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Smoke and Flame Mark the Trail to Okinawa's Capital City



Jap snipers hiding in farm buildings had to be smoked out by First Div. Marines advancing on Naha, the capital of Okinawa. Currently, the Marine First Div. is fighting north of the fortress city of Shuri.

**Final Session
Of Parley to
Hear Truman**

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—President Truman will come here to address the final plenary session of the United Nations Conference.

Announcement of the President's decision was made today in Washington, where Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. has just returned. Stettinius will fly back to the conference, now drawing to a close, after conferring with the President.

Five members of the British delegation to the conference offered their resignations today following the resignation of Winston Churchill as Prime Minister. This leaves Lord Halifax, the British ambassador to the U.S., as the only accredited representative of Britain here. However, Viscount Cranborne, one of the delegates, is expected to be renominated immediately a member of the government, and thus continue his duties here.

Veto Still Under Study

Meanwhile, the question of the veto power of the Big Five in the security council was still under discussion, with the U.S. and Russia in agreement that the Yalta voting formula remain. That formula gives each major power ability to veto action in a dispute involving itself.

Some American authorities doubt that the Senate would ratify the world league charter if it did not reserve to the U.S. the right to prevent other nations from intervening in Western Hemisphere affairs without American consent.

The small nations have submitted a series of amendments designed to modify the absolute veto power of the Big Five. The general belief among delegates was that the Big Five would retain control of the key security council but would offer some form of concession to the small nations.

On another question—that of trusteeships—the security committee last night rejected an Egyptian proposal that would have brought automatically all mandates, including Japanese islands in the Pacific,

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**Francis Biddle Resigns
As U.S. Attorney General**

WASHINGTON, May 23 (UP).—Francis Biddle has tendered to President Harry S. Truman his resignation as U.S. Attorney General. The White House announced today, Biddle has been Attorney General since 1941.

(The resignations of other hold-over members of the Roosevelt cabinet are likely to be announced soon, the Associated Press said.)

**Drive by 7th Div. Flanks
Japs' Southern Okinawa Line**

ADM. NIMITZ' HQ., GUAM, May 23 (ANS).—A daring flank drive by the Seventh Inf. Div., plus capture of the strategic port city of Yonabaru, threatened today to collapse the stubbornly-defended Japanese line across southern Okinawa.

The 96th Div. set the stage for the Seventh's drive by taking Yonabaru, the east coast anchor of the line and the fifth largest town on Okinawa, late Monday. The 96th entered the ruins of Yonabaru unopposed, after lunging 800 yards down Conical Hill and killing more than 1,000 Japanese in close fighting.

Just before dawn Tuesday, the Seventh returned to action after a two-week rest. It pushed, in rain and mud, through Yonabaru, cut the east-west traffic artery between Yonabaru and the island's capital city, Naha, and occupied strong positions on hills 1,000 yards south of Yonabaru.

From these hills, Seventh Div. artillery can dominate the roads that supply Shuri, the fortress city in the center of the line. Officers said they were confident their men could hold the hills against Japanese counter-attacks.

The return of the Seventh to action put five American divisions—three of them Army Infantry and two Marine—against the Japanese.

A dispatch from the front said the Seventh Inf. drove through Yonabaru after the first tank battle of the Okinawa campaign. U.S. Sherman tanks knocked out six of nine Japanese tanks.

The thrust cut off some Japanese between Yonabaru and the heights and it extended an enveloping arm a considerable distance south of Shuri. The heights form a ridge along Okinawa's southeastern coast. If men of the Seventh Div. can push farther south along its crest, they will be able completely to dominate Okinawa's major roads and two rail lines running southeast from Naha.

Heavy rains curtailed progress on the western end of the front, and in the center, where Shuri was the main objective. The Japanese threw

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**2 GIs Ambushed;
Murderers Hunted**

WITH 30TH DIV., May 23.—When the bodies of two GIs were found near Schierke in the Hartz Mountains recently a search for the murderers resulted only in the burning of buildings where they possibly had taken refuge.

The Americans apparently had been ambushed while their vehicle was stopped for repairs. One man was found dead behind his gun under the three-quarter-ton truck and the other was slumped over the wheel.

Patrols of the G Co, of the 120th Inf. combed the area for suspects.

**Formosa Hit
7th Day in Row**

GUAM, May 23 (ANS).—Japan's arsenal island of Formosa dug out from its seventh consecutive day of bombing today after enemy raiders struck at American-held Iwo Jima, causing a few casualties.

Jap twin-engined bombers, attacking for the first time since the island was taken, bombed Iwo, 750 miles south of Tokyo, Monday night as the U.S. and Jap Air Forces traded blows throughout the western Pacific. Two of the Iwo raiders were shot down.

American medium bombers, Gen. MacArthur announced today, swept over Formosa's Wija area by daylight Tuesday, battering communications and defense plants. They destroyed a large amount of railroad equipment and scored hits on warehouses, factories and explosive plants, setting fires.

Twenty Mitchells raked targets on Formosa, Monday in a follow-up to Sunday's 250-plane assault on that oft-hit industrial island.

**Forest Fire Warning Issued
Against Japs' Balloon Bombs**

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The public was urged today to keep a careful watch "for possible forest fires" started by incendiary bombs dropped from paper balloons launched by the Japanese.

The War and Navy Departments yesterday disclosed that Japan had been sending bomb-carrying paper balloons against the western U.S. mainland for the past several months in "a fantastic" attempt at long-range destruction in this country.

Some balloons landed or dropped explosives in isolated communities but "no property damage has resulted." The sporadic attacks have been known to radio stations and newspapermen for some time, but the departments decided to make a formal announcement "so that the public may be aware of possible danger and to reassure the nation that these attacks are so scattered and aimless that they constitute no military threat."

**Churchill Quits;
Britain Will Vote
1st Time Since '35**

LONDON, May 23.—Prime Minister Churchill resigned today and cleared the way for Britain's first general election in ten years.

His resignation automatically disbanded the coalition government which he formed in May, 1940, and which led

**Doenitz Rule
Out; Officials
Now Prisoners**

FLensburg, Germany, May 23.—The German government of Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz was dissolved today and its members made prisoners of war.

Thus the Allies wiped out the last vestiges of Nazi control in the Reich. Actually, Doenitz' regime has had no power or control since it negotiated the surrender. General Eisenhower, as military governor of that part of Germany under control of the western Allies, has been in complete charge. Today's action merely eliminated the Doenitz regime as such and provided for the physical imprisonment of its members.

Precisely at 10 o'clock this morning, SHAEF, in the person of Maj. Gen. Lowell W. Reeks, moved in and took over. Reeks, who is assistant chief of staff, G3, summoned Doenitz and Col. Gen. Gustav Jodl to inform them that henceforth there was no such thing as a German government and that they would be made prisoners of war.

Meet Aboard Ship

The former head of Germany's U-boat fleet and the former chief of the Wehrmacht came aboard the luxury liner Patria in Flensburg harbor to hear the news. The Patria served as headquarters for the SHAEF control mission. There were no formalities, no questions. Doenitz and Jodl merely were told that their government was dissolved and that they now were in custody of Allied authorities. The two Germans were given time to return to their quarters under guard for lunch and to pack.

Meantime, British troops moved into the buildings of the Oberkommandant Wehrmacht headquarters a half mile east of the Flensburg waterfront. The Tommies took physical possession of the buildings and herded the German occupants into nearby fields.

Before the officials were removed, all were frisked and tagged with a white card. Several Sherman tanks were on hand to quell any demonstrations of protest. There was none. The mob was a model of docility.

Within an hour, all German re-

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Britain through five of the most difficult years of her history.

King George VI announced Parliament would be dissolved by royal proclamation on June 15. The election will follow in 17 days.

Except for individual elections to fill vacancies, the House of Commons has not changed since 1935, when the Conservative and allied parties won 431 seats out of a total of 615.

Two Audiences With King

Churchill had two audiences with King George. At the first, he resigned, and at the second he accepted the King's request to form a "caretaker" government to serve until the results of the election are known. He is expected to form an interim government over the weekend, replacing Laborite members of his coalition cabinet with Conservatives or non-affiliated men.

Churchill, leader of the Conservative party, resigned after Labor party ministers refused to remain in his coalition government until



Prime Minister Churchill

Japan was defeated. There were other differences between the two parties, among them Labor Minister Ernest Bevin's charge that the Conservative party had sowed suspicion in Anglo-Russian relations.

Other factors aside, however, his resignation was regarded as a formality to clear the way for a general election. Britain has been able to avoid a wartime election because there is no law requiring that elections be held at stated intervals.

Big Job Ahead

Reuter said Churchill has a big job before him, forming an interim cabinet and government. He automatically lost three Laborite members of his War Cabinet: Deputy Prime Minister Clement Attlee, leader of the Labor party, Minister of Labor Ernest Bevin

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**5 Generals to Parade
With Hodges in Atlanta**

ATLANTA, Ga., May 23 (ANS).—Five generals will accompany Lt. Gen. Courtney Hodges, First Army commander, in his homecoming parade here Thursday, according to Mayor William B. Hartsfield. They are: Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commander of the First Allied Airborne Army; Lt. Gen. Troy H. Middleton, VIII Corps commander; Maj. Gen. John B. Anderson, XVI Corps commander; Maj. Gen. Ira Wyche, 79th Inf. Div. commander, and Brig. Gen. Doyle O. Hickey, Third Armored Div. commander.

THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Et Tu, Uncle!

Will someone please tell us why APO 113 only gives four 6-cent air mail stamps for three German marks. We are not making reference to a stamped air mail envelope but to the stamp itself. The rate of exchange, we have been told, is one mark equals 10 cents.

The rate of foreign exchange is bad enough without getting short end of it from Uncle Sam, too.—T/Sgt F. Morthorst (and four others.—Ed.), 7th Chemical Depot Co.

Confucius Says

Confucius says: "One picture worth thousand words." How about showering Japan with photos which show what has happened to the once proud German cities whence Schickelgruber set out to conquer the world? Let the pictures of "Picturesque Germany Today" give the Japs some idea of what's ahead for them.—Sgt. H. H. Kaplowitz, 27th Photo Rec. Sq.

Bad Examples

We witnessed an AMG major strike and kick a small German boy whose sole offense was taking up space on the sidewalk in front of the major's quarters.

He did this while the child's playmates and several grown-ups stood on the sidewalk near by.

Gen. Eisenhower expressly stated firmness, but he did not indicate that the kicking of children was a part of this. We agree wholeheartedly with the non-fraternization policy and we feel that Germany has received what she richly deserves; however, we also feel that treatment of the sort this child received smirks more of the Nazis we fought and defeated than it does of an American officer.

While executing this brave action it was noted that the major held in his hands two tall bottles, the contents of which no doubt gave him the courage to perform this noble act.—Capt. Reynolds L. Emerson, G.F.R.C. (and 3 Lts. . . Ed.).

Lower Pension Age

After we all come home there will be a lot of young men looking for jobs while many men 55-60 and even 65 are still working. Why not lower the pension age to 55, or to 30 continuous working years in one company or firm?—Pfc Frank Torok, Air Force.

GI Jailhouse

Last night (May 7) a buddy and myself were picked up by the MPs for something very trivial and we were brought down to headquarters. They put us in a cell more like a dungeon, with three other fellows. The one room we had was about

six feet long and four feet wide and had a dirt floor. There was a platform running the length of the room and about two and a half feet wide. That was our bunk, for five of us. There was no hay, no blankets and worst of all, no water and no facilities for relieving ourselves. Whenever you felt the urge, you had to get off of the platform and do what you had to do right there.

I had to spend the night there. I swear that I didn't have any sleep at all last night. There was absolutely no light and no fresh air. The air in the room was really sickening and turned our stomachs. Two of the fellows had been in there for over a day and the only time they were allowed to come out was in the afternoon when they got a dry sandwich and a cup of water. I didn't get so much as a drink of water from the time I got there till I left.

I know that prisons are not designed to be comfortable but this place really was deplorable.—J.G. O., Sig. Bn.

Spicy

I just finished reading about the salt mine the Third Army captured in which they found buried away quite a bit of gold, silver and art treasures.

To us, the gold, silver and art treasures are worthless, however. Our kitchen has been out of salt for about a week now and I'm wondering if we couldn't get hold of a little of it. Surely, this wouldn't be classified as looting.—Cpl. Herbert Marshall, 108 F.A.

Clean-Up-Time

Made a trip the other day and saw military signs of all kinds along the road. One big sign said "Speed limit 10 miles, troops billeted here." No troops were there. Then there were many other signs, such as old replacement depots, etc. Why not a campaign for all troops to take down signs in their areas that are of no further use?—1st Lt. R. C., Inf.

They Are a Disgrace

Last night I was in a cafe when two paratroopers came to the door and kicked on it until the French lady had to go and tell them that she had closed because of having nothing else to sell. They both cursed her and one proceeded to slap her and did kick her. Of course they will say that they were drunk and didn't know what they were doing, but I know better. It makes no difference whether they are drunk or not, they still do it and night after night. It's too bad that morons like that couldn't have been planted six feet under while they were at the front. They are a disgrace to our families, our Army and our country.—Sgt. Bradford F. Casey, 195th Gen. Hosp.

Super-Secret Allied Liaison Unit Disclosed

The "Phantoms" yesterday joined the growing list of now-it-can-be-told secrets of the European war.

Their role as a super-liaison regiment, widely dispersed through the British and American armies, to transmit flash battle situation and enemy movement reports directly from frontlines to high headquarters, was revealed at a SHAEF press conference by Lt. Col. A. H. McIntosh, Phantom commander.

The Phantoms are known officially as the GHQ Liaison Regiment of 21st Army Group. The organization is British, with some U.S. Army technicians.

Since 1939, their operations have been veiled in a secrecy almost as profound as that which perpetually cloaks the movement of Allied agents in enemy territory.

Phantoms Were Everywhere

Phantoms, highly trained as linguists, code experts, wireless operators and battle reporters, filtered quietly through the entire Allied structure.

Germans who picked up their high-speed radio suspected their existence, but never were able to pin the organization down. McIntosh said.

Patrols were spotted with infantry and armored divisions. Working with codes which McIntosh said were unbreakable, they sent precise situation reports back to army, army group, and, in some cases, Supreme Headquarters. This bypassed army channels entirely.

The patrols went in with forward troops in armored cars and periodically detailed the situation back to the army. In many cases, they operated in advance of Allied troops, especially after D-Day when Phantoms and radios were parachuted into Normandy, Brittany, the Vosges, the Paris area and in the Ardennes.

Operated in All Big Battles

They sent the first reports back to England during the early hours of the invasion. They reported the position of Allied formations closing the Falaise pocket and warned where the Germans were trying to break out.

They operated in the Arnhem airborne landings, the Ardennes battle, the Rhine crossings and the Russian linkup. Phantom operators also relayed details on the Greek revolt last winter.

The organization consisted of 150 officers and about 1,250 men at maximum strength, McIntosh said. Its casualties in northwestern Europe were between 40 and 50 percent.

A similar U.S. organization has been formed on a larger scale, McIntosh said. It began functioning in this theater only a short time before the German surrender and was taking over the work of the British Phantom patrols with U.S. corps and divisions.

Nazi Effort to Build Atom Bomb Foiled

LONDON, May 23 (UP).—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Oslo has revealed that Norwegian patriots and RAF fliers worked together during the last 30 months to frustrate Nazi efforts to exploit a "heavy water" plant at Rjukan, where the Germans hoped to develop an atom bomb with the most explosive force in the world.

The secret battle of Rjukan waged across the storm-swept Hardanger plateau, where the Norwegians had been producing large quantities of a substance known as "heavy water," which contains twice as much hydrogen as ordinary water. Scientists believed that by treating heavy water with metal uranium under great force they could split the atom.

Bishop Visits Army Chaplains

Bishop Henry K. Sherrill, of Boston, chairman of the Army and Navy Commission of the Federal Council of Churches, is visiting U.S. Army chaplains on the Continent, after attending the confirmation in London of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

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First Mexican Pilots Arrive to Fight Japs



Pilots of the 201st Fighter Sq., Mexican Expeditionary AF, salute during playing of their national anthem on their arrival in Manila. The 32 airmen are the first from their country in the Pacific theater.

Congressmen Fail to Agree On Prospects of Jap Surrender

WASHINGTON, May 23 (INS).—Senators were divided today on the question of whether Japan will surrender or fight to the bitter end.

They agreed on only one thing—that is that Japan will suffer destruction equal to that in Germany if she does not accept unconditional surrender.

Sen. Joseph F. Guffey (D-Pa.) is optimistic over chances of surrender. He predicts that the war against Japan will be over by Nov. 1.

'Still Some Brains Left'

"There are still some brains left among the business element of Japan," said Guffey. "They desire to save something of what they accumulated. They know that if they fight on they'll lose everything."

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.), who has a nephew on Okinawa, declared: "I hope and pray Japan will surrender, but in my opinion we are going to have to give them a going over with attacks from sea and air before they'll give in."

Sen. Ed Moore (R-Okla.) believed with Guffey that Japan will conclude she does not want her cities to be destroyed as German cities were.

'We Can Lick Japan in Year'

"I have an abiding hope that they will come to their senses and surrender," he commented. "I base this on facts which ought to be apparent to Japan—that she faces nothing less than total extinction unless she does surrender."

"We can lick Japan by ourselves within a year," declared Sen. Clyde M. Reed (R-Kans.). "I don't know that anybody knows what Japan will do, but I am afraid we will have to exterminate them."

Sen. Thomas C. Hart (R-Conn.), former admiral of the Asiatic Fleet and one of the best informed senators on the Japanese, declined to indulge in predictions, but said he saw no signs of Japan giving up.

Navy Makes Plea For More Carriers

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The Navy has appealed to the nation's shipbuilders to redouble their efforts to turn out more aircraft carriers "to insure the success of future operations in the Pacific."

Vice Adm. S. M. Robinson, chief of procurement and material, said: "It is evident as the fleet moves closer to the Japanese land masses more carriers will be required to launch offensive blows at the enemy."

The Navy now has 26 carriers and 65 escort carriers.

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1330-Lower Basin St.	Skylights
1401-Great Gildersl.	2601-Bing Crosby
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1901-News From USA	2330-Reminiscing
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0705-Yawn Patrol	1001-Morning After
0801-Spotlight Band	1030-French Lesson
0815-Personal Album	1035-Strike Up Band
0830-Modern Music	1101-News From USA

News Every Hour on the Hour

Up Front With Mauldin



"Careful. Th' toilet's booby-trapped."

Londoners See U-Boat

LONDON, May 23 (Reuter).—Thousands of Londoners are paying sixpence each for a sightseeing tour of the first German U-boat to visit the capital in this war. The raider, U-776, surrendered at Weymouth.

This Happened in America:

Confused by War, Peace, U.S. Has Transition Blues

By William R. Spear
The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, May 23.—What's happening in America? The best answer to that today was written by Samuel Grafton, New York Post columnist, so here it is:

"You can talk as if we are at peace; you can talk as if we are at war; you can talk out either side of your mouth. It's that kind of a period.

"We are selling war bonds as hard as we can but auto dealers are taking orders for new cars. (Some dealers are asking \$200 down payment, says the Wall Street Journal, so the more anxious would-be purchasers won't be tempted to leave orders with every dealer in town. Two hundred dollars will buy approximately \$266.66 in war bonds and stamps.)

"You can walk down the war road or peace alley; take your pick. There isn't any meat, that's war. There isn't any curfew, that's peace. The price of steel scrap is going down, you can buy steel scrap now pretty cheap, that's peace. Try and get sugar, there's a war on.

"These are transition blues; there never has been such a confused and mingled period in American life. Experienced soldiers are being demobilized and they've earned it; that's for peace. Eighteen-year-olds are being taken out of school for training and combat; that's for war."

Eight legless or armless veterans at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., passed passenger bus driving tests so skillfully that results may lead to the repeal of laws against amputees operating commercial vehicles, in the opinion of N. L. Young, safety engineer. Veterans lacking an arm or leg handled a 27-passenger bus and two-ton trailer through a maze of standards set 40 feet apart.

Censors Don't Like Shirley Temple Film

HOW Times Have Changed Department: Shirley Temple is running into censor trouble in Chicago. The Police Censor Board there saw an advance screening of her new picture, scheduled for release in September, and ruled it unfit for children under 16 and that it would have to be cleaned up before it could play in Chicago. The film, "Kiss and Tell," stars Shirley as a teen-ager who lets her folks think she's going to have a baby—without a husband.

As a troop train rolled through Tintah, Minn., a soldier threw an egg out the window. It hit Michael C. Conatell in the eye. So Congress yesterday passed a bill to pay Conatell \$4,329.20 damages.

THE millionth serviceman visiting the USO club at Birmingham, Ala., was to get a free telephone call home. The millionth finally showed up—he was Sgt. Emmanuel Roseman, of Birmingham.

Term 'Amputees' Assailed in Papers

INCIDENTALLY, a few newspaper readers have been writing letters to the editor protesting against the use of the term "amputees" for disabled veterans.



Mrs. Neva Michael at her favorite job.

One writer in the New York Times points out that the French call them "grand blessés" (great wounded) and suggests the term "wounded heroes."

MRS. NEVA MICHAEL has cleaned and pressed, free, more than 6,000 uniforms for servicemen since Pearl Harbor. She is 52 and has a son in service, yet works 15 hours a day to take care of the uniforms and regular work at her Hazelwood, Pa., laundry and cleaning establishment.

THE War Production Board has removed all restrictions on the manufacture of repair and replacement parts for automobiles and trucks. Priority aid is provided for production of necessary functional parts. WPB also announced it would permit

the production of about 700,000 popular-priced washing machines in the last half of the year. These will be the first washing machines made since May, 1942, but will be only a drop in the bucket on the civilian market. Latest WPB figures indicate 5,800,000 householders want to buy washing machines after the war.

The Navy is starting an investigation into the sinking of the earth's crust at the east end of Terminal Island, Calif. Charles L. Vickers, assistant harbor engineer, says the ground has settled three and a half feet since 1937 just west of Long Beach Harbor, and Long Beach breakwater has settled two feet. But the area in the vicinity of the Long Beach Municipal Airport has risen slightly.

A young Latin-American group, calling themselves the "Hitler Gang," was rounded up by police in Houston, Texas, and was turned over to the FBI. Eight members had Nazi swastikas tattooed on their arms.

Marva Talks of Rewedding Brown Bomber

MARVA TROTTER said in Chicago that she and Joe Louis may remarry but added "it's all in the future." She obtained a divorce March 27.

IN Springfield, Ill., stray chickens were eating seeds as fast as Holy Gott of the attorney general's office could plant them. So he attached thin strings to corn kernels and to the other end tied cards reading "I have been a bad bird. Please keep me home before I get killed." Now the corn, string and cards are gone and Gott is awaiting developments.

A 90-year-old covered bridge across the Delaware River, between Lumberville, Pa., and Ravenock, N.J., has been closed because it is unsafe. In Jamestown, N.Y., Norman Robinson tried to give a pint of blood simultaneously from each arm but authorities at the blood bank refused to let him. So he gave his 23rd single pint.

THREE-YEAR-OLD Roger Michael Golden had men at Westover Field, Mass., shaking their heads in disbelief. He called off correctly the names of 121 different U.S., British, Jap and German airplanes in the aircraft identification classroom at the air base. Roger is the son of Lt. and Mrs. Daniel L. Golden, of South River, N.J. His father is a communications officer at the base.

Bacall Is Bogart's No. 4



Humphrey Bogart of the films and his fourth bride, Lauren Bacall, screen glamour girl, who were married at the farm estate of Louis Bromfield, author, at Mansfield, Ohio. Bromfield was best man, as he has been at Bogart's other three weddings.

House Party Leaders Clash Over Truman Tariff Control

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—Democrats tangled with Republicans yesterday in an old fight over legislation designed to give President Harry S. Truman the right to slash tariffs in reciprocal trade agreements with other nations.

Democrats declared the tariff vote would test whether Congress wants world co-operation or isolationism, while the Republicans, traditional supporters of a high tariff, held that the Administration proposals are "imbecilic and fantastic."

Rep. Robert L. Doughton (D-N.C.), 81-year-old chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, began the fight, saying: "We can talk our heads off about world co-operation at Dumbarton Oaks, at San Francisco or other points of the compass, but inclination for action is a lot more convincing to our Allies with whom we must work out a more permanent and secure peace era."

Doughton declared that the vote on the bill "will be the first real test as to whether or not we are willing to participate in international co-operation or revert to a policy of economic and political isolation."

Rep. Harold Knutson (R-Minn.), leading the opposition, declared that this "tumbleweed variety" of reciprocity makes "Uncle Sam a glorified Santa Claus" and "Uncle Sap" to the rest of the world.

"We are told by advocates of the Doughton bill," he said, "that we must open our trade doors wide to other nations or we will break faith reposed in us by a war-weary world. To peddlers of these banalities, let me say that America can best help the world by being prosperous and strong and we can remain neither if we surrender our home markets to pauperized labor of all the world."

The controversial bill, proposed by the late President Roosevelt and endorsed by President Truman, would extend the reciprocal trade act for three years beyond the June 12 expiration date. It would give the President new power to reduce tariffs as much as 50 percent below the January 1945, rates in agreements wherein other nations would make like decisions.

House Leaders Hit ETO Trips

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—House leaders called a halt today to proposed overseas inspection tours of several Congressmen.

The crackdown was reported by members of a group scheduled to leave this week for Europe. Some had made all preparations and had taken the required immunization shots.

They said Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex.) had asked them to call off their trip "while important business is before the House."

The House majority whip, Rep. Robert Ramspeck (D-Ga.), said: "There are about 15 House members now in Europe who ought to be here for important votes. They were not elected to Congress for the purpose of touring Europe."

UAW Denies Plan To Buy Willow Run

DETROIT, May 23 (ANS).—The United Auto Workers, CIO, has no thought of purchasing the Willow Run plant, soon to finish its war production task, a union spokesman said yesterday.

He added that R. J. Thomas, UAW international president, in saying that he "might make the government an offer" for the \$100,000,000 plant, had in mind the interest of a manufacturer of small automobiles.

Thomas said that a manufacturer with a car capable of going 40 miles on a gallon of gasoline would be interested in buying Willow Run if he could assured a supply of automobile parts.

All He Wanted Was Sleep

Biceps Babs Kicks the Tar Out of Gob in Bed Battle

NEW YORK, May 23 (ANS).—Barbara Brooks is better known in her neighborhood as "Muscles." Miss Brooks is 22 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall, a wrestler, a boxer and a basketball player.

She awoke in the middle of the night to find a man, wearing shorts only, sitting on the foot of her bed.

She leaped out of bed, banged the intruder's head on the floor, sat on him, and then jumped up and down on him. Her victim howled for mercy, and finally

All 30 or Over In 'Useful' Jobs Win Deferment

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—Selective Service ordered indefinite deferment yesterday of men 30 and over who remain in "useful" jobs.

Draft Director Lewis B. Hershey said the action resulted from the narrowing of the war to one front. He disclosed that the draft call would be cut about 25 percent—to 90,000 men a month—beginning in July.

He pointed out that the deferment of older men would necessitate calling more occupationally-deferred registrants 18 through 29.

Formerly, men 30 through 33, had to be "necessary men, regularly engaged" in essential activity, to win deferment. The change put them on the same footing with men 34 through 37 who have been required only to be engaged in essential work.

Occupational deferments granted to men 30 and over no longer will be subject to review every six months.

Hershey revealed Selective Service plans to fill 45 percent of the 90,000 July draft call with 18-year-olds, 33 percent from the 19-to-25 age group, and the remainder from men 26-to-29 and those over 29 whom "we can't avoid taking."

He ordered local boards to review cases of 4F and limited service registrants in the 18-to-25 age group, and said he hoped that about 10 percent might be available for induction.

Local boards also were instructed to handle with "sympathetic consideration" cases of all fathers 30 and over and to resolve in their favor any decision in which there is doubt.

Meanwhile, the War Department announced that Army personnel who were released to work in vital war plants were being recalled to service. Only a few thousand men are affected, since most of 15,000 released for such work already have been returned to military duty.

The War Department said that redeployment and planned reduction of the Army by 1,300,000 men in the coming year would leave the Army with no surplus of men to lend industry.

18-Year-Olds Soon Will Fill 85 Percent of Draft Quota

WASHINGTON, May 23 (AP).—An Army officer predicted today that by fall youths turning 18 probably would be filling 85 percent of draft calls.

The officer, who was qualified to speak authoritatively, made the prediction after noting Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey's estimate that 18-year-olds would make up only 45 percent of the July quota of 90,000 men.

Calling this percentage "too conservative," the officer said that the total of 18-year-olds inducted would increase to approximately 78,000 a month after July.

He said the present drain on youths from potential selective service calls would be eliminated when the Navy, which enlists 17-year-olds, reaches its peak strength in July and goes on a replacement basis.

Medals for Draft Boards

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The Senate Military Affairs committee yesterday approved legislation to award medals to all civilians who have served on local draft boards.

L.A. Blackout Crew Disbands

LOS ANGELES, May 23 (ANS).—Mayor Fletcher Bowron announced today that 2,300 members of the city's volunteer street light blackout crew would disband immediately and be replaced by a skeleton crew of city employees. The volunteers have been on duty three and a half years.

Reich Civilians Termed Better Fed Than British

German civilians generally appear healthier and better fed than British civilians after six years of war, Maj. Gen. Warren F. Draper, G-5 Public Health chief, declared yesterday at a SHAEF press conference.

Civilian health in France and Belgium, measured by death rates, is returning to pre-war standards, he said. Death rates in these two countries, reflecting heavy air bombardment, but not battle casualties, rose sharply the first two years of the German occupation, but since 1942, Draper added, they have been falling.

In France, the death rate rose from 15.5 deaths per 1,000 persons in 1939 to 18.6 in 1940 and 17.3 in 1941. By 1943, the rate had dropped to 16.9 for the nation.

Far Higher than U.S. Rate

Paris, only French locality where death rate figures are available for last year, showed a 1944 death rate of 15.4, slightly lower than the national average in 1939.

In comparison, the U.S. death rate for 1941 was 10.1 per 1,000 persons.

The millions of Frenchmen and Belgians taken to Germany during the occupation are not included in the mortality statistics of either country.

A more sensitive health indicator—the infant mortality rate—rose from 63 deaths per 1,000 births in 1939 in France to 92 in 1940. It then declined to 73 in 1941, 71 in 1942, but rose to 75 in 1943.

The Belgian infant mortality rate followed a similar curve.

By comparison, infant mortality rates for the U.S. were almost half those in France and in Belgium.

Typhus Cases Found

"Outbreaks of typhus which have occurred here during the period of our occupation would have been a disgrace at home," he said. "Everybody would have gotten excited about them. But here, nobody thinks anything about it."

The health officers found 4,965 typhus cases in Germany and Austria and uncovered records of 2,928 more, he said.

The cases occurred most heavily in concentration camps. At Belsen, 1,500 cases were found. Draper said he saw 62 cases in the isolation ward at Buchenwald.

Sugar 'Czar' Urged for U.S.

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The House Food committee warned yesterday of an impending sugar shortage and recommended the appointment of a czar to take over sugar controls now scattered among 20 agencies.

In a unanimous report criticizing the supply situation the committee also urged readjustment of all foreign sugar commitments.

The report, signed by chairman Clinton P. Anderson (D-N.M.) and six other committeemen, declared: "The American consumer is not yet aware of the coming crisis. Only when the housewife finds how little is going to be available will the full impact of the reduction be realized."

Diversion of 900,000 tons of the 1944 Cuban sugar supply to production of alcohol for synthetic rubber manufacture was "perhaps the most important" of the causes of the present shortage, the committee found. Others were the loss of sugar-producing areas to the enemy, unfavorable weather and limited domestic production.

Meat Embargo Urged To Foil Detroiters

DETROIT, May 23 (ANS).—Mayor Arthur J. Rhaume of Windsor, Ontario, last night appealed to the Canadian government to order a temporary emergency embargo on the retail export of meat and poultry from Windsor to stop "raids by Detroiters" on butcher shops in the Canadian city.

The request was made after customs officials reported that 75,000 residents of Detroit had staged runs on Windsor butcher shops over the week end.

Army Urged to Match Civilian Bond Quotas

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson today urged all military personnel to equal or exceed civilian quotas in the Seventh War Loan drive as a wise provision for their own future. He urged officers particularly to put at least 18 percent of their base pay into bonds.

Nazi Atrocities Against Fliers Proved by CIC

By Earl Mazo
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 30th DIV., May 23.—There is concrete evidence now concerning atrocities committed during the last few years against American and British airmen by German civilians and officials.

Counter-intelligence men of this division alone have dug up numerous atrocities that apparently have run to pattern throughout Germany.

A Gestapo agent captured in Magdeburg admits having flogged an American airman with a rubber hose. An American captured after parachuting to earth from a flaming plane was dragged through Magdeburg streets to a police station where he was beaten almost to death by the Gestapo. After the beating, the airman was thrown into a cell. No one admits knowing what happened to him after that.

Wounded Were Beaten

Near Barleben, several wounded American airmen were caught on the ground and beaten mercilessly. Their valuables were taken and they were left to die. A Polish girl, one of a group of slave laborers, reported this incident and pointed out the Nazi ringleader.

Near Julich, intelligence men moving into a German house to convert it into a CP found a British parachute and flying gear. The owner of the house admitted beating a wounded British flyer to death with a club and stealing the equipment.

Near Newgersleben, a flyer parachuting to the ground was shot with a .22-caliber gun while in mid-air. Although the flyer was seriously wounded when he hit the ground, a German civilian beat him until he was unconscious. Then the civilian turned the American over to soldiers.

Stripped, Then Flogged

Another airman, who was downed in a small town near Brunswick last January, was brought before the Nazi burgomeister. This official made him strip before the townspeople and remain naked in the bitter cold outside the city hall. After he had been exposed for two hours, they allowed him to dress and then took him to a garage where he was beaten with a club.

Two German women, questioned about the killing of two American flyers, said they shot the men through the head because "they were so badly wounded." The women described their act as mercy killing.

Counter-intelligence men investigating these atrocities are trying to ascertain the names of the dead Allied airmen and are attempting to find their graves. Guilty Nazis are being sent through PW channels with cases marked "attention: war crimes."

2nd Rhine Span Open at Cologne

WITH U.S. 15th ARMY, May 23.—A second bridge across the Rhine at Cologne has been opened to two-way military traffic.

The new timber-pile bridge was turned over to the 25th Corps. The other bridge at Cologne, a floating Bailey, will handle civilian traffic.

There were six bridges at Cologne before the war, but Allied raids ruined them.



Members of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee after their arrival by plane in Paris on the first lap of their inspection trip of communications activities in the ETO. In the front row are, left to right: Rear Adm. Joseph R. Redman, director of naval communications; Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.), Sen. Albert W. Hawkes (R-N.J.), Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.), Jefferson Caffery, American Ambassador to France; Sen. Ernest W. McFarland (D-Ariz.), Capt. Harry Butcher, naval aide to Gen. Eisenhower, and Paul Porter, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission. Between Sens. Hawkes and Wheeler, in the rear, is Maj. Gen. R. C. Smith, American Embassy military attache. Standing behind Gen. Smith are: Brig. Gen. C. O. Bickelhaupt, left, director of the Communications Division, ETO, and Maj. Gen. W. S. Rumbough, chief signal officer, ETO. In the last row are Maj. Gen. Frank E. Stoner, left, director, ACS, and Col. W. C. Henry, representing the chief signal officer, Com Z.

The World in Brief

Mass Grave Discovered

QUIBERON, France, May 23 (UP).—Lime-covered bones and decayed clothing identified as the remains of 18 women, all members of Brittany's maquis, were found in a mass grave at Fort de Penthièvre. According to a German prisoner, the women were brought to the fort in May, 1944, and murdered while French employees there were given a holiday.

'Flying Tigers' Record: 6 to 1

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The "Flying Tigers," veteran fighter group of Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault's China-based 14th AF, has shot down nearly six Japanese planes for every loss since it began operations in 1942, the Army revealed today. The group has destroyed 938 enemy planes, probably destroyed 345 more and damaged 482.

Record OPA Suit

PITTSBURGH, May 23 (ANS).—The Office of Price Administration has filed a suit for \$915,185.15—the largest amount ever involved in a price violation action—against the National Roll and Foundry Company of Avonmore, Pa. The OPA asks triple damages for the company's alleged overcharges in prices of steel castings.

War Criminal a Suicide

WITH THE SIXTH ARMY DIV., Germany, May 23.—Dr. Karl Georg Claus, allegedly wanted by the Russians for atrocities committed in the Lublin area of Poland as an SS major, committed suicide by hanging in the division's PW enclosure at Rochlitz. He had been picked up by Division CIC men on a farm near Rochlitz.

Ambassador Confirmed

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The Senate today confirmed the nomination of R. Henry Norweb as ambassador to Cuba.

France Honors U.S. Officer

WITH 35th DIV. IN GERMANY, May 23.—France has awarded Maj. Gen. Paul W. Baade of Ft. Wayne, Ind., 35th Div. commander,

the Legion of Honor au Grade d'Officier and the Croix de Guerre with Palms. The award was made for exceptional service in the liberation of France.

Charge Quisling Today

OSLO, May 23 (AP).—Vidkun Quisling, Norway's dictator during five years of Nazi occupation, will be charged with treason at a preliminary hearing tomorrow. Attorney General Sven Arntzen said the charge would be temporary and made only to hold Quisling in jail until the trial.

Mormons Name New Head

SALT LAKE CITY, May 23 (ANS).—George Albert Smith, president of the Latter Day Saints (Mormon) Church Council of 12 Apostles, was elevated yesterday to the Church presidency, succeeding Heber Grant, who died last week after leading Mormonism for 26 years.

No Sales Resistance

JUDA, Wis., May 23 (ANS).—A saleswoman who called on Mr. and Mrs. Glen Maske had no trouble making a sale. The Maskes were very busy fighting a fire in their chicken house when the saleswoman arrived...selling fire extinguishers.

Reich to Be Decentralized

WITH BRITISH SECOND ARMY, May 23 (INS).—Berlin never again will be the administrative and military capital of Germany, because the Third Reich will be decentralized, it was announced yesterday.

PWs Help Repair London

LONDON, May 23 (Reuter).—German PWs today started helping the London repair campaign. A detail of 25, in charge of their own sergeants but under armed guard, began working in Lewisham.

UNRRA Autos in Poland

LONDON, May 23 (UP).—The Lublin radio reported today the arrival in Lodz of the first shipment of 50 carloads of automobiles sent by "American UNRRA."

70% of ETO Materiel to Go to Pacific

Seventy per cent of the Army's equipment in the ETO can be reconditioned for use in the Pacific, the War Department has announced in revealing that the program of ordnance shipments to the Pacific already is "well launched." The remaining 30 percent represents materiel completely worn-out or earmarked for the occupation forces.

The packaging job for shipments to the Pacific is a tough one, the WD said, because of climatic conditions. Twelve rust-preventative lubricants, 26 kinds of wrapping paper and 15 kinds of cardboard are required. All were ordered before V-E Day.

For example, the rifle must be tested for combat serviceability and overhauled. Next it is cleaned and rust preventative applied. Then it is wrapped in grease-proof paper, dipped in wax, placed in a wooden crate lined with corrugated paper and a dehydrating compound inserted.

The same procedure, with slight variations, is followed for all ordnance equipment. It takes 40 man hours to process a two-and-a-half-ton truck and 150 man hours to prepare a 155 howitzer for shipment.

Ordnance units began packing surplus equipment when the battle tempo slowed just before Germany's surrender.

Elbe Reported Clear Of Mines Up to Hamburg

SHAEF has announced that the approaches to the Elbe River and the Elbe itself up to Hamburg had been cleared of mines.

Channels into Wilhelmshaven, Bremerhaven, Kiel and Wesermünde also are cleared. The Kiel Canal is cleared of obstructions and believed clear of mines, but German minesweepers under Allied control are sweeping the canal as a precaution.

Gasoline Alley

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Nazi Officials Give Picture of Hitler in Action

By Ed Lawrence
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH U.S. SEVENTH ARMY, May 23.—An action picture of Adolf Hitler was painted this week by seven men who watched him and took notes on him the way a theater critic reviews a new Broadway show.

These seven, each of whom held the rank of superior government councillor in the Third Reich, attended in shifts of two the parleys of the Fuehrer and his war chiefs to record their words and deeds for posterity. All are lawyers, political economists, educators or highly-trained specialists in some particular line. They escaped to Bavaria from Berlin before the capital fell.

They agreed that representations of Hitler chewing carpets are untrue. He kept his temper at the war councils, but, when agitated, would walk around his chair several times and then talk with controlled intensity for 10 or 15 minutes to his war staff.

Had Own Propaganda Ideas

Hitler had his own ideas about propaganda. For some reason, he once commanded that a story be planted among British spies that the German generals' committee in Russia was organizing an army of captive Germans to be thrown against the Wehrmacht.

Upon learning that a prisoner camp of 10,000 Allied airmen was in danger of being overrun by the Red Army, he called it a disgraceful situation which might give the Russians 10,000 volunteer soldiers. Goering suggested that 15 trains be made up for their evacuation. Hitler angrily said: no, strip them of shoes and trousers and march them back through the January snow and mud and to kill those who dropped out.

Lost Faith in Luftwaffe

During the last year and a half of the war, Hitler bitterly reproached Goering for the success of Allied bombing. He began to lose faith in the Luftwaffe after the failure of air supply to the Wehrmacht troops surrounded at Stalingrad. Hitler still believed in February, 1944, that the FW-109 and the Me-110 could fight off the Anglo-American air offensive. Goering argued that the guns on his pursuit craft were too small and forced his pilots to close in and expose themselves to the terrific firepower of Fortresses and similar air giants. At the end of 1944 he proved his point by showing Hitler that every Allied aircraft shot down that year had cost four for the Luftwaffe.

On Hitler's orders, German engineers tried—but without success—to build an all-wooden bomber which could fly so fast and so high that it would need no guns to combat enemy interceptors.

Hitler had high hopes for the Heinkel 177 which was to be a heavy bomber as deadly as those of the USAAF and the RAF. But the councillors called this plane the greatest flop in aeronautical history. Fifty thousand men worked to perfect it, but it needed 10 tons of fuel for a routine flight and would travel only 250 miles an hour.

The dictator favored jet planes for their speed and fuel economy, but also because they could be produced in small, hidden factories.

Hitler grew excited when he found he had been misinformed, as he often was. His lieutenants never told him the truth about American production. He hated to authorize retreats because of their morale effect on the troops.

He was disillusioned by the fact that his plans somehow always seemed to be anticipated by the Allies and felt that the Ardennes offensive was the only surprise he had succeeded in springing in the west.

On With the Show—Curfew Won't Ring Tonight



Good news for the night-owls but tough on the chorus girls was the curfew lifting after V-E Day. This picture is supposed to show how Chicago's Chez Paree floorshow felt about the matter. Left to right: Norma Doggert, Shirley Hammealy, Martie Dawson and Margaret Scott.

King Fights Romance Of Prince, Commoner

LONDON, May 23 (UP).—The royal romance of Prince Carl Johan of Sweden and his commoner sweetheart, Mrs. Kerstin Wijkmark, has been frowned upon officially, Stockholm radio reported today.

Both King Gustaf and the Crown Prince of Sweden were said to have disapproved. Prince Carl has announced that he wants to wed Mrs. Wijkmark in New York in August, forget his royal rights and take a job as New York representative of a Swedish firm.

Police Union Case Won in Mississippi

JACKSON, Miss., May 23 (ANS).—A Hinds County court yesterday ruled that the discharge of 28 members of the Jackson city police last summer for failure to withdraw from an AFL union was illegal.

The Mississippi Supreme Court had reversed a previous decision in favor of the city and ordered a trial by jury.

The dispute was an issue in last summer's city election in which former Mayor Walter A. Scott who discharged the policemen, was defeated.

De Gaulle to Decorate Montgomery Tomorrow

Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery will receive the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor from Gen. Charles de Gaulle tomorrow in a ceremony at the Hotel des Invalides, at 1230 hours.

Following the medal presentation and a luncheon, Montgomery will lay a wreath on the Unknown Soldier's tomb at the Arc de Triomphe at 1445 hours. He then will proceed to the Grand Palais annex to open a British Army exhibition, and later will be welcomed to Paris by city officials at the Hotel de Ville.

80 Ships a Day Added by Navy

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The U.S. now has a 15,000,000-ton Navy which has been building ships at the rate of 80 per day since the beginning of war.

This was disclosed today when the Navy Department announced that 100,000 units have joined the U.S. fleets since Pearl Harbor.

The Navy has about 1,200 combatant ships and the present building program envisages a fleet of 1,460 combatant ships by the end of 1947. The present fleet includes 23 battleships, 67 cruisers, 92 aircraft carriers, 386 destroyers and 368 destroyer escorts.

Starting with 2,680,000 tons of ships, the Navy has built approximately 8,000,000 tons and added 5,000,000 tons by the acquisition and conversion of 3,000 ships.

There were 7,695 ships on the Navy's lists on Dec. 7, 1941. Since Pearl Harbor 1,150 warships, 82,266 landing craft and 557 auxiliaries have been completed.

Philadelphia Enters Bid As Site of World Council

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23 (ANS).—Philadelphia made a formal bid yesterday to become the permanent home of the International Security Organization being discussed at the United Nations Conference.

A delegation of five Philadelphians handed a hand-embossed invitation to Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, who said he would present the invitation to the proper authorities at the proper time.

Van Heflin, Film Actor Due for Army Discharge

HOLLYWOOD, May 23 (ANS).—Lt. Van Heflin, who won the Motion Picture Academy award in 1942 for the best supporting role, will end three years of Army service soon and return to the screen.

Heflin, recently released from a hospital, has been ordered to Camp Beale, Cal., for discharge. He served overseas with the Sixth and Ninth Air Forces.

Gable Back in Films After 3 1/2 War Years

HOLLYWOOD, May 23 (ANS).—Looking a little older, Clark Gable put on makeup and returned to the cameras today after an absence of three and a half years on war duty. In the film, an adventure story, he plays a merchant mariner opposite Greer Garson.

Gable enlisted as a private soon after the death of his wife, Carole Lombard, in an airplane crash in 1941. He served in the Air Force at home and in the ETO until his recent discharge with the rank of major.

Syria, Lebanon Rap France at 'Frisco Parley

Syria and Lebanon took their troubles with France to the United Nations Conference in San Francisco yesterday, and there accused the French of "resorting to brute force" by sending troops into the Levant.

The Syrian Premier, Faris el Khour, who acted as spokesman for his nation and Lebanon, said France had refused to withdraw her garrisons until the two governments signed a treaty granting France extensive cultural, strategic and economic advantages.

"The governments of Syria and Lebanon do not want to give any privileged position to one country over another. On the contrary, they desire to treat with all countries on a basis of absolute equality. No country except France has objected to this," Khour said.

He said that members of the Arab Federation had expressed their solidarity with Lebanon and Syria, and their readiness to carry out their obligations under the Federation's pact, which provides for mutual defense pending the formation of a world peace organization.

Raymond Offroy, spokesman for the French delegation at San Francisco, said that France must maintain her dominant position in the Levant or some other great power would replace her. Further, he said, France plans to use the Levant for air bases, depots and ports in the war against Japan.

Dispatches from Damascus, Syria, reported that French troops in Syria were confined to their barracks, as strikes and riots spread. Business was reported to be paralyzed by strikes in Damascus. Lebanon was quieter, though students in Beyrouth held orderly demonstrations.

ARC's Day-Pass Facilities Increase

The American Red Cross reported yesterday that it had increased its capacity to serve men on one-day pass.

The Boulevard Club, 9 Blvd. des Italiens, can now serve 2,000 men a day, compared to 200 when the club first opened. Men in Paris for 24 hours or less may eat also at the Montmartre Club, 21 Blvd. Montmartre, or at the Arcade Club, 22 Passage des Princes.

The Boulevard Club has dancing every night, and the Montmartre three times a week.

Cornell Medics in ETO To Meet Monday Night

The Cornell Medical College will hold its second annual alumni meeting in the ETO next Monday night in the casual officers' mess at Place St. Augustin, Paris. A banquet, with an address by Col. Elliot Cutler, ETO chief surgical consultant, will be followed by a dance. All alumni are invited.

Port Command For Bremen Is Organized

By Earl Mazo
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BREMEN, May 23.—Officials of the Bremen port command, who hope to have the huge American-operated port in working order by mid-July, said today they expect to use as many Germans as possible in the reconstruction work.

The elaborate setup for operation now is almost fully organized, with Maj. Gen. H. B. Vaughan Jr. commanding the port, and Maj. Gen. Charles H. Gerhardt, CG of the 29th Inf. Div., commanding the entire Bremen enclave, which includes the cities of Bremen and Bremerhaven and the surrounding area.

A Navy task force with a battalion of Seabees will handle water traffic and naval duties.

Troops for the operation of the port command, which will be the principal supply center for the U.S. Army of occupation, continued to pour into the area today.

While Bremerhaven facilities were comparatively unharmed, the Bremen port facilities were thoroughly bombed.

The Nazis ordered all usable Bremen installations destroyed, but this order was not carried out fully. Instead, the Germans attempted sabotage by removing vital parts from many machines and crossing all wires for communications and power facilities.

A German visited the port area several days ago and led recon parties to a hiding place for the removed parts. He turned over 23 pages of single-spaced typewritten details of wires crossed and other sabotage attempted.

Port officials figure that discovery of this sabotage scheme saved at least a month's work and numerous headaches.

Officials planning operation of the Bremen port said "several thousand" Germans would be used for reconstruction and, if necessary, to load and unload ships. One officer said: "American privates will think they are corporals, giving instead of taking orders."

Experts figure the Germans took a leaf from Henry Kaiser's book in their latest construction of submarines. At least 16 subs on the Bremen ways were being constructed in the manner Kaiser used in building Liberty ships—prefabrication, assembly line, mass production and all.

Gen. Vaughan, before coming to the Bremen port command, was CG of the U.K. base and formerly commanded American-used ports on the Bristol Channel, Western Base Section, in England, and the American Section Building of Mulberry port, which was a prefabricated port used by the British in Normandy.

Parole Is Sought For Lucky Luciano

NEW YORK, May 23 (ANS).—Attorney Moses Polakoff asked the New York State Parole Board yesterday to reduce the 30 to 50-year prison term of Charles (Lucky) Luciano, erstwhile czar of New York City prostitution, pleading that Luciano had helped Army Intelligence to obtain data on Sicily before that island was invaded in 1943.

Besides helping Army Intelligence, Polakoff said, Luciano, now 47, has been a "model prisoner" for nine years.

He said that if the board acted favorably, a recommendation for parole could be made to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, who, as a special prosecutor in 1936, sent Luciano to Sing Sing.

Bag of 400 V-Bombs Wins Plaque for AA Unit

Four separate commendations and a prize plaque have been awarded to the 494th Anti-aircraft Bn., which was credited with shooting down more than 400 V-bombs in the defense of Antwerp.

Tabulating results in the form of "batting averages," the 494th led the 56th AAA Brigade with an average of .556, 64 points above its nearest competitor.

All four batteries of the battalion placed in the 500 bracket, taking first, second, fourth and fifth in the entire brigade over a period of several months. Battery B topped the brigade with a record .680.

Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp



Over-29 Draft Ban Hailed by Sportsmen

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The nation's sports leaders jubilantly hailed yesterday's Selective Service announcement that men 30-or-over engaged in "useful occupations" no longer will be drafted as the finish of their manpower worries.

Yankees Tip Athletics, 3-0. In New York

NEW YORK, May 23.—Hank Borowy and Jim Turner combined to outlast the Athletics and a thunderstorm as the Yankees made a successful twilight-game debut at Yankee Stadium with a 3-0 shut-out in the only tilt on yesterday's major league slate.

Borowy, who was credited with the victory, yielded only four hits but he was forced to retire in the seventh with a blister on his finger. Turner pitched hitless ball the rest of the way. It was Borowy's sixth victory in seven games.

The Yankees counted twice in the second inning when Catcher Herb Crompton swatted a single with runner on second and third. Crompton also drove in the final run, knocking a single in the fourth to count Oscar Grimes. Steve Gerkin suffered the defeat.

The game was delayed twice by thunderstorms which threatened to drench the crowd of 6,622, attending the first twilight game ever played at the Stadium, but the rain didn't last long and the game was completed.

Bobby Feller Blasted, But Great Lakes Wins, 18-14

GREAT LAKES, Ill., May 23.—More than 12,000 sailors were treated to a slugfest here yesterday as Great Lakes Naval slammed out an 18-14 triumph over the Phillies in an exhibition game.

Bobby Feller and Fat Freddie Fitzsimmons, manager of the Phils, were opposing pitchers, but neither was very effective. Feller, facing major league competition for the first time since 1941, was clipped for 11 hits in the three and one-third innings he lasted, including homeruns by Jimmy Foxx and Glen Crawford. Fitz departed in the fifth when Ken Keltner homered with the bases loaded.

Curtis Bay Whips Indians

CURTIS BAY, Md., May 23.—The Curtis Bay Coast Guard baseball team subdued the Cleveland Indians, 6-2, here yesterday in an exhibition game called after six innings because of rain. Pete Center, who hurled for the Tribe, was reached for two runs in the second and four in the fifth.



National League				
No games scheduled Tuesday				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	21	7	.750	—
Brooklyn	17	10	.630	3 1/2
St. Louis	14	13	.519	6 1/2
Chicago	12	13	.480	7 1/2
Pittsburgh	12	14	.462	8
Boston	11	13	.458	8
Cincinnati	10	13	.435	8 1/2
Philadelphia	7	21	.350	14

American League				
Only games scheduled				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	15	7	.682	—
Detroit	13	9	.591	2
St. Louis	13	9	.591	2
New York	14	11	.560	2 1/2
Washington	12	14	.462	5
Cleveland	9	14	.391	6 1/2
Philadelphia	10	16	.385	7
Boston	9	15	.375	7

"The worst definitely is over for us," was the consensus. For there was little doubt among sports observers that such sports as baseball and football would be considered "useful" by most draft boards.

To support this optimistic contention, they pointed out that the War Manpower Commission ruled this spring baseball players could leave war plants to return to their principal business—baseball. This, they now interpret as a semi-essential rating for the national pastime.

Selective Service officials said the WMC's list of essential occupations will continue to be used as a guide. However, they said, local draft boards still "have full authority to determine what may be in the interest of the national health and safety."

Although younger players in 1A remain eligible for the draft, a check of major league rosters reveals that most clubs have a substantial number of players in the over-29 bracket. They now will be able to play without fear of being called away from the team by Uncle Sam.

In addition, several veteran players will gain 11th-hour "reprieves" because of the new policy. They have been sweating out revised draft status after their cases had been studied by the War Department, the object being to change their classification from 4F to 1A.

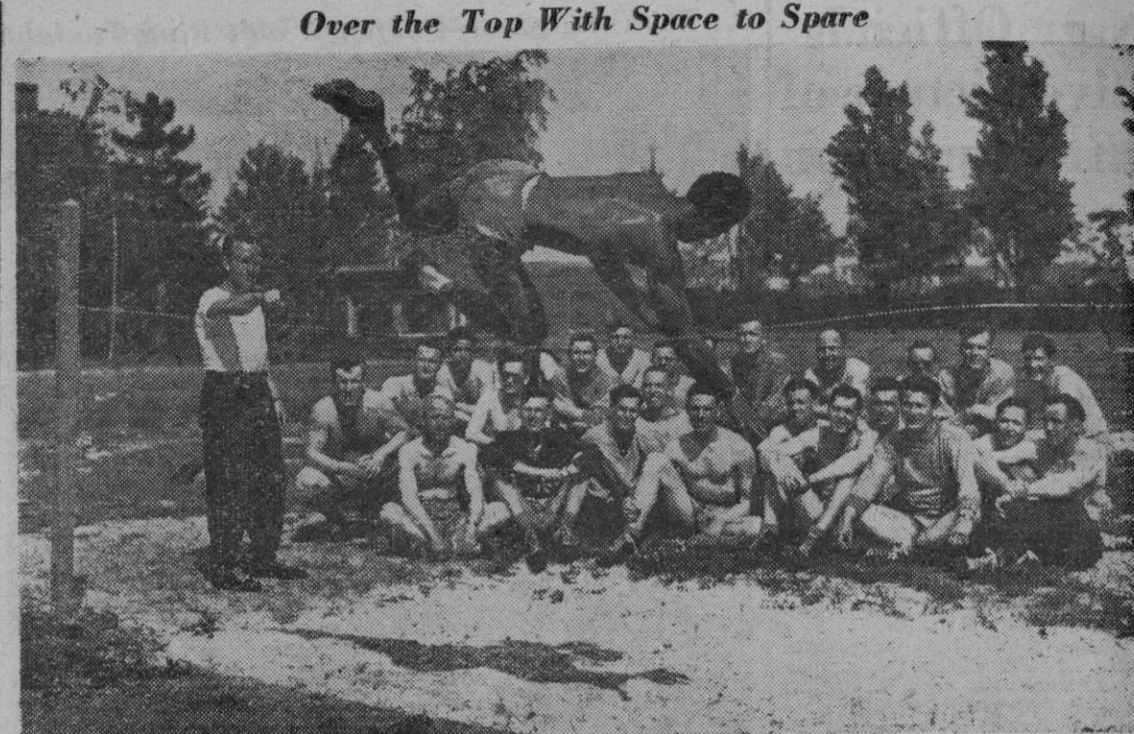
MAJOR LEAGUE Leaders

National League					
	G	AB	R	H	Pct
Holmes, Boston	25	101	27	43	.426
Ott, New York	29	94	26	37	.394
Kuroski, St. Louis	26	97	18	37	.381
Olms, Brooklyn	25	93	15	34	.366
Dinges, Philadelphia	27	108	16	39	.361

American League					
	G	AB	R	H	Pct
Cuccinello, Chicago	21	73	13	26	.356
Case, Washington	21	102	16	34	.333
Stephens, St. Louis	21	78	18	26	.333
Etten, New York	24	88	14	29	.330
Moses, Chicago	17	68	10	22	.324

Homerun Leaders	
National—Lombardi, New York, 9; Ott and Weintraub, New York, 7.	
American—Stephens, St. Louis, 7; Derry, New York, and Johnson, Boston, 4.	

Runs Batted In	
National—Lombardi, New York, 27; Nieman, Boston, 24; Weintraub, New York, and Olms, Brooklyn, 23.	
American—Stephens, St. Louis, 19; Derry and Etten, New York, 18.	



Sgt. Edward Thompson, of Topeka, Kan., demonstrates proper form in clearing high jump obstacle as 1/Lt. Frank Billel, of Detroit, explains technique to students at the Army Athletic Staff School, Cité Universitaire, Paris. Unit athletic officers have been attending similar classes for several months in preparation for expanded ETO sports program.

Sailor Muffs Perfect Throw—So Navy Has to Foot the Bill

ANN ARBOR, Mich., May 23.—There have been some goofy claims against the U.S. armed forces in the ETO, but students at the Judge Advocate General's school here encountered one of the goofiest yesterday. And the case also taught them something about the trials and tribulations of an official scorer in a baseball game.

The case concerned U.S. soldiers and sailors who were playing baseball one day in North Africa. During the game, a GI threw the ball to a sailor covering first base. The sailor missed the ball and it hit a French woman in the face.

A claim was filed on the woman's behalf, but the Army refused to pay it until a commission decided who was responsible—the soldier who threw the ball or the sailor who missed it.

After lengthy deliberation, the commission ruled the throw had been accurate, and the sailor should have been charged with an error when he let it get away.

So the Navy had to pay the claim.

Aussies Defeat British

LONDON, May 23.—An underdog Australian team defeated England in a cricket match by six wickets at Lord's yesterday.

Board Rules Godoy Won 'Honest' Fight

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The District of Columbia boxing commission today ruled last week's bout between Arturo Godoy, Chilean heavyweight, and Buddy Walker, Columbus, Ohio, Negro, "was an honest contest."

The statement was issued after the commission heard the two fighters and their managers, and Referee Charlie Reynolds, who told the moguls that he counted Walker out after the latter was floored by a short right.

Nevers Named Sports Boss

SAN DIEGO, May 23.—Maj. Ernie Nevers, all-time All-American fullback at Stanford, has been appointed athletic director at the Marine Corps base here, officials announced today.

Once Over Lightly

By Gene Craff
Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

REPORTS have reached this corner that units marking time in the ETO, either for new assignment or for occupation tasks, aren't wasting a moment getting such vital chores as close-order drill and orientation lectures moving smoothly toward some ultimate goal whatever the goal may be. This should be very welcome to servicemen who have nothing else to do but sit on the edge of their sacks and moon about the corner drugstore in the hometown.

Unfortunately, these same organizations—according to the bulky mailbag—are either completely ignoring or are slow in setting up the projected athletic plans formulated several months ago. Perhaps equipment is not as abundant as it could be, but certainly volleyball or softball, and even tennis, golf and swimming, require little preparation.

THE central athletic office at Com Z, under the direction of Lt. Col. Frank McCormick, spent several months conducting athletic clinics for unit athletic officers and preparing handy guides for people supervising sports programs. Now it is time for some evidence that the schooling made an impression, even if the only event possible is a 100-yard dash with contestants wearing their GI shoes and keeping the proper military interval.

Theater championships require considerably more planning, of course. But units can't conceivably come up with a representative team in any sport unless they conduct preliminary tournaments to get a line on the available material. Softball meets should be in progress throughout the ETO now. And it is the task of each outfit to rectify the neglected situation, if the letters received are true.

IN the same vein, contestants should be given ample opportunity to train. There were instances in the past when a rugged first sergeant, who didn't know the difference between a drop kick and a foul ball, made sure his company's welterweight boxer was on KP the morning after a tough bout, merely because the athlete had been given the previous afternoon off to rest. If the victim ever boxed again under his unit's banner, he should have received a Section 8.

Perhaps the writer is wrong. But if sports are important enough to think about, participants also are deserving of some thought. Even with the Army's wholesome, beneficial training, an athlete must be in top-notch condition to give his best. And nobody wants to compete before an audience unless he is at his best.

Tilden Predicts Slow Postwar Net Recovery

PHILADELPHIA, May 23.—Amateur tennis will need several years after the war to recover its international stride. Big Bill Tilden declared today. "There are no young amateurs available because they are all in the service," Tilden said.

Fireworks on the Gridiron Cox, Rickey Sign Football Pact

BROOKLYN, May 23.—William S. Cox and Lt. Cmdr. Mal Stevens have closed a five-year contract with Branch Rickey to operate an All-America Football League franchise at Ebbets Field when the new professional circuit opens for business in 1946, Rickey disclosed today.

Stevens, former Yale and NYU grid coach who was on leave here about ten days ago and signed the papers at the time, will be president of the new team, but he will not coach.

Cox, who was forced to sell his holdings in the Phillies by the late Judge Landis because he admitted "making a few small, sentimental wagers" on his team, evidently rounded up a few financial angels to swing the deal.

What Happy Chandler, Landis' successor, will have to say about Rickey's association with the disbarred baseball owner is something only the jolly senator from Kentucky knows at this time. And he apparently isn't talking.



Branch Rickey

strategy. Cox reluctantly admitted they were negotiating, but said, "The time is not yet ripe for the announcement . . . perhaps later in the week." A few minutes later they made the announcement.

Charles Grimes, attorney for Cox, made final arrangements with Rickey last Friday. It is understood that the contract guarantees Rickey's club a flat rental with an option of sharing gate receipts—a much more lucrative arrangement than Rickey had with the now-homeless Brooklyn Tigers of the National Football League.

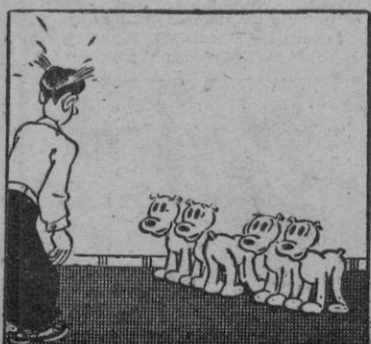
Meanwhile, it was learned that Arch Ward, sports editor of the Chicago Tribune and sponsor of the All-America League, is trying to persuade Tom Gallery, acting president of the Brooklyn Tigers, to jump the National League and join hands with his organization by taking his team into New York's Yankee Stadium.

And Lt. Cmdr. Jim Crowley, who has been signed as commissioner of the All-America, is currently in Washington and may be discharged from the Navy in the near future.

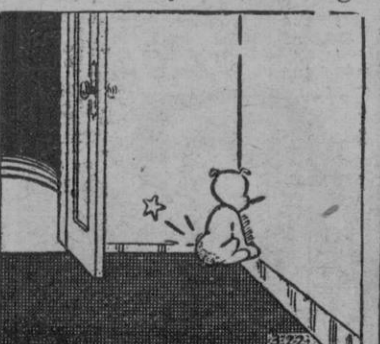
Blondie



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By Chic Young



Air Sailor Cops Feature At Churchill

NEW YORK, May 23.—Air Sailor, Lt. Cmdr. T. D. Buhl's fleet three-year-old, scampered under the wire ahead of five other Kentucky Derby candidates in the seven-furlong Stoney Point Purse that headlined yesterday's race card at Churchill Downs.

Air Sailor broke fast, then slipped off the pace slightly rounding the turn, but recovered in the stretch to win going away. Fighting Stop finished second, while Joe's Choice ran third. Pot-o-Luck, highly-regarded Derby hopeful from Calumet Farms, ran out of the money. With Buddy Haas in the saddle, Air Sailor rewarded his backers with \$7.20 for \$2.

Among those present was Mrs. Happy Chandler, wife of the new baseball commissioner.

One of the east's most prominent Derby candidates, Hoop Junior, finished a floundering fourth in the Cedar Manor Handicap at Jamaica, New York, yesterday, as W. Brann's Gallorette romped to victory in the event. Gallorette paid \$27.70. Hitem, another classic entry, was second, and War Trophy ran third.

At Pimlico, Pony Ballet, six-year-old mare, captured the Carrol Purse before a crowd of 12,000 fans, paying \$9 to win. Royal Flush came in second, while Black Object salvaged third money.

In the getaway feature at Chicago's Sportsman's Park, Azizi whipped Actress Lady and Super. Win tickets on Azizi were worth \$4.20. Chicago racing moves to Hawthorne Park today where the Lincoln Fields meeting will be held. An odds-on favorite, Toolmaker, came through in the last furlong to score an easy six-length triumph over Blue Warrior and Turnabout at Narragansett Park. Toolmaker paid \$2.80.

Jolson Hits Jackpot At Jamaica Opening

NEW YORK, May 23.—Al Jolson, veteran entertainer, hit a high note during the Jamaica inaugural Monday when he plunked down \$500 on Easy Spell in the first race.

The two-year-old chestnut colt romped home to pay \$55.40 for \$2. Jolson collected \$13,350 on his bet.

Yanks Locate French Tennis Star



Jean Borotra (left), French tennis star who at one time was physical culture minister in the Pétain government, and Michael Clemenceau, son of the late French statesman, stand in the town of Innsbruck, Austria, after being released from a German prison camp in the Tyrolean Alps by U.S. Seventh Army troops. Borotra was arrested in Paris on May 10, but charges were not specified.

Eight Bouts Inaugurate USSTAF Meet Tonight

Eight first-round contests will knock the lid off the three-day USSTAF boxing tournament tonight at the Palais de Glace (Métro: Marbeuf), Paris, starting at 1900 hours. In addition, there will be two non-title bouts.

Entrants who are idle tonight will make their tourney debut tomorrow, while some of tonight's survivors will return to action on tomorrow's slate. The finals will be staged Saturday night.



The light-weight test between Jesse Puente, 135-pound Eighth AF hopeful from Merced, Cal., and Bob Philpotts, 135-pounder from Atlanta and representing CADA, promises to provide the most action tonight. Puente reaches the whirl with two decisions over Herbie Williams, dusky defending USSTAF ruler and victor in the recent UK Base tournament.

However, Williams holds the most important victory of all over Puente's head—in last year's USS-TAF lightweight finale. With Williams returning to defend his crown, it is highly possible the two will meet again for the championship, especially, since they have been placed in opposite halves of the draw.

William Wright, 152-pounder from Youngstown, Ohio, is another fearless puncher from the UK who will fight tonight. Wright, victor in the UK tourney, will confront Roland Emery, 156-pound 19th ADG entrant from Bedford, Ind., in the senior welterweight ring duel. Wright is fighting under the BADA banner.

Other tourney bouts tonight: Babe La Butta, 117, Uniontown, Pa. (BADA) vs. Danny Daniels, 114, Boston (9th TCC).

Esker Mosley, 144, New York (9th Eng.) vs. Nick Guagliardo, 144, New Orleans (BADA).

Pony Frattarola, 151, Leipersville, Pa. (1st TAF) vs. Alan Reado, 151, Seattle (8th AF).

Charlie Segers, 166, Swedesboro, N.J. (9th Eng.) vs. Richard Harris, 161, Providence, R.I. (CADA).

Jimmy Wade, 174, Birmingham, Mich. (8th AF) vs. Nolan Adams, 173, Los Angeles (9th Eng.).

Thaddeus Gerwin, 172, Detroit (1st TAF) vs. Paul Williamson, 176, New York (BADA).

Four Teams Ready In Texas League

DALLAS, May 23.—The Texas League, which suspended for the duration three years ago, by a vote of 6-2, now has four clubs ready to resume operations, loop officials today said. Others are ready if enough ball players can be found to give the clubs full rosters. Shreveport, Dallas, Oklahoma City and Tulsa are set to get going at a moment's notice. But Fort Worth, Houston, Beaumont and San Antonio are not certain of fielding teams for the 1946 campaign.

Minor League Results

International League			
Newark 8, Jersey City 0	Montreal 8, Rochester 3	Others postponed, rain	
W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet
Montreal... 18 8 .692	Syracuse... 9 12 .429	Jersey C... 12 7 .632	Toronto... 9 12 .429
Newark... 12 11 .522	Rochester... 8 11 .421	Baltimore 11 11 .500	Buffalo... 5 12 .294
American Association			
St. Paul 6-0, Columbus 5-8	Toledo 7, Minneapolis 5	Kansas City 7, Louisville 2	Milwaukee-Indianapolis, postponed, rain
W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet
Louisville... 15 10 .600	Columbus... 14 15 .483	Milwaukee 13 9 .591	Minneapolis 10 14 .417
Indianapolis... 15 11 .577	Kansas C... 9 14 .391	Toledo... 14 11 .556	St. Paul... 8 14 .364
Eastern League			
Seranton 7, Binghamton 2	Elmira 6, Hartford 4	Others postponed, rain	
W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet
Seranton... 10 5 .667	Albany... 7 7 .500	Will'sport... 9 5 .643	Hartford... 7 8 .467
Elmira... 6 5 .545	Utica... 5 9 .357	Wilkes-Barre... 9 8 .529	Binghamton... 4 10 .286
Pacific Coast League			
Oakland 3, San Diego 2	Portland 3, San Francisco 2	Sacramento 14, Hollywood 4	Seattle-Los Angeles, not scheduled
W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet
Portland... 33 17 .660	L.Angeloes... 25 25 .500	Seattle... 27 20 .574	Sacramento... 25 25 .500
Oakland... 27 24 .529	S.Fr'isco... 22 28 .440	S. Diego... 26 26 .500	Hollywood 15 35 .300
Southern Association			
New Orleans 2, Memphis 1	Mobile 9, Little Rock 8	Nashville 5, Atlanta 2	Chattanooga 10, Birmingham 6
W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet	W L Pet
N. Orleans... 20 4 .833	Little Rock 9 13 .409	Atlanta... 16 7 .696	Birmingham 8 15 .318
Chattanooga 14 8 .636	Nashville... 6 17 .261	Mobile... 15 10 .600	Memphis... 4 18 .182

THE QUESTION BOX

T/5 Francis M. Kerns—The infield fly rule in baseball should be enforced even if there is only one runner on (first) base.

S/Sgt. M. Morgan—Although Studs Modeluski of Rhode Island State scored more points, Hank Lusetti of Stanford is conceded to be a better all-round basketball player.

S/Sgt. Lee Dockery—Pete Fox reached the major leagues (Detroit) in 1933 and was sold to the Red Sox in December, 1940. He played in 1930 at Evansville and Wheeling, went to Evansville again in '31 and played at Beaumont in '32. His lifetime batting average is .298, and his best big league season was 1937 when he batted .331 in 148 games.

Cpl. Robert Spotts—The American Association has won the Little World Series 17 times, while the International League has won ten times.

Pfc Phil Routten—Scores of Notre Dame-Iowa football series: 1921, Iowa 10, Notre Dame 7; 1939, Iowa 7, Notre Dame 6; 1940, Iowa 7, Notre Dame 0.

Pfc J. A. Nicholson—Detroit led both leagues in paid home attendance in 1944 with 923,176 fans.

T/4 Emmett Land—A baseball has more velocity when pitched than has a cricket ball. Bobby Feller, former Cleveland speedballer, has pitched a ball faster than 60 miles per hour, according to mechanical tests.

Pfc Leo McKnight—Since the ball is dead automatically when a batter is called out for getting in the way of the ball, the runner from third who scored would have to return to his proper base.

F/0 John Liska—The distance a top-flight professional golfer gets on his tee shots depends, of course, on the condition of the course being used. However, 235 yards would be a fair estimate of their average drives. Long hitters like Thompson, Snead and Nelson top 250 yards consistently.

S/Sgt. Sol Deutsch—De Paul won the National Invitation basketball title last season, then lost to Oklahoma A & M, NCAA champion, in the game held at Madison Square Garden for Red Cross charity and the mythical national championship. If a batted ball bounces in foul territory, then returns to fair territory before passing the infield, it is a fair ball. The rule is: Where it rolls in the infield; where it lands in the outfield.

Pfc Frank Sais—Phil Weintraub batted .316 in 1944. His mark was topped by only one Giant regular, Joe Medwick, who batted .337. Weintraub drove in 77 runs.

T/5 Wayman Jones—Southern California defeated Tennessee, 14-0, in the Rose Bowl game on Jan. 1, 1940.

Sgt. Arthur Coleman—Luis Firpo was the heavyweight who knocked or shoved Jack Dempsey out of the ring during their famous fight.

Terry and The Pirates

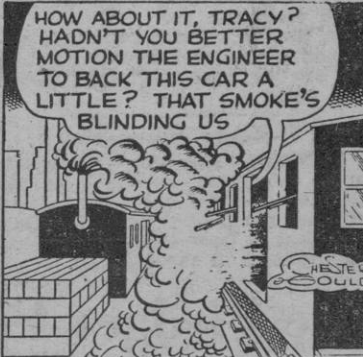
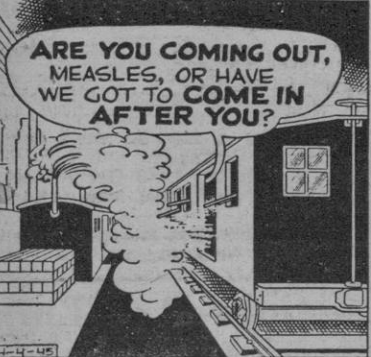
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Joe Palooka

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By Ham Fisher

Allies Occupy Height in Area Sought by Tito

Allied troops continued yesterday their occupation of strategic heights and important towns in northeastern Italy's disputed Venezia Giulia province. Meanwhile, there were conflicting reports as to whether the "Trieste affair" actually was closer to settlement.

British Eighth Army troops, reinforced by U.S. Second Corps units, moved into Montespino and Tarnova and occupied at least three mountains. The Allied-held line ran northward from Trieste to a point about five miles east of Gorizia.

INS reported that the 91st Inf. Div. and the 10th Mountain Div. were in the area, and that Yank troops had marched through Trieste to bivouac areas on the outskirts of the port.

Leaders in Trieste

Rome radio said that Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander, the Allied commander in the Mediterranean, and Gen. Mark Clark, 15th Army Gp. commander, were in Trieste, which Reuter described as a city "in the grip of Yugoslav military dictatorship."

Marshal Tito, who claims Venezia Giulia province, which includes Trieste, for Yugoslavia, was said by Reuter to have asserted that "rumors of dissension between our Allies and ourselves are without foundation."

"The peace conference will bring final solution on the incorporation of these regions into Yugoslavia," he declared, adding that "we have a right to remain there as allies for we wish that our allied rights be recognized."

Picture Brighter

American and British correspondents in the Trieste area agreed that the overall picture there was brighter, especially since Tito had withdrawn his forces from a disputed area of southern Austria.

However, a statement issued by the New Zealand high commissioner's office in London said the situation in Trieste appeared to be the same as it has been for the last few weeks. There is "little indication that Yugoslavia intends to wait until the peace conference for settlement of her claims," the statement declared.

According to a Reuter dispatch, a new note from Tito has thrown settlement of the Trieste question back in the laps of the U.S. and British governments. Contents of the message were not disclosed, but it was believed that he had agreed, with certain reservations, to the establishment of Allied Military Government in Trieste under Marshal Alexander's authority.

Improved Franco-Italian Relations Forecast

French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault predicted yesterday that Franco-Italian relations definitely would improve in the future, the Associated Press reported.

Before boarding a plane in Washington for Paris, Bidault told a press conference that the rancor which still existed in French hearts because of the Italian invasion of France could eventually be smoothed out.

'Frisco . . .

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under the proposed trusteeship system.

The trusteeship plan now being considered contains merely the suggestion that the old League of Nations mandates "may be placed" under the new world security organization.

The U.S. has held that our Pacific defenses depend on U.S. control of certain strategic areas, and this thought has been the guiding force behind its suggestion that trusteeships take two forms—so-called strategic and non-strategic territories.

Dimitry Z. Manuilsky, chairman of the Ukrainian delegation, told a press conference of the Ukrainian Republic's intention to establish relations with other nations, and predicted that 14 other Soviet republics would seek representation in the world organization.

Okinawa . . .

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another counter-attack against the marines on the western end before dawn Tuesday, but it was crushed and 80 of the enemy were killed.

Twelve or more enemy planes attacked Pacific Fleet ships supporting the Okinawa operations at dusk Monday. Adm. Nimitz' communiqué today said eight of the planes were shot down and "the remainder retired from the area without causing damage."

Battle Star for Men In Hawaii Dec. 7, '41

Servicemen in Hawaii when the Japs struck on Dec. 7, 1941, are entitled to five points and a battle star, ETO headquarters said yesterday.

According to a War Department order, only servicemen who were in Hawaii during the attack are entitled to the award.

At the same time, it was explained that a battle star issued in lieu of a clasp to personnel stationed outside the U.S. before Pearl Harbor and worn on the yellow American Defense Ribbon (pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon) does not entitle its possessor to battle credit or points.

Crimes Counsel En Route Here

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson is en route to London to prepare the groundwork for prosecution of major Axis war criminals, the War Department disclosed yesterday.

Jackson, chief American counsel on the United Nations War Crimes Commission, will complete arrangements for examination of important witnesses, documents, captured orders and other evidence to be presented to the international tribunal.

That the task of trying war criminals will be a long and arduous one was indicated by the lists of indictments turned in to the commission. The Polish government alone has submitted charges against 15,000 persons, and France reportedly has forwarded to the commission a list of 2,000 alleged criminals.

The great majority of indictments returned to date have been against Nazis, and probably fewer than 100 Japs have been indicted. However, a subcommission is working in Chungking, collecting evidence against Japanese. When the bulk of German cases are completed, the commission will turn its attention to Japanese atrocities.

Allies Take Over German Cruisers

COPENHAGEN, May 23 (Reuter).—The German light cruisers Prince Eugen and Nuremberg, plus four Nazi destroyers, were taken over by Allied naval authorities here today and are expected to sail for Britain soon.

Also at Copenhagen are about 130 German warships of various types including depot ships, troopships, minesweepers and torpedo boats, as well as 200 auxiliary craft.

At Londonderry, Northern Ireland, four U-boats arrived today, and four more are expected tomorrow.

Woman Stops the Clock And Lights Go Out, Too

PITTSBURGH, May 23 (ANS).—High winds last night blew a heavy clock from a third-story window. It dropped on Mrs. Stella Jawonski's head, knocking her unconscious and causing a possible skull fracture.

In Buffalo, New York, winds disrupted traffic and communications by bowling over trees and power line poles.

245 U-Boats Surrender

LONDON, May 23.—A British press tabulation showed that 245 German U-boats had surrendered or been taken over since V-E Day, and that at least 12 raiders remain on the loose in the Atlantic.

Ike Pledges Freed PWs He'll Get 'Em Home--and Soon, Too

By Charles F. Kiley
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
ST. VALERY, France, May 23.—Gen. Eisenhower yesterday told more than 40,000 repatriated American prisoners of war that he was personally doing everything to get them home as soon as possible.

The Supreme Commander, speaking over a public-address system from atop a truck, said he had issued orders for America-bound ships carrying liberated PWs to be loaded to capacity, even to the extent of asking men to share individual beds and to sleep in shifts in order to fulfill their wishes of getting home soon "even if we have to swim."

The repatriates, captured from two months to two years ago, have

Assist by Wife Puts GI Out on Double Play



The 24-points-worth of family M/Sgt. Thomas P. Conroy, of Natrona, Pa., is holding are his twin sons, Thomas P., Jr., and John Francis, born April 6. Sgt. Conroy had 71 points the day before. Now, with 95, he's eligible for release.

Milk Run—With Cream

First Heavies Fly Back Home With 1,075 Returning Airmen

BRADLEY FIELD, Conn., May 23 (ANS).—Sixty-five Liberators and Flying Fortresses, with 800 enlisted men and 275 officers aboard, landed here yesterday, in the first mass redeployment of Army Air Forces personnel from the European and Mediterranean theaters.

The bombers previously were attached to the Eighth AF in the ETO and the 15th AF in the Mediterranean.

After 30-day furloughs, all will be sent to Air Service Forces receiving stations nearest their homes for advanced training in heavier aircraft, preparatory to transfer to the Pacific.

All of the planes came by the North Atlantic route, with stops at Iceland and Greenland, and each carried a 10-man crew, plus a maximum of 10 passengers, including some flying personnel and ground crew members.

Present plans call for the arrival of 75 planes and 1,500 men a day, until a total of 3,400 planes has been flown back.

Clark, 50 Over-85ers To Attend Chicago Fete

CHICAGO, May 23 (ANS).—Gen. Mark Clark, who commanded the 15th Army Group in Italy, will fly to Chicago from the European theater with 50 men of his command, to participate in the Memorial Day celebration. During the ceremony, discharges will be granted the men.

Top Age Limit for Wacs Reduced From 50 to 38

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—The War Department yesterday reduced from 50 to 38 years the WAC enlistment age limit. It also announced that women who enlisted after May 12 would have to serve one year in the WAC before they become eligible for discharge on the basis of their husbands being demobilized.

Those who enlisted prior to May 12 may request discharge, regardless of time served, if their husbands have been released.

Adm. Sallada Appointed

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—Rear Adm. B. Sallada, of Norwood, Ohio, naval aviator since 1921, today was named chief of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics.

Churchill Quits As Premier

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and Home Secretary and Home Security Minister Herbert Morrison.

Churchill was expected to retain powerful non-party members, especially Sir John Anderson, chancellor of the exchequer, and Sir James Grigg, war minister.

He was expected to complete his "caretaker" cabinet before Commons meets Tuesday, after the Whitsuntide holiday.

The election promised to be one of the hottest in British history. The Laborite and Liberal press accused Churchill of trying to rush the election and thus capitalize on his current popularity. Their cartoons pictured him as a man devoted to Tory interests.

Churchill succeeded as prime minister the late Neville Chamberlain, who announced after a conference with Adolf Hitler that he had obtained "peace in our time," only to see the Germans invade Poland and start a world war. Immediately after he became prime minister, Churchill set up a coalition cabinet "to bring all parties into the war."

Doenitz . . .

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records had been appropriated and all prisoners listed. In the bag were Von Krosigk, who was named Foreign minister by Doenitz, and former Nazi Production Minister Albert Speer.

As the Doenitz government passed into limbo, the formation of a German civilian government for the Rhineland was announced by Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, CG of the 15th Army and military governor for the district.

The new administration follows the establishment of a similar regime for the Westmark region, south of the Rhineland. Seat of the new rule will be at Bonn. At the head of the new civilian control unit will be Dr. Haas Fuchs, 71, who will be known as Ober President. He held the same post from 1922 to 1933, when the Nazis forced his retirement.

The new government will be known as the Rhine Province Military District. The province will be divided in half, with the 22nd Corps handling the Dusseldorf, Aachen and Cologne areas, and the 23rd Corps supervising Trier, Coblenz, the Saarland, Pfalz and Essen, west of the Rhine.

Meanwhile, a United Press dispatch from London said that former Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering and Field Marshal Gerd Von Rundstedt had been brought to Britain. The U.P. said that Goering was reported reliably to have been imprisoned in northern England. It was said that Rundstedt was recognized at a railway station en route to an undisclosed point and was loudly jeered.

Mindanao Japs Yielding; Fight Rages on Luzon

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HQ, MANILA, May 23 (ANS).—Japanese opposition was reported waning today on north-central Mindanao Island, where the 31st Div. had captured the city of Malaybalay, but fierce fighting still raged on Luzon in the important watershed area northeast of Manila.

Maj. Gen. William N. Chase's 38th Div., closing in on Wawa Dam, one source of Manila's water supply, fought off a Japanese "banzai charge" in company strength Sunday night, and killed 30 of the enemy. Later, the Japanese made two vain efforts to infiltrate the 38th's lines.

Immediately north, at captured Ipo Dam, troops of Maj. Gen. Leonard F. Wing's 43rd Div. counted 300 Japanese dead in the last two days as they proceeded with the extermination of a large encircled enemy force. So far, a total of 1,964 Japanese have been killed in that trap.

Malaybalay, which Maj. Gen. Clarence Martin's 31st Div. liberated on Mindanao, is the capital of Bukidnon Province and an agricultural center of 18,000 population. Opposition was slight, but some Japanese shells came from the hills which rise abruptly two miles northeast of the city.

South of that Mindanao sector, Maj. Gen. Roscoe Woodruff's 24th Div. met only moderate resistance and advanced four miles to within two miles of the Licanan airdrome, the only airfield remaining in Japanese hands on southeastern Mindanao. The 24th occupied Ilang town, on the northwestern shore of Davao Gulf.

On the east coast of Luzon, the First Cavalry Div., under Maj. Gen. Verne D. Mudge, gained two miles and took Port Real on the coastal highway south of Infanta. The cavalrymen were supported by patrol torpedo boats, patrol craft and a gunboat. Infanta, due east of Manila, was nearly encircled by the First Cavalry and a strong band of guerrillas.

Truman Expedites Relief to Europe

WASHINGTON, May 23 (ANS).—President Truman last night set machinery in motion to speed civilian supplies to the liberated nations of western Europe.

In letters to four government agencies, he ordered that "so far as feasible" priority be granted for "minimum civilian requirements" of France, Belgium, Holland and other countries ravaged by war. In effect, this action translated into official government policy the recommendations of Samuel I. Rosenman, special assistant to the president, who reported recently on the rehabilitation and relief needs of liberated areas.

Letters were sent to Chairman J. A. Krug of the War Production Board, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones, Chairman Leo T. Crowley of the Committee on Foreign Shipments, and Harold L. Ickes, solid fuels administrator.

German in Holland To Walk Home, 250 Mi.

WITH CANADIAN FIRST ARMY, May 23 (Reuter).—About 88,000 Germans on Friday will begin to walk home from Holland, covering 14 miles a day on their 250-mile trek to Germany.

In addition, 1,000 German soldiers, women and 29,000 men will go by sea.

The operation is expected to take two or three weeks.

Gobs (2 of 'Em) Of Love Make Girl a Brigamist

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 23.—The law puzzled today over a 15-year-old girl who wed two sailors without bothering to cancel the first marriage.

The girl, whose name was withheld by the police, first married William F. Beaumont, 21, of Bridgeport, in September.

Last May 10, she took Thomas Pelliccia, also of Bridgeport, as a husband.

The girl's mother heard of the second marriage, however, and asked the cops to investigate. They did, and Pelliccia was arrested on a technical charge of idleness, and the Navy-loving girl on a charge of being a juvenile delinquent.