ANS).—Forty-seven of the 50 Negro sailors convicted of mutiny, following the explosion at Port Chicago, Calif., in July, 1944, have been restored to duty, the Navy said yesterday.

Similar action has been taken in the cases of 36 Negro sailors convicted on charges of a "riot" growing out of disturbances on Guam in December, 1944.

The Navy said the conduct record of one of the Port Chicago prisoners did not warrant consideration for clemency. The other two not restored to duty are in the hospital, and their cases will be considered upon their release.

Under the terms of their probation, the men were assigned to active duty, and if they keep their records clear during the period of probation, they will become eligible for discharge under honorable conditions at the conclusion of their period of enlistment.

**Fabric Navy Released Will Help Clothe Vets**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (ANS).—Nearly 1,000,000 yards of rayon fabric declared surplus by the Navy will be made available for lining 500,000 medium-priced men's wool suits, it was announced yesterday. Linings have been a bottleneck in the clothing shortage, which has been a problem for ex-GIs.

**Janitor, 65, and Wife Seized In Slaying of Kidnaped Girl**

CHICAGO, Jan. 9 (INS).—The 65-year-old janitor of the building where Suzanne Degnan's body was dismembered was taken into custody today by police for questioning about the kidnaping and murder of the six-year-old girl.

He is Hector Verburgh, white-haired and father of six. Police seized him in the apartment building in which parts of the child's body were found.

After hours of questioning, Verburgh maintained his innocence, saying that he knew the girl by sight, but knew nothing about the crime. "Why should an old man like me kill a little girl?" he asked.

Arrested with him was his wife, Mary, whose purse yielded \$7,688 in cash when she was booked. Both were given lie-detector tests and

**Black-Market PX Nylons Turn the Marines' Faces Red**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP).—The Marines have landed—in the OPA spotlight—and the situation is out of control.

Col. Edward R. Hagenah, Marine Corps public-relations officer, acknowledged "with a very red face" that a post exchange in nearby Arlington County, Va., had been selling nylon hose at three pairs for \$10—about twice the OPA ceiling.

In a statement the Marine said: "The hosiery was obtained by the post exchange at the express request of Marine Corps officers returning from overseas and wishing to give nylon hosiery as Christmas gifts. Three hundred pairs were purchased from an individual in New York.

"The purchase price was \$10 for three pairs. The hosiery was sold to officers and men who ordered it for the exact price paid by the post exchange."

The OPA ceiling limit is \$1.65 a pair. Henry Stein, chief counsel of OPA's war-goods division, conceded that the Marine officer who purchased the hose was legally clear because the PX is exempt from OPA regulations, but said civilians who sold the nylons to the PX were "really in hot water."

**Held as Nazi Spy**



S/Sgt. Frank Hirt of Petaluma, Calif., is held at Hamilton Field, Calif., on charges of espionage for the Germans. Authorities said Hirt admitted membership in the Nazi party.

**Western Ports Will Ship PWs**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (INS).—The War Department announced today that thousands of German and Italian war prisoners now held in Western states would leave from the West Coast for their homelands to save train space for returning American veterans.

Trains which cannot be used to return American troops will move about 1,650 German PWs from Wyoming and Colorado to a port of embarkation at Seattle. The Army Transportation Corps plans the movement of an additional 6,650 Germans from Greeley and Camp Carson, Colo., to a POE at Los Angeles.

Some 4,500 Italians now in California and Utah are scheduled to return to Italy by way of San Francisco.

**Court Rules For Jehovah's Witnesses**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (ANS).—The Supreme Court balanced ownership rights against freedom of religion yesterday and held, five to three, that Jehovah's witnesses might pass out literature in company towns and Federal villages just as in ordinary municipalities.

A blunt-spoken minority opinion by Justice Stanley F. Reed called it "novel constitutional doctrine," Reed added:

"This is the first case to extend by law the privilege of religious exercise beyond public places or to private places without the assent of the owner."

He was joined in his opinion by Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone and Justice Harold Burton.

The majority opinion by Justice Hugo Black declared that residents of company-owned towns, "just as residents of municipalities, are free citizens" and "to act as good citizens they must be informed. In order to be properly informed their information must be uncensored."

He was supported by Justices Frank Murphy, William O. Douglas and Wiley B. Rutledge, with Justice Felix Frankfurter writing a special concurring opinion.

**Two U.S. Archbishops To Fly to Rome Session**

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 9 (AP).—Archbishop John Glennon of St. Louis and Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York will fly to Rome to attend the papal consistory beginning Feb. 18, Mgr. John R. Cody, Chancellor of the Archdiocese, said yesterday.

**Gives Birth to Son**



Film Actress Dorothy Lamour gave birth to a six-pound eight-and-one-half-ounce boy yesterday in Hollywood. Both mother and child were reported to be doing nicely. The father, William Ross Howard, is stated to have paced the floor in the best traditions of fatherhood. He was discharged as a major from the Army Saturday. The boy is to be named John Ridgely Howard.

# Palestine Jews Storing Food as Strike Looms

## Jews Move to Protest Immigration Stoppage

### 10-Day Walkout Is Set; Arab Leaders Confer Today

LONDON, Jan. 9 (Reuter).—Jerusalem housewives today rushed to buy all available food stocks, following a warning that a 10-day strike of all Jews in Palestine would be called, it was reported today.

Planned as a protest against the stopping of immigration, the strike may threaten the country with large-scale Jewish civil disobedience. It is believed the strike will start soon after the beginning of conferences among Arab leaders, which open tomorrow.

Arab leaders said they were not prepared to accept any further Jewish immigrants unless an equal number of Jews already in Palestine were returned to Europe simultaneously.

#### Arabs Reported Intransigent

It is expected that the Arabs will refuse to reconsider their opposition to admittance of 1,500 Jews monthly, a figure promised under the Bevin declaration.

At the same time it was revealed that resolutions pressing for free Jewish immigration in Palestine will head the agenda for the 45th annual meeting of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, which opens in London, Jan. 26.

Resentment is expected against "the fact that the government has allowed the 1939 White Paper, which has neither legal nor moral validity, to continue into the postwar era, thus condemning Jewish survivors in Europe to further misery and degradation on the scene of their people's agony and death."

Editorially, the leading Conservative newspaper Yorkshire Post said today that the Anglo-American Commission of Inquiry on Palestine "should convince opinion in the U.S. that... there is the political problem of ensuring that justice for Jews shall not mean injustice for Arabs."

The newspaper maintained that the British policy "has not been weak and unfeeling, as some critics have alleged."

#### Arabs Urge Enforcement Of Boycott on Jewish Goods

JERUSALEM, Jan. 9 (UP).—The Arab Higher Committee today requested strict compliance with the Arab boycott on Jewish goods.

A statement issued to the Arab population of Palestine said: "You must strictly observe your national duty. Don't use Jewish buses or taxis. Don't go to Jewish restaurants, bars or cinemas. Don't buy in Jewish shops."

#### Witness of Hitler Will Is Arrested by British

BAD GODESBERG, Germany, Jan. 9 (Reuter).—Gen. Nicholas von Below, third and probably only surviving witness of Hitler's private will, was arrested here today by British security officers.

The former Luftwaffe aide-de-camp to Hitler had been living under an assumed name almost within a stone's throw of a security-division headquarters.

Von Below, Martin Bormann and Dr. Paul Josef Goebbels were the witnesses to the Fuehrer's will.

## First Underground Hotel Open In Stuttgart Air-Raid Shelter

STUTTGART, Jan. 9 (AP).—The first of a network of underground hotels which soon will honeycomb the foundations of Germany's ruined cities was recently opened here.

It is called the Bunker Hotel and is built in air-raid shelters beneath this city's shattered Rathaus Square. Entry is down a narrow flight of stone steps and through a thick steel door. There is a spacious lounge inside, with chairs and tables grouped beneath palms which spread their leaves beneath the low concrete roof.

A smart blonde receptionist shows visitors to their narrow cell-like rooms, each furnished with a built-in wooden bunk, a collapsible table,

a wooden stool and pegs for hanging clothes. The charge is five marks nightly, with an extra four to five marks for meals. Supper consists of soup, potato salad and a sweet. Breakfast is fresh white rolls, butter and ersatz coffee.

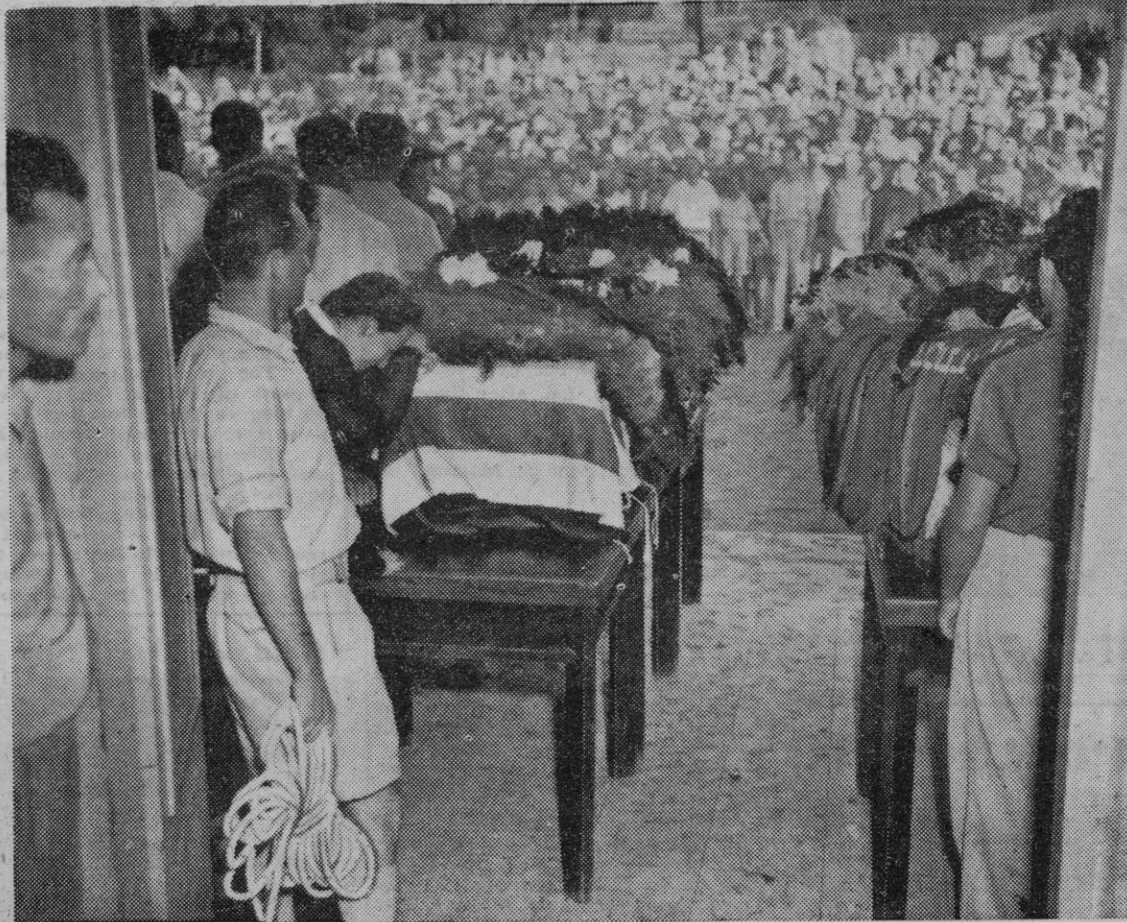
At present there are 80 guests, but new sections will be ready for opening soon. Other cities, including Frankfurt and Kassel, are expected to follow shortly.

None of the bunker hotels will bear street signs, since all are assured of a clientele without advertising their whereabouts.

"The trouble is to keep guests out—not to get them in," the receptionist explained.

## Holy Land Violence

Funeral services are held for Joseph Rosenberg, 34, and Joseph Adato, 17, who were killed by British troops and police in disturbances at Givat Hayim, Palestine. Isaak Tabenkin, one of the early leaders of the collective-settlement movement, delivers the funeral oration. Six others were killed in the Holy land clash.



## 1,000 Bandits, Carabinieri in Palermo Battle

ROME, Jan. 9 (AP).—A full-scale battle between 1,000 "bandits and Sicilian separatists" and a large force of Carabinieri and regular army troops was reported raging fifteen miles from Palermo today. The newspaper Il Giornale Del Mattino said that, after 24 hours of fighting with grenades, mortars and machine guns, an "outlaw band" was encircled on a craggy hilltop.

#### Economic Disorders Increase

Meanwhile, political tension fraught with economic disorders increased throughout Italy on the eve of the first Consultative Assembly since the government of Premier Alcide de Gasperi was formed a month ago.

The 400-member advisory group, presided over by Count Carlo Sforza, will tackle the critical questions of the powers of the forthcoming Assembly, and whether the Italian people should decide by direct referendum or through elected representatives whether they want a kingdom or a republic.

The Assembly also will debate whether voting shall be made compulsory in Italy's first free elections in a generation. Local elections are expected to begin in March, with general elections to the Assembly to follow at a date not yet fixed.

The debate will be the first serious test of de Gasperi's new six-party coalition government.

#### Report New Violence

Meanwhile, reports from Calabria and Cosenza said that new violence had occurred.

A Catanzaro (Calabria) dispatch to Libera Stampa said a group of unemployed stormed public buildings shouting for "bread and work."

A Reggio (Calabria) report to Italia Nuova said that political tension was increasing there, and reported that the mayors of Spezzano and other towns had been ousted in an uprising by unemployed persons.

In Rome, 500 unemployed demonstrated in front of the President's palace, and the tax-office employees went on strike.

#### Arrest Bombing Suspect

The arrest of Giovanni Gribaldi, charged with placing a gas bomb in the headquarters of the Communist party on Christmas Eve, was announced by Rome police.

The bomb exploded while Palmiro Togliatti head of the Italian Communist party and other party leaders were in the building.

The head of the political section of the Rome police quoted Gribaldi as saying that he sought revenge because the Communists refused him financial aid although he was a member of the party.

#### Swiss Trains Run to Italy

BERN, Jan. 9 (AP).—Switzerland was connected with Italy and France by train for the first time since the war today when the Simplon Orient Express began operation between Paris, Venice and Rome.

## Belgian Parliament Dissolved, Marine Score Cut to 45 Feb. 1

BRUSSELS, Jan. 9 (AP).—The Belgian Parliament was dissolved this afternoon at the request of Prime Minister Achille Van Acker following an extraordinary meeting of the Socialist Cabinet.

This is a sequel to a series of Cabinet meetings. The official reason given by the present administration is that it does not wish to take full responsibility for voting the 1946 budget without first consulting the nation.

General elections are expected to take place Feb. 17. The opposition Catholic members of Parliament protested loudly this afternoon after Van Acker had read the decree dissolving Parliament, alleging that the procedure was illegal.

Van Acker stated that the dissolution was justified by the fact that disagreement had sprung up in the Cabinet. He gave no explanation on the nature of the disagreement, but reliable sources believe that differences have arisen between Socialists and Communists over wages.

## Seek Model GIs For Occupation

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (AP).—The Army will start combing its European ranks for a group of "model men" to comprise armed constabulary which Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, European Theater commander, recently announced is due to take over the brunt of occupation duties July 1, USFET announced yesterday.

In outlining qualifications for 38,000 men being sought for constabulary training starting in March or April, USFET set these tentative requirements:

"Enlistees, insofar as possible; height not less than 5 feet 7 inches; weight not less than 140 pounds; vision good without glasses; build well-knit, strong, erect and well-proportioned; condition strong, tough, enduring; reactions quick; mentality stable; judgment good; tact and character excellent; with loyalty, co-operativeness, conscientiousness and adaptability."

## Athens Strikers Return to Jobs

ATHENS, Jan. 9 (AP).—Striking street car, railway and power-plant employees in Athens and Piraeus returned to their jobs today after reaching a truce with the government over demands for increased wages.

A communique issued by the Federation of Electrical Workers said the strike would be suspended until the return of Vice-Premier Emanuel Tsouderos from financial talks in London.

Premier Themistocles Sophoulis predicted that further labor unrest would be agitated by the leftist political coalition in an attempt to compel the inclusion of EAM elements in the government.

## Gas Rationing Ends In Belgium in April

BRUSSELS, Jan. 9 (AP).—Petrol rationing is to end in Belgium in April, according to an announcement by the Ministry of the Interior today.

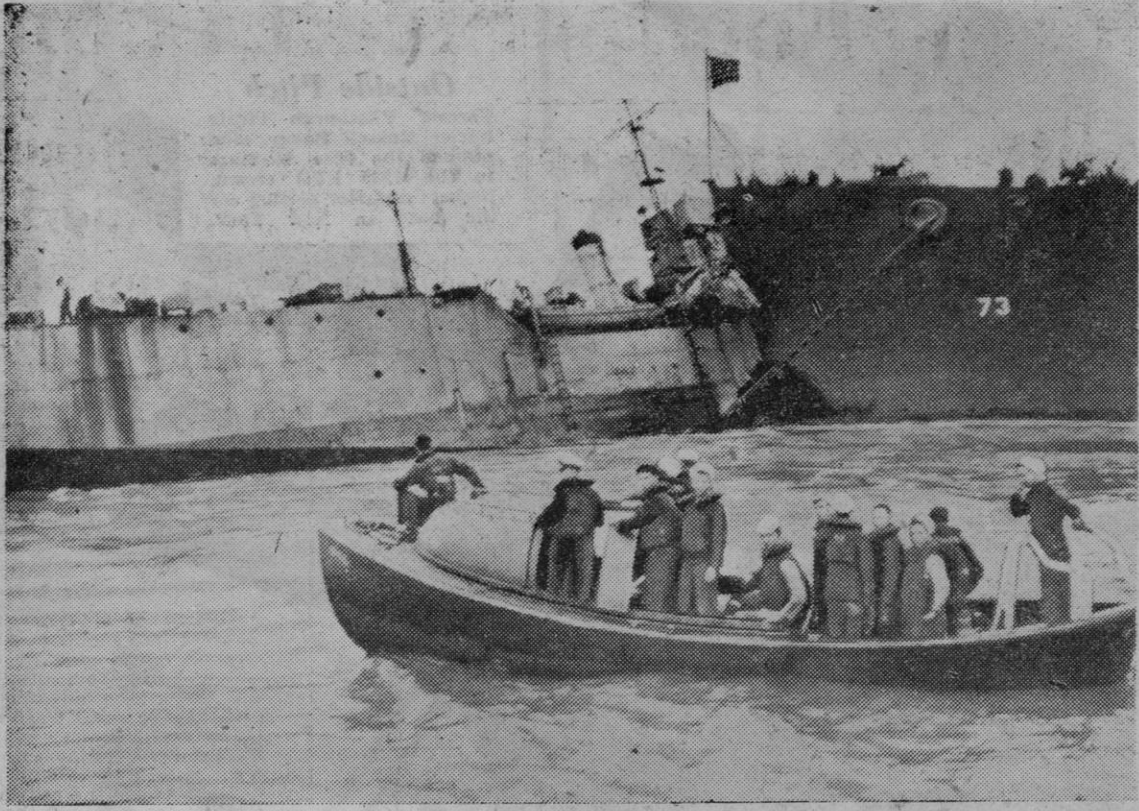
The statement added that all restrictions on motor traveling would end within three months. This is attributed to steady imports and the building up of large petrol stocks.

## Marshall Welcomed in China



Gen. George C. Marshall, U.S. Ambassador to China, is received by Generalissimo and Mme. Chiang Kai-shek on arrival in Chungking.

**It's Bang on the Whangpoo as Cruiser Smacks a Jap LST**



The U.S. heavy cruiser St. Paul suffered superficial damage in the Whangpoo River where a former Japanese LST, captured by the U.S. Navy and turned over to the Chinese, got in her way near Shanghai.

**Stocks Boom on Madrid Exchange As Spain Hears King May Return**

MADRID, Jan. 9 (UP).—New rumors of plans for a royalist restoration in Spain today sent stock prices soaring on the Madrid exchange, with gains of five to 18 points by government bonds and industrial shares.

Spanish royalist circles in Lisbon deny reports that an agreement on the restoration of the monarchy already has been made between Generalissimo Francisco Franco and Don Juan, pretender to the throne. These circles declare that Don Juan has only "sounded" the pretender's attitude.

Spanish Republicans in Lausanne, Switzerland, are reported to have declared that Don Juan will not conclude a pact with Franco or agree to continue his policies in any way.

In the meantime, Foreign Minister Alberto Martin Artajo confirmed reports that Don Juan would have permission to land in Spain for refueling on a flight to Portugal. He is visiting Portugal to enable his wife to see her father, Infante Carlos, whom she has not seen for 10 years, Artajo said.

**Anti-Franco Forces Joining In Support of Exiled Leader**

MADRID, Jan. 9 (AP).—Monarchists continued confident here today that Don Juan, pretender to the Spanish throne, would go to Portugal for talks to further a possible restoration of the monarchy in Spain.

Against this background of intrigue abroad, there were indications that the clandestine movement within Spain was making a new and determined effort to consolidate itself for an eventual trial of strength with El Caudillo. Reports described the movement as lining up solidly behind the Giral government in exile.

The latest evidence of increasing support for Jose Giral was an announcement in the Communist party's illegal mimeographed paper, Mundo Obrero, that the "Supreme Committee of National Union" was being dissolved. The Supreme Committee has claimed to represent all leftist forces and segments of rightist and Catholic factions.

It was believed here that the dissolution would leave the Communists free to merge with the Democratic Alliance formed early last year by the Socialists, Anarchists and Left Republicans. This merger would, in turn, open the way for inclusion of Communists in the Giral government, it was felt.

Meanwhile, Foreign Minister Martin Artajo told Spanish newsmen that "it has been possible to prove with all certainty that Spain was absolutely neutral" during the war. Artajo said this was proved "despite the rigorous and critical examinations to which documents found in the chancelleries of the defeated nations have been subjected."

**Flyer Killed in P47 Crash**

WIESBADEN, Jan. 9.—The death of a P47 fighter pilot in a crash in a river northeast of Bremen Thursday was disclosed today by USAFE headquarters. The name of the flyer is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

**Stop Criticizing Policy, Reich Politicians Told**

STUTT GART, Jan. 9 (AP).—Certain German political leaders were warned bluntly yesterday by Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, chief of the American Control Council, to stop criticizing U.S. international policies.

His warning was issued at the monthly meeting of council presidents of three areas in the U.S. zone. Later, at a press conference, he explained that he referred to leaders of the Social Democrat party, who had criticized the U.S. policy of destroying German war factories.

**Clay Explains Policies**

Although pointing out that the right to express opinions was essential to democratic processes, Clay said: "For the present, and until democratic processes are established, we cannot permit criticism of international policies determined for the good of Germany." "Some political leaders have voiced such criticisms recently. We prefer that you minister-presidents take steps on your own initiative rather than that we must take such measures."

A minister president proposal that known Nazis be traded "head for head" for prisoners of war being held in the French zone was turned down by Clay, who said it was impossible under terms of the Geneva Convention. No legal basis had been found, he added, by which Nazis could be made to work as PWs, but "I would be happy to approve such action" if it could be done legally.

**Hits Black Market**

The existence of an extensive black market in Germany has been uncovered by American investigators, Clay said, and the German nutrition status was actually higher than Group Control Council statistics showed. He urged that the ministers turn in accurate figures and curb black-market activities.

The German police force was being equipped with pistols and carbines to control lawlessness, he explained. They will be authorized to enter displaced persons camps, accompanied by American MPs, to hunt for criminals.

**Countess to Be Key Witness**

NAPLES, Jan. 9 (AP).—A beautiful brunette Italian countess, Massi Iliana Alberti, will be among the key witnesses called by the prosecution in a trial opening today to give evidence against four Nazis. The prisoners are accused by the Allies of killing five American and two British soldiers.

The countess comes from the Bolzano area of northern Italy, where the defendants are alleged to have executed the Allied prisoners in March, 1945.

She was interned in a concentration camp by the Nazis for helping Allied airmen who had been shot down. She was released by the Allied Fifth Army and later became the wife of Maj. Richard Lewis, who now heads the north Italian section of the War Crimes Commission.

A German baron, Arnold Franchetti, musician and composer, has agreed to act as court interpreter. He is a grandson of the Baroness Rothschild and fled from Germany during the war because the Nazis considered him to be a Jew.

**Belgians Reported Seized**

BRUSSELS, Jan. 9 (AP).—Repeated escapes of Belgian collaborators from an internment camp at Bourg-Leopold are worrying the authorities and causing discontent among the population of the province of Limburg.

**Gibraltar Was Franco Goal In '40; Germany Was to Help**

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NUREMBERG, Jan. 9.—Long bothered by the Damoclean sword of Gibraltar, Generalissimo Francisco Franco in 1940 indicated to Hitler that Spain was ready to undertake an attack on the British fortress.

This ambition of the Axis satellite was mentioned in notes recording a meeting of Joachim von Ribbentrop, the late Count Galeazzo Ciano and Benito Mussolini, it was disclosed at the Nuremberg war-crime trial today.

In order to prevent failure, however, Germany was to have provided Spain with "special troops equipped with special weapons, and a few squadrons of planes."

At the meeting, Ribbentrop announced that Hitler had carefully examined the Gibraltar problem from a military point of view and had come to the conclusion that "conquest of the Rock was absolutely possible, but only when and if the Spaniards were given assistance."

The incident of the attack on Gibraltar, which was never realized, was planned in proposed agreement between Von Ribbentrop and Spanish Minister Serrano Suner for a declaration of war by the Falangist state against Great Britain and her allies.

**Spain to Pay Debt To Italy in Trade Refugees Infiltrate U.S. Zone in Berlin**

MADRID, Jan. 9 (AP).—Spanish Foreign Minister Martin Artajo disclosed yesterday that a Spanish-Italian trade treaty providing repayment of Spain's civil-war debt to Italy by an exchange of goods would be signed in Rome today.

Martin Artajo told diplomatic reporters he was optimistic over Spain's future relations with other countries.

He said he thought the height of the campaign against the regime of Generalissimo Francisco Franco carried on by "certain political sectors" in other countries had passed.

BERLIN, Jan. 9 (AP).—Most of the 2,000 Polish Jewish refugees who fled from the Russian sector of Berlin to evade evacuation into the Soviet occupation zone elsewhere in Germany are believed to have infiltrated into the American sector of Berlin.

Unofficial reports said several hundred of them have entered the American boroughs of Wannsee and Kreuzberg.

Jewish sources confirmed this, but added that none was in government facilities.

**Fun Goes Begging at Alpine Resort**

By Robert Marshall  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

CHAMONIX, France, Jan. 9.—Nearly 500 ETO soldiers were missing out on a good deal today—a week-long vacation in this famous winter sports resorts on the slopes of Mont Blanc, close to the Swiss and Italian borders. The vacations were offered free, compliments of the people of France. GIs simply weren't on hand to help themselves to a good time.

Four big hotels awaited the soldiers who never came. A staff of Red Cross girls were on hand, as well as guides, ski instructors and dozens of comely French girls. Yet most of it was going to waste. A tiny group of 47 soldiers and one French war bride arrived

Sunday. Nine more GIs came in late last night.

The customer shortage is not new at Chamonix leave center, according to its director, Lt. Col. Richard Newman. The four hotels set aside for soldiers, can accommodate 554 guests. This week's total was 57. Last week 137 showed up. A week earlier 58 appeared.

The lack of patronage pleases neither leave-center personnel nor the French, who, through the Franco-Allied Goodwill Committee, are footing most of the bill to make the Alpine vacations available at no cost to American soldiers and their wives.

COFBA has made urgent requests to USFET headquarters in Frankfurt to help get full quotas of vacationers to the winter playground each week. Their spokesmen

point out that COFBA funds are intended to provide French recreation for Allied troops in appreciation for the country's liberation.

If GIs don't care to come to Chamonix, COFBA will use its funds for some more attractive project. Army officials say weekly quotas for vacations at Chamonix are being sent to major commands. The difficulty seems to be in getting quotas filled.

Some of the men who did make it to Chamonix this week said they thought some unit commanders were reluctant to let men go on leave because their organizations were at low strength.

The Chamonix Leave Center is slated to operate until Apr. 15. Beginning Jan. 15, the entire quota will go to units in Germany.

**Nancy Quits Marigny, Says Romance Is Over**

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 9 (AP).—Nancy Oakes de Marigny said yesterday that she had separated from her husband, whom she upheld during the trial in which he was acquitted of murdering her father, Sir Harry Oakes, in Nassau.

Nancy said there was no bitterness but the romance was over and she was considering a divorce either in Mexico or in the U.S. De Marigny is now in Montreal.

The countess recently was reconciled with her family, she said, and will inherit the bulk of the \$26,000,000 family fortune from which she was cut off following the trial.

**Gun-Running, Smuggling Are Rife in Sweden**

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 9 (Reuter).—An abundance of food and consumer goods, together with a strong currency, have made Sweden a smugglers' headquarters.

With Finland and Norway barren of rations and harried by inflation, even the most stringent frontier controls and currency-export regulations have failed to stamp out the smuggling and black-market rackets.

Heaviest traffic is over the Gulf of Bothnia separating eastern Sweden from western Finland, where one Swedish crown will buy five times as much as its legal equivalent in Finnish marks.

**Gun-Runners Active**

Gun-runners in small boats cross these waters at night with cargos of pistols, rifles and even machine guns which have been kept in hiding by Finnish militarists, who are counting on a coup against the Paasikivi government and its conciliatory policy toward Russia.

In Sweden, weapons are traded on the black market for butter, tobacco, silks and other goods. Smuggled back across the Gulf of Bothnia, these goods are sold to restaurants, hotels, shops or private persons for high prices.

Every train between Norway and Sweden has one or two compartments fitted out as dressing rooms. Norwegian travelers are made to undress and submit to a minute search.

**Women Worst**

Customs officers say women are the worst offenders. They have even discovered Swedish bank notes and pieces of jewelry hidden in the hair of Norwegian women travelers.

The convenient Copenhagen-Malmo ferry, which links Denmark with Sweden, is the route used by Danish smugglers taking into their own country much-needed Swedish clothes and tobacco.

One favorite trick of smugglers operating on this frontier is to wear old suits going to Sweden, jettison them at Malmo and return in new ones. They sell them at prices which cover the cost of the old suits as well as the new and show a handsome profit. Women smugglers go to Sweden barelegged and return in silk stockings.

Generally Scandinavian officials believe that the problem will solve itself in the course of normal international trade, but in the meantime the problem is to catch offenders without causing undue inconvenience to genuine travelers.

**Wehrmacht Man to Hang For Slaving U.S. Flier**

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (UP).—Clemens Wiegand, former German Army sergeant and active Nazi party member in pre-war years, will hang tomorrow afternoon in Bruchsal prison in Heidelberg for shooting an unarmed American soldier prisoner in 1944.

The prisoner was Anthony B. Martin, whose plane was shot down near Frankfurt.

Wiegand was first sentenced to be decapitated, but this later was changed to hanging.

# Bobby Feller Signs For 1946; Believe Salary Tops \$40,000

CLEVELAND, Jan. 9 (ANS).—Bobby Feller fixed his signature to a Cleveland Indians' contract yesterday and although no salary terms were made public it was a safe gamble that the former Van Meter, Iowa, farmboy would be the Major League's highest-paid pitcher in 1946.

The famous fireballer was known to be seeking about \$40,000 for the season's work and there was every indication that he received that sum and perhaps a mite more. He drew \$40,000 in 1940 and about \$30,000 in 1941, his last season before joining the Navy.

For the first time in six years Feller's contract does not call for a bonus based on Cleveland attendance. "The management and myself decided that a straight salary would be the best for everyone concerned," Bob said. "This year I will be taking my regular turn on the mound and not be held back for a big attendance game. That's only fair to the other pitchers and to the entire team."

## Aberdeen Wires Offer To Tony Cuccinello

ABERDEEN, S. Dakota, Jan. 9 (ANS).—Joe Flaten, acting president of the newly-organized Aberdeen team of the Northern League, today said that he had wired Tony Cuccinello an offer to become manager of the club. Cuccinello, released last Friday by the Chicago White Sox, said that he was looking for a coaching job in the Major League or a managerial post in the Minor League. Flaten did not disclose the contents of his telegram.

## Lon Warneke Signs As Coast Official

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9 (ANS).—Lon Warneke, former Chicago Cubs pitcher, has signed to umpire in the Pacific Coast League this year. President Clarence Rowland said yesterday. Warneke, given his unconditional release by the Cubs last fall after a successful National League career expressed a desire to get back into the majors as an umpire.

## Sears Discharged from Navy

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP).—Catcher Ken Sears, who last caught for the New York Yankees in 1943, has been discharged from the Navy and will report at spring training camp in Florida, the Yanks said yesterday. Sears, son of former umpire Ziggy Sears is the sixth catcher the Yanks now have on the roster.

## Basketball Results

### Last Night's Basketball Results

By Associated Press

**East**  
Westminster 52, Geneva 44

**South**  
North Carolina St. 44, Davidson 41  
Alabama 44, Georgia Tech 37  
Greensboro Ord. 62, Wake Forest 44  
Tulane 55, Southwest Louisiana 43

**Midwest**  
Illinois Tech 73, Illinois St. 53  
Miami 62, Ohio Wesleyan 56  
Ohio 58, Muskingum 51

**Southwest**  
Southwest U. 63, Southwest Tex. T. 37  
Far West

Idaho 55, Oregon 46

## 30 Colleges After Ex-Illini Star, Buddy Young

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Jan. 9 (ANS).—Claude (Buddy) Young, sensational former Illinois University halfback who starred the past season with the Fleet City, Calif., Bluejackets, disclosed today that about 30 colleges were after his services but "I like Illinois and UCLA." Young, who is working out with the Illinois track team, expects to be discharged from the Navy in April and then will make up his mind where to resume his college career.

He played only his freshman year at Illinois where he was named All-Big Ten halfback and nominally would have three more years' eligibility. However, he said that UCLA had promised him a lucrative job if he would attend school there.

## Verolini Captains NYU Eleven

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (ANS).—New York University's football team next fall will be captained by Ray Verolini of Fitchburg, Mass. The selection of the sophomore guard was announced at the annual gridiron banquet.



### Outside Pitch

Former Pittsburgh Pirate hurler Russell Bauer, who pitched the Oise All-Stars to the 1945 ETO crown, limbers up after getting off the boat in New York.

# Mahaffey Leads AHL Scoring Race

## Customers Shoulda Stood in Bed

DETROIT, January 9 (INS).—The main scheduled bout at the Arena Gardens in Detroit did not come off last night because middle-weight Eddie Taylor overslept.

He weighed in and went home with instructions to go to bed. His manager discovered that Taylor had taken these instructions literally when he went to his home.

The young Detroit boxer did not wake up until too late for the fight.

Promoter Orville Godfrey announced to 2,031 fans present that they would receive their money back.

Taylor was to have met Charlie Hayes, also of Detroit, in the latter's second bout since leaving the Navy.

## Pressed Closely By Tied Trio

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 9 (AP).—Johnny Mahaffey, with 46 points, remained atop the American Hockey League individual scoring race during the past week, figures released at league headquarters showed, but he was being pressed closely by a quartet of rivals, three of whom were deadlocked only a point behind him.

Murdo McKay of the Buffalo Bisons, provided the week's fireworks climbing from eighth place into a tie for second with Wally Wilson of Pittsburgh and Paul Courteau of the New Haven Eagles at 45 points. McKay was credited with three goals and six points. Norm Larson of the Eagles collected seven points for the week, raising his total to 44.

## U.S. Hockey Hoop Approves Playoff

ST. PAUL, Jan. 9 (AP).—The board of directors of the U.S. Hockey League yesterday approved a post-season playoff series modeled after that of the American Hockey League.

The teams ending the season in first and third places and those in the second and fourth berths will play a four-out-of-seven series, with the winners to meet later in a similar event.

## Chicago Cardinals Sign Oklahoma Aggies Star

CHICAGO, Jan. 9 (AP).—Fullback Jim Reynolds, who starred for Oklahoma A and M in its Sugar Bowl triumph over St. Mary's, has signed a contract to play with the Chicago Cardinals football team next fall, the club announced yesterday.

Reynolds, who rejoined the Aggies last season after three years in military service, joins Pat Harder, former Wisconsin star and Doug Renzel of Marquette in the Cardinals' potential 1946 backfield.

## Shortage Looms For Sports Gear

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP).—Sport in its post-war upsurge will have to pinch along for some time "on whatever it can scrape together" in equipment.

Persons in the Civilian Production Administration familiar with the athletic equipment outlook said there will be "no flood of sports gear" on the market until late in 1946 or early in 1947.

This condition is attributed to industrial troubles and a lingering shortage of materials which has delayed production in many lines.

The principal bottlenecks are in textiles and natural rubber, only small amounts of which can now be used to manufacture athletic equipment. Shortages also exist in wood and steel.

## Mike Signs Five-Year Contract With Garden

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP).—Mike Jacobs got back from his Miami vacation Friday in time to sign a five-year contract to promote fights at Madison Square Garden.

This is Mike's longest promotional agreement with the Garden since he first began putting on his beak-busting shows in the big Eighth Ave. sports arena back in 1937. His current contract, a three-year agreement, runs until June of this year.

## Hits at Cage Gamblers

EAST LANSING, Mich., Jan. 9 (ANS).—In a move to eliminate possible attempts by professional gamblers to learn the scores while the games are in progress, the Michigan State College sports officials disclosed that they had tightened up on telephone calls to the college's basketball pressbox.

## Flyers' Ice Ace To Lose Right Eye

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 9 (AP).—Physicians here said yesterday that defenseman Eddie Brown of the St. Louis Flyers hockey team "will have to lose his right eye."

Brown's eye was "severely lacerated" Sunday when he crashed into the boards and wire at the New Haven Arena after he and Bob Davis of the New Haven team skated after a loose puck during a game in which the Flyers defeated the Eagles, 7-5.

## Named to Arkansas Post

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 9 (ANS).—John Barnhill will be the new head football coach and athletic director at the University of Arkansas effective shortly after Jan. 1. Barnhill has been serving in a similar capacity at the University of Tennessee. He succeeds Glen Rose.

# Postwar Survey Indicates Aussies Will Top Net World

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP).—A survey of the postwar world indicates that Australia is due to rule the international roost for a number of years or at least until the United States or some other nation can produce a new crop of outstanding players.

The Aussies, with Jack Bromwich and Adrian Quist still going strong and several promising younger stars, headed by Denny Pail, coming along, appear almost a cinch to defend the Davis Cup successfully in the first postwar challenge round this year at Melbourne.

As for France and Britain, which are expected to meet for the European Zone title and the right to play the winner of the American Zone—doubtless the United States—in the interzone final, word from the other side is that both countries will have to start virtually from scratch.

Just a Little Bit South of North Carolina



Center Bob Paxton (No. 4) of North Carolina goes after a loose ball as Frank Mangiapane (No. 7) and Marty Goldstein (No. 17) of New York University close in on him. North Carolina came out on top 43-41, in a Madison Square Garden tussle.



# British Lose Reich Cargoes To Hijackers

BRUNSWICK, Germany, Jan. 9 (AP).—Reports that British trucks bound for Berlin with much-needed supplies were being halted and looted along a 100-mile stretch of the Autobahn through Russian territory to the capital have brought a British Army of the Rhine order limiting Berlin traffic to the hours of daylight.

British patrols stationed on the frontier at Helmstedt said there had been reports of truck drivers being forced to stop and give up their loads. Usually trucks fall prey to gangs of highwaymen at night when they break down along the lonely Autobahn. Also fast staff cars and scout cars have been reported fired upon in the darkness.

The order provides that only brigadiers and above can sign authority for emergency night travel and that passengers will be armed. Vehicles' registration numbers will be checked entering the Autobahn and transmitted to its other end. Vehicles will be timed, and any not arriving within a reasonable period will be subject of an organized search. No female passengers can be taken.

Traffic posts at Helmstedt and on the outskirts of Berlin will stop vehicles intending to proceed through the Russian zone if the hour of departure is such that they are not likely to reach the traffic post at the farther end in daylight, the order added.

# Shipping Delay Slows 23,000

By Joe Harvey  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9.—A backlog of 23,000 troops who were scheduled to sail for the United States in December has been carried over into January on account of shipping delays caused by "unusually severe weather last month," Colonel R. W. Mayo, USFET G-3 Redeployment Branch, said today.

The troops are being moved out as rapidly as shipping becomes available, Mayo said. "Shipping scheduled by the War Department," he explained, "was adequate to completely clear all personnel alerted to sail in December. Unusually severe weather from mid-December so increased turnaround times on all vessels as to make maintenance of schedules impossible."

The delayed troops, he emphasized, will not be affected by the new redeployment plan announced last week. "Sufficient shipping," he said, "is now scheduled for January to accommodate the planned shipment of personnel plus the carry-over from December."

As evidence of what he termed "unprecedented violence of the storms," Mayo cited the troopship Athos II, the cruiser Augusta and other ships which suffered storm damage and delay.

The Athos, he said, had to put in at the Azores to undergo extensive repairs.

The Augusta had to return to port at Southampton after being one day at sea. Mayo estimated it would be Jan. 20 before the storm-damaged ship could be repaired.

The battleship Washington, the cruisers Portland, Savannah and Reno and the aircraft-carrier Enterprise required four additional days to make the crossing to the United States because of the storm.

# World's Richest Prince Wants Corridor to Sea

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP).—The Nizam of Hyderabad, said to be the richest prince in the world, plans to ask for a 100-mile corridor through Madras to give Hyderabad a way to the Bay of Bengal, the Daily Express said yesterday.

According to the Express, the proposal would give Hyderabad the port of Cocanada, fourth largest on India's east coast, as well as the minor port of Masulipatam.

# New Disciplinary Center To Open in U.S. Zone

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer  
FRANKFURT, Jan. 9.—A new U.S. Army disciplinary training center will open Feb. 1 near Wurzburg in south central Germany, to replace other disciplinary centers closing down that month. The new center, with accommodations for 2,500 men, will be commanded by Col. Merritt E. Olmstead of Lawton, Okla.

## Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features



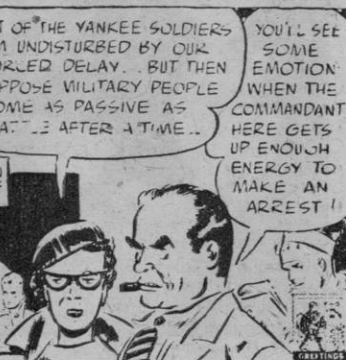
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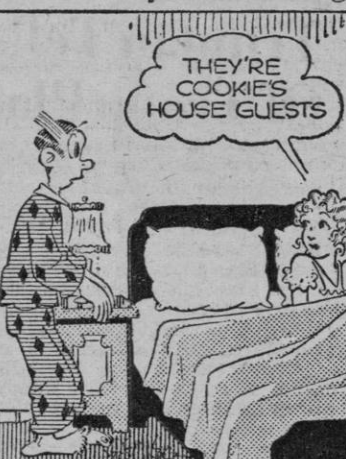
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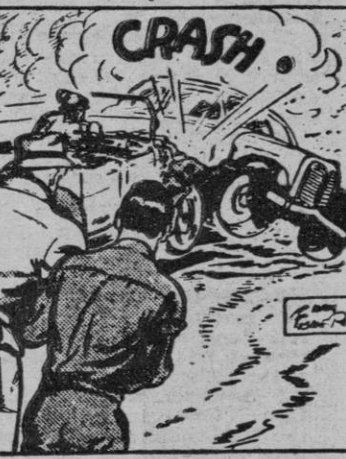
## Blondie

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## Joe Palooka

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## FLC Has Surplus Beer To Sell-Overseas

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP).—The Foreign Liquidation Commission has offered for sale 830 long tons of beer declared surplus aboard ship on the high seas.

The buyer of the brew must use it, or otherwise dispose of it, in some foreign country. The Surplus Property Act prevents the return of overseas war surpluses to the U.S.

The beer is included in one of three ship cargoes originally destined for use in the Pacific, but now declared surplus by Army and Navy. FLC Commissioner Thomas B. McCabe invited bids on all three cargoes by Jan. 10.

## China Bandits Reported Shot as Collaborators

CHUNGKING, Jan. 9 (AP).—A Canton dispatch reported that four notorious bandit chieftains who collaborated with the Japanese forces during the occupation of Kwantung province were executed Friday by order of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's branch headquarters at Canton.

## British, French Ratify Pact on Tangier Status

French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and British Ambassador Alfred Duff Cooper have exchanged ratifications of the Franco-British accord for re-establishing the international status of Tangier, the Associated Press reported yesterday. The accord was signed Aug. 31.

## Burning Cat Explodes Powder Keg; 1 Killed

PISA, Jan. 9 (AP).—A burning cat set off a powder keg which killed a young woman and left her husband and son in a critical condition here. The accident occurred when sparks from the fireplace set the cat's fur afire and the cat dashed to the cellar, where the Germans had left the powder keg.

## First Execution Since 1892

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 9 (AP).—The first death sentence passed in Denmark since 1892 was carried out with the execution of a 34-year-old Fleming, Helweg Larsen, for collaborating with Germans.

## Italian War Ministry Puts Dead at 134,220

ROME, Jan. 9 (UP).—Italian war dead totaled 134,220, the Italian War Ministry announced last night. Of 580,000 men interned in German concentration camps, 33,000 died. Other casualties included 130,576 wounded and 124,000 missing.

## Explosive Cargo Shifts, But Ship Makes Port

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 9 (AP).—The Liberty ship Henry D. Thoreau, which radioed a distress call nine days ago after its cargo of bombs became loosened while she was 420 miles off the Azores, put into Charleston harbor yesterday. The Thoreau left Naples Dec. 16 and ran into rough weather off the North African coast.

# N.Y. Times Chides GIs; Daily News Scores Brass

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 minor. Basic reasons... lie primarily in Washington. It is now seven months since Germany capitulated and four months since the white flag was run up in Tokyo. But Congress has yet to pass, or even seriously consider, a comprehensive plan for our future military establishment.

"Let parents who are anxious to have their veterans home turn the heat on Congress instead of the Army and the Navy headquarters. That is where the basic fault lies." Kramer, on the other hand, had this to say in PM: "Soldiers don't demonstrate as they did in Manila except under great provocation. They blew their tops because they have been contemptuously and stu-

pidly lied to until they are mentally incapable of standing it any longer." Pointing out that he himself had spent several months trying to get home from the Pacific after becoming eligible, Kramer said that the situation had come to a head because:  
 "1—Many men involved long have been eligible for release and know many men with fewer

points who are now civilians.  
 "2—The Army has carried on a long war of nerves by means of unkept promises ranging from failing to abide by its own discharge system to the issuance of nerve-wracking misinformation on shipping.  
 "3—Soldiers are 'enraged and humiliated' by the civilian's willingness to accept at face value

the Army's rosy picture on demobilization.  
 "4—Use of American ships, supplies and men in the Dutch East Indies and China was known in the Far East long before the news was forced out in this country. Before fighting a war, soldiers think that Washington ought to have the courtesy to tell them what it is all about."

## Paris GIs End March at the U.S. Embassy



American soldiers wound up a protest march Tuesday night in front of the U.S. Embassy. Speeches asked for clarification of redeployment policy.

## Court Told of Nazi Plan To Share British Lands

NUREMBERG, Jan. 9.—Britain's colonial possessions were to be divided equally among the U.S., Germany and Japan in the event that America did not enter the war, former German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop told Japanese Envoy Hiroshi Oshima during a meeting in Berlin on Nov. 28, 1941, according to a document introduced in court here today.

The document consisted of diplomatic messages sent by Oshima to Tokyo and intercepted by U.S. Navy monitoring stations. The account carefully chronicled Ribbentrop's statements.

Ribbentrop revealed that "the island empire of Britain may remain, but all her possessions throughout the world will probably be divided three ways by Germany the U.S. and Japan.

"Germany," said Ribbentrop, "has absolutely no intention of entering into any peace with England. We are determined to remove all British influence from Europe."

**Without Sanding—Perhaps**  
 Discussing the proposed campaign against England, Ribbentrop declared Britain might fall without an actual landing operation being conducted against the island.

Reporting on the British political scene the one-time German champagne salesman told Oshima: "We believe that all is not well within England herself. We hear that there is a split within the ranks of the Conservatives, that Churchill's influence is on the wane, that Bevin, chief of the Labor party, is advocating revolutionary measures. All of these are tending to make the preservation of order there increasingly difficult."

Broaching the subject of the proposed declaration of war by Japan against the U.S., Oshima asked Ribbentrop if he was aware whether "a state of actual war is to be established between Germany and the U.S."

**Roosevelt 'A Fanatic'**  
 Ribbentrop answered curtly: "Roosevelt is a fanatic, so it is impossible to tell what he will do."

Opening the individual case against former German Generals Wilhelm Keitel and Alfred Jodl, the British prosecution produced a military credo issued Apr. 19, 1938, by the high command of the German armed forces.

The document was in such a secret category that only three copies had been prepared.

"Declaration of war is no longer necessarily the first step at the start of a war," the document read. "Normal rules of war toward neutral nations may be considered to apply only on the basis of whether the operation of these rules will create greater advantages or disadvantages for warring nations."

## National Phone Tieup Feared

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 spected by 263,000 members of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, forcing a complete telephone blackout.

As the cable strike went into its second day, New York was cut off telegraphically from the rest of the U.S. and had only half of its normal cable links with the rest of the world. The strike, affecting 7,000 Western Union employees, cut business and newspaper communications all over the world.

In Washington, government wage and price administrators and their staffs conferred at length on the possibility of granting price concessions to the steel and meat-packing industries in time to avert strikes in those industries which are scheduled for next Monday and Wednesday.

A spokesman for the House Labor Committee said compromises were being studied on that part of the Administration's fact-finding legislation which would force industry to show its books and on the President's plan to prohibit strikes during the 30 days of fact-finding.)

## 4,000 Protest in Frankfurt

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 all 60-pointers except those with VD, bad time, hospitalization or who had re-enlisted had been cleared from the ETO.

At 16th Port Headquarters in Le Havre the delegation, including officers, spoke with Col. W. J. Deyo, deputy port commander, who was said to have assured the men that speedy shipment of their unit was planned, contingent upon shipping.

No confirmation of the radio report or its source could be obtained, but the delegation's interview with Deyo turned into a general complaint session.

One complaint the men had, in addition to the radio report, was that there were more men in their units with high points than in other outfits which had sailed previously. Point range of the units was reported to be 56 to 64, with many going as high as 69.

## 100th Div. Men Contribute 30,000 Francs for Wires

By Joe Mackey  
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer  
 MARSEILLE, Jan. 9.—Men of the 100th Inf. Div., now at Calas Staging Area, have contributed

## Swede Savant Doubts Russian Super Bomb

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 9 (AP).—A report that Russia has developed a super atom bomb "seems fantastic," Sweden's foremost atomic scientist, Professor Manne Siegbahn, said today.

The report came Monday from Dr. Raphael Armatov, employed in a Londonderry (Ireland) biology-research center, who said some of his associates, who were affiliated with Russian scientific groups, told him of a Russian atom bomb the size of a tennis ball which makes the Anglo-American bomb "obsolete."

Siegbahn, skeptical of the purported bomb's small size.

## 'Hunger Strike' Held on Guam

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 responsibility of field commanders.

On Capitol Hill, where Congressmen attacked the Army's demobilization program and called for a more democratic setup within the armed services, Rep. R. Ewing Thomason (D-Tex.), ranking member of the House Military Affairs Committee, said his committee would start investigation Monday.

**Seek Hearing**  
 Meanwhile, in Manila, a soldiers' committee declared that it was prepared to show that post VJ-Day military and shipping operations in the Philippines represented an uneconomic waste.

Sgt. Emil Mazey of Detroit, chairman of the mass meeting at Batangas, said he had requested Sen. James M. Tunnel (D-Del.), of the touring Senate Committee on Demobilization and Surpluses, to hear his story.

He said, as an example, the Liberty ship John Martin started from the east coast with a load of now-obsolete bombs in April, 1945 but didn't unload at Batangas until November.

Mazey reported that soldiers at Batangas already had collected more than \$5,000 with which they sent cables to Congressmen in Honolulu.

About 1,500 soldiers staged a noisy protest meeting last night in front of Lt. Gen. Robert Richardson's headquarters. Some of the demonstrators carried signs reading, "Bust Patterson to private."

## Truman Tells Of Troop Plan

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 passed through separation centers."

Out of a peak strength of 3,500,000 men, the President said, the Navy has returned close to 1,250,000 to civilian life, while the Marine Corps has discharged more than 183,000 of nearly 486,000 men. He added that the Coast Guard, with 160,000, has demobilized over 74,000.

"These numbers are staggering when you consider what they mean in ships, in extensive staffs required to carry out processing before discharge and in rail transportation sufficient to carry these soldiers, sailors and Marines to their homes once they reach our ports," the statement went on.

"The wonder is not that some of our soldiers, sailors and Marines are not yet home, but that so many are already back at their own firesides," he said.

Earlier, the President had declined to discuss the demobilization situation at a news conference.

### Other Opinions

In his statement, Mr. Truman also outlined opinions on other subjects, asserting:

1—The U.S. will not recognize new governments in Central Europe unless they are achieved through free expression of people at the polls.

2—Any operations of the Atomic Energy Commission as it affects the U.S. would be subject to Senate approval.

3—Concerning economic-labor problems, there will be some slight increase in the price of steel. (He declined to comment on whether such an adjustment will prevent the scheduled national steel strike set for Monday.)

### UNO...

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Soviet Union, China and France.  
 2—Election of a secretary general.

3—Trusteeships.

4—A decision on whether the problem of refugees should be considered immediately.

5—Final selection of a U.S. home for the new world league.

(Experts estimate that within about a month UNO, with all its branches, covering world security, economic and social conditions and trusteeships, will be a working concern. Debate on the major issues is not expected until the preliminary constituent process is completed within the Assembly's first week.)