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NORTH & WEST: Partly cloudy with showers, Max 64, Min. 48; SOUTH & EAST: Partly cloudy with showers, scattered showers, Max. 69, Min. 44; BERLIN: Partly cloudy, morning fog, few showers in p. m., Max. 64, Min. 45; BREMEN: Same as Berlin, Max. 62, Min. 44.

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One Year Ago Today
7th Army reported in Munich. 9th Army opens push. 5th Army enters Milan. Mussolini, mistress, executed by Italian patriots.

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First Train of Families Welcomed at Frankfurt

Other Parties Leave Port for Vienna, Berlin

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, April 29—The first trainload of Army dependents arrived tonight in Frankfurt on their way to husbands and fathers, slightly more than one day after docking at Bremerhaven.

The Frankfurter was the first of three special trains to leave Bremerhaven this morning. Of the later trains, one was to go directly to Berlin and the other to Vienna, with stopovers at Nurnberg, Munich and Linz.

Most of the wives looked cheerful and relieved that the long ocean trip had ended. Many said they had had a rough time, with the ship "tossing around like a cork" during two days of heavy seas.

Girl, 17, Youngest Bride

The youngest of the wives aboard was 17-year-old Mary Ann Orr, who was going to join her 19-year-old husband, Pfc Robert G. Orr, in Vienna. They were married 12 days before Orr left for overseas.

(The United Press reported that the general consensus among wives interviewed regarding their attitudes towards fraternization was, "Let's wait and see.")

Mary Grace Cutrona, of Washington, D. C., whose husband, Capt. Joseph Cutrona is with the Frankfurt Visitor's Bureau, declared, "If one of my husband's friends brings a German girl to our table at the club, I certainly won't like it, but I will accept the situation, I suppose."

Other wives indicated that they might start a wives' lobby to discourage social contact with German women.)

UNO Debate On Spain Seen

NEW YORK, April 29 (INS)—Another bitter fight within the United Nations Security Council appeared certain as Russia made it clear she would oppose efforts to compromise world power treatment of Franco Spain.

Andre Gromyko, Russian delegate, reasserted his position in advance at this afternoon's important council session that the only way to meet the Spanish situation was by immediate and collective severance of diplomatic relations.

This declaration implied that Gromyko would oppose a majority compromise whereby a five-power subcommittee would be appointed to look further into charges against Spain—and that further he probably would argue that his lone negative vote would veto the whole proposition.

11 Die in Reprisals Over Roxas Election

CABANATUAN, Philippines, April 29 (AP)—Eleven persons were killed over the weekend on the island of Luzon in what police described as apparent election reprisals.

Police said reports of persecution of supporters of the new president, Manuel Roxas, came from many towns.

The dead included three military police killed when their jeep was ambushed in the province of Nueva Ecija.

Van Acker's Plane Forced Down

BRUSSELS, April 29 (AP)—Bad weather caused the plane in which Achille van Acker, Belgium's prime minister, was travelling to Brussels today to make a forced landing in Portugal.

Family to Help Clark Celebrate Birthday

VIENNA, April 29—May 1 will be a big day in the life of Gen. Mark W. Clark, USFA commanding general, as he will celebrate his 50th birthday and spend his first day with his wife and daughter following their arrival in Vienna from Bremerhaven. He will also take over the chairmanship of the four-power Allied Control Council.

The general will meet his wife and 19-year-old daughter, Patricia Ann, tomorrow night when they arrive with 32 other dependents as the vanguard of the Army family migration here. May 1 will be the first birthday he has spent with his family in five years. Clark will pass a quiet day at home with his family.

Byrnes Wants Allied Troops To Quit Austria

By NITA BERENBACH
Staff Writer

PARIS, April 29—A draft treaty providing for the withdrawal of occupation troops from Austria and the restoration of an Austrian regime under quadripartite control has been submitted by James F. Byrnes, U. S. Secretary of State, to the members of the other three delegations now in session at the Council of Foreign Ministers here.

It is known that the American delegation arrived in Paris with the

MOSCOW, April 29 (AP)—U. S. Ambassador Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith accompanied by U. S. Minister Counsellor George F. Kennan and British Charge D'Affairs Frank Roberts left Moscow this morning to visit the foreign minister's conference.

intention of deciding the question of the evacuation of Austria in the near future.

The treaty is based on the 1943 Moscow conference which decided that Austria would be treated not as an enemy state but as a victim of Nazi aggression.

The 1943 conference also provided that an autonomous Austrian regime be set up as soon as internal conditions permitted.

While details of the treaty have not yet been made public, it is reported the treaty provides for an autonomous Austrian regime subject only to the supervision of an Allied Control Council. All occupation troops would be withdrawn. No reparations would be exacted from Austria, and she would enjoy equal trade rights with all nations.

It is generally known that Byrnes is firm in his intention of having the treaty placed on the formal agenda of the council. So far the suggestion has met with Russian opposition.

Occupying a strategic position in Central Europe, Austria is seen as holding the balance of power between the East and the West.

Austria's diplomatic representation
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Armed Czech Patrols Raid U.S. Zone, Clay Complains

BERLIN, April 29 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay complained to the War Department today that Czechoslovakian patrols were making armed raids into the American zone of Germany "under the pretext of seeking Sudeten Germans."

"Czech border patrols are firing indiscriminately across the international border," the U. S. deputy military governor of Germany reported.

"They frequently entered Germany illegally and searched premises of German residents under the pretext of seeking Sudeten Germans."

Clay disclosed that the German border police now are completely uniformed and equipped with carbines and revolvers by the U. S. Army.

Both Soviet and Czechoslovakian authorities have been informed of the presence and official status of the German force.

(At Frankfurt, the United Press reported, Brig. Gen. Edwin L. Sibert, USFET military intelligence chief, said that the shootings do not have any international significance.)

(He said that both the Czechs and Americans are making a strong effort to control the illegal traffic across the border and that "it sometimes is necessary to fire across the line." Sibert said there probably have been as many cases of Americans firing into Czechoslovakia as Czechs shooting into our lines.)

Rome Youths Mark Mussolini's Death

ROME, April 29 (AP)—While a nationwide search for Benito Mussolini's body continued, the press reported that fanatical followers twice managed publicly to commemorate the first anniversary of the one-time Duce's death yesterday.

In Rome, a group of youths estimated to number 300 interrupted mass in San Carlo Church to sing a Fascist hymn praising Il Duce and later paraded to the center of the city singing.

Meanwhile, the newspaper "Il Reporter" said today that the belief was growing among police investigators that Mussolini's body probably was quietly re-interred somewhere in the vicinity of Milan.

Ike Off for Tour of Bases In Pacific, Visit to Tokyo

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., April 29 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is en route to Hawaii on the first leg of an inspection tour of key pacific bases and a conference in Tokyo with Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

The two have not met since before the war.

Campaign Mapped Against Wearing of ODs by Europeans

HEIDELBERG, April 29—A drive to punish German civilians and displaced persons for the unauthorized wearing of American uniforms will begin May 1 in most of the occupied zone, 3rd Army Headquarters announced last night. In Bavaria, the campaign will start May 10.

A thorough check on all Europeans wearing the American OD uniform has been ordered and violators will be arrested. Recently, it was revealed that several thousand Germans and DPs, dressed in Army uniforms, were circulating throughout the American zone. Numerous crimes that they have committed have been blamed upon the Americans.

The 1,000 Polish soldiers employed by the Army and issued regular OD uniforms will have to dye them blue and remove all American insignia.

German civilians and discharged prisoners of war are prohibited from wearing any kind of uniform except dyed and refashioned Wehrmacht issue.

May 12 Is Mother's Day

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—President Truman proclaimed Sunday, May 12, as "Mother's Day."

USFET Soldiers Drill at 7 a.m.; 'On the Ball,' Says Homebound GI

FRANKFURT, April 29 (UP)—An ancient Army institution returned to Frankfurt at 7 a. m. today when GIs and Wacs stood reveille for the first time in months.

The early-morning formation, followed by drill and calisthenics, is part of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney's new discipline program. High ranking USFET staff officers are not affected by the order.

One colonel explained the exemption of the high-ranking officers by saying, "There's so much rank here that we'd have to get a general out to call them to attention."

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—Soldiers aboard the Army transport George Washington arriving from Le Havre expressed varied opinions of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney's recent order tightening discipline in the European Theater.

Pfc John Hiri, of New Jersey, said the order was "darned good" but declared that it "wasn't GIs but officers" whose behavior led to the order.

T/5 Charles Mattis of Somerville, N. J., said he approved of the order because it "will keep GIs on the ball."

Do Indians Really Scalp Cowboys?

Two GIs find a warm spring day in Nurnberg conducive to a question-and-answer period about the United States and Germany with two of the younger members of the occupied set.

Rioting Mars Reich Vote; Church Wins

FRANKFURT, April 29 (AP)—Germany's fast-growing new political party, the right-of-center Christian Social Union, won an overwhelming victory today in weekend county council elections marred by rioting and pro-Nazi activity.

An air of uneasy quiet hung over refugee-crowded Landsberg, where long-smoldering animosities burst into riotous conflict yesterday from the spark of an apparently false rumor that Germans had killed several Jews.

Stab wounds and beatings sent 18 Germans to hospitals, where one died and two remained in critical condition. Some of the wounded were women. American troops were stationed to maintain order.

Church Party 2-to-1

No reports of any DPs being injured have been received, however, according to Lt. Col. Randall Bryant, 9th Div. G-2 chief, who issued the casualty reports.

Throughout the American zone conservative rural voters gave the church-supported Christian Social Union Party almost a two-to-one lead over its nearest rival, the left-of-center Social Democrat Party. The Communist Party polled only a bare 5.4 per cent of the 3,136,347 votes cast in the second free election in American-occupied Germany in 13 years.

Tabulation showed that 72.2 per cent of eligible voters—those not disqualified because of Nazi affiliations or sympathies—went to the polls against 83 per cent in the January elections.

Bavaria Swings Tide

Here is the way the totals shaped up:

Zone population: 9,197,239; eligible voters: 4,348,178; actual voters: 3,136,347; Christian Social Union: 1,779,203 votes, 4,003 seats; Social Democrats: 936,763 votes, 1,652 seats; Communists: 169,663 votes, 138 seats; Liberal Democrats: 75,274 votes, 92 seats; Economic Reconstruction Party (Bavaria): 12,784 votes, 28 seats and other parties, 94,411 votes, 170 seats.

Rural voters in staunchly pro-Catholic Bavaria gave the Christian Social Union its big majority of

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Feet of U. S. Women Soon May Grow to Twice Mother's Size

ATLANTIC CITY, April 29 (AP)—The feet of today's young lady are getting bigger and bigger, mainly because of the soft, slipper-like shoes she wears, the Chiroprapist Society of New Jersey has been informed.

Dr. Jonas C. Morris said a survey of shoe retailers showed the younger set had feet two to three sizes larger than their mothers.

"If this continues," he said, "when they reach the age of 25, they will wear size 10½ instead of the 5-A their mother used to wear."

Western Union Wires Sag With U. S. Agency Address

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, April 29 (INS)—Western Union took a "loss" on a telegram Clarence A. Keck sent to Washington.

The name and address of the Government agency which he telegraphed was:

"Taxi Cab Section, Highway Transportation Division, Office of Defense Transportation, Interstate Commerce Division, Interstate Commerce Building, 12th St. and Constitution Ave., Washington 25, D. C."

Keck's message contained only eight words. Western Union makes no charge for the address.

67-Point Officers Sail

FRANKFURT, April 29 (AP)—Army redeployment officers announced tonight that, with a few exceptions, all American officers in Europe with 67 points or 45 month's service would have left for home by tomorrow.

English Begin Drive Against Black Market

LONDON, April 29 (INS)—Trained in secret and equipped with the latest weapons, anti-crime forces in England are opening an all-out offensive against the black market in food.

Measures taken include the use of more trained detectives, bigger dock guards at all ports, greater use of police dogs, and a tightening up of road, rail and canal transport vigilance.

Detectives long of the "black market brigade" believe that there is no secret leader of a nation-wide ring, but that there are numerous local "kings" who rule area operations, planned with the greatest skill and ingenuity.

They further have evidence that these leaders operate behind the cloak of respectable businesses, and have agents throughout their area planting false addresses on packages of food and cases of whisky.

Spies Give Tip-Off

The local rings have spies to tip them off whenever a truck is left unattended and, these are quickly called for by black market operatives and whisked away to hidden garages in the country.

Hideouts of the racketeers are usually near the great ports and in certain industrial cities. No one accurately can estimate how much these local parasites on society have netted, but it is believed that fortunes running into millions of pounds have been salted away.

One ruse that has proved most successful in the past has been to employ trucks camouflaged to resemble those of reputable firms. These have been driven to the loading platforms of factories and driven away, laden with food, without arousing suspicion until too late.

Official Bulletin

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Applicants for Appointment in the Regular Army

Will the following named officers (applicants for Regular Army commission) who have not been called for the test, report immediately to Capt. Hoyt, at the Regular Army processing center located in Wiesbaden, for processing. Tel. No. Wiesbaden 7755. This bulletin is your authority to procure travel orders by air, rail or motor.

Bring a certified true copy of your 66-1 or 66-2, as applicable. Applicants who wear glasses to correct vision should bring prescription with them and also dental appliances, if used. In all cases report by telephone immediately to AG Military Procurement Hq., USFET, for further instructions. Tel. No. Frankfurt 33754 or 32290.

Dunlop, John G. Jr., Lt. Col., 0-348781; Saar, Otto T., Lt. Col., 0-264892; Blatz, Durant B., Major, 0-393523; Carlos, Bernard C., Major, 0-461385; Hall, Edward N., Maj., 0-434506; Harrell, Thomas, Maj., 0-492449; Liggett, Walter A., Maj., 0-923065; Lindeke, Albert W., Maj., 0-456202; Lowery, Willard E., Maj., 0-573377; Phillips, Wayne M., Maj., 0-1170136; Powell, John R., Maj., 0-300776; Arant, Laurence N., Capt., 0-1043851.

Canfield, William D., Capt., 0-1580722; Costa Joseph., Capt., 0-1573775; Clewell, Ralph P., Capt., 0-1550136; Crandell, Meyer, Capt., 0-1581080; Denman, John M., Jr., Capt., 0-1102212; Dilks, Kenneth E., Capt., 0-410771; Eakin, John K., Capt., 0-2009746; Grant, Frederick L., Capt., 0-373476; Fuller, Charles L., Capt., 0-729466; Hanley, James H., Capt., 0-855835; Gierlak, Michael P., Capt., 0-408892; Hagen, Stanley E., Capt., 0-1724965; Jones, Daniel M., Capt., 0-746890; Kanid, Joseph E., Capt., 0-1167490; Lameroux, James O., Capt., 0-472211; Massingill, James H., Capt., 0-404261; McGrath, Andrew T., Capt., 0-1589369; O'Donnell, Robert W., Capt., 0-1947168; Palmer, Harry A., Capt., 0-493061; Powell, Raymond H., Capt., 0-1622724.

Reese, James Ray, Capt., 0-672203; Roche, Richard B., Capt., 0-393813; Shedoudy, Emil J., Capt., 0-300020; Sinko, William A., Capt., 0-1115417; Stevens, James W., Capt., 0-1306334; Burrell, Lavon W., Lt., 0-8279681; Bennett, Donald H., Lt., 0-447843; Cinnamon, Lloyd W., Lt., 0-706136; Conklin, William E., Lt., 0-779372; Coulombe, Lionel J., Lt., 0-842466; Danglo, Alexander, Lt., unknown.

Doak, Alexander D., Lt., 0-1581663; Drew, Samuel M., Lt., 0-103814; Feld, Frank, Lt., 0-875616; Fish, Robert I., Lt., 0-1048766; Fugitt, Howard D., Lt., 0-1556878; Groah, Milton B., Lt., 0-2006191; Griffith, James M., Lt., 0-811894; Jones, Adrian H., Lt., 0-1646284; Keirn, James D., Lt., 0-718682; Kellermann, Sylvester W., Lt., 0-2047022; Kohlenstein, Joseph, Lt., 0-788651.

Lewis, Donald G., Lt., 0-687252; Nelson, George D., Lt., 0-551590; Petermann, Nelse W., Lt., 0-1337998; Ruppert, Virgil W., Lt., 0-2095059; Rozanski, Gervace J., Lt., 0-768251; Smith, Clifton P., Lt., 0-1032048; Smith, Leonard J., Lt., 0-825305; Spalding, Howard D., Lt., 0-838664; Steadman, Ober T., Lt., 0-716270; Tulohbe, Lionel J., Lt., unknown.

Towsley, William R., Lt., 0-673600; Werner, James G., Lt., 0-1020303; Wilson, Reginald S., Lt., 0-111590; Wilz, John H., Lt., 0-538791; Yancy, Francis S., Lt., 0-741552; Erbst, Otto C. M/Sgt., 6544461.

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Assistant Adjutant General.

Queen Wilhelmina Returns to Royal Palace



Holland's queen inspects Dutch forces of the interior following the liberation.

THE HAGUE, April 29 (INS)—Wilhelmina of The Netherlands, the world's most democratic queen, finally has left the tiny four-room house on the "wrong side of the tracks" in The Hague to move into the royal palace.

Until now the queen, since her return in September, steadfastly refused to open the royal residence. She believed it would be too great a strain for the war-ravaged country to keep it up.

So her majesty has been living in a small red-brick three-family house at the wrong end of The Hague's chic Park Lane. She occupied one unit, her lady-in-waiting and the secretaries the other two small adjoining houses.

Workmen See Queen

The trolley stops right by her door. Many a workman returning home could see the shadow of his queen when she was writing at her desk close to the large plate-glass window in the upper story.

This studio was the only room heated in the house. Refusing to live differently from her people, Wilhelmina scrupulously observed the fuel rationing.

No sentries stood on duty. No royal orange standards were flying. The only difference between the queen's house and the others on the block were green glass windows to discourage staring passers-by.

Refused to Move

Many Hollanders were unhappy to think that their queen had to live in such cramped quarters, but no argument could move her.

Finally, in the beginning of April, an inspired councillor reminded her of the critical housing shortage. The royal palace was able to be lived in only by the royal family, yet her majesty was occupying a house which three Dutch workmen's families could enjoy.

Orders Palace Open

Wilhelmina clapped her hand to her head and said:

"Oh, how terrible, I never thought of that."

The next morning she gave orders to open the palace.

The queen left the palace in May,

1940, when the German invasion of her country forced her to flee to England. In March, 1945, she returned for an unofficial tour of the liberated areas of her realm.

Disregarding her 65 years, Wilhelmina crowded as much as time would permit into her 10-day visit. She saw the vast stretches of inundated countryside which will remain barren for years to come even after the bombed dikes of The Netherlands are repaired.

Sees War's Ruin

She saw the debris of towns where fighting took place only a few days before her visit, gave sympathy and solace to men, women and children who were wounded or bereaved. She met the valiant miners of Heerland and Venlo.

Wherever she stopped, the queen talked with the men and women who fought stubbornly and silently in the Dutch Resistance Movement.

Born in The Hague in 1880, Queen Wilhelmina has reigned on the Dutch throne since 1890.

Salton Sea Grows Up, Adds Fish, Barnacles

BRAWLEY, Calif., April 29 (AP)—Salton "Sea," a salt-water lake stretching 60 miles northward up famed Imperial Valley, has grown up during the war.

Before the Navy started using it as an auxiliary base for flying boats, the lake's main claim to existence as a sea was its excessive saltiness. It supported only the crudest forms of marine life.

Now it is virtually teeming with salt water fish and that old enemy of the sailor, the barnacle.

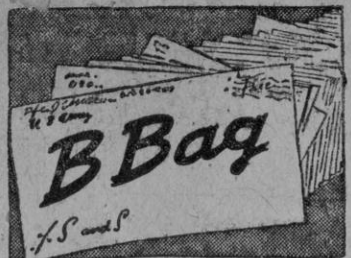
The fish and the barnacle hitched hundreds of rides during the war in the bilges of Pacific-based flying boats. The PBYS pumped their bilges after landing on the lake, and today there are barnacles on the sagebrush at the edge of the lake, on target boat anchors and on every wharf and boat.

Seaman 2/c Leo L. Edwards, 18, Graham, Texas, said, "even in San Diego, I never had to scrape off so many of the blasted things as I do here on the desert!"

OCCUPATION By Shep



"Oh, you look all right. I'll just tell him you're my poor starving cousin from the Russian Zone."



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Should He Ride?

The other day, after visiting the U. S. Army Base Hospital at Ville Juif, a suburb of Paris, I asked two lieutenants in a jeep if it would be possible to get a ride back to Paris. One lieutenant answered: "That depends on your status." When I disclosed that I am employed by a permanent government agency, the other lieutenant curtly refused my request.

I have had many requests from Army officers in Paris for favors of one sort or another, some involving transportation. In every instance I have gone out of my way to grant the request.

I believe my civilian status is immaterial in this case. Just being an American citizen should bear some weight. The Army has more transportation at its disposal than do other government agencies abroad. That also is incidental. My point is that a uniform neither makes a man a gentleman, nor keeps him from being one.

—Civilian.

Cure for Joy Riding

I am an MP, and try to carry out my duty as such. We are instructed to stop all vehicles carrying unauthorized civilians, remove them, and make a violation report on the driver.

In nearly every case the driver has authorization stating that he is driving an employee of the organization, and is either taking her home or to work. In most cases there is only one person—a female civilian. Also, the driver is usually out on some road away from town or Army installations.

My solution would be this: Anyone driving a civilian in his vehicle must have written permission from his CO, and the civilian must ride in the back seat. I think this would cut down the number of joy riders, since it can't be very romantic with the girl in the back seat. It's to often one sees GIs walking along the road, while others pass them by with their frauleins.

—Cpl., 819th

Double Standard?

I am a British girl who has worked with the U. S. Forces in England and on the continent for two and a half years. In England, when our local English bank holidays came round, we were told we were expected to work according to American rules, and would take only those holidays allowed Americans. The war was still on, and nobody minded working holiday time.

The rub comes now that we are here in Germany. Here too, there are bank holidays peculiar to the local population, but the recognition of them is slightly different from what it was for us. The German girls working for Headquarters and the charwomen are all allowed their holidays. —British Civilian.

Ration for Amputees

Do you think that the rationing of a minimum of cigarettes to the German armless and legless vets of this war would help any? I was thinking it might be a means of spreading democracy. The measure would obviously be supported by the Germans, and we do need their cooperation if we are to win them over to the democratic ways of life.

Personally, I cannot sympathize with the Krauts, but if my suggestion would gain a good end, then I heartily endorse it. —7th Inf. GI.

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High Price Ceilings Block Homes for Vets

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Price ceiling set by the Federal Housing Administration for new houses generally are 10 per cent or more above the "reasonable value" on which GI loans are based, the Veterans Administration said, and veterans therefore are having difficulty getting loans.

Francis Pavesick, head of the VA's loan guarantee section, told reporters he instructed the agency's appraisers to ignore "ceilings as they exist today" in determining a "reasonable value" for GI loan purposes.

Pavesick called the situation to the attention of Wilson W. Wyatt, Federal Housing Administrator, and expressed hope for early action on reducing ceilings.

Reports from virtually all sections of the country, Pavesick said, indicate ceilings are "too high." Veterans are having a great deal of difficulty in getting loans. Unless loans are based on real value we could have thousands and thousands of cheaply built houses turned back by veterans after a few years."

VET PRIORITY FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT IGNORED BY WAA, REPUBLICANS CHARGE

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The Republican News, official publication of the party's national committee, said priority claims of veterans and schools for surplus electronic equipment are being ignored.

Applications for such materials as radio and radar are "going into what amounts to a dead letter file," it declared, quoting Republican senators.

"The War Assets Administration favors private sales (as against sales to veterans and schools) where in a salesman gets a 10 per cent commission he would not get on priority sales.

"National security is involved. Educational programs are being seriously delayed in schools and colleges and alert educators are aroused at the loss of up to date laboratory equipment."

Sen. Alexander Wiley (R.-Wis.) was quoted as saying that more than \$2,500,000,000 worth of electronics and communications equipment "is under the control of dealer minded administrators of the agency.

Officials of the War Assets Administration were unavailable immediately for comment.

Woman Bandit Slashes Victim

PHILADELPHIA, April 29 (AP)—A woman bandit slashed a man twice, went through his pockets when he fell, and ran off with \$3 in the second daylight street attack by women thieves here in 24 hours.

Steve Slowinski, 30, of Philadelphia told the police a woman had slashed his face, stabbed him in the right leg, ransacked his pockets and fled. The attack was so swift passers-by could not describe the attacker, the police said.

Mrs. Lola Elliott, 39, of Philadelphia, told police she was beaten yesterday by two women who snatched her purse, which also contained \$3.

Both victims required hospital treatment.

Four Sisters Wed At Same Time In Ancient Rite

DETROIT, April 29 (AP)—In a ceremony unchanged through sixteen centuries, four sisters spoke the marriage vows in rapid succession at the St. George Syrian Orthodox Church.

The Very Rev. Benjamin T. Hofiz, who officiated, said the quadruple wedding was unprecedented in the marriage annals of the U. S. and probably of the world.

The marriage rites, which date back to the 4th Century, were conducted in Arabic, Greek and English.

The father, George Saieg, walked down the aisle with two attractive dark-complexioned daughters, Mary, 21, and Dorothy, 19, on his arms.

Then he went back and returned with the others, Helen, 22, and Rosie, 18.

Confessed Swindler Lost \$500,000 in Bets

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—William B. Benjamin, 36, who District Attorney Frank S. Hogan said admitted losing up to \$46,000 a day at racetracks, was arrested on a grand larceny charge and accused of swindling credit firms out of more than \$500,000 in the last four months.

Hogan said Benjamin admitted the swindling accusations and said all the money was lost gambling, most of it at the races.

The attorney quoted Benjamin as saying \$46,000 was the most he ever lost in one day at the track but that his smallest bet usually was \$500 across the board or \$1,500 in one gin-rummy session, Hogan said.

Hoosiers Honor Gen. Smith

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—The Sons of Indiana Society of New York acclaimed Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, newly-appointed ambassador to Russia the "outstanding hoosier of 1945."

GI Senate Blast Bill to Merge Services

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Two Republicans of the Senate Military Committee blasted the committee's Army-Navy merger bill as "militaristic" and an "administrative monstrosity."

Sen. Thomas C. Hart (Conn.) and Styles Bridges (N. H.) listed 12 specific objections to the bill in a minority report. Hart, a retired admiral, commanded the Asiatic fleet at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Although approved by the majority of the Military Committee the bill will get another looking over, probably beginning this week by the Senate Naval Committee where sentiment for a merger is far less predominant.

FULL PENSION RIGHTS FOR SINGLE VETS DEMANDED

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Warren H. Atherton, chairman of the Republican Veterans League and former national commander of the American Legion, challenged the Administration to act on Republican measures to restore full pension rights to single veterans while hospitalized.

Atherton said the league "asks whether the New Deal will dare to continue to block this legislation and thus continue the miserable pittance of \$20 a month to hospitalized veterans without dependents and with service-connected disability."

He said such legislation introduced by Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers (R.-Mass.) and Sens. Alexander Wiley (R.-Wis.) and William F. Knowland (R.-Cal.) had been endorsed by all major veterans organizations.

OLDEST GOVERNOR IN U. S. FACES PARTY OPPOSITION

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., April 29 (AP)—An under-current of opposition to Wisconsin's 83-year-old governor Walter S. Goodland broke to the surface at the State convention of the Young Republican Federation.

The delegates voted 793 1/2 to 552 1/2 to refuse to hear a message from Goodland, the oldest governor in the nation.

It was the first concrete expression by the GOP group that there would be organized opposition to Goodland in his bid for reelection.

LODGE SAYS RANK AND FILE MUST DETERMINE POLICY

PORTLAND, Ore., April 29 (AP)—Henry Cabot Lodge, former senator from Massachusetts, declared that the rank and file of the Republican Party must determine party policy, and not an ambitious "vested interest" in the minority.

DANAHER AGREES TO KEEP \$20,000-A-YEAR GOP JOB

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The Republican National Committee announced that John A. Danaher, former senator from Connecticut, had agreed to remain with the organization as a Congressional aide. Danaher had planned to resign the \$20,000-a-year post.

Negroes Appeal to Truman For Troops at Election

CHICAGO, April 29 (AP)—The National Negro Council sent a telegram to President Truman asking that troops be sent to Mississippi "to guarantee 100,000 Negro veterans and their families their constitutional right to vote" in the coming Democratic primary.

Brown said the council also had raised from 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 of its goal of petition signers to impeach Sen. Theodore Bilbo.

Tons and Tons of Soap Made It a Clean War

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Four hundred and twenty five million pounds, the Quartermaster Corps said, was the peak yearly consumption of the yellow bars known as GI soap.

The Army also used 175,000,000 pounds a year of other soap during the war.

Parents Sue Girl Attacker

JOLIET, Ill., April 29 (AP)—James F. Lincoln Jr., 30, indicted on charges of attempting to rape and murder Carol Williams, 9, was named in a \$57,000 civil suit filed by the girl through her parents.

The mother, Dorothy, asked \$50,000 damages and the father, George, \$5,000. The suit, filed in circuit court, also seeks \$2,000 for medical expenses.

The suit alleged that Carol suffered permanent injuries and mental scars.

Lincoln, also indicted on a charge of attempting to rape Darlene Wood, 11, pleaded not guilty to all three indictments when he was arraigned on April 18.

Vets Pray for Dead In Pilgrimage of 200th Coast Arty.

CHIMAYO, N. M., April 29 (AP)—Hundreds of feet scuffed the earthen floors of the ancient El Santuario Shrine as veterans of New Mexico's 200th Coast Arty. and their families and friends paid homage to the regiment's World War II dead.

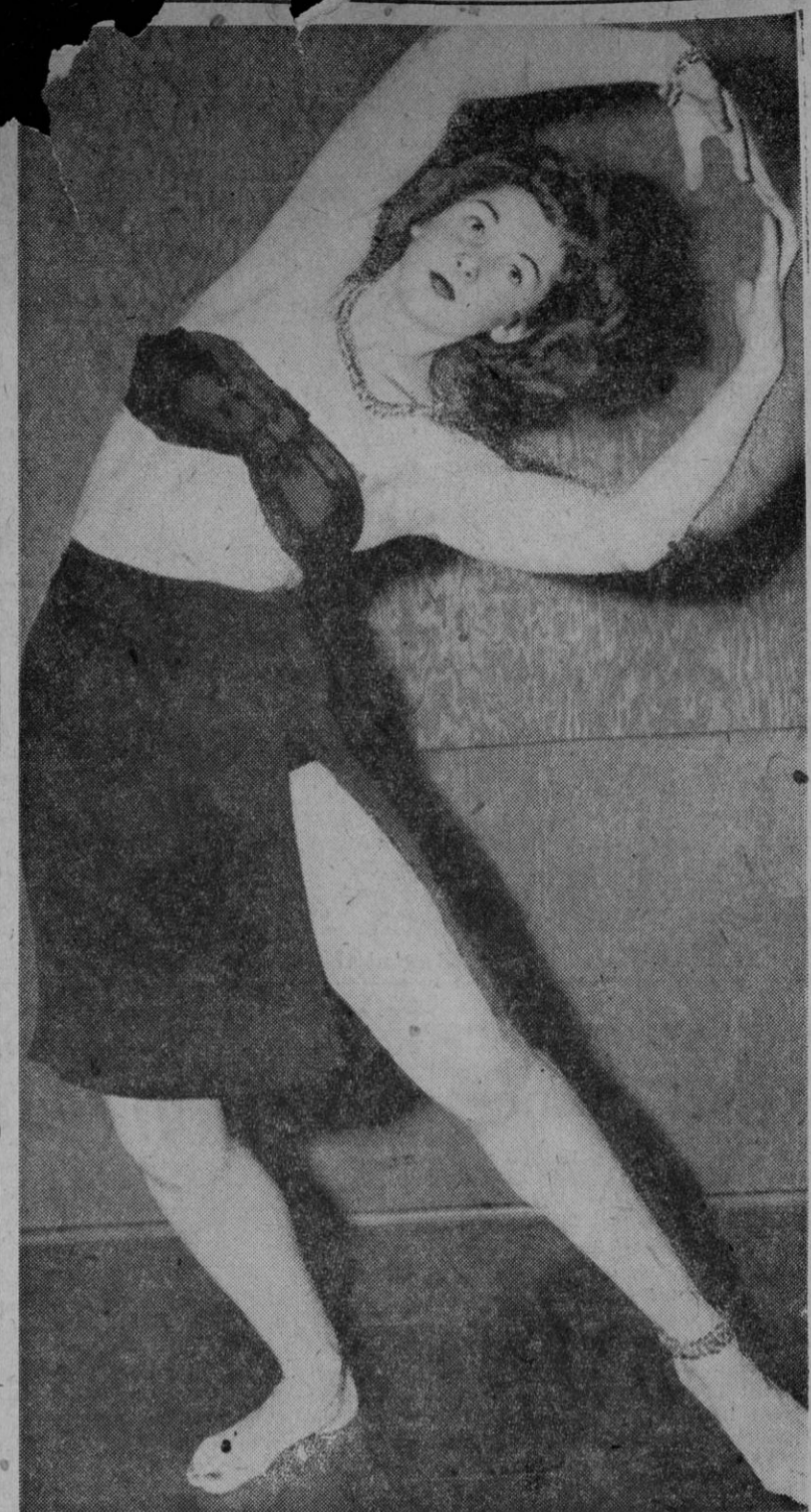
Prayers climaxed a 31-mile pilgrimage from Santa Fe, to the little adobe church-nestled in a San Grede Cristo mountain valley.

The pilgrimage fulfilled wartime vows by many former soldiers to offer prayers to Santo Nino if they should be delivered from Japanese prisons. About 1600 New Mexico men fought with the 200th on Bataan and Corregidor and the survivors participated in the infamous Death March.

Li'l Abner



(By Courtesy of United Features)



'Salome' Goes Home

Beverly Cort, 16-year-old "Salome" dancer who described the performance which made her high school teachers blush, as "sinuous and passionate," was scheduled to return to her home in suburban Detroit today to accept a scholarship to study ballet dancing under Elaine Arndt. She was paid \$400 for her engagement in Billy Rose's New York cabaret which was canceled when police enforced the law prohibiting a minor from entertaining in a place where liquor is sold.

25,000 Checked for VD In Oklahoma City Drive

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 29 (UP)—The much-ballyhooed campaign against venereal disease, which included giving away nylon hose and free rides in a jeep, resulted in more than 25,000 persons responding to free blood tests in the first mass fight against VD in the nation. The U. S. Public Health Service provided \$75,000 for the campaign.

The city and county health departments and the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce started the ball rolling and cooperation among citizens of this of 250,000 has been outstanding.

For the first time in the nation's history, physical examinations were being made on a large scale, in addition to the regular blood tests.

Public health service officials pointed out that, although syphilis could be detected by blood tests, gonorrhea could not and required a physical examination for detection and treatment.

Every citizen between 14 and 50 was being asked to volunteer for both blood tests and physical examinations.

"In other cities, blood tests have given us some notion of picture," said Dr. Johna Cowan, venereal expert of U. S. Health Service, "but

here for first time we want to catch and put under treatment every person capable of transmitting either syphilis or gonorrhea to another.

"Nowhere in this country have women been asked before to submit to such examinations. What happens here may well decide whether the whole country is ready for this campaign."

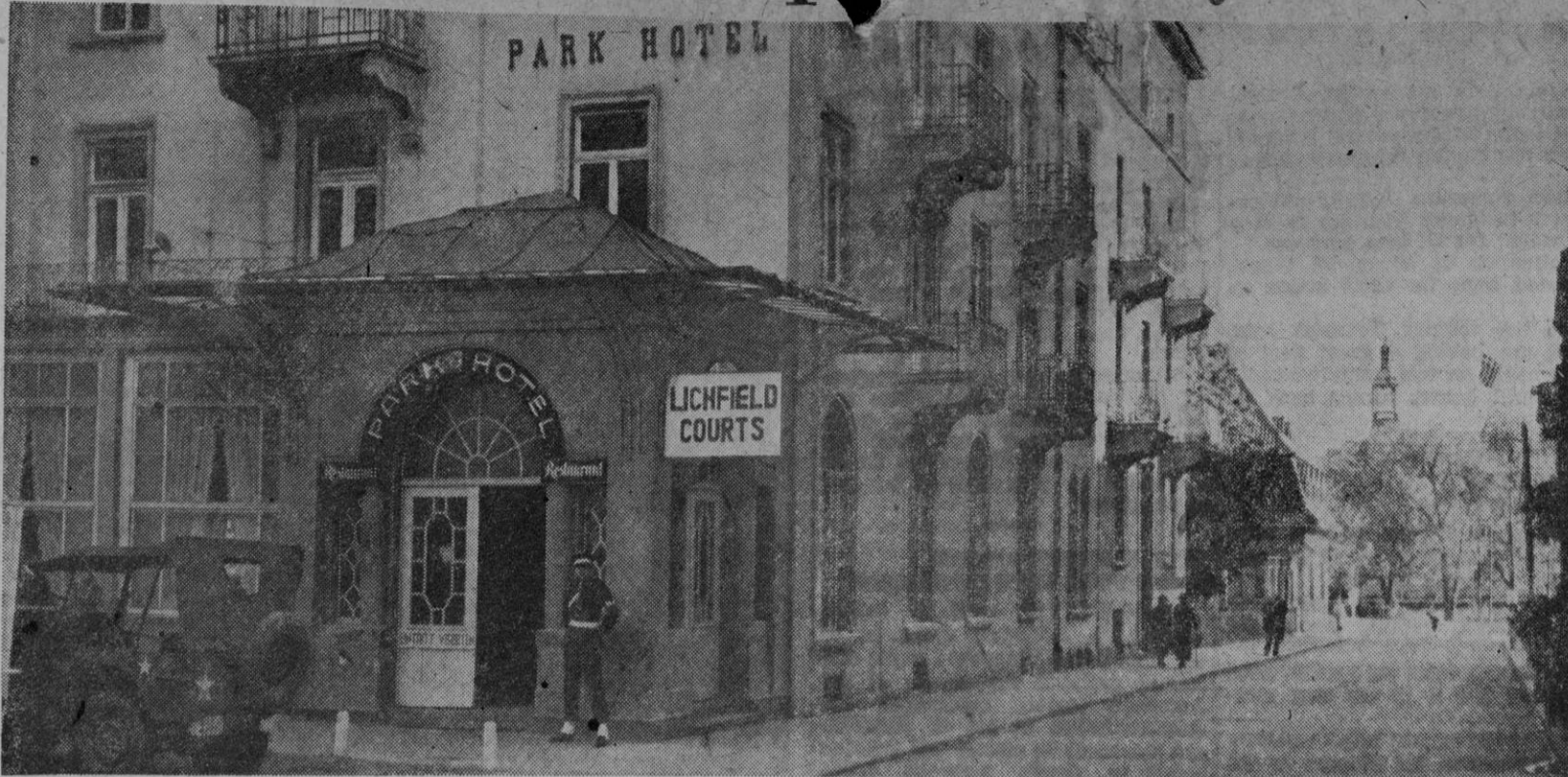
The drive is being carried on with all the trimmings of a political campaign. Posters, advertisements, public speeches and radio appeals give the subject the widest possible publicity.

Churches, schools, clubs and welfare and commercial organizations are assisting the drive by informing people of the dangers of the disease and explaining the importance of the drive to public health.

By Al Capp



Lichfield Trials Open Today at Bad Nauheim



The Lichfield trials resume today at this converted Bad Nauheim hotel. Pfc Hamilton B. Ward, 709th MP Bn., stands guard.

14 Will Face Newly Named Court Boards

Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, April 29—The Lichfield trials will be resumed at Bad Nauheim tomorrow with newly constituted courts, no members of which served at the recently adjourned hearings in London, according to Army officials. Although only one trial is scheduled to get underway tomorrow, a second court will start proceedings the following day, and eventually four courts martial will be operating simultaneously.

Court Members Flown In

A number of the court members were flown here from the U.S., the additional members being necessary to handle the several cases at once. Six American officers and eight enlisted men will be tried individually on charges of mistreating American soldier-prisoners in a Lichfield, England guardhouse. The first defendant will be 1/Lt. Leonard W. Ennis of Peekskill, N. Y., who will be the first Lichfield officer to appear as a defendant.

Officials Announced

Composition of the first court as announced by Continental Base Section headquarters is as follows: Col. Samuel L. Metcalfe of New York, president; Lt. Col. Gladstone L. Kohloss of Orlando, Fla., law member; Capt. John May of Aiden, S. C., trial judge advocate; Capt. Charles R. M. Sheppard of Deland, Fla., assistant trial judge advocate; Maj. Ernest Asbell, defense counsel; Capt. John M. Ewen, assistant defense counsel.

The following are court members: Lt. Col. Russell R. Cooper; Maj. Raymond Steinbacher; Capt. William J. Daly of Brookline, Mass.; Capt. Charles L. Wynn of Toledo; Capt. Gerald H. Fitzgerald of Bronxville, N. Y., and Capt. Daniel C. Inskeep of Columbus.

Second Court Listed

The second court, which will open hearings Wednesday with the trial of 1/Lt. Granville Cubage of Oklahoma City, is composed of the following: Col. Ray H. Lewis of Houghton, Mich., president; Col. Mastin G. White of Tyler, Texas, law member; Capt. David M. Proctor Jr. of Kansas City, trial judge advocate; Capt. Philip L. Smith of Concord, Mass., assistant trial judge advocate; Lt. Col. William E. Parker of East Hampton, Mass., defense counsel; James A. Bistline of Clifton Forge, Va., assistant defense counsel.

The following are members of the second court: Lt. Col. Gilbert M. Allen of New Wilbrahan, Mass.; Lt. Col. John C. Thompson of Hershey, Pa.; Maj. Gordon C. Lord of Rochester, N. Y.; Maj. Needham C. Holden of Wilson, N. C.; Maj. Harry A. Wilson of Shamokin, Pa.; Capt. Robert E. Hodgins of Cleveland, and Capt. George J. Adams.

'Dead' Rajah Seeks Court 'Life' Ruling

LONDON, April 29 (UP)—The British Empire's highest court of appeal will be called upon next week to decide the final status of an Indian prince who allegedly returned from the dead—only to find his wife would not have him.

A king's councillor will ask the privy council to uphold an Indian high court ruling that his client is in fact Ramendra Narayan Roy, Rajah of Bhowal, and entitled to the \$250,000 annual income from his tiny but rich state in Eastern Bengal.

However, Ranees Srimati Bibhabati Devi contends the real rajah died and was cremated at Darjeeling.

Parisian Seeks U.S. Mate, Gets Reply From Ex-Suitor

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Angry Tommies Wreck Homes In S. Palestine

JERUSALEM, April 29 (AP)—All Jewish settlements and a number of towns in southwest Palestine were declared out of bounds to British troops today.

The order resulted from an incident last night in which, military authorities reported, a group of soldiers led by "hotheads" entered the Bear Tuva settlement, broke windows, wrecked the inside of one house and injured several male inhabitants, two seriously.

The military announcement said order was restored by military police and other troops rushed to the settlement, which is south of Tel-Aviv on the coastal area.

Another Incident Reported

Another incident was reported to have occurred at Nathuma on the northern coast, but no official details are available.

The military announced that an inquiry has been opened to find the ringleaders.

There was widespread speculation, but no official statement that the incident may have been retribution for the terrorist attacks on a military car park in Tel-Aviv Thursday night in which seven airborne soldiers were killed by armed civilians.

BRITISH IN TEL-AVIV APE HITLER, REP. CELLER SAYS

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N. Y.) declared today the British were following the Adolf Hitler technique by holding the entire city of Tel-Aviv responsible for the killing of seven British soldiers.

"I deplore these terrorist activities, as do all responsible God-fearing Jews," Celler said, "but the British authorities are now following the Hitler technique, invoking sanctions and holding those far removed from guilt, in effect hostages."

Peron Trip to U. S. Denied

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The State Department discounted reports that Col. Juan Peron, president-elect of Argentina, may come to the U. S. The Argentine Embassy likewise said it knew nothing about the report.

Wrigley's Uncle Is Sued For \$500,000 by 'Hostess'

CHICAGO, April 29 (INS)—The trial in the \$500,000 heart-balm suit against Charles W. Wrigley, 71-year-old uncle of Philip K. Wrigley, chewing gum king, will open before Superior Judge Charles A. Williams in Chicago tomorrow.

Mrs. Iris Gardner, 51-year-old former hat check girl, contends that she sacrificed her best years of "charm and pulchritude in ameliorating" the esthetic well-being of the elderly outdoor advertising firm executive.

Mrs. Gardner, who filed the suit three years ago, charged that Wrigley was a married man "charmed and enchanted" by her "womanly charms," and that he had told her she was the woman he had long sought to help him in social and business affairs. Her petition added, "I have filled a definite place in his life. His business required him to entertain and it was necessary for him to have a hostess. His wife did not drink."

Mrs. Gardner charged that Wrigley had established her in a hotel suite and had agreed to pay her \$1,000 monthly for life, beginning in November, 1937, but he had halted the allowance on May 13, 1943, because of alleged "reduced financial conditions."

Wrigley, in a statement made after the filing of the suit, said, "I have not got that kind of money," and added that the case was "100 per cent blackmail."

Train Wreck Toll Rises to 45

AURORA, Ill., April 29 (AP)—The death toll in the crash of the two Burlington trains at Napierville on Thursday rose to 45 as Lena Saylor, 32, of Washington, D. C., died in the hospital here.

Seventeen persons remained in two hospitals for treatment of injuries received in the wreck. The condition of three was described as critical.

In Chicago the United Press reported, State Attorney Lee Daniels interrupted the railroad's investigation of the wreck and served subpoenas summoning ten Burlington officials and train crewmen before a grand jury.

Indignant because railroad officials and employees failed to appear at his hearing, scheduled for the same hour, Daniels asserted that the railroad "insulted the dignity of Du Page County and the state of Illinois."

VA to Inspect Job Schools For Veterans in 6 States

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The Veterans Administration announced that it will send inspectors into six states to help in approving on-the-job-training establishments for veterans.

Arizona, Idaho, Missouri, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Vermont requested assistance.

College Girls Smart? They Overlook Love

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., April 29 (AP)—Hans Kohn, Smith College history professor, is of the opinion that today's college girls are too intellectual.

"What is the principal subject of folk literature?" he asked a class.

Some of the answers were: Nationalism, patriotism, war, economics and glorification of the king.

Kohn shook his head sadly and asked, "Have you ever heard of love?"

GI Bride Wins Support Order

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 29 (INS)—Bridget Waters, a British war bride, whose GI husband Frank Waters, 38, sued for divorce while she was still in England, was awarded \$125 monthly separate maintenance by a Las Vegas judge.

The 26-year-old bride told the court "I want a father for my baby and I want money to support him."

The bride said her hopes for a reconciliation were dashed when her husband became nasty upon her arrival in Las Vegas and refused to pose for a picture with the child. Waters and the English girl were married while he was stationed in the British Isles and the son was born shortly after he left her to go to the United States.

First Shipment Of U.S. Flour Sent to Italy

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—An initial shipment of food supplies for Italy, 500,000 pounds of white flour, is en route to Naples aboard the Santana, it was announced by Gen. George Pope, general chairman of the Committee for Italian Relief.

Pope disclosed that a fund-raising campaign in the New York metropolitan area already had reached the \$500,000 mark with every indication that \$1,000,000 would be collected.

From these donations, the committee has purchased 2,300,000 pounds of flour and nearly 8,000,000 units of insulin, Pope said. These will be shipped as rapidly as shipping space can be obtained.

Distribution Plan Set Up

In Italy, he explained, the distribution will be supervised by Endsi, an organization composed of the National Institute for the Distribution of Relief Supplies in Italy, the Italian Red Cross, the Italian Confederation of Labor, American Relief for Italy Inc., of which the New York group is a member agency, and the Italian and Vatican governments.

Leading contributors in New York were locals 48 and 89 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union each of which donated \$100,000.

WHITE HOUSE MENUS CONFORM TO FOOD CONSERVATION PLEA

WASHINGTON, April 29 (UP)—In response to a request from a citizen, the White House made public the following food conservation menus, which it said are typical of those being served to President and Mrs. Truman these days:

Lunch—Jellie Madrilene, cheese omelette, peas, mashed potatoes, strawberries and cobbles.

Dinner—Clear soup, celery and olives, roast leg of lamb, green beans, glazed carrots, pan potatoes, cucumber salad with vinegar, cream dressing, shredded pineapple and angel food cake.

Navy Rocket Faster Than Sound

NEW YORK, April 29 (INS)—The Navy's newest weapon, an aircraft rocket, which is said to go faster than sound for one hour in level flight, will be demonstrated at Pompton Lakes, N. J.

Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)

By Milton Caniff



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7 Million Tons Of U.S. Stocks Went to France

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
PARIS, April 29—America has contributed nearly 7,000,000 tons of agricultural and mechanical equipment to France's import program in the last year, U.S. Ambassador to France, Jefferson Caffery, revealed yesterday.

These commodities include wheat, fuel, railroad equipment, fats and cotton, and were transported on American merchant vessels.

Since the French civilian import program began in March of last year, more than 966 United States vessels have unloaded their cargo at French ports.

2,000,000 Tons of Wheat

More than 2,000,000 metric tons of wheat and other cereals have been unloaded in Africa and North Africa.

Although France had not imported American coal in large quantities previously, it received almost as much from America in the last four months than it asked for in 1945, when the Army supplied 750,000 tons for military purposes.

During the first quarter of 1946, nearly 800,000 tons of petroleum products found their way from America to France.

The United States had also cooperated in replacing destroyed and pillaged railroad equipment, a principal factor in French reconstruction. A major portion of a \$5,500,000 order for railway shop equipment has already been filled.

Because of the critical shortage of fats in France, America has approved two allocations of lard for the first half of 1946, which amount to nearly 100,000,000 pounds.

Exhausted French cotton stocks are similarly benefitting from American imports. During 1945 and 1946, over 70 per cent of French cotton was of American origin. Since the beginning of this year, America has sent France nearly 41,000 tons of cotton.

Late Arrivals May Miss Tour

FRANKFURT, April 29—Theater Special Services placed further emphasis today upon the necessity for civilian personnel on the Swiss and Rome tours to report to the Swiss leave center at Mulhouse, France, for processing the day before the tour starts.

The dates of the tours are actually the dates of entry into Switzerland, declared Maj. Gen. A. R. Boling, theater chief of Special Services, and unless civilian personnel are completely processed the day before, they will not be permitted to enter Switzerland.

There will be no exceptions, Boling warned. Processing requires virtually the entire day.

Tours Twice Each Month

Swiss tours start on the 5th and 20th of each month, and the tours to Rome leave on the 7th and 22nd. Personnel authorized for these tours are U. S. and Allied civilian employees of the U. S. War Department travelling on Army orders.

Prospective tourists were warned that they should keep in touch with the RTO for news of possible changes in train time. At present, the leave train arrives at the Swiss Leave Center at Mulhouse at 10:48 p. m. and processing commences the following morning.

Personnel arriving late and not finishing processing in time for the scheduled entry at Basle, will be returned to their organization and will have to make a new application.

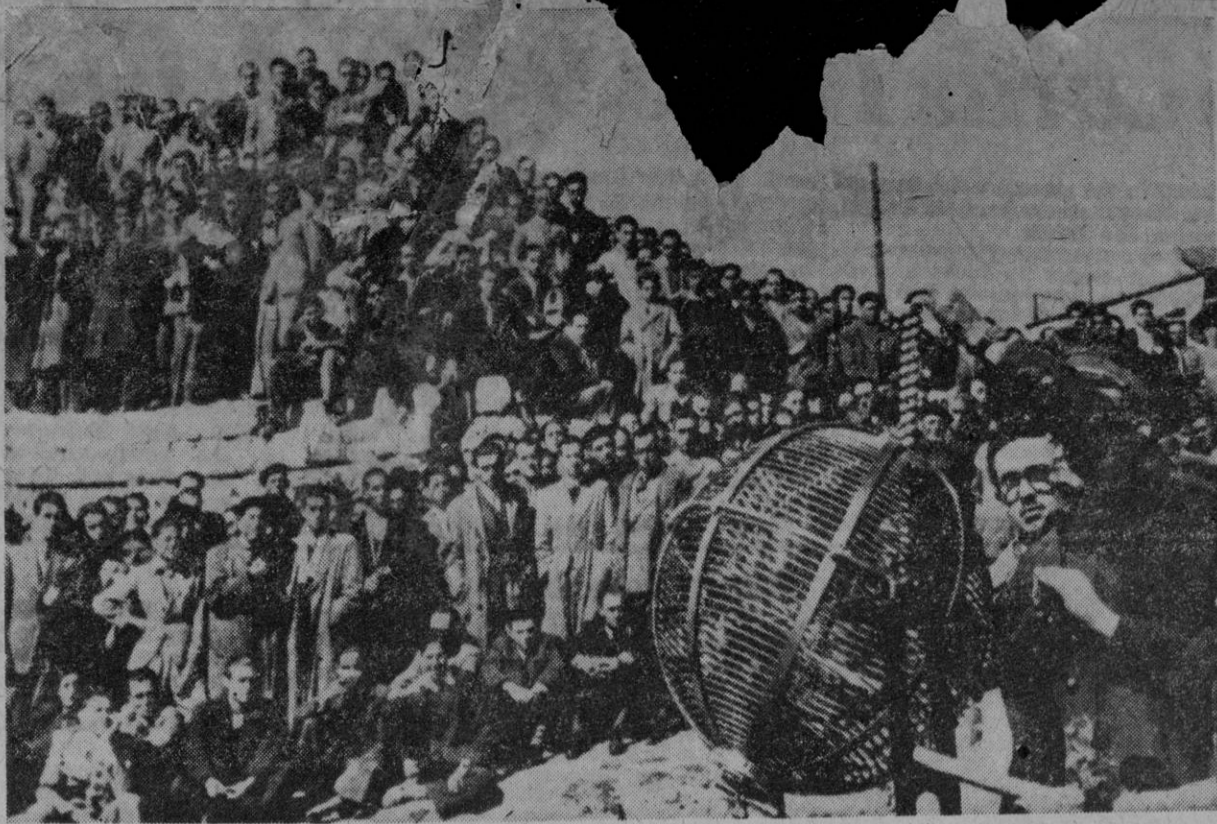
Furlough Offered For Snack Bar Name

BERCHTESGADEN, April 29—A seven-day furlough here is waiting for the man who submits the best name for a new snack bar in the recreation area, 3rd Army officials announced today.

The contest is open to all troops except permanent personnel at the Berchtesgaden rest center. Contestants may submit as many entries as they desire as long as they are postmarked before midnight of May 4. Letters should be sent to the WAC Spec. Serv. Det., Berchtesgaden recreation area, APO 541.

Vets to Live at Airfield

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Barracks and other buildings on 1,386 acres have been set aside at Strother Army Airfield, Kan., for veterans' housing.



Spanish Conscription Lottery

This odd-looking sphere, located in a camp outside Madrid, is used in drawing the names of new Spanish conscripts. Spain, which is supposed to

have 450,000 men already under arms, is in the process of drafting more men via the lottery method while the world watches her every move.

Trieste Stand of Italian Communists Brings Praise of Italo-American Editor

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—The reports from Italy that the Communist Party of Italy had gone on record in opposition to the Communist Party of France on the question of Trieste and Italian reparations aroused wide interest in Italo-American circles here.

Vanni B. Montana, Liberal Italo-American journalist and labor official, who is the associate editor of Giustizia, made the following statement:

"The answer of the leadership of the Italian Communist party to the French Communist leader, Duclos, on the Trieste and war reparations issues is like one of those talks intended for the mother-in-law and not so much for the daughter.

"More than a quarrel with Duclos, this answer denotes that Togliatti and his apparatus in the leadership of the Italian Communist Party wanted to serve notice on Moscow, Belgrade and Paris Comintern circles that they do not intend to be liquidated as easily as, for example, Earl Browder, who was recently liquidated from the leadership of the American Communist Party.

"As a matter of fact, just a few weeks ago the French Communist

magazine, 'Les Cahiers du Communism,' printed a terrific attack against the policies of Togliatti and his comrades on the Trieste issue. The article was signed by Stephane Mitrovich, known as the likely leader of the Balkan division of the Comintern. This attack was reminiscent of a similar article in the 'Cahiers du Communism,' which heralded the liquidation of the American Communist leader, Earl Browder.

"When Browder was attacked, he backed down and did not put up any real fight, so he was obliterated. Togliatti must feel stronger (and he certainly is) than Browder and must be sure his liquidation is being plotted.

"This explains why he and his

U.S. Proposals Please Vienna

VIENNA, April 29—Austrian officials today expressed themselves as "very pleased" with the American recommendations for Austrian settlement, presented for consideration to the meeting of foreign ministers in Paris.

The only major exception taken to the American stand was voiced by Foreign Minister Dr. Karl Gruber, who said that the suggested solution of the South Tyrol question leaving Bolzano as a part of Italy but returning the rest of the territory to Austria, "is geographically impossible."

Gruber pointed out that "during the winter months the only open roads between the western and eastern parts of South Tyrol cut through Bolzano, and to leave that area within Italy would be to separate the Tyrol four months of the year." The American recommendation is based on the fact that approximately 70 per cent of Bolzano is populated by Italians.

The plan to withdraw American troops from Austria "as soon as possible" is accepted "with reservations" by Austrian officials, who would like to see a United Nations army of 30,000 men replace the occupation forces of all four occupying powers. Russia is known to oppose the withdrawal of troops this year on the grounds that Austrian "progress toward democracy has not progressed satisfactorily."

comrades, under the guise of answering Duclos, have served notice to Russia and Yugoslavia, the powers which pressed the Trieste and the reparations issue, that Trieste is an Italian city and that Italy has paid enough through its contribution to the Allied victory.

"I don't know if this present defiant attitude of Togliatti and his comrades will continue even after the election of June 2 or if it is an election ruse, but it must be recognized. As things appear, that it is a courageous stand.

"Last October I saw a document which gave me a first hint that some Comintern circles were preparing a job against Togliatti and his comrades."

"As a matter of fact, I told this to the Italian ambassador, Tarchiani, on Oct. 12, 1945, when I meet him at a Columbus Day celebration and I know that Tarchiani then informed Ferruccio Parri, the Italian premier at that time.

"So bitter fruits are now ripening for Togliatti. After serving the Comintern so loyally for so many years, it seems that Togliatti is now receiving from Moscow, via Paris, what Italians call a 'donkey's kick' in the pants."

Austria Receives Fertilizer From UNRRA for Farms

VIENNA, April 29—More than 5,000 tons of ammonium nitrate obtained by UNRRA in the United Kingdom have been turned over to the Austrian government for the fertilizing of Austria's chief agricultural areas.

During the war years, nitrates were largely diverted from Austrian agriculture to Nazi munitions industry and the farm lands of Upper Austria, Lower Austria and Burgenland are exhausted.

Of the total, 3,420 will be shipped to Linz for the Upper Austria zone while the rest will be divided between Lower Austria and Burgenland.

German Lessons on Air

VIENNA, April 29—German language lessons will be broadcast to USFA troops three times a week starting Monday on the three Blue Danube network stations in Vienna, Linz and Salzburg.

Nehru Is Slated As President of Congress Party

NEW DELHI, April 29 (AP)—Machinery has been set in motion within the Congress Party organization for the selection of Jawaharlal Nehru as next president of Congress, and informed quarters believed he might take office as early as May 1.

The Congress president, Dr. Maulana Azad, indicated his support for Nehru Friday, and Saturday there were reports that rival nominations were being withdrawn.

If all nominations are withdrawn before the closing date—today—Nehru, as the only nominee, can be declared president.

Normally Nehru would become president at the next meeting of Congress, but Congress quarters in New Delhi thought it possible that Azad would choose to stand aside at once and permit Nehru to take office while negotiations are at their peak.

Nehru's selection as president was regarded by some observers as likely to eliminate some of the friction between Congress and the Muslim League. Mohammed Ali Jinnah, president of the league, had made it clear, both to the Congress Party members and to members of the British Cabinet mission, that he would not consider Azad as leader of Congress for purposes of negotiation.

Nevertheless, it was considered certain that he would be one of the representatives of Congress at the round-table discussions suggested by the British Cabinet mission in an effort to find a peaceable formula for giving India independence.

The round-table talks are expected to begin immediately.

BRITISH, INDIAN OFFICIALS PLAN INDEPENDENCE TALKS

NEW DELHI, April 29 (AP)—British and Indian officials left for Simla today for discussions on this sub-continent's independence hopes.

The last barrier to direct negotiations between representatives of the Indian population and the British government was removed by an announcement of Muslim League President Mohammed Ali Jinnah that he was ready to negotiate at the same table with Congress Party men.

Thorez Insists On Reparations

NICE, April 29 (UP)—Maurice Thorez, secretary general of the Communist Party, today demanded reparations for France from both Germany and Italy and reiterated France's demands for the political and internationalization of the Ruhr, a prolonged occupation of the Rhineland and the cession of the Saar coal mines to France.

In a lengthy pre-election speech, Thorez said:

"We must guarantee the security of our frontier in the east and obtain the legitimate reparations due us. We expect satisfaction of the claims the government has just put forward, namely, both political and economic internationalization of the Ruhr, a lengthy occupation of the Rhineland and ownership of the Saar mines.

"Thought must be given to helping France," Thorez continued, "before thinking of helping Germany. France must obtain the coal, wood, machines and cattle necessary for her recovery."

Theater Ordnance Section Opens School for Mechanics

FRANKFURT, April 29—Eight motor mechanics and motor sergeants will be trained at a new theater ordnance technical training center, scheduled to open today at Eschwege, Col. Thomas H. Nixon, theater chief of ordnance, announced.

The first class of 30 will graduate May 20. By mid-summer the school expects to have a capacity of 650.

Dick Tracy

(By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.)



By Chester Gould



Cubs Trip Cards 1-0, 9-7, 3-1; Giants Win 2

ST. LOUIS, April 29 (AP)—Getting revenge for three previous defeats by the Redbirds, the Cubs dealt a double blow to the Cardinals in sweeping the first National League doubleheader of the season at Sportsman's Park, 9-7 and 3-1.

Pitcher John Schmitz was in fine form in limiting the Cards to seven hits in the second game and would have had a shutout had it not been for a safety by Stan

Musial in the seventh which bounced over Marv Rickert's head for a triple, scoring Erv Dusak.

A two run uprising in the seventh, featuring singles by Rickert, Clyde McCullough, Len Merullo and Stan Hack, provided Schmitz a margin of victory. Ken Burkhardt was relieved by Red Barrett in the eighth and was charged with the loss.

Catcher Mickey Livingston's terrific home run against the center field scoreboard with none on in the ninth sent the three-hour opener into an extra inning.

Don Johnson opened the Cubs' tenth with his fourth single and scored the winning run on Charles Gilbert's single, after Peanuts Lowrey sacrificed and Phil Cavarretta drew an intentional pass. Ed Waitkus got a double when Red Schoendienst and Musial collided going after a high fly, and Cavarretta scored Chicago's final run.

Lending credence to the prediction that he will be in the thick of the race for league batting honors, Musial walloped a triple, three doubles, and a single for the afternoon.

Marty Marion, the Cardinals' valuable shortstop, was taken out of the first game after he was hit on the head by a low pitch by Claude Passeau. His bruised foot was not regarded as seriously injured, but he was kept out of the nightcap. Terry Moore's left knee was bothering him and his only duty was as a pinch hitter.

Giants 7-3, Dodgers 4-10

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—Sparked by the newly-acquired Goody Rosen who slammed three singles in the opener and a single and a three-run homer in the night-

cap, the Giants defeated the Dodgers on both ends of a doubleheader, 7-3 and 10-4.

The opener also featured the first mound appearance since 1942 for Prince Hal Schumacher, who snapped the Dodgers' winning streak at eight games and the Giants' losing skein at four.

Bob Joyce went the route for the Giants in the second tilt for his third victory in as many starts. The Giants scored once in the first and three more in the second on Bill Rigney's three-run homer. They added two in the fourth and three in the fifth, when Rosen, purchased only yesterday from the Dodgers, banged a three-run homer. The Giants tacked on another in the eighth when Bobby Blattner hit a four master.

Dixie Walker hit a homer for the Dodgers in the sixth with Pete Reiser aboard.

Schumacher had little trouble in the opener despite seven walks. His mates clinched the decision for him in the first round when Jesse Pike cracked a three-run homer and Mickey Witek's single tallied Sid Gordon. They picked up another in the fourth and two more in the seventh.

Pee Wee Reese hit a homer in the fifth. Joe Hatten, who beat the Ottomans last Sunday, was tagged with the loss.

Braves 6-1, Phillies 1-2

BOSTON, April 29 (AP)—Behind top pitching by Johnny Sain and Mort Cooper, the Braves swept a doubleheader from the Phillies, winning the opener, 6-1, and taking the afterpiece, 2-1.

Sain's triumph was his third of the season without a defeat. He gave the cellar-dwelling Phils but seven hits, didn't issue a single walk and struck out five.

Cooper's victory was his first this year in his initial home start. The big fellow has a 1-1 record, having been the victim of Ed Head's no-hitter in Brooklyn last week.

The games were played at Fenway Park, home of the Red Sox, because repairs are being made at the Braves' Field.

Cooper gave up eight hits, the same number the Braves made off Ken Raffensberger and Charlie Schanz but Cooper kept them scattered and received great assistance in the field. The Braves iced the opener with a three-run fourth inning, all the runs coming across on Stew Hofferth's triple to the distant center-field fence.

In taking the second game the Braves vanquished Al Jurisich, who defeated them in Philadelphia a week ago. In that seven-inning Easter Sunday contest, the former Cardinal got the first 15 Braves in order.

Reds 7, Pirates 1

CINCINNATI, April 29 (AP)—The Reds pounded Rip Sewell for 13 hits to gain their fourth straight victory over the Pirates, 7-1, in the opener of a scheduled double header.

The second game was postponed, as a steady rain began to fall during the intermission.

Ed Heusser, who doled out seven hits to the Pirates, was in trouble only in the fifth when he issued two walks after Sewell had doubled. But Frank Colman grounded out to end the threat.

Grady Hatton, the Reds' freshman third baseman, banged out the second home run of his major league career to give Cincinnati a one-run lead in the opening round.

The Redlegs climbed on Sewell for four runs in the eighth on two doubles and three singles after counting single markers in the third and sixth.

A shutout was spoiled for Heusser in the ninth when the Pirates combined a double by Bill Cox, Hatton's error and a pinch single by John Barrett for the only score.

Tribe Nips Tigers, 3-1; Yanks Bow

DETROIT, April 29 (AP)—Pitcher Charles (Red) Embree scattered six Detroit hits and knocked in two vital runs with a 12th inning double as the Indians took a 3-1 victory in their third successive overtime game with the Tigers this year.

The largest baseball crowd in Detroit history, 57,149, paid and watched Embree best Frankie (Stubby) Overmire in a ding-dong pitchers' battle. Overmire, hurling one-hit ball through six innings went all the way to lose on an eight-hit job.

Hank Greenberg's second homer of the season in the fourth and Pat Seerey's home run into the upper left-field stands in the seventh set the stage for the extra-inning struggle.

Two were out in the Cleveland 12th when the Indians rose up with a winning rally. Sherman Lollar, third Tribe catcher, lined a double down the right-field line, and Lambert (Dutch) Meyer was purposely passed to bring up Embree.

The Cleveland hurler, who singled futilely in the 11th, blasted a two-bagger into left center for the two runs that won the game.

Senators 3, Yanks 1

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—The Washington Senators knocked the Yankees out of first place with a 3-1 victory behind the steady knuckleball hurling of Roger Wolfe. Stan Spence's eighth inning double, that drove in two runs, was the winning blow. Spence, a lefthanded hitter, broke a 1-1 tie by slapping one of Al Gettel's pitches down the left-field line, scoring Buddy Lewis and Bingo Binks who had singled with two outs.

The Yankees kept the throng in suspense in the ninth when pinch hitter John Lindell and Phil Rizzuto singled, but Snuffy Stirnweiss forced Rizzuto at second for the final out.

Red Sox 2-1, Athletics 1-5

PHILADELPHIA, April 29 (AP)—Boston's pennant-hungry Red Sox widened their American League lead by handing the Athletics a double reverse, 2-1 and 5-1.

Tex Hughson and Mickey Harris stifled the weak Athletic batsmen and extended the A's losing streak to six.

Hughson hooked up with Lou Knerr of the Macks in a scoreless pitching duel for seven innings in the opener, but the Sox got two in the eighth on base knocks by Johnny Pesky, Ted Williams and George Metkovich. Sam Chapman robbed Hughson of a shutout with a home run in the last half of the inning.

White Sox 4-1, Browns 11-8

CHICAGO, April 29 (AP)—The White Sox and the Browns split a doubleheader, the Sox winning the opener, 4-1, and the Browns the nightcap, 11-8.

Aging but tireless Ted Lyons pitched the Sox to a victory, his first in two starts since he was discharged from service. Home runs by Don Kolloway and Taft Wright, both with the bases empty, provided the winning margin.

In the second game, catcher Eddie Fernandez dropped Vern Stephens' pop foul when two were out in the first inning. Before the Browns were stopped, they scored nine unearned runs on seven hits, three walks, and two hit batsmen. The Sox used 22 players in the second game.



Hemsley Holds the Fort

Rollie Hemsley, veteran catcher, tags out Buddy Kerr, Giant shortstop, in the seventh inning of a Giant-Philly game at the Polo Grounds. The speedy Kerr had attempted to come from second on a single by manager Mel Ott. Ron Northey's accurate, bee-line peg to home squelched the scoring attempt. The New Yorkers, however, were able to tally two more in the inning and trounce the Philadelphians, 5-2. The umpire is Babe Pinelli.

Donovan Held For Homicide

NEW YORK, April 29 (UP)—Referee Arthur Donovan, the third man in the ring during most of the heavyweight championship fights during the past decade, was formally charged with homicide today in the death of his long-time friend and drinking companion, 54-year-old David Corcoran.

After the Felony Court Magistrate set the date of his hearing for May 13, Donovan slumped in his chair. As he walked out of the courtroom alone, his son, Arthur walked up to him and put his arm around his father's shoulders.

Donovan, 57, boxing's most famous referee, was arrested last Saturday after an all-night tour of night clubs ended in an early-morning scuffle which resulted in Corcoran's death. Police said they saw the men quarreling as they left a taxicab at 57th Street and Fifth Avenue with Corcoran's son, David. One policeman said he saw Donovan strike the elder Corcoran, who fell to the curb. He died later in the day of a skull fracture and complications.

Donovan was represented in court by Bert Turkus, former assistant district attorney of Brooklyn and Thomas Sheridan, former New York congressman.

First Gambler Fined For Ball Park Betting

CINCINNATI, April 29 (UP)—A police drive to eliminate all gambling on the Cincinnati Reds at Crosley Field resulted in the conviction of Joseph Johns, who was fined \$50 and costs.

Johns, the first man convicted in the anti-gambling campaign, was arrested on April 18, when he came out of a telephone booth at the ball park, after allegedly transmitting a wager. Detectives said that gamblers cleared \$75,000 on roving bets at Crosley Field last year.

Johnston Promotes Moore-Charles Bout

NEW YORK, April 29 (UP)—Jimmy Johnston, who recently returned to the boxing game as a promoter, announced today that he had signed Archie Moore of St. Louis and Pittsburgh's Ezzard Charles for a ten-round bout at Forbes Field, Pittsburgh, on May 20.

Johnston said the fight would be for the "light heavyweight championship of America," if Gus Lesnevich, current world titleholder in that division, loses to British champion Freddie Mills in their title clash at London May 14.

Illinois Takes Relay Crown

PHILADELPHIA, April 29 (UP)—A handful of speedsters from the University of Illinois ran away with their third major title of the year, the Penn. Relays, before 30,000 chilled spectators at Franklin Field.

With anchor man Herb McKenley running his quarter-mile leg in 46.9 seconds, the Illini swept to a 15-year victory in the mile relay.

At Des Moines, rain spoiled the 37th annual running of the Drake Relays. Four schools shared honors, but top individual honors went to Earl Mitchell, Indiana's brilliant miler who anchored two Hoosier relay teams to championship.

Mitchell, a former Marine who held the Wanamaker mile title before he went into the service, was voted the outstanding athlete competing in the Drake Relays. He received 17 votes, with Bill Martinson, Baylor's sprint star, ranking second with 5. Walter Mack of Wisconsin and Lloyd Labschick of Wisconsin each received two votes.

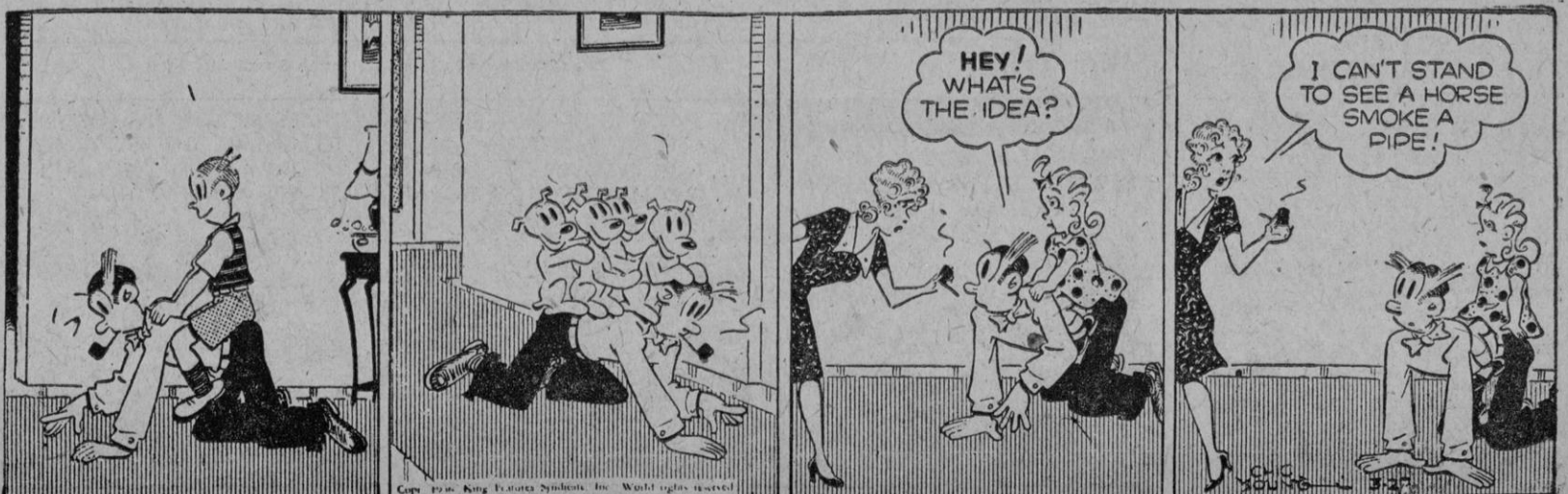
Syracuse Buys Sauer From Reds

SYRACUSE, April 29 (AP)—The Chiefs of the International League announced the outright purchase of first baseman Hank Sauer and pitcher Millard Howell from Cincinnati. The Reds also optioned pitcher Arnold Carter to the Chiefs.

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Minor Leagues

International League table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like Baltimore, Syracuse, Buffalo, Newark, Montreal, Jersey City, Toronto, Rochester.

Results first games: Rochester 9, Newark 5; Syracuse 3, Buffalo 0; Toronto 7, Jersey City 6; Montreal 6, Baltimore 5.

American Association table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like St. Paul, Indianapolis, Louisville, Minneapolis, Toledo, Columbus, Kansas City, Milwaukee.

Results first games: Columbus 5, Toledo 3; Milwaukee 4, Kansas City 1; St. Paul 13, Minneapolis 7; Indianapolis 7, Louisville 6.

Pacific Coast League table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles, San Diego, Portland, Seattle, Sacramento.

Results: San Francisco 9, Sacramento 3; Los Angeles 6, Oakland 5; San Diego 3, Portland 2; Seattle 6, Hollywood 3.

Texas League table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Tulsa, Beaumont, Shreveport, Oklahoma City.

Results first games: Dallas 6, Tulsa 3; Fort Worth 5, Oklahoma City 2; Houston 5, Shreveport 0.

South Atlantic League table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like Augusta, Jacksonville, Columbus, Macon, Greenville, Savannah, Charleston, Columbia.

Results: Macon 9, Columbia 0; Jacksonville 6, Charleston 3; Augusta 11, Savannah 5; Greenville 12, Columbus 5.

Southern Association table with columns W, L, Pct. for teams like Memphis, New Orleans, Chattanooga, Nashville, Atlanta, Little Rock, Birmingham, Mobile.

Results first games: Chattanooga 3, Birmingham 0; Little Rock 10, New Orleans 9; Nashville 5, Atlanta 4; Memphis 2, Mobile 1.

AFN Highlights

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Tuesday: 1800 News, 2100 News, 1805 Sports, 2130 AFN Playhouse, 1815 Personal Album, 2200 Mail Call, 1900 Show Time, 2230 California, 1930 Fannie Brice, Melodious, 2000 AFN Showcase, 2345 Vocal Touch, 2030 Bob Burns, 2400 News.

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National League Scores

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Brooklyn vs New York (second game) box score. Brooklyn: Whitman, Stanky, Reiser, Ramaz, Walker, Stevens, Anderson, Reese, Behrman, a-Herm'ski, Branca, b-Padgett, Davis, c-Galan, Moulder, d-Sandlock. New York: Rigney, Rosen, Pike, Mize, Klutz, Marshall, Blattner, Kerr, Joyce.

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Errors—Reiser, Stevens, Pike, Klutz, Kerr.

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HOW THEY STAND

American League standings table with columns W, L, Pct. for Boston, New York, Detroit, St. Louis, Cleveland, Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia.

Results: Cleveland 3, Detroit 1; Chicago 4-8, St. Louis 1-11; Boston 2-5, Philadelphia 1-1; Washington 2, New York 1.

National League

National League standings table with columns W, L, Pct. for Brooklyn, St. Louis, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia.

Results: New York 7-10, Brooklyn 3-4; Boston 6-2, Philadelphia 1-1; Chicago 9-3, St. Louis 7-1; Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 1.

Major League Leaders

Table of Major League Leaders with columns G, AB, R, H, Pct. for players like Keller, Yanks; Stephens, Browns; Weitemann, Braves; Pesky, Red Sox; Herm, Dodgers; Reiser, Dodgers.

RUNS BATTED IN

Table of Runs Batted In for National League and American League players like Stevens, Dodgers; Miller, Reds; Musial, Cards.

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Table of Home Runs for National League and American League players like Walker, Dodgers; Witek, Giants; Northey, Phillies; Miller, Reds; Kiner, Pirates; Hatton, Reds.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with numbered squares and some filled-in letters.

- ACROSS: 1-Letter instrument; 4-Stringed instrument; 8-Holds court; 12-A number; 13-Son of Adam; 14-Dye indigo; 15-Source of power; 17-Afternoon show; 19-Other; 20-Printer's em; 21-Musical note; 22-Female ruff; 23-Poison; 24-Lord Byron; 26-Senior (abbr.); 27-Center of all lines; 28-Sandhog's ailment; 29-Places where games are held.
- DOWN: 1-Defeated team; 2-Deer has two; 3-Water birds; 4-Smoked meat; 5-Jewish letter; 6-Memories; 7-Position; 8-Kind of monkey; 9-Stop-over place; 10-Arranged in layers; 11-Storms; 16-One (Scot.); 18-Tantalum (symb.); 19-Indefinite article; 20-Genus of measure; 23-What knights were; 24-Earth used as fuel; 25-A unit; 27-Cost of a ride; 28-Spoiled child; 29-Chum; 30-Weight of one rupee; 31-Growing in pairs; 32-Roman magistrates; 34-Add to; 35-Covered with a shroud; 37-Talk foolishly; 38-Land of mystery; 39-Indefinite article; 41-Printer's measure; 43-Chess piece; 44-Part of 'to be'; 45-Flightless bird; 48-Sun god.

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

Grid for yesterday's crossword puzzle solution with words like BALSAM, BANDS, MANGER, INDIAN, ALE, AGENT, ALA, PS, STOOGES, AR, LASH, SSE, POME, EMPERY, SORDID, RAY, CUD, BLARES, FACETS, ROTE, ERE, ERIE, AC, RITUALS, TN, CUE, STERE, GAS, ESTATE, ENGINE, TASSE, DEANS.

Spanish Signs Defend Franco, Denounce Reds

MADRID, April 29 (AP)—In such cities as Zaragoza, Valencia and Barcelona, scores of other population centers and small villages throughout Spain, wall signs and placards in foot-high letters shout "Franco Yes, Communism No."

That is the answer of supporters of Generalissimo Francisco Franco, particularly of the Falange, his state party, to foreign pressure for a change of government in Spain.

The cry is a variation of the "Franco or Chaos" slogan of previous months and, as an answer to foreign disapproval of the present regime, it carries the same significance.

Those on Franco's side say that if a change in government were forced now, only civil war could result, and their answer to the tripartite declaration carries the inference that a Communist government would follow if Franco were ousted.

France Assailed

Resentment against France, charged by the Franco government and press with becoming a "bad neighbor," and a surging national pride which denies the right of other nations to "dictate" to Spain were other effects of the declaration as reflected in the rigidly controlled Spanish press.

The official policy, religiously mirrored in the controlled press, follows generally the lines to the Spanish note delivered to the U. S.

The note, considered diplomatically an answer to the declaration, said in part:

"The Spanish government wishes to inform the Government of the United States in advance that Spain repudiates any foreign pressure put upon her, since it considers that the question of its interior regime is a matter concerning exclusively its own sovereignty. Any further foreign intervention that might appear as a threat to the security of the Spanish people serves to heighten national feelings."

The complete story of the diplomatic exchanges leading up to the tripartite declaration was not printed in Spanish newspapers. The strict domestic censorship allowed publication of only about 150 words of the U. S. white book which charged that Franco was compromised with the Axis during World War II.

Byrnes Wants Free Austria

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tative to France, Norbert Bischoff, today predicted that Austrian independence would have not only American, but French and British support as well.

"During the last year of Austrian occupation, both England and America have several times affirmed their good intentions toward Austria as members to the Allied Control Council. As for France, there are many reasons why she would support such a measure. Austria and France have many cultural and historical ties."

Reports of a pending food crisis in Austria have accentuated the need for Austria to rid herself of an occupation army with which she must share her limited supply of food, Bischoff said.

To date the Russian delegation has succeeded in postponing discussion of the question, but it is believed that Byrnes remains firm in his intention to have it included on the agenda.

Italy to Keep Fleet

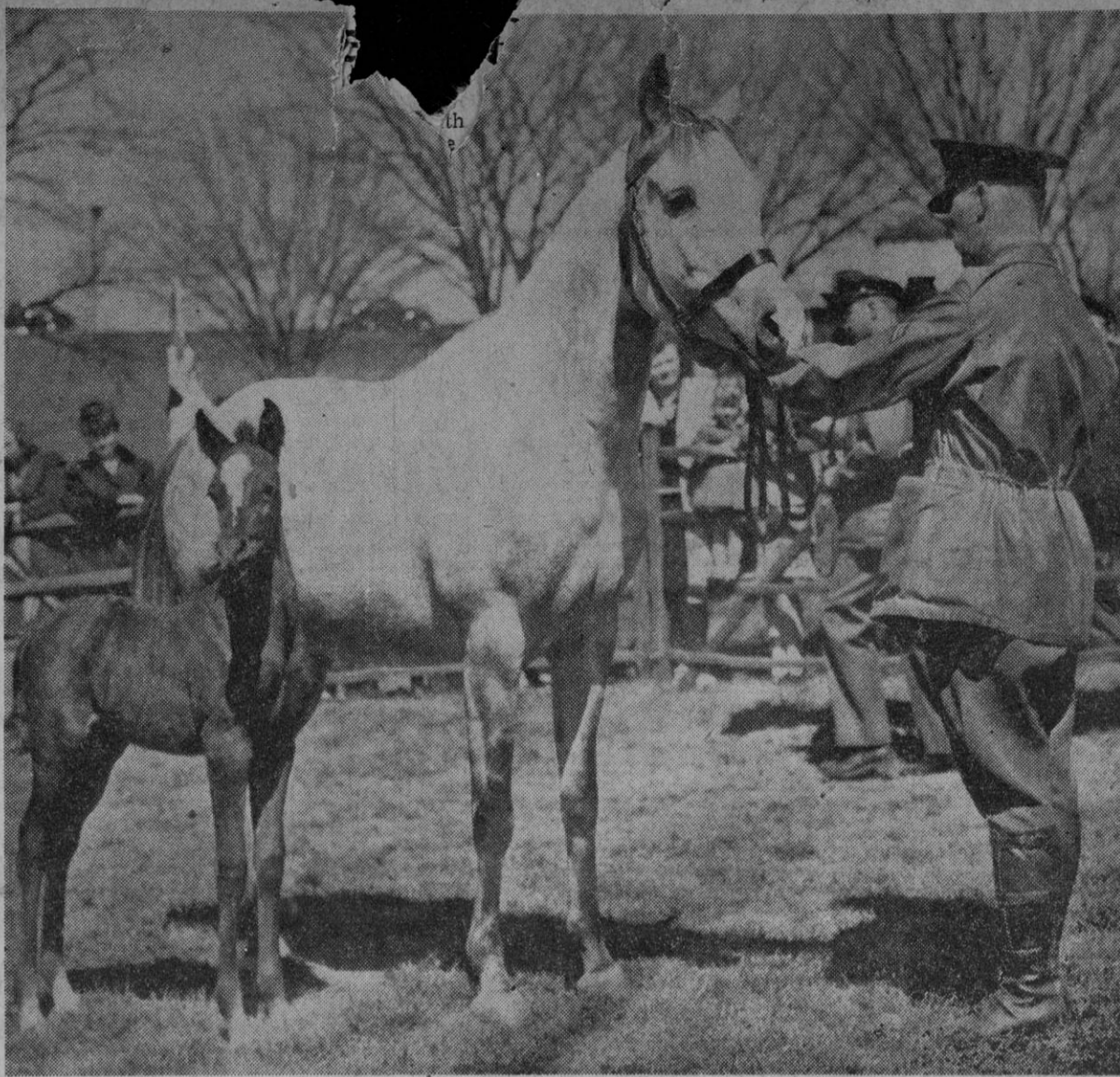
Observers do not predict any deep British opposition to the friendly four-power treaty with Austria. It is known that the French point of view is friendly to the Austrian aims.

Regarding the Italian situation, the United Press said that the fleet which Italy will be permitted to retain under the agreement reached yesterday is larger than originally reported.

It was learned that the actual size will be two battleships, four six-inch gun cruisers, six destroyers, two torpedo boats, 20 corvettes and an undetermined number of smaller craft including minesweepers and gunboats, but no aircraft carriers or submarines.

U. S. Socialists Get Busy

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—The Socialist Party reported that it would have at least 15 candidates for the Senate and 68 for the House in the fall elections.



European Thoroughbreds in U. S.

Saffa, a Lippizaner mare, and her 10-day old colt by Maestro XXVII, Lippizaner stallion, pose for the cameraman at the Aleshire Quartermaster Depot, Remount, at Fort Royal, Va. The Lippizaners, once part of the Royal Hungarian stud, were trained at the Spanish Riding School in Vienna.

Tribunal Scolds Streicher for Poor Manners

NURNBERG, April 29 (AP)—Repeated clashes between Jew-baiter Julius Streicher and his own defense counsel caused the American prosecutor before the International Military Tribunal today to demand that Streicher be sent back to his cell and compelled to submit the remainder of his case in writing.

Justice Robert H. Jackson's demands were not granted, but the president of the tribunal, Lord Geoffrey Lawrence, admonished Streicher.

"You will kindly treat your counsel and the tribunal with due courtesy," he said.

'Regrets' Beating

Giving evidence, Streicher expressed "regret" that he had once beaten a prisoner in Nurnberg jail because "he made libellous statements about the Fuehrer."

Describing four visits to Dachau concentration camp, Streicher said they were made only to select interned Social Democrats or Communists who were "brought to Nurnberg every Christmas to be with their families."

Streicher again complained of ill treatment by American troops when he had to ask to have a question repeated several times.

"I was beaten and for days was without my clothing," he said, "and I have lost 40 per cent of my hearing."

Cairo Police Kill 2 In Election Frauds

CAIRO, April 29 (AP)—Reports here today said police fired into a crowd at Symbellawein, killing two voters and wounding several others during elections yesterday to fill 42 vacancies in the Egyptian senate.

Leaders of the opposition Wafd Party protested to Premier Sidky Pasha, who also is interior minister, that the police had prevented their members from going to the polls.

Sidky himself was elected to one of the vacancies by an officially-announced vote of 24,779 to 189 for his Wafdist opponent.

Kemp's Widow Weds

BEVERLY, Miss., April 29 (INS)—Martha Kemp Mature and screen writer St. Clair McKelway are honeymooning following their wedding last night. The bride is the widow of orchestra leader Hal Kemp and the former wife of actor Victor Mature. McKelway is a former Air Forces lieutenant colonel.

'God's Little Acre' Off Limits in St. Paul

ST. PAUL, April 29 (UP)—Anyone in St. Paul possessing Erskine Caldwell's novel "God's Little Acre" became subject to arrest today when City Prosecutor John J. McNeil banned it as "obscene."

The fuss all started when book dealer Harry Fredkove reported that a customer had returned the book with the complaint that it was obscene. Frank Mondike, chief of the police department's morals squad, promptly obtained a copy and gave it to Patrolman Don Wallace to read and review. Wallace said "God's Little Acre" was "immoral, obscene and lewd."

The city prosecutor read Wallace's review and after a hearing banned the book.

Elections . . .

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1,779,203 votes to the Social Democrats' 936,763 by overriding the majority the Social Democrats secured in more-industrialized Greater Hesse.

It was in the province of Greater Hesse that the Communists won their biggest vote, polling 8 per cent of the total vote of 1,090,850 cast in the state where the influence of the industrial cities of Frankfurt, Wiesbaden and Kassel extends into the neighboring countryside.

British Officer Acquitted In Theft of Captured Goods

LONDON, April 29—Lt. Comdr. Edward Bell was acquitted by a British Navy court martial of charges of stealing German equipment belonging to the Navy.

The court accepted Bell's testimony that he had only stored the 1,056 sun-glasses, 327 binoculars and other nautical instruments with a shopkeeper, and had not authorized their sale.

GI-Hater Called Heart-Breaker

MIAMI BEACH, April 29 (INS)—A blonde coed's denunciation of GIs as potential husbands drew protests from a group of former prisoners of the Japanese vacationing at Miami Beach.

Through the pen of a veteran who spent 40 months in a Jap prison camp, the soldiers called Helen Braden's anti-GI oration "un-American and publicity seeking."

The Iowa girl, speaking at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., charged that former servicemen were unwilling to work, boasted of their war experiences and lacked manners and refinement.

S/Sgt. William O. Calhoun Custer, of Park, Ill., used 500 words to reply by airmail to Miss Braden's charges.

Among other things, the Army veteran accused Miss Braden of "hurting the morale of our large armed force, giving those daily becoming eligible for the Army a twisted conception even before they enter service."

"As an American citizen, your biased bitter attack seems to me as being very un-American," he declared. "As to thousands upon thousands of hearts of loyal GIs that you have practically broken, I know you must be a little sorry."

Miss Braden had said she "had nothing personal against former servicemen," but would not marry a man "who is living war and hates everyone."

No, she did not win the oratorical contest, she finished last.

Soft Coal Strike Prompts Alarm In Washington

WASHINGTON, April 29 (UP)—President Truman and top Administration leaders manifested alarm today over industrial repercussions of the soft coal strike as labor officials planned strategy for ending the 29-day-old walkout.

As Mr. Truman wrestled with mounting reconversion problems aboard the Presidential yacht Williamsburg, production officials painted a discouraging picture of industrial slowdowns caused by the strike. Informed sources pessimistically forecast the possibility that the mine walkout may last another two to four weeks.

Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach, however, was trying hard to get the vitally needed coal production going sooner.

He met today with John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, AFL, and the UMW negotiating committee in an effort to re-open talks between the producers and the UMW, disrupted April 10. Schwellenbach hoped to get the two groups together tomorrow.

Chicago Feels Pinch

Meanwhile, dwindling fuel supplies threatened Chicago with a peacetime "brownout" and portended further curtailment of steel and chemical production, layoffs of thousands of workers in other industries and reduced rail transportation. Hospitals, other institutions and utilities faced serious difficulties.

Mr. Truman conferred on the crisis caused by the strike of 400,000 UMW members with Reconversion Director John W. Snyder and Presidential Adviser John L. Steelman.

Snyder indicated the coal strike was the Administration's chief reconversion worry.

Reconversion Is Threatened

Meanwhile, Civilian Production Administrator John Small reported the coal strike was interfering seriously with reconversion. In a monthly report on industrial production, Small said that, during March, industry made "its biggest gains since V-J Day." He added, however, that April production will fall "far below" the March peak "because of the coal walkout."

Solid Fuels Administrator Julius A. Krug reported that he had received so many requests for allocation of emergency fuel supplies that to grant them would exhaust in 36 hours the 1,150,000 tons of coal available.

Court Changes Expected Soon

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—President Truman expects to announce before the end of the week not only the name of the new chief justice of the Supreme Court, but, simultaneously, a new member to succeed the late Harlan F. Stone.

Sources close to the Chief Executive expressed the belief that Mr. Truman had already made a decision on both appointments, subject only to a last-minute conference with Attorney General Tom C. Clark and key Congressmen.

Associate Justices Robert H. Jackson and William O. Douglas figured most prominently in the speculation over President Truman's choice for a new chief justice.

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson was among those mentioned as a possibility for appointment to the court vacancy.

Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, was in conference with the President most of yesterday.

Marshall Asks 4-Point Truce, Chinese Report

NANKING, April 29 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall has submitted a four-point proposal to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Communist Gen. Chou En-lai for a settlement of the grave Manchurian situation, the usually reliable pro-government newspaper Hsin Minpao reported today.

In a dispatch from Chungking the newspaper disclosed these points:

IMMEDIATE unconditional armistice.

RETENTION of the status quo of Manchurian regimes until a general election.

REORGANIZATION of Manchurian troops under an army reform program.

DISCONTINUATION of the use of United States ships for transferring government troops to Manchuria except for territorial recovery purposes.

The re-vamped Manchurian military organization would be stationed in areas to be determined by a three-man commission.

The newspaper said the memorandum provided for the evacuation of United States troops from North China to be replaced by two divisions of government forces.

NEW MANCHURIA CITY FALLS TO CHINA REDS, IS REPORT

NANKING, April 29 (AP)—Chinese Communists have seized Lungkiang, third largest city in Manchuria and capital of Nunkiang Province, it was reported here yesterday.

The newspaper Ta Kung Pao said the Russians had withdrawn and the Communists moved in.

The report, if true, would mean the Communists now controlled two provincial capitals in Northern Manchuria, in addition to Changchun, capital of the entire territory.