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## 40,000,000 in Germany On 'Slow Starvation Diet'

By T. F. MELTZER

BERLIN, April 8 (INS)—More than 40 million persons in western and southern Germany are living today on what nutrition experts regard as a "slow starvation diet."

The recent announcement of a ration cut in the American Zone, preceded by similar cuts in the British and French zones leaves the Russian Zone as the only section of Germany where the average consumer is still getting 1,550 calories daily.

Food has become a potent political weapon. As a high British Military Government officer recently stated it: "It's very difficult to teach democracy to people whose stomachs are empty."

**Rations Used in Politics**

When the German occupation began, most Germans wanted to live in the American or British zones. Now, perhaps, they are not so sure. The average daily rations at present are 1,275 in the American Zone, 1,042 in the British Zone, and 980 in the French Zone.

Meanwhile, food is playing an important part in the political maneuvering of the occupying powers. The Soviet-sponsored newspapers point out that the policy of dividing up large estates in the Russian Zone and distributing the land among small peasants has resulted in more efficient use of the soil. They add that if this had been done in western Germany the food situation would not now be so acute.

Russian authorities are redistributing cattle in their zone. Northern Germany recently received 18,000 calves and 700 horses from more prosperous areas in central Germany. The Russian army's Berlin newspaper reported that most of the calves went to "new peasants"—created by the breakup of the large estates.

The Russians are making every effort to prove to the German population that their occupation is being conducted smoothly and efficiently. As far as food is concerned, they have been fortunate in that their zone is more nearly self-sustaining than the western zones. Military Government officials do not expect the critical food situation to result in any serious uprisings.

Observers here are convinced that in the critical months which lie ahead the food shortage will overshadow all other problems and will have a direct bearing on Germany's political future.

**Russian District Is Rich**

## Germans Stage Food Strike In Farm Machinery Plant

MANNHEIM, April 8 (AP)—The more than 900 Germans who staged a five-hour strike in an agricultural machinery factory here as a protest against food ration cuts, were expected to go back to work today.

American Military Government officials said they regarded the strike as an affair between the civil administration and the workers, and that no action would be taken against the strikers. Complaints of the workers were reviewed by German civil administrators.

## U.S. Wheat Export Shortage Of 35,000,000 Bushels Seen

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—U.S. wheat shipments to hungry areas abroad during the first half of this year may fall about 35 million bushels short of the Government's 225-million bushel export goal.

This prospect is based on estimates of Agriculture Department economists. They say that not more than 190 million bushels can be exported from this country's limited supply and leave enough to meet domestic needs, unless these are cut sharply.

The nation started the year with 689 million bushels of wheat. About 53 per cent of this was on farms. The remainder was in mills, elevators and the storage places. This leaves a balance of 338 million bushels for export and for a carryover at the end of the six-month's period.

**Present Supply Limited**

## Ike Favors Extending Draft Law

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told Congress nobody—military experts or lawmakers alike—knows how many men the armed forces will be short if the draft expires.

"No one can possibly forecast exactly how short our requirements will be but everyone I have heard agrees we will be short," the Chief of Staff told the Senate Military Committee.

The Senate group has agreed to vote tomorrow on the Administration request for a one-year extension of Selective Service beyond its expiration May 15.

Gen. Eisenhower noted that Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service head, had estimated the Army shortage at 400,000, if the draft expires; that Maj. Gen. W. S. Paul, Army personnel chief, put the shortage at 165,000 and other estimates ranged between these two.

Gen. Eisenhower said, "It's a gamble any way you look at it. And, gentlemen, in my opinion any gamble with the national security of the U. S. at this time is a gamble" (Continued on Page 8)

## Waterfront Killing Laid to Gang War

NEW YORK, April 8 (INS)—Gang warfare was on in New York again today as city detectives sought clues in a waterfront murder.

Police said that three unidentified men shot Louis Surato, 47, longshoreman from Brooklyn, and then escaped in an automobile.

At the hospital, Surato whose personal history has been blemished by visits to police departments, refused to furnish information to the detectives although he was informed he could not expect to live much longer.

## Colonial Leader in Holland

AMSTERDAM, April 8 (AP)—Lieutenant Governor-general Hubertus van Mook of The Netherlands East Indies arrived here today by air from Batavia.

## American Baby Born in U.S. Zone

FRANKFURT, April 8 (UP)—The Theater Surgeon's Office announced today that the first American baby to be born to American parents in the American Occupied Zone of Germany arrived April 2, daughter of Crosby Lewis and wife, of Boston, Mass.

Lewis is a former infantry major and at present is a War Department civilian employe.

The seven-pound girl was born in the new obstetrical ward of Wiesbaden Army Hospital which will serve Army dependents in that area.

## Lichfield Trial Awaits Lewis

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—The failure of a major general and two colonels to appear as witnesses today brought a recess in the court martial of S-Sgt. James M. Jones, of Muskogee, Okla., on charges of mistreating American Army personnel at the Lichfield detention camp.

Reversing a ruling made a half-hour earlier, the seven-man military court agreed to await testimony of Maj. Gen. John T. Lewis, Western Base Section commander; Col. C. E. Brand, WBS staff judge advocate and Col. Riley McClain, military justice chief of WBS.

During the recess, arrangements will be made for the appearance or depositions of the general and his two subordinates. In its third day the trial was no further than the preliminary phases of testimony on a motion challenging the court's jurisdiction.

## Burress Has No Statement

LONDON, April 8—Maj. Gen. Withers A. Burress, theater inspector general, who arrived in London this week-end to instigate investigation into the Lichfield trial proceedings, told reporters he had no statement to make.

## Shipyard Unions File Strike Notice

NEW YORK, April 8 (AP)—A new strike threat arose today among 72,000 CIO shipyard workers, as a Labor Department official expressed belief that the "Government will do something this week" about the soft coal work stoppage.

John Green, CIO Marine and Shipbuilding Workers president, announced the filing of a 30-day strike notice in behalf of workers in 17 shipyards which, he said, had refused to pay an 18 cents hourly pay boost recommended by a shipbuilding wage conference.

## Paris Arc Roped Off To Protect Visitors

PARIS, April 8 (INS)—The Arc de Triomphe was roped off today to prevent injury of passers-by from fragments of the cornice which is threatening to collapse.

The cornice was hit by so many bullets during street fighting in August, 1944, when Paris was liberated, that it became dangerous and precautions had to be taken.

## Showers in Afternoon

The weather today in the U. S. Zone and in Berlin will be fair in the morning and cloudy with showers in the afternoon. Full details appear on page 3.

## Hailstorms In Alabama Injure 15

ANNISTON, Ala., April 8 (INS)—Fifteen persons suffered injuries and the damage was estimated in millions of dollars today following a freak hailstorm which lashed Anniston for 30 minutes late yesterday. None of 15 was injured seriously and no persons were reported killed.

Calhoun County jailer J. Adams said the damage to the business and residential section was "very heavy and had not yet been estimated."

He said the storm, which moved out of the north and lasted about 20 minutes, was confined to Anniston, where falling trees wrecked automobiles and injured motorists and pedestrians.

Red Cross workers were on the scene giving help to injured and those rendered homeless.

Three feet of water flooded business establishments while falling trees wrecked approximately 50 (Continued on Page 8)

## 1 Dead, 6 Hurt In Java Fight

BATAVIA, April 8 (AP)—A Dutch noncommissioned officer was killed and six enlisted men wounded in an ambush on the outskirts of Batavia last night, in which the attacking Indonesians used machine guns, mortars and anti-tank weapons, it was announced today.

There also were clashes between Dutch troops and Indonesians during the week-end at Tjibonong, near Buitenzorg, at Surabaya, Bali and Semarang. Two civilians were killed and one wounded by mortar bombs in east Semarang. A British patrol in the Bandung area found a bridge over the river had been blown up, and Indonesians were seen deploying on the south bank.

## Hyde Park Shrine To Be Dedicated

HYDE PARK, N. Y., April 8 (AP)—The Roosevelt Hyde Park estate, where the former President was born and buried will be dedicated as a national shrine Friday, with President Truman participating in a formal ceremony.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug also will take part in the dedication on the first anniversary of Roosevelt's death.

Only 700 guests of Krug will be permitted to enter the house Friday, but thereafter the public will be admitted. The ceremony will be broadcast in 25 languages.

## Hawaiian Tidal Wave Death Toll Reaches 115

HONOLULU, April 8 (AP)—The Hawaiian Islands tidal wave death-toll climbed to 115 as the sea yielded six more bodies. More than 50 persons are still missing as a result of last Monday's disaster.

Some of the bodies were so badly decomposed that identification was believed to be impossible.

## Army's 'King Kong' Packs a Mighty Wallop



THIS GIANT HOWITZER, the "King Kong" of U. S. Army field artillery weapons, is seen in full recoil immediately after delivering one of its 350-pound shells at a testing ground at Ft. Sill, Okla. It is known as the 240-MM howitzer, is self-propelled and weighs 63 tons. —Acme Photo



# Official Bulletin

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Will the following named officers, recent arrivals from the States, report their present unit assignment and APO number to AG Military Procurement Branch, Hq. U. S. Forces, European Theater, APO 757. This information is in connection with your Regular Army application. Contact should be made by TWX, letter, or telephone Frankfurt 32290 or 33754:

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Major AGD

## 500 See 9-Year-Old Lead Royal Orchestra

ROME (AP)—Nine-year-old Pierin Gamba conducted the Royal Opera House Orchestra before an audience of 500. Pierino conducted from memory Beethoven's "First Symphony."

## Jane Issues New Edition Of 'Aircraft'

By WILLIAM PHILLIPS

LONDON (AP)—The first post-war edition of Jane's "All the World's Aircraft" has appeared with more than 700 illustrations, 550 of them new, and two special sections on jet propulsion.

Official recognition that the war was over took some time to make itself felt, Editor Leonard Bridgman wrote in his preface, explaining why the 34th edition was later than usual and contained 24 pages of addenda.

By such means, however, he added, the book was able to carry pictures and descriptions of late aircraft developments in Germany and Japan and details of new British planes released for publication up to Jan. 1, 1946.

Illustrations and details of the Lockheed P80 Shooting Star, except for its power plant, are carried. Detailed coverage is given the British Meteor jet fighter, holder of the 606-MPH world speed record, and the Junkers Ju-287, German experimental jet-propelled heavy bomber.

The American division of the aircraft section contains eight makes of helicopters and autogiros and an air photograph of the Five Grand, the 5,000th Flying Fortress built by Boeing.

## French Name 6 To Immortal Roll

PARIS (AP)—The French Academy has elected six new members to the "immortals."

The list includes the diplomat-poet Paul Claudel, formerly French envoy in Rio de Janeiro, Tokyo and Washington; Jules Romains, playwright and novelist; Marcel Pagnol, playwright and film writer of "The Baker's Wife" fame; Count Charles de Chambrun, formerly at the French embassy in Washington and ambassador in the Middle East; Lawyer Maurice Garcon, and the educator, Prof. Henri Mondor.

## Calendar Threatens Pinup's Regime

### Perpetual Chart Can Become Heirloom

The biggest threat to the seasonal Varga Girl to come out of the war has been proposed by Lt. Cmdr. Willard E. Edwards, whose younger brother, T-4 Nathan R. Edwards, is stationed at Eberstadt with the 3060th Engr. Topo. Co.

Lt. Cmdr. Edwards, of the Ford Island air base in Oahu, has come up with the idea of a perpetual calendar, a system that will stay the same whatever the year. Each month would be either 30 or 31 days long, the first of the month would fall on either Monday, Wednesday or Friday, and the end of each three months would fall on a Sunday. There would be no Friday the 13th, thereby eliminating plots for countless pulp magazines.

### VALENTINE ON TUESDAY

The yearly pattern would never change, St. Valentine's Day would fall on a Tuesday whatever the year, and your birthday would always fall on the same day of the week.

A novel feature of Edward's plan is the allowance for New Year's Day hangovers. New Year's would be a day apart, with no date at all, thereby protecting those who like their fun.

Edwards' calendar has another day with no date—a Leap Year's Day, coming between June and July. This extra day is needed only in leap years, to keep the calendar uniform.

Edwards proposed his scheme while he was a pilot for the Hawaiian Airlines. Hawaiian Delegate Joseph R. Farrington introduced the idea to the House, urging international adoption. During the UNO meeting at San Francisco, the calendar was presented, and received considerable support among the delegates.

Ideal for mathematicians and

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other systematic-minded people, each year will always end on a Sunday. There would be 26 weekdays in every month, and 65 school days in each quarter. Future dates may be computed easily, according to Edwards, "by remembering that the months fall into patterns of 30, 30, 31." Another advantage is that Easter would be a fixed date—Edwards suggests April 15. Universal adoption of this calendar would be a boon to the world,

he says, eliminating many present discrepancies such as Russia, who is now 13 days behind us, using another calendar.

Consoling those who think otherwise, Edwards said the calendar makers would not go out of business, for calendars would get soiled and need replacement. But the threat to the Varga girl still remains—for if each year were exactly like the last, would there still be a need for a constant stream of luscious ladies?

## U.S. Department Reports Hong Kong Is Recovering

WASHINGTON (AP)—The British crown colony of Hong Kong is rapidly recovering its financial, commercial and travel facilities, the U. S. Department of Commerce reported. Before the war Hong Kong enjoyed almost complete free trade and was an important trading center with annual imports and exports amounting to about \$300,000,000, according to American statistics.

Current trade regulations require import permits from the finance department, to provide foreign exchange, and from the Hong Kong customs for permission to bring in goods.

Foreign exchange outside the sterling bloc is granted only for imports considered essential to the rehabilitation of the colony. Among permitted imports are foodstuffs, fuel, clothing, building materials, lumber and medicines. Applications for dollar purchases to cover importation of luxuries or semi-luxuries are refused.

The Department of Commerce said arrangements for the return of professional men and staffs of firms previously established in Hong Kong are under consideration in London.

Official spokesmen of the military administration at Hong Kong have stated that the government of the colony will revert to civil authority as soon as conditions permit, the Department of Commerce said.

### Cuba to Maintain Bases

HAVANA (AP)—Air bases built by the U. S. in Cuba will be maintained by Cubans and will "always stand ready to contribute to defense of the hemisphere," said President Grau San Martin.

## Disgraced Tojo Breaks Up His Honorable Kin

TOKYO (AP)—Former Premier Hideki Tojo has broken up his family to spare his sons and daughters public scorn heaped on him, the newspaper Asahi reported.

In Japan, families are bound by a family register. A person whose name is scratched off is considered out of the family. One whose name is added by adoption is bound to the family as strongly as by blood relationship.

The newspaper reported that Tojo's two youngest daughters have been adopted into the family of their mother's youngest brother and their names have been changed to Ito. The sons established their own families.

## Japanese Flags Go Up in Smoke

TOKYO (AP)—A long-time resident of Tokyo asked a Japanese woman why so few Japanese flags were flown to commemorate the death of Nippon's mythical first emperor, Jimmu. "Very simple," she replied. "Most of our flags were traded to American soldiers for cigarettes."

## Japanese Mines Cause Alarm

WASHINGTON (AP)—So many Japanese mines have drifted across the Pacific Ocean into American waters that West Coast fishermen want the Coast Guard to do something more about it.

Fishermen wrote Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) they are weary of dodging mines that apparently broke loose from moorings in Japanese coastal waters and floated 5,000 miles with the current to the West Coast.

They complained that one fishing boat had to stand guard all day, watching a mine, before a Coast Guard vessel came to destroy it.

### Turkey Names Envoy

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—The Turkish legation announced that Emin Ali Sipahl has been designated Turkish minister to Argentina.



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**World Roundup**  
**Nisei Officer**  
**Marries Jap**

TOKYO, April 8 (AP)—Japanese movie actress Mitsuko Miura married U.S. Army Lt. George H. Hodo, a Nisei of Los Angeles. The couple met last October when Godo, of the Signal Corps, visited her Tokyo studio. They will live in Japan after Godo returns from a short trip to visit his parents in Los Angeles.

The bride will continue her career.

MADRID (INS)—Fresh Allied efforts are under way to force the return to Germany of 10,000 Nazi refugees who are still in Spain.

BATAVIA (UP)—Victor Berge, Swedish-American pearl diver, has offered 12 coastal craft to the Indonesian Red Cross for humanitarian work in connection with evacuation of civilian internees and with returning of Indonesian slave laborers in various Pacific areas to Java.

PARIS (INS)—French law courts are trailing months behind schedule in their trials of wartime collaborators, the Ministry of Justice has revealed.

ROME (AP)—Giovanni de Astis, career diplomat, was named Italian representative to Cairo by the Council of ministers.

TOKYO (AP)—The government decided that labor unions exceed their authority when they demand control of management or conduct strikes by granting the public passes. Authoritative sources said a measure was being framed to define the limit of authorized strike methods. The public has been given free train rides and free theater admission as part of strike tactics.

PEIPING (INS)—The Chinese Central News Agency reported from Changchun that as of last week-end only 3,000 Russian troops remained in Changchun. The report said the last group of tanks was evacuated from the Manchurian city Thursday.

VALETTA, Malta (AP)—Thirty Italians were among an undisclosed number of witnesses brought to Malta to give testimony in the forthcoming trial of Maltese charged with committing treasonable acts against Britain, it has been learned.

MOSCOW (AP)—A request by the chief of the Chinese military mission to Russian officials that Red army troops remain in certain of Manchuria's garrisons until Chinese Government forces arrive has been turned down, a Tass dispatch from Changchun declared.

ROME (INS)—Msgr. Rosalbo Costarego, hitherto vicar-general of the diocese of Rio de Janeiro, was appointed titular bishop of Marciano and auxiliary of the cardinal archbishop of Rio de Janeiro.

TOKYO (INS)—Fifteen imperial princes, including three brothers of Emperor Hirohito, and 71 additional members of the house of peers were asked to resign in accordance with the Allied purge of war-tainted politicians.

LISBON (AP)—Negotiations were scheduled to start today on formulation of an air agreement between The Netherlands and Portugal.

**Soviet Paper**  
**Hits French**  
**Denazification**

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—Moscow radio, quoting the New Times, said today that the overwhelming majority of higher positions in the administrative organization of the French Zone of Germany are still held by Vichy elements.

The broadcast quoted dispatches received in Russia as saying that French authorities in Germany are dismissing anti-Fascists in responsible posts.

The article described British, American and French authorities as benevolently refraining from interfering with a resurgence of reactionary, still powerful Nazi elements.

The Times accused the British of letting a former Cologne banker named Ferdlinger play a leading part on the economic advisory board set up by occupation authorities.

**WAS ACTIVE NAZI**

The journal identified Ferdlinger as an active Nazi, a former director of the AEG, the one-time strong power combine, and as one of the heads of the big Kloeckner mining and steel trusts.

In the American Zone, the article said, 23,000 persons supposedly subject to automatic release from administrative positions because of their Hitlerite affiliations, continue to work for the American Military Government and various enterprises.

Quoting dispatches from the American Zone, the New Times charged that the denazification law is being evaded by nominal discharge of Nazis who are later rehired in lower positions, but at the old salaries.

**Passengers Hit**  
**Overcrowding**

LONDON, April 8 (INS)—Passengers disembarking in Liverpool from the 23,000-ton liner Orion, arriving from India and Ceylon, sent protests to the admiralty and the war office on behalf of British officers and men regarding overcrowding and poor food.

The men staged a hunger-strike when the liner was two days out of Colombo. The soldiers took their plates of uneaten food to the foyer outside the first-class dining room, placed them in shape of a chess on the deck and the doors of the companionways.

They refused to move and shouted "this is what we have to eat," and chanted, "why are we starving?" Officers and civilian passengers were unable to enter the dining room.

The men dispersed when their commanding officer assured them that their complaints would receive immediate attention.

Passengers revealed that 400 officers were forced to sleep on deck because the ship was overcrowded.

**Greek King Requests Regent**  
**To Keep Post, Athens Reports**

ATHENS, April 8 (AP)—An authoritative Greek source said today that King George had replied to the tendered resignation of Regent Archbishop Damaskinos by asking him to continue his duties until the future Greek constitution is clearer.

Constantine Tsaldaris, spokesman for the Populist (Royalist) Party, conferred with Damaskinos, but said any information contained in the king's letter would have to come from the regent.

The Greek cabinet is scheduled to meet tonight and it was predicted in many quarters that a statement would be issued concerning Damaskinos' status.

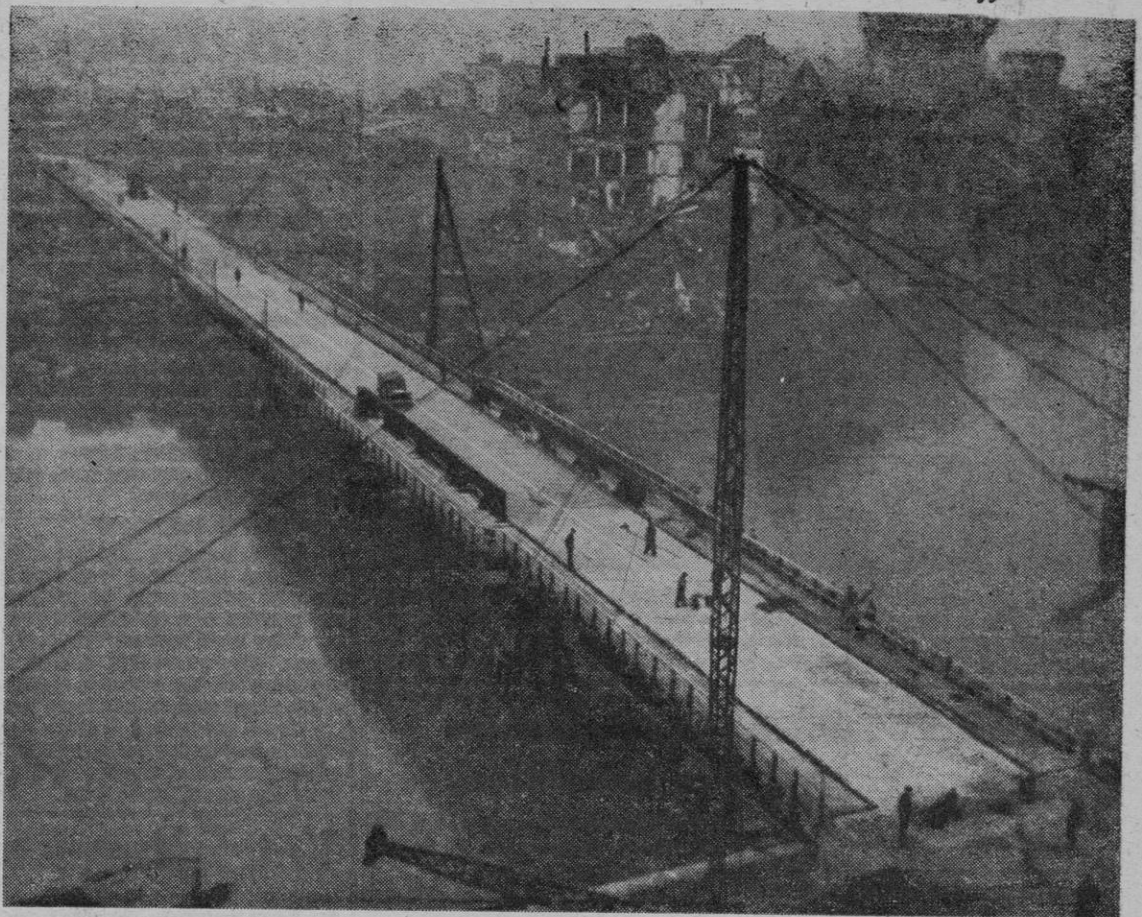
From London it was reported

that the king declined to comment on reports that he had acted on Damaskinos' resignation. A spokesman said the king had no statement to make on the Greek political situation.

Meanwhile, leaders of the democratic parties told the Associated Press the cabinet had unanimously decided on the necessity of keeping the regent in office.

Leftist leaders in a declaration last night advised former Premier Themistocles Sophoulis and the Liberal party which he leads to change their policy, warning that the government which will emerge from the recent elections would have no prestige abroad.

**Truman Bridge Across Weser River Opened to Traffic**



THE NEW TRUMAN BRIDGE across the Weser River in Bremen has been officially opened to traffic. Men of the 1265th Engr. Combat Bn. working 24 hours a day constructed the span.

**GIs, Germans Trade Ideas**  
**In Bremen Forum Series**

By BOB WILLIAMS, Staff Correspondent

BREMEN, April 8—What is perhaps the first project organized to give Germans a chance to air their ideas, to discuss their problems with their conquerors and to hear first hand the American side in a series of GI-German forums being held in the Bremen enclave under the supervision of Lt. Malcolm D. Coe, I & E officer of the 96th QM Bn.

In Nordenham near here, two GIs, Coe, seven Germans, a Catholic priest and a Protestant minister, the mayor of Nordenham and representatives of the major German political parties led a discussion on the subject "Germany and the World."

Before an audience of approximately 600 German civilians and U. S. soldiers assembled in the theater, questions concerning the political and economic fate of Germany and the American occupation were raised. A woman teacher asked: "Why aren't the denazification investigations of teachers hurried so that the accepted ones can help relieve the great shortage of teachers here?"

**Marseille Port Bolstered.**

MARSEILLE, April 8 (UP)—Americans have presented this city with several million dollars worth of heavy port equipment which was used to restore the harbor which the Germans completely destroyed.

**UNRRA Will Fly**  
**Food to Chinese**  
**To Fight Famine**

SHANGHAI, April 8 (AP)—UNRRA is organizing emergency food distribution by air to combat famine in China which has become so severe that several million starving people are reported to be eating grass, roots and even clay.

Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault is forming the air transport system which will be necessary to rush food to where it is most badly needed.

An UNRRA spokesman said today that the famine is so critical, particularly in Hunan Province, that "children look like old men, with shrunken, emaciated bodies and swollen stomachs."

**Political Tension**  
**Mounts in Tokyo**

TOKYO, April 8 (INS)—Pre-election tension in Tokyo mounted today in the wake of Sunday's anti-administration riot by a frenzied mob of 10,000 left wing adherents.

The riot indicated the temper of the newly-freed political groups which hope to gain a voice in the government with the first postwar general election April 1.

The rioters, made up of Communists and Social Democrats, gathered in central Tokyo and, waving red flags and singing, marched to Premier Kujuro Shidehara's home and tried to force the gates of his residence.

**Pope Nominates Bishop**

VATICAN CITY, April 8 (AP)—The Pope nominated Msgr. Carlo Skoupy as bishop of Czechoslovakia.

**France to Buy**  
**Russian Grain**

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—An agreement between France and Russia was signed in Moscow yesterday covering delivery to France of 400,000 tons of wheat and 100,000 tons of barley during April, May and June of this year, Moscow radio said tonight.

The agreement followed a request by the French government for help, and talks which took place between Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and the Soviet ambassador to France, the broadcast added.

The radio said the Soviet government "decided to go to the help of France as its ally, and will sell to France from its own, limited supplies since Great Britain and the U.S. were not able to guarantee the needs of France in regard to bread."

**Troops Reported**  
**At Spanish Border**

MEXICO CITY, April 8 (AP)—The Spanish Exile Refugee Relief Federation (FOARE) reported it had learned from private sources that four divisions of Spanish infantry, eight regiments of artillery, five of engineers, a battalion of Moorish troops and another of tanks were at the Spanish-French border town of Navarra.

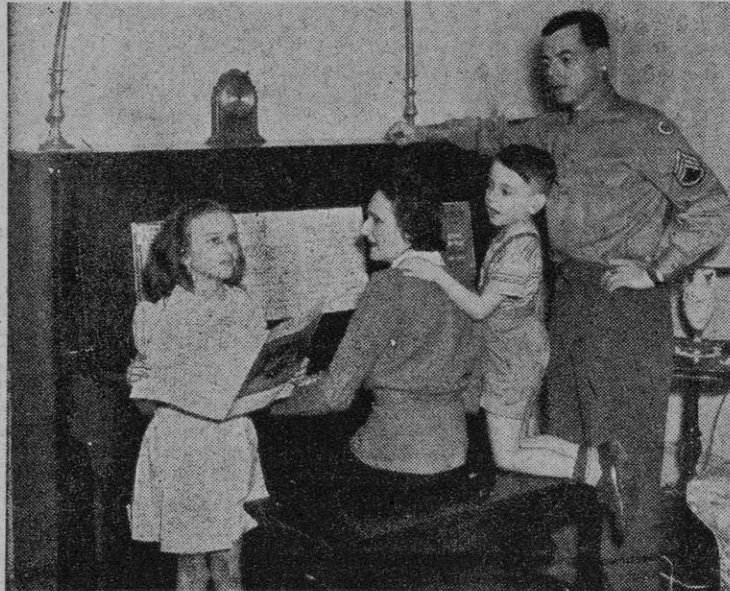
On the Arragon frontier, FOARE said, there were six divisions of infantry, six regiments of artillery, one regiment of motorized forces and another of engineers. In the region of Seo de Urgell, FOARE said it had been advised there were nine divisions of infantry, 18 regiments of artillery, six of engineers, one of tanks and other supporting elements.

**Weather Outlook**

U.S. Zone: Weather forecast with maximum and minimum temperatures. North and west—fair in morning, cloudy with showers in afternoon, 55, 35; south and east—fair in morning, cloudy with showers in afternoon, 60, 36; Berlin—fair in morning, cloudy with showers in afternoon, 55, 35; Bremen—cloudy with showers, clearing in afternoon, 55, 39. Further outlook: Fair and warmer.



### GI Runs for Governor on 'GI Platform'



WITH MORE THAN 1,000,000 World War II veterans in Pennsylvania, a former GI with a "GI platform" has tossed his hat into the ring as a candidate for governor. He is former S-Sgt. Carl E. Mau, 36, publisher of a Marcus Hook, Pa., paper. He is shown with his family.

### Bradley Asks Colleges' Aid

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Gen. Omar N. Bradley, head of the Veterans Administration, said colleges must expand to accommodate veterans—"that's the only solution." "And they can only expand if graduates support the drives most of them are making now," Bradley added.

The administrator estimated 750,000 veterans will be seeking a college education by next fall. More than 200,000 now are attending.

Bradley disclosed that his agency once considered setting up veterans' colleges, "but if we did and a man attended, let's say, Veterans' College No. 21, in 20 years that wouldn't mean much to him."

However, he added, if present schools "set up annexes, even though the annexes might be some miles from the college campus, the same high standard would prevail and men would have the benefit of the traditions of the college. Degrees would mean something to them."

### Vet Priority Boosted For War Surpluses

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Members of the House Expenditures Committee disclosed they have agreed to boost the priority standing of veterans in acquiring war surpluses.

Under a new measure, veterans will be second in line only to the Federal Government. At present, not only Federal agencies but state and local political subdivisions as well rate ahead of veterans.

### Neighbors Help Denver Vet To Keep His Family Intact

DENVER, April 8 (UP)—With their neighbors rallying to help them, Arthur Dumars, war veteran, and his pretty 24-year-old wife are going to keep their four little daughters including triplets.

The picture was not rosy when Mr. and Mrs. Dumars, taking their four cute little children with them, called on the probation officer for the juvenile court and offered two of the 14-month-old triplets for adoption.

The father's salary of \$35 a week, they said, just would not pay bills and since the mother has been in poor health ever since the triplets were born on her 23rd birthday, she could not take care of them as she thought they deserved.

All it took to change the picture was for folks to find out about Mrs.

### Ephillamianus Is Punctilious

PORTLAND, Ore., April 8 (INS)—Military attentiveness to details is a habit hard to break.

Several dozen discharges lined up in a room at the Portland separation base to sign their certificates.

"Ephillamianus," the clerk belated.

From the rear of the room a voice timidly queried:

"What initials, please?"

### Patterson Predicts Armored Cavalry

FT. RILEY, Kan., April 8 (AP)—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said "there is a strong basis" for reports that horse cavalry will be merged with mechanized units and that it will "be called armored cavalry."

Gen. Jacob Devers, commanding Army Ground Forces, emphasized that the Army intends to retain some horses, but added that the "horse problem is very serious and we're not going to have many."

"We have lost five years in the art of horse mastership," Devers said, explaining that younger men in the Army did not know the art of riding as did older cavalry men.

### New Air Route Opens

NEW YORK, April 8 (AP)—The Transworld Airline inaugurated a weekly service between New York and Geneva, Switzerland via Gander, Newfoundland, Shannon, Eire and Paris.

## 'Mama's Boy' GI Injures U.S. Policy, Educator Says

BOSTON, April 8 (UP)—There's too much nonsense about "mom" and such "mawkish sentimentality" by GIs abroad and it is injuring America's chances for leadership in world affairs, Dr. Boylston Green, new president of Emerson College, said today.

Speaking before several hundred astonished women at a meeting of the Boston Federation of Organizations, Green said, "mom's boy in war has been a good fighter but a poor ambassador."

Green said that soldiers' "crybaby attitude" in their eagerness to get "home to dear old mom" already has had a devastating effect on national preparedness and foreign policy.

"American children have been taught by their mothers to depend upon her intellectually, socially and emotionally," he said. "As a result they lack initiative and independence."

"We have allowed the myth of mom to flourish and run wild until today it is in the hands of big business which has given us Mothers' Day."

"We are like a pugilist at the end of a bloody fray posing as an example of virility and filial piety as the radio broadcasts to the nation his "goodnight mom."

### 'CHEAPENS CONCEPT'

"Such mawkish sentimentality cheapens the concept of mother," Green said there was vast difference between "mom and mother." He said relationship of mother and her sons was not one requiring exploitation and commercial propaganda.

"The good mother," he said, "is an understanding, helpful, unfailing source physically, and a spiritual strength ever ready to make sacrifices for the ultimate welfare of her children even though it necessitates long separations from her side."

Green contended if there were more mothers of this sort the cry of "get the boys home" would not have echoed around the world and America would be respected as a nation of strong, peace-loving men capable of assuming world leadership.

### Vet Insurance Change Urged

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—The American Legion told the Veterans Administration that it ought to decentralize its insurance business if it is to succeed in getting the veteran to hang on to his policy.

Harold W. Breining, chief of the agency's insurance division, asserted that the idea was "impractical, inefficient and uneconomical."

"Much of the machine work cannot be duplicated, trained personnel is short, and private insurance companies do not operate that way," he replied in a memorandum given out by the Veterans Administration.

The Legion, releasing a letter to Breining, recalled that he had resisted such a recommendation for years and declared that the "best way and the best place" to serve veterans "is in their home states."

### VA to Take Over Amputee Hospital

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Dr. Paul Hawley of the Veterans Administration said the VA "certainly will take over" the Thomas M. England Hospital in Atlantic City, if a staff can be obtained.

The chief of the VA's medical department made his statement to a delegation of patients from the hospital after the group had been told by Brig. Gen. Raymond W. Bliss, deputy surgeon general, that the Army will be unable to continue operation of the institution after June 30. Bliss suggested that the VA might be induced to maintain the institution, which was established for amputees and paraplegics.

### 450 More Housing Units Allocated to Veterans

CHICAGO, April 8 (AP)—The allocation of 450 additional units of veterans' emergency housing to municipalities and educational institutions was approved by the Federal Public Housing Authority

### Bomb Kills Observers

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—A bomb accidentally dropped on a group of observers in aircraft carrier training exercises in the Puerto Rican area killed nine men and wounded another.

### Ex-GI Sends Gift To French Cities

WEST ORANGE, N.J., April 8 (INS)—James J. Sheeran, a former American soldier captured by the Germans in 1944, sent to Paris a gift of three tons of food and clothes in appreciation of his liberation by French underground forces.

Sheeran gathered food and clothing for two weeks and loaded them aboard a plane at Newark Field.

The gift will be distributed to Ville-Sur-Torbe, Vouziers, Vandy, Neufchateau, Bar-le-Duc, Creux-Domremy and Vanne-Le-Chatel, all towns which figured in his escape from the Germans.

Sheeran's mother is a native of Creux-Domremy.

### Field Graders' Families Get 75 Tokyo Homes

TOKYO, April 8 (AP)—Seventy-five houses in the Tokyo area have been set aside by general headquarters for occupancy, principally by families and dependents of field grade officers.

Apartment houses and Quonset huts were planned for housing families of company grade officers and the first three grades of EM.

## Tokyo Rose May Be Tried In U.S. on Treason Charge

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Tokyo Rose may be brought to the U. S. for trial on a charge of treason.

The Los Angeles-born Nisei, who failed via Tokyo radio to persuade Americans to quit the war and return to wives and sweethearts in the U. S., became the radio favorite of thousands of officers and enlisted men, who, in jungles, in planes and aboard ship, tuned in Station JOAK to listen to her broadcast songs, which were good, and her propaganda which they found more humorous than effective.

Where and when Tokyo Rose—her real name is Iva Toguri—will be tried is now being determined. Representatives of the Justice Department are investigating evidence against her.

Rose is in the Sugamo Prison, where she has been held since shortly after her arrest a few days after occupation forces landed in Japan.

Agents now in Japan will deter-

## U.S. Counsel Assists Vet in Job Test Case

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Attorney General Tom Clark said that the Department of Justice is to represent Abraham Fishgold, veteran, in a case before the Supreme Court which involves re-employment rights for returning servicemen.

The court agreed only a few hours earlier to rule on Fishgold's appeal.

Clark termed the case "one of national importance as to veteran's

question of a veteran's absolute right to return and hold his prewar job a year under the so-called super-seniority clause."

### NEW YORK RULING

The Federal Court of Appeals in New York City decided that the Selective Service Act does not give a veteran absolute job assurance over other workers who have greater length of service.

The New York court said Congress intended that the veteran be restored and be assured of his job for a year but the place to which he was restored should be subject to the same conditions as those affecting his old job.

The decision was given in a suit by Fishgold, a Brooklyn welder, contending he was entitled to return to work for the Sullivan Drydock and Repair Corp., even though superseding a worker with greater seniority.

## Release of GI Asked by U.S.

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—The State Department requested the release to U.S. military authorities of Pvt. Melvin Richard Best, of Butte, Mont., who reportedly is held in a Polish jail in connection with the slaying of a Polish militiaman, aides of Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) said.

Wheeler reported that he was told of the action by Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson. Patterson reported the War and State departments are in agreement that jurisdiction in the case should be maintained by the U. S.

Under the State Department proposal, Best would be turned over to the U. S. in exchange for any member of the Warsaw Polish armed forces who may be charged with a criminal offense committed in territory under U. S. control.



Tokyo Rose

mine whether evidence against her is sufficient to warrant trial on treason charges.

If it is—a cardinal principal of treason law is whether two or more persons heard a treasonable statement and hundreds of thousands heard Rose—the Justice Department probably would seek an indictment in a U. S. Federal court.



Win Beauty Honors in Miami Beach



MISS MIAMI BEACH, 1946, is Jini Boyd, 18, (right) who was selected in the city's annual contest. Pepper Donna, 18, (center) placed second, and Pat Steckman, 18, third.

Agency Heads Ask Extension Of OPA Law

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Five top-rank Federal agency heads have asked quick extension of price control without "crippling" amendments which would leave a "mere illusion of price control."

If wartime powers are retained, a joint report said, stabilization agencies can subdue inflationary pressures which now are "many times greater" than after World War I.

"By June 30, 1947, only rent controls and some last remnants of price control in a few isolated fields will remain," they promised—provided Congress renews price ceilings, subsidies and the Second War Powers Act.

"The responsibility rests entirely with Congress," said the report which was sent to President Truman to mark the third anniversary of the original hold-the-line order.

It was signed by Stabilization Director Chester Bowles, Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, OPA Administrator Paul Porter, Civilian Production Administrator John D. Small and Wage Stabilization Chairman W. Willard Wirtz.

Good Convict Puzzles Law

SEATTLE, April 8 (UP)—Federal authorities today pondered what to do with graying little Howard Hogan, 49, who was arrested by the FBI 20 years after he escaped from a West Virginia prison camp.

Hogan, a tile setter, had led a law-abiding life since his escape Oct. 31, 1927, from a road camp at Alderson, W. Va., where he was serving a six-year term for counterfeiting. FBI agents arrested him while he was having his car repaired in a garage in the little town of Kirklandwash last Thursday.

"I always suspected some day I might get picked up," Hogan told the police. "My wife doesn't know anything about this crime. How I would like to get it all cleared up and over with."

Officials said they did not know what disposition would be made of Hogan.

Death Laid to Fear From Nazi Identity

MILWAUKEE, April 8 (AP)—Mrs. Erna Bulla, 51, died in the County General Hospital because, her husband said, she was "so scared" of threats after publication of her name on a list of Nazi Party members in the U. S.

Mrs. Bulla suffered a nervous breakdown after release of the list, her husband, Carl, said.

An autopsy is expected to reveal the physical cause for her death.

New Wonder-Drug Saves Life of Boy, 3

MILWAUKEE, April 8 (AP)—Streptomycin, a new wonder-drug, apparently saved the life of 3-year-old William F. Double, Jr.

Dr. F. E. Drew, the lad's physician, said that, barring unseen complications, Billy's recovery from complications after double pneumonia is almost certain. The boy made rapid progress in two days after receiving streptomycin. He did not respond to sulfa drugs and penicillin.

Easter Hen Produces in Color

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., April 8 (INS)—It must have been the approaching Easter season which caused a hen owned by B. F. Buman, of Stony Creek township, to lay a varicolored egg marked by geometric designs.

Purloining Catnaper, Mews Up Wrong Tree

LOGAN, W. Va., April 8 (UP)—An alleged pupnaper was the talk of the town today. It all came about when a Maltese cat owned by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. MacDonald, gave birth to triplets which disappeared within a few hours. Tabby was disconsolate but determined. She disappeared too, only to come home with two puppies, so young that like her lost kittens they didn't even have their eyes open. Now the MacDonalds are anxiously waiting for the reaction when the puppies get a look at their new mother and the mother hears them bark instead of miaow.

Unions Discuss Forming Party

CHICAGO, April 8 (AP)—A. Philip Randolph, president of the AFL Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, said "progressive leaders" from 16 states, in a two-day "off-the-record" political talk, discussed the possibility of forming a new third party.

Randolph, who is from New York, said he had been chosen temporary chairman of the "United American Progressives."

Daniel Bell, Chicago union faculty member who served as spokesman for the meeting, said the 100 who attended represented trade unions, farm groups, co-operatives, and some organized political groups.

Bell said invitations to the meeting were issued by Randolph; philosopher John Dewey; James Patton, president of the International Farmers Union; H. L. Mitchell, president of the National Farm Labor Union, and Simeon Martin, president of the Michigan Farmers Unions.

Ape Story Called Monkey Business

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 8 (INS)—A number of Westchester residents stopped worrying about letters they received announcing that trained apes were being shipped to their homes to alleviate the shortage of domestic servants.

An investigator of the sheriff's office announced it was a hoax. The letters had been sent out by James C. Adams, of Benardsville, N. J., with Government permission "to test the gullibility of the American mind."

Adams, it develops, is writing a book.

Thief Beats Pen Price; Balls Up on Gag Point

CHICAGO, April 8 (INS)—A thief discovered today that oddly enough "It doesn't pay to advertise." He attempted to sell 200 Reynolds ball-point pens, and even though he offered them at a figure far below the retail price, he found very few purchasers.

The reason—plainly printed on each of the pens—was "stolen from Milton Reynolds." The loot was part of a special gag lot which the company's board chairman recently had made up for personal presentation to retailers.

Dude Stampede Looms On Wyoming Ranches

DU BOIS, Wyo., April 8 (UP)—Wyoming prepared today for the greatest invasion of tenderfeet since 1939. Charles Moore, president of the Dude Ranchers Association, said bookings this year are the earliest and heaviest in history.

Thirty-six ranchers in Wyoming anticipate an influx of 6,000 dudes who will spend an estimated \$1,700,000 in the state, Moore said.

Girl, Druggist Brutally Slain; Police Baffled

ST. LOUIS, April 8 (AP)—State police and St. Louis County authorities sought desperately for clues to the brutal murders of a 16-year-old girl and a 73-year-old druggist, whose badly battered bodies were found yesterday.

The druggist, Otto Kopp, was found beaten to death in his living quarters above the store, less than 14 hours after picnickers came across the mutilated body of Alice Shryock in a secluded woodland near the end of the suburban street car line.

Miss Shryock disappeared after attending a moving picture last Wednesday and last was reported seen around midnight that night when she parted company with a young couple she had accompanied to the movie.

Her body bore a bullet wound in the head. There also were stab wounds in the abdomen and she was badly bruised about the face, legs and arms. Her clothing was in disarray, her shoes and stockings missing.

Police said Kopp was bound, gagged and beaten, apparently by robbers posing as customers. He was known to have carried large sums of money.

Prelate Hits 'Outlaw' Film

LOS ANGELES, April 8 (UP)—Catholic Archbishop John J. Cantwell asserted today that the motion picture "The Outlaw" is "morally offensive" and told his congregation not to see it. The picture, produced and directed by Howard Hughes and starring Jane Russell, was rejected by the Hays Office when it was made in 1942 but later received a production code seal of approval after some deletions were made.

Cantwell, who criticized the picture without identifying it by name, said it had been condemned by the Legion of Decency.

"Patronage of such a production is a blot upon the good name of our city," he said.

"The picture, by its very nature, is morally offensive to Christian and American womanhood."

Guy Grabs Girl; Gets Grand Slam

ATLANTA, April 8 (AP)—A prowler who grabbed a girl here was bitten on the hand, kicked in the stomach, struck on the chin



and knocked flat with another blow to the jaw.

City detectives C. H. Christian and W. B. Acree said the 23-year-old intended victim was dusting off her hands when they drove up.

Pie-Juice Savers Pay Ex-GI's Loan

PHILADELPHIA, April 8 (AP)—Blind William Michael Hughes is ready to pay off a \$2,000 GI-loan obtained five months ago to open a gift shop.

During a broadcast he mentioned one of the items he sells is called a pie duckling, pottery device for conserving juice in pies.

Orders poured in for more than 17,000, each accompanied by \$1.

He also received about \$1,000 worth of orders for other items. The veteran was blinded in France when a mine exploded.

Susan Peters to Adopt 'Brand New' Baby Boy

HOLLYWOOD, April 8 (UP)—Actor Richard Quine disclosed that he and his wife, actress Susan Peters, paralyzed since a hunting accident 15 months ago, have applied to adopt a baby.

"We want a boy and a brand new one," Quine said.

Miss Peters lower limbs were paralyzed when a rifle discharged as she picked it up. Her condition has been improving steadily.

Skull, Believed Relic by Boy, Identified as Missing Father's

CASEYVILLE, Ill., April 8 (AP)—Coroner C. C. Kane said that a bullet-pierced skull which was found last winter by Clifford Lutz, 12, and kept in his home since in the belief that it was an Indian relic, "undoubtedly" was that of his father, who disappeared May 6, 1945.

The skull was determined to be Lutz's, Kane said, after the rest of

Girl May Wed Fiance in Jail

DENVER, April 8 (UP)—Pretty Mrs. Gladys Reed, 25, said today that if her fiance is convicted as a habitual criminal on charges of burglary, larceny and receiving stolen goods, she will marry him in his cell.

"It doesn't matter if he is sent to prison for 20 years," she said. "I love him and I'll stick by him."

Mrs. Reed is a divorcee and mother of two children. She said marriage was definite but the date had not been set. Her fiance, Ray Parker took his premarital blood test yesterday in the county jail.

Parker, who faces trial May 19, said it was "all a mystery to me. I want to marry Gladys but these bars and a lot of other things stand in the way."

Bay State Congressman Robert Luce, 83, Dies

WALTHAM, Mass., April 8 (AP)—Robert Luce, 83, Massachusetts Congressman for 20 years and former Lieutenant-Governor of the state, died at his home.

He was elected as Republican representative from the Massachusetts 13th district in 1919. He served until 1934, and returned from 1936 to 1940.

a human skeleton was found here. Identification was made through clothing and a .38-caliber revolver found among the bones.

Kane said Lutz apparently became mentally unbalanced on the day of his disappearance, as he threatened his wife and told the family he intended to burn the house and commit suicide.



# Bruins Stop Surging Montreal, 3-2, On Reardon's Sudden-Death Goal

BOSTON, April 8 (AP)—A sudden-death goal by Terry Reardon gave the Boston Bruins their first win in four Stanley Cup starts against the Montreal Canadiens, 3-2, and moved the National Hockey League final series back to Montreal for the fifth chapter.

Reardon rapped home an angle shot after being set up by little Kenny Smith in 15-13 of the overtime.

With the Canadiens needing only one more victory to clinch Hockey's most coveted trophy and the Bruins making a last-ditch stand, the overtime action was terrific.

Each side had at least five wide-open chances before Terry Reardon, whose brother Kenny mans the Montreal defense post, lashed in the game winning shot.

The Bruins were paving the Montreal zone at the time and had a beautiful passing attack going under the direction of the veteran Bill Cowley.

## Barons Nips Bisons, 6-5, With Overtime Score

BUFFALO, April 8 (AP)—The Cleveland Barons took a 2-1 lead in the Hockey League championship and the playoffs for the American Hockey League Championship and the Calder Cup, defeating the Buffalo Bisons, 6-5, on Lou Trudel's goal at 9:38 in the overtime period. The Barons, defending the league title, struck suddenly as the first overtime period neared an end, after which sudden-death hockey was scheduled. Fred Thurier scrambled for the puck at the boards at the



Bison end. Phil Hergesheimer gained possession and relayed it to veteran Trudel who fired in his second goal of the game.

## Tulsa Edges Knights To Gain USHL Finals

OMAHA, April 7 (AP)—A score in the last half minute of play gave

Tulsa a 4-3 victory over Omaha before a record crowd of 6,875, in the seventh and last game of the semi-final playoffs of the U.S. Hockey League and handed the series to the Oilers, 4-3.

Tulsa now will meet Kansas City, which won the other semi-final series over St. Paul, in the playoff finals.

# Graziano, Wolcott Stamped As Big Contenders by NBA

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Rocky Graziano, middleweight, and Jersey Joe Wolcott, heavyweight, were the big guns of the fight game for the past three months, punching their way to title-challenging positions. In the first quarterly ratings of 1946, the National Boxing Association stamped Graziano among the 160-pound logical contenders and included Wolcott among the outstanding boxers in the "big boss" class.

## Kaiser Takes Masters Golf

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 8—Herman Kaiser, former sailor who went to the front on the first day and battled golfdom's best to remain there, surprised the golf world yesterday by winning the Masters tournament with a 72-hole total of 282.

Keiser, who held a five-stroke advantage going into yesterday's final 18 holes, slipped to a two-over-par 74 but managed to beat out little Ben Hogan, who finished one stroke back with 283.

Two-time winner and tourney favorite, Lord Byron Nelson couldn't get started over the tough 6,800 yard Augusta national course and ended in seventh-place tie with 290.

Kaiser's first-place was good for \$2,500 in the \$10,000 tournament. Hogan collected \$1,000. Other money winners and their scores:

- Jimmie Demaret, 289—\$683.33
- Jim Ferrier, 289—\$683.33
- Ky Laffoon, 289—\$683.33
- Byron Nelson, 290—\$356.25
- Chick Harbert, 290—\$356.25
- Sam Snead, 290—\$356.25
- Clayton Haefner, 290—\$356.25

In announcing the ratings, President Abe J. Greene, of the NBA, expressed dissatisfaction with champions "pickling titles in brine."

"The war is over," he said, "and so is the excuse champions may have had for delaying defense of their titles. When champions freeze titles behind overweight or soft touches they freeze genuine boxing interest."

As soon as scheduled title defenses are concluded, NBA "looks to the champions to defend each title at least once every six months," Greene said.

Following is the breakdown of the different weight classes:

The heavyweight champion is Joe Louis, of Michigan, and the logical contender is Billy Conn, of Pennsylvania. Outstanding boxers are Tami Mauriello, of New York; Wolcott, of New Jersey; Jimmy Bivins, of Ohio, and Lee Oma, of Michigan.

The light-heavyweight champion is Gus Lesnevich, of New Jersey, and the logical contenders are Archie Moore, of Missouri; Freddie Mills, of England; Billy Fox, of Pennsylvania, and Billy Smith, of California. Outstanding boxers include Edward Charles, of Ohio; Anton Christoforidis, of the Navy; and Lloyd Marshall, of California.

The middleweight champion is Tony Zale, of Indiana, and the logical contenders are Rocky Graziano, of Michigan; George Abrams, of the Navy; and Jacob Lamotta, of New York. Outstanding boxers are Holman Williams, of Michigan; Charles Burley, of Pennsylvania; Steve Belloise, of New York; and Marcel Cerdan, of France.

The welterweight champion is Marty Servo, of New York, and the logical contender is Ray Robinson, of New York. Outstanding boxers are Tippy Larkin, of New Jersey; Beau Jack, of Georgia; and Johnny Greco, of Canada.

The lightweight champion is Ike Williams, of New Jersey, and logical contenders are Bob Montgomery, of Pennsylvania; and Enrique Belances, of Mexico. Outstanding boxers are Willie Joyce, of Indiana; Allie Stolz, of New Jersey; Freddie Dawson, of Illinois; and Chalky Wright, of California.

The featherweight champion is Sal Bartolo, of Massachusetts, and logical contenders are Willie Pep, of Connecticut; and Phil Terranova, of New York. Outstanding boxers are Jackie Graves, of Minnesota; Carlos Chavez, of California; Miguel Acevedo, of Cuba; and Al Phillips, of England.

The bantamweight champion is Manuel Ortiz, of California. No logical contenders are listed. Outstanding boxers are Bennie Goldbert, of Michigan; Tony Olivera, of California; Theo Medina, of France; and Luis Castillo, of Mexico.

The flyweight champion is Jackie Patterson, of Scotland, and the logical contenders are Dade Marino, of Hawaii; and Joe Curran and Terry Allen, of England. Outstanding boxers are Rinty Monaghan, of England and Icey Hill, of Australia.

## NYAC Walks Off With AAU Wrestle

NEW YORK, April 8 (AP)—The New York Athletic Club wrestlers won the National AAU team title, scoring 17 points in the annual tournament.

In succeeding Oklahoma City, the YMCA team which did not defend the championship won in 1945, the New Yorkers won individual titles in two of 10 weight divisions and placed second in two others.

Douglas Lee, of the Baltimore YMCA, who scored four falls in as many appearances and took the 165-pound title for the fourth national championship, was voted the outstanding wrestler of the meet.

## Big Ten Approves 12-Game Hoop Slate

CHICAGO, April 8 (AP)—Athletic directors and basketball coaches of the Western Conference approved a 12-game schedule for the 1946-47 season, in which every team in the loop will meet every other team at least once.

# Red Sox, Cincinnati Divide Twin Bill; White Sox Win 2

BIRMINGHAM, April 8 (AP)—The Reds edged the Red Sox, 4-3 in the seven inning nightcap of their exhibition doubleheader after the American Leaguers had bowled them over, 9-3, in the opener.

The Sox won the first game on 10 well-placed hits, including a 400-foot home run by Ted Williams.

The Reds won the finale in the sixth when they scored three runs off Mace Brown on three hits, including a fluke, a double by Max Marshall and Bert Haas' two-run single.

**FORT WORTH**—The White Sox won both ends of a doubleheader from the Pirates here, 11-8 and 6-5.

In the opener the Sox collected 17 hits, including a three-run homer by Don Kolloway. Aging Ted Lyons was given credit for the win.

**BALTIMORE**—A three-run homer in the fifth by center-fielder Sam Chapman gave the Athletics a 6-3 victory over Baltimore, of the International League.

Phil Marchildon started for the As and received credit for the win. Russ Christopher relieved him in the fifth and held the Orioles hitless the rest of the game, fanning six.

**DALLAS**—Vern Stephen, who jumped back to the Browns on Saturday from Mexico, clouted a three-run homer, but it wasn't enough to beat the Cubs, who won 10-7.

The Cubs collected 13 hits off five St. Louis pitchers and were aided by three Brownie errors.

## Skins' Roster Swells to 52

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—The Redskins increased to 52 the number of players under contract for the 1946 National League season by signing Notre Dame's John Kovatch, end, and Duquesne star Phil Ahwesh, back.

## Strikers Urged To Start Classes

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 8 (AP)—The Parent-Teachers Association of the city council voted a recommendation for 4,000 striking high school pupils to return to their classes and assured the strikers it would continue its efforts to oust the city school board.

Central High School pupils walked out last Thursday after the school board removed basketball coach Glen Bretz. Two other high schools joined in the demonstration, and the board asked Bretz to come back. It had charged, and he had denied, that he was influencing basketball players not to play football.

## Chicago Wins Cage Tourney

CLEVELAND, April 8 (AP)—Chicago won the eighth national Serbian basketball tournament beating Duquesne, 44-43.

## Baseball Results

Exhibition Games	
Washington 8, Phillies 7	—
Cincinnati 3-4, Red Sox 9-3	—
Cardinals 7-6, Houston (TL) 0-2	—
White Sox 11-6, Pittsburgh 8-5	—
Athletics 6, Baltimore (INL) 3	—
New Orleans (SA) 7, Brooklyn 6	—
Detroit 3, Braves 0	—
Cubs 10, Browns 7	—
Yankees 7, Atlanta (SA) 0	—
Yankees "B" 13, Brooklyn "B" 0	—
Pacific Coast League	
Portland 2-2, Oakland 1-4	—
San Francisco 3-4, San Diego 1-2	—
Los Angeles 5-2, Seattle 4-1	—
Sacramento 4-2, Hollywood 3-3	—

# Frick Sniffs at Mexican Commotion

NEW YORK, April 8 (INS)—Out of furore and attendant horse-play over the Mexican League incident—including a proposed "emergency meeting" to concoct a fate preferably worse than death to those who desert came, one voice from baseball to demurely, if pointedly, inquire what all the commotion was about.

It was that of Ford D. Frick, president of the National League, who not only put a sniff on the entire Mexican situation but said that organized baseball could afford to view it tolerantly.

His reason is that "generally speaking, the major leagues have more players now than they know what to do with."

Said Frick: "See no reason for calling a special meeting to consider the so-called Mexican 'threat'.



Ford Frick

However, if Commissioner Chandler sees fit to call such a meeting, I shall attend it with an open mind."

Recent deserters Vern Stephens, who returned to the Browns, and Mickey Owen, Frick said the principal loss was one of club "equity" in the men immediately concerned. Owen, for example, represented a value of perhaps \$35,000 in players and money to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Against this sum, however, the Dodgers can write off a year it was paying Owen when he entered the Navy.

The loss, therefore, was not a total one even if baseball enforced its five-year suspension edict—and Frick did not see how the game could do anything else.

This means that 17 major leaguers who to date have jumped the borderline are automatically suspended until 1951.



# Mounted GIs Find Graves Of Lost Fliers

TOKYO, April 8 (INS)—American infantrymen, exploring Shikoku and surrounding islands by commandeered Japanese horses and fishing smacks, have discovered the graves of many Allied airmen who fell in unrecorded battles of the Japanese sky.

The men of the Third Bn., 34th Inf. Regt., assigned to the lonely duty of reconnaissance in the mountains of these islands, solved their problems of transportation by taking more than 20 horses trained for Jap cavalry work.

They also use wooden Jap fishing craft to move to outlying islands.

The battalion's job in one of Japan's more sparsely settled sections is to uncover evidence to fill out America's history of the war, and to keep an eye on the activities of Japanese in the remote area.

The cavalry horses were found still stabled in Japanese cavalry compounds, or in the stables of Japanese who took them from the Army after the war.

The battalion commander, Maj. Francis C. Howland, combed his battalion for experienced horsemen who could be converted from infantrymen to cavalrymen with a minimum of effort.

The men leave camp at daybreak and sometimes cover as much as 50 miles a day.

# Typhus Hits Osaka Area

OSAKA, April 8 (AP)—The largest typhus epidemic confronting the Army since American entry in World War II has broken out among civilians in the Osaka area. Maj. Gen. Charles L. Mullins, Jr., commander of the 25th Div., said 5,971 cases were reported in Osaka.

Only three cases of typhus have appeared among American soldiers. As many as 540,000 individuals were deloused in one day in the city.

# Train Guards Told To Shoot on Sight

FRANKFURT, April 8 (INS)—U.S. Army railway guards were ordered last night to shoot on sight and kill anyone approaching loaded freight cars.

The drastic order with accompanying civilian warnings printed in Polish, French, Russian and German was issued after repeated raids by armed bands and looting of cargoes valued in millions.

Railway security guards attributed the raids mostly to displaced persons rather than to Germans.

# Member of Parliament Protests 'Caste System'

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—A British army private who was disciplined for taking a seat reserved for an officer in a show provides one of the complaints Mrs. L. Middleton, Labor member of Parliament, intends raising in Parliament according to the Daily Mirror.

"While officers and men pay the same admission fee," Mrs. Middleton is quoted in the Mirror, "the best seats are reserved for officers. The men can have only what are left after the officers have taken their choice."

# Gestapo Chief Caught

INNSBRUCK, April 8 (INS)—Col. Hilliges, former Gestapo chief for Tyrol and the Austrian province of Vorarlberg, was arrested by French security police in Innsbruck.

## TERRY AND THE PIRATES

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BOSWELL, Ga., April 8 (AP)—An 18-foot wood shaft that was driven through Matthew Brown's body by a sawmill blade, was whittled down with a pocket-knife before he could be taken to a hospital 25 miles away.

He stood for 10 minutes while fellow sawmill workers trimmed 16 feet from the one-inch-square scantling. The doctor said he would be out of the hospital "in about 10 days."

# Manager Hits Hard At Hepcats Hard Hits

SIoux CITY, Iowa, April 8 (AP)—More than 130 hepcats have signed petitions protesting a ban on jitterbugging.

But the city ballroom manager remained adamant. He said: "The restriction is not a result of vibrational damage to the building. It is due entirely to complaints of patrons who were subjected to collisions."

# Actress Gets Annulment Of Marriage to Singer

HOLLYWOOD, April 8 (UP)—Actress Lois Andrews, 21, ex-child bride of comedian George Jessel, won annulment of her marriage to crooner David Street, 27, on grounds that he already has another wife. In granting the annulment, superior Judge Charles Haas ruled that Street's Mexican divorce from his first wife Mary was not proper. Miss Andrews asked no alimony. She married Street last October.

# Open Dem Gates — Our Ticket's Ready

DENVER, April 8 (UP)—Persons who telephoned the Chaplain's office at Buckley Field were startled by a voice that said: "Chaplain's office—St. Peter speaking."

When callers complained, Army authorities explained that Pvt. Saint Peter, of Omak, Wash., had been assigned to answer the telephone.



## Legislator Asks Truman To Define Chicago Talk

WASHINGTON, April 8 (INS)—Sen. George A. Wilson (R-Ia.) today called on the President to give Congress more facts about the war fears the Chief Executive expressed in his Chicago Army Day speech.

Wilson, a member of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, which is studying the Draft Extension Bill, said he will ask his committee to request President Truman and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes for additional information. He said:

"If the President has secret information justifying the need for the military program he seeks, he should lay it before Congress and the people. We can't vote intelligently without it."

Byrnes has already made one trip to Capitol Hill to explain the world tension to the Senate Military Affairs Committee in a secret session to support the President's request for a one-year extension on the draft.

Several members said privately that Byrnes failed to give them any reason for a full year's extension of the law.

Meanwhile, the three-point program which Mr. Truman declared is essential to world peace, faces an almost certain setback similar to those that have hit his postwar economic proposals. Senate leaders privately appraised the program's chances this way:

Congress will renew the Selective Service Act, but for less than the year the Commander-in-Chief and the Armed Services want.

### London Times Says Speech Added to Truman's Stature

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—The Times, commenting today on President Truman's Army Day speech in Chicago, said:

"The U. S. itself the old choice is still in the making, not only between isolationism and internationalism, but also between internationalism and some new version of what once was called imperialism."

Said the Times: "His thesis was the responsibility of the U. S., as the strongest of powers, for the peace and prosperity of other countries," and commented:

"Mr. Truman undoubtedly added to his stature by Saturday's challenge in Chicago to the irresponsibility of the isolationists."

### Reds Call on UNO To Drop Iran Case

NEW YORK, April 8 (AP)—A Russian demand to drop the Iranian case and Poland's announced intention to bring up the Spanish question confronted the UNO Security Council as it prepared to meet again tomorrow after a week-end recess.

Moscow said Soviet Delegate Andrei Gromyko advised Secretary General Trygve Lie that the council must remove the Iranian case from its agenda on the grounds that the issue had been settled in bilateral agreement between Russia and Iran.

The council had expected to be concerned next with the adoption of routine procedural rules drafted by the committee of experts, and the proposed Polish motion calling on the United Nations to break off relations with Spain.

Gromyko's demand may move the council back into executive session.

### Sen. Mead's Attacker Denies Court Charge

BUFFALO, April 8 (AP)—Edward Oidea, 59, former business associate of Sen. James M. Mead (D-N. Y.) pleaded innocent in city court to a disorderly conduct charge filed after an affray in which Mead was struck in the face in the lobby of a hotel.

Oidea's bail of \$500 was continued. The case was adjourned until April 23.

### Shepherds Goats



S 2-C WALLACE M. Shepherd is part of a three-man detail on a Navy transport in charge of taking 24 goats to Guam to alleviate a milk shortage.

## Hitler Forbade Cabinet Meets

NURNBERG, April 8 (AP)—Former Reich chancellery chief, Dr. Hans Heinrich Lammers, told the International Military Tribunal today that Hitler considered his cabinet "a defeatist club" after 1937. The witness said the Fuehrer forbade it to meet "even for some beer drinking and informal talk one evening a month."

Through Lammers' testimony, one after another of Hitler's former ministers attempted to disclaim responsibility for Reich policies by fixing it on the Fuehrer.

Lammers testified that Hjalmar Schacht, Walther Funk, Wilhelm Frick, Alfred Rosenberg and Hans Frank repeatedly tried to resign because of differences with Hitler and because of "infringements of their authority" by Himmler.

But Hitler forbade any resignations and forced them to stay.

"Hitler reduced his cabinet ministers to mere administrative chiefs in their respective spheres," Lammers claimed.

### Cyclone . . .

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automobiles, damaged buildings and accounted for most of those injured.

Officials at nearby Ft. McClellan were unable early today to confirm the report that three soldiers may have drowned in a creek by the main post exchange during the storm.

More than 200 soldiers from that Army base rushed to the city to help re-establish the communications with outside points. Telephone and telegraph services to the city were working on a limited basis this morning.

The radio tower at station WHWA was blown completely off its base.

Tragedy was averted in the theaters when several cool heads prevented the audiences from stampeding out into the full violence of the storm.

Trees lay throughout the city where they had been uprooted by the winds.

## Strato-Rocket to Test Weather

ST. LOUIS, April 8 (AP)—The Navy plans to send rocket messengers 60 miles above the earth to obtain mysterious air samples that may hold the key to better weather forecasting and radio communications.

Lt. Cmdr. Daniel F. Rex, of the Navy's Office of Research and Inventions, said that the Navy hopes to begin experiments in the autumn with rockets that will carry instruments beyond the stratosphere and conceivably enable the collection of data which science has had trouble obtaining.

Rex added that a contract is being negotiated in California for procurement of 15 rockets each weighing 2,500 pounds, costing \$20,000 and having a maximum altitude of 325,000 feet.

The Navy, he said, would begin launching them from the desert in New Mexico.

The plan, as outlined by Rex, is to determine the composition of the outer atmosphere by actually "picking up" physical samples of air which later would be submitted to chemical analysis.

## Actress Friend of Il Duce Arrested on Spy Charge

NANTES, April 8 (AP)—Beautiful, brunet Madeleine Coraboef, one-time intimate friend of Benito Mussolini, was jailed again here today on charges of espionage.

Formerly known in Paris theatrical circles as Magda Fontanges, she was long a stormy petrel in French-Italian diplomatic affairs.

In 1934 she fired two revolver shots at the French ambassador to Rome, Count Charles de Chambrun, because "he had me expelled from Italy."

Her trial in 1937 was one of the big events of the social season in Paris.

She was arrested last Friday at her home near here.

Magda had been out of the Nantes prison only since last Sept. 15, when she was released after serving one month of a four-month sentence for forging false identity documents.

For her attack on Chambrun at the Gare de Lyon in Paris she was sentenced in 1937 to one year in prison and fined 100 francs.

She was defended by Rene Floriot, who defended Dr. Marcel Petiot at his recent mass murder trial, and, after the jurors had called for clemency she was relieved of serving any part of the sentence.

## Eisenhower Favors Draft

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with the peace and security of the world.

"With all the sincerity I possess I urge you do not take this gamble."

Gen. Eisenhower disagreed with contentions that the "war is over."

"If we pretend the war is over the second that shooting stops, we are likely to lose the aims and purposes for which we made the sacrifice of war," he testified.

Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) and other senators raised the question about the use of 18-year-old draftees for occupation duty. The Colorado senator said the Army was seeking "boypower" rather than manpower.

Gen. Eisenhower said if Congress could "find some other way without 18-year-old, I'm for it."

## U.S. Resumes Relations With Haiti Government

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—The U. S. resumed diplomatic relations with Haiti, recognizing the military government which overthrew President Lescot Jan. 1.

The new Haitian government has scheduled elections for May and has disqualified military men from being candidates.

## Killers to Be Held in Dachau

FRANKFURT, April 8 (UP)—The trial of 75 German SS members charged with murder in connection with the December, 1944, Malmedy massacre will be held in Dachau on or about May 2, 1946, it was announced by the War Crimes Branch, USFET.

## Hitler's Aide Under Arrest

FRANKFURT, April 8 (AP)—Frau Marie-Thekla Weichelt, who was described as Adolf Hitler's private secretary who helped draft the German Fuehrer's speeches, has been arrested in Wuerzburg, the the American-controlled DANA news agency said today.

DANA said that Frau Weichelt was believed by the American counter-intelligence corps to have been close to Hitler "until the surrender" despite her statement that she had been the German leader's secretary only between 1934 and 1938.

Frau Weichelt, arrested last Wednesday in Uettingen, near Wuerzburg, by local American investigators, was turned over to the CIC.

The news agency said she had disguised her appearance, but was found living with her parents in seclusion.

DANA said that Frau Weichelt fled to Uettingen from Berchtesgaden last summer just before the arrival of American troops.

Using her maiden name of Michels, she first denied having been Hitler's secretary.

## Military Control Of Atom Opposed

WASHINGTON, April 8 (INS)—Gen. Peyton C. March, retired Army Chief of Staff, declared today that military control of atomic energy would be unconstitutional.

The general also expressed his opposition to any proposal that the nation's atomic bomb secrets should be turned over to an international control commission. He said that "we should not give the secret to anybody."

March threw new light on the legislation pending before Congress to confine the voice of the armed forces in atom matters to strictly "military applications."

## Disputes May Be Shunned Until 4-Power Paris Parley

LONDON, April 8 (AP)—Authoritative sources suggested today the controversial problems that have deadlocked Europe's peace treaty discussions may be abandoned until the four-power foreign ministers meeting in Paris.

Admitting that neither Russia nor the western powers appeared willing to make concessions at present, these sources said the foreign ministers deputies meeting in London would confine their future discussions to technical details of the Italian and Balkan peace treaty drafts.

American officials concerned

## World League To Turn Over Assets to UNO

GENEVA, April 8 (AP)—The 21st and last session of the League of Nations opened today in a half-empty council room with a reminder from President Carl Hambro, of Norway, that its sole task was to dissolve and transfer its assets to the United Nations Organization.

The League has no longer any questions for political discussion and no issue of national prestige, said Hambro, who was re-elected president by a unanimous raised-hand vote of the delegates from 35 nations.

The assembly named two committees. They included:

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Credentials: George Kaeck Enbeek, Belgium; Georges Scelle, France, and Sir Hartley W. Shawcross, Britain.

Nominations: Emile Chaveriat, France; Antoine Funck, Luxembourg, and Ohnker F. Beelaerts van Blockland, The Netherlands.

It was learned that Austria had formally asked to send a delegate to the session and French and British delegations asked their governments for instructions in dealing with the Austrian request, which was seen as a bid to emphasize Austria's national existence.

### EIGHT VICE PRESIDENTS

Before adjourning, the assembly elected the following vice presidents: H. Hume Wrong, Canada; Dr. Lone Liang, China; Philp Noel Baker, Britain; Paul Boncour, France; Louis Padilla Nervo, Mexico; Erzy Putrament, Poland; Max Petitpierre, Switzerland and Feridun Cemal Erkin, Turkey.

## Ammo Blasts Rock Saigon

SAIGON, April 8 (AP)—A large French ammunition dump on the northern outskirts of Saigon blew up this morning and two hours later a series of shattering explosions rocked the city.

French army forces threw up barricades around the danger zone and began evacuating all civilians.

Truckloads of wounded, including women, children and French servicemen, were taken to hospitals.

First reports gave no indication of the number killed, but hospitals said they had lost count of the number wounded.

The commissioner for Cochinchina issued a communique saying that the explosion was accidental and calling on the public to remain calm.

### One Year Ago

British artillery shells Bremen. First Canadian Army joins Allied paratroopers in northeastern Holland. Nazi gold reserve found in salt mine.