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U. S. Zone—Partly cloudy, hazy in morning
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Bremen—Partly cloudy, warmer in afternoon

ROUNDUP

Vet Pays Dice Tax

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., March 17 (UP)—Internal Revenue collectors were having difficulty today in observing the rule against revealing the identity of taxpayers.

The whole town wanted to know the name of an ex-Army private who yesterday voluntarily paid \$20,000 in taxes on \$53,000 he won at dice in Germany during 1945.

Nylons for Teachers

MANKATO, Minn., March 17 (AP)—The shortage of schoolteachers here is so great that the Mankato Board of Education is offering a brand new pair of nylon stockings to every teacher who signs up.

Four Vets Build House

RICHMOND, March 17 (AP)—When Maj. William Tucker returned from war to enter medical school, he could not find a house or a carpenter to build him one. So he got a permit to build one himself and with three soldier helpers, all still in uniform, is learning while he builds his own eight-room house.

GIs Nix Jap Brides

TOKYO, March 17 (AP)—No policy against GIs taking Japanese brides has been laid down because the problem has not come up yet.

An official pointed out that the new wife could not be taken to the U. S. any way.

Chinese Leader Shot

MOSCOW, March 17 (AP)—A Tass dispatch from Changchun said early Sunday that Yu Shu-tzun, president of a branch of the All-Manchuria-Soviet-Chinese Friendship Society, was halted and shot by Chinese police near the Szepingkai rail station as he stepped up to board a train.

Colds Hit High Up

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—"Sprig codes" hit the White House as Mrs. Truman and daughter Margaret found it necessary to cancel engagements for a week because of severe colds.

Marketeer Ups Price

SYDNEY, March 17 (AP)—The Australian rationing board clucked unsympathetic tongues at a complaint received from a Sydney woman charging that the black marketeer who had been selling clothing coupons to her for years had just doubled his price.

Landlord's Revenge

LANSING, Mich., March 17 (UP)—S. G. Pollack, area rent control director, ordered his own landlord to lower his rentals \$10 a month. Now Pollack is looking for a place to live. He got an eviction notice by return mail.

21 Days to 21 Hours

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—In 1893 Mrs. Emilie Weaver crossed the Atlantic from Denmark to the U. S. in a sailing vessel in 21 days. This year Mrs. Weaver, 88, is going back to Copenhagen on a visit by airliner—in 21 hours.

Food Sent to Vienna

VIENNA, March 17 (UP)—U. S. military authorities are rushing reserve rations to Vienna, from the U. S. Zone in an effort to maintain the 1,200-calory scale established for Austrian civilians, following the French default on all food deliveries for the city in the coming week.

GI Korea Arrest OK'd

SEOUL, March 17 (AP)—Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge today authorized the Korean civil police to arrest any U. S. soldiers involved in such serious crimes as murder, manslaughter, rape, robbery or armed assault.



—International News Photo
CHIANG RETURNS: With his fist upraised, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek addresses a throng on his first return to Shanghai since the Japanese occupation in 1937. More than 100,000 persons, representing the Army and political parties, massed to pay tribute to him. At the left is Lt. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer, and on the right is Mme. Chiang.

Communists Break Up Rally Of New Paris Rightist Party

PARIS, March 17 (INS)—A political rally Friday night of the new French "PRL" rightist party in Paris broke up with scenes of violence reminiscent of the Munich street brawls between Nazis and Communists in the early Twenties. More than 200 police had to be called to quell the riot, which is regarded as the most serious political outbreak since the end of the war. PRL Party members held a mass meeting in Mutuality Hall. Not long after the first speakers opened the conference Communists began infiltrating into the hall and isolated fist-fights ensued.

Outnumbered two to one, the Communists were ejected from the hall and the meeting continued. At its conclusion, however, the Communists—who had waited outside in the streets—fought again with the rightists.

For a while more than 500 rioters were slugging it out in the midnight streets of Paris—fists, however were the only weapons. There is no report of knives, guns or bricks being used.

Finally, Paris riot squad gendarmes arrived, more than 200 strong, and broke the pitched battle. Several dozen rightists and about an equal number of Communists were hauled off to jail.

Lie Flies to Take Post; Will See Truman First

LONDON, March 17 (AP)—Trygve Lie, secretary general of the United Nations Organization, left by plane from a London airport today at 9 AM for Washington to take up his post at the Organization's temporary headquarters in New York. He said he had no cases to place before the Security Council which meets March 25.

Envoy Gloomy On Manchuria

WASHINGTON, March 17 (UP)—Gen. George C. Marshall said yesterday that the situation in Manchuria is "extremely critical" and added that there is no justification for any nation to suspect American motives in China.

Marshall, President Truman's Special Ambassador to China returned yesterday for consultation. He told a news conference that the next few months would be of tremendous importance to China and the future peace of the world.

Marshall praised the vast job of economic, political and military reorganization that the Chinese people have undertaken. He appealed to the U. S. to make every effort to assist in the success of these Chinese projects. Marshall said: "If we are to have peace there are compelling reasons why China's efforts must succeed."

Rains Aid Kansas Wheat

TOPEKA, Kan., March 17 (AP)—Soaking rains in northeastern Kansas have revived the wheat crop that weatherman S. D. Flora said had been in a precarious condition since the first of the year.

GE Strike Ends As Workers OK Contract Terms

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—More than half of the 100,000 CIO electrical workers at General Electric plants voted approval of a settlement arranged by company and union representatives and in Lynn, Mass., 15,000 workers celebrated the end of a two-month strike with a two-mile parade. GE ratifications were announced in Schenectady and Syracuse, N.Y., Pittsfield, Lynn and Taunton, Mass., Bridgeport, Conn., and Philadelphia. Plans were under way to start workers back on the job in some plants Monday.

Meanwhile, the CIO steelworkers union settled a 55-day walkout of 14,000 workers at the Timken Roller Bearing Co. plants in Ohio and under agreement for a 18½ cent hourly wage increase, retroactive to Jan. 1 and effective when a new contract is negotiated.

General Motors and General Electric settlements, if and when ratified by remaining locals, will send nearly 300,000 workers back to work, and labor and industry leaders predicted many would be returning to their benches and assembly lines in a matter of days.

MACHINISTS BARGAIN

Indications are that a strike of 7,000 machinists, which has made idle some 50,000 in San Francisco for four and a half months would end Monday. Agreements have been signed granting 18 per cent wage boosts to employees of machine shops in the Bay area and 18 cents hourly pay hikes to machinists in shipyards.

Some 9,000 employees were expected to remain idle at two Bethlehem Steel Corp. Shipyards. However the company said it would not resume operations because the Government has not provided for reimbursement for higher wages.

WESTINGHOUSE BALKS

Edward Matthews, international representative of the CIO United Electrical Workers, urged Westinghouse to end their strikes on a basis of an 18½ cents hourly wage boost granted to General Electric and General Motors strikers.

However, G. A. Price, Westinghouse president, said recently the firm's current hourly wage rate was \$1.32, four and one-half cents higher than the new hourly rate for GE workers. Price declared the 18½ cents an hour basis could not be used in the Westinghouse dispute.

New Superfort B-50 Announced by Army

DAYTON, O., March 17 (AP)—A new Superfortress B-50, with more power and better flight performance than the B-29, was announced by the Army today.

It has four radial engines with a total of 12,000 horsepower compared with the B-29's 8,800.

Moslem Chief Alleges 'Deal' With British

NEW DELHI, March 17 (AP)—Moslem League president Mohammed Ali Jinnah, replying today to what he called a threat of civil war by the Indian Congress, said that if negotiations with the British cabinet mission "are to commence on a basis of who can shed more blood or who can bribe the British more, Moslems and the Moslem League can and will play a part which will bring about real civil war."

He accused the Congress of alternatively bribing the British with the offer of flourishing trade in India, and added that Moslems will be equally ready to resort to bloodshed and paralyze British trade since "Moslems are the largest consumers of British goods."

Jinnah characterized Pandit Nehru's contention that the Congress had already conceded 95 per cent of Pakistan to the Moslems as "a pose to hoodwink the growing opinion in favor of Pakistan among Hindus, and in England and America as well."

He added, following up today's editorial in the league organ Dawn, that what the Congress offered was "a dead and lifeless skeleton of Pakistan. What the Moslem League wants is a live Pakistan."

U.S. Drops Russia From Hoover Tour

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—Russia has been removed from the list of countries which Herbert Hoover will visit on his famine inspection tour, it was learned today as the former president prepared to leave the U. S.

It became known this week that Russia was removed by the Government from the itinerary of needy countries after she offered France 250,000 tons of wheat.

Officials explained that Hoover's visit was intended to include only countries requesting and needing American food.

Clothes-Hungry Wacs Strip Girl Reporter

By INEZ ROBB

NEW YORK, March 17 (INS)—For the first time in my career as a reporter I almost came back from an assignment in a barrel.

Clothes-hungry Wacs fresh from many months in Pacific jungles and starved for feminine fripperies, peeled me as neatly as Gypsy Rose Lee when I boarded the troopship USS West Point on which the girls came home.

I went on board primed to ask them about their difficult and often

dangerous service in Australia, New Guinea and the Philippines.

But they beat me to the punch when T-Sgt. Anne Craddock, a cute blue-eyed blonde, looked at my black, off-the-face hat and asked:

"Is that the kind of hat they're wearing now? Could I try it on?"

Someone else gently but firmly eased me out of my fur coat. Even my five-year-old black wool suit looked good to them.

In less time than it takes to tell,

oh-ing Wacs were getting some slight idea as to the feel and look of civilian clothes on themselves.

"Is that a two-way stretch girdle you've got on," demanded another Wac.

I took a firm stand, clung desperately to the garment and vigorously denied that sweet impeachment.

"No, there aren't any really decent two-way stretch girdles yet," I confided.

"What have I been fighting for out in the Pacific if not for a better way of life and a two-way stretch girdle?" she demanded while 50 Wacs shouted agreement. "How do you civilian women keep yourselves together, honey?" she asked.

When we girls got this matter cleared up, the dread topic of nylon stockings was asked.

I slurred over this subject, not having the heart to tell the truth to them on their first day home.

THE B BAG

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Calls Conchies 'Yellow'

We wonder if the two college co-eds who are demanding the release of conscientious objectors quite realize what war is. The article in Stars and Stripes March 5 states that a Swarthmore College student is attempting to impress the White House by imprisoning herself in a cage. If she is really trying to impress the White House, she should try campaigning for a cause other than that of her yellow brother.

While you were studying at college, a bunch of us were enabling you to continue your education, not by spending our time in a stateside prison, but in the Hurtgen forest last winter where the chow wasn't hot, and cots non-existent.

When the war was in progress, you didn't seem to mind your brother's imprisonment. Now that it is over and he is safe, you resent his confinement. We resented the confinement of a hole in the ground, but said little because it was a step toward freedom for us and, yes, even you.

—8 Signatures, 189 L. S. Center

3rd Armored Rings

(Editors Note—Requests for information of the status of orders placed for Third Armored Division rings forwarded to USFET AG Operations, elicited the following response:

"Concerning division rings ordered by personnel of the 3rd Armored Div. prior to its inactivation, Max Twentier, jeweler, P. O. Box 902, Bisbee, Ariz., has acknowledged that he has the original orders but has encountered some difficulty in filling the orders and in locating the owners of the rings. Those who have not yet received the 3rd Armored Div. ring might well make enquiry direct to Mr. Twentier."

Too Much Guard

How long are we to stand for being kept over here in the ETO as guards?

We used to work as Medics, but now we have to put in 12 hours on our feet in the hospital, and also stand guard, in addition to Saturday's inspection.

—Disgusted, 317 Station Hosp.

Dangerous Women

Unless we do something to stop the insidious propaganda that is reaching the men of our occupation force from the women they associate with, the objectives and aims of our occupation will be totally defeated, and we may as well go home now.

—T-4 Lawrence Rubin



CARNIVAL TIME: Mummers parade down the streets of Alostie in Belgium during an annual carnival. "Giants" with grotesque faces are the principal attraction. The festivals were suspended during the war years.

—Keystone Photo

What the Germans Think

Doctor Sees Justification In Some Nazi Party Deeds

The following is the first of a series of sketches indicating the trend of civilian thought in Germany today obtained from interviews with German civilians by S. K. Padover, a Stars and Stripes correspondent. The writer, before joining the staff, was a political consultant for OSS, in combat intelligence for the psychological warfare division, and served with the First and Ninth Armies.

By S. K. PADOVER
Staff Writer

Somebody in New York gave me the address of Dr. Gustave R— in Frankfurt. I went to see him in his partly bombed building and found him in an unheated office cluttered with instruments, books, and knickknacks. He was a tall, gray-haired man with a severe manner.

I wanted to know how denazification affected doctors. Since active Nazi Party members were not permitted to practice, I was curious to hear what he thought about it. Was there, for example, a shortage of physicians?

Dr. R— said: "I was never a party member, but I can't agree with what the Americans are doing now. There is no particular shortage of doctors, but even so, the whole procedure is unfair. After all, why punish men who were Nazi out of conviction?"

DID HE JUSTIFY NAZISM?

Did that mean that the doctor had no objections to Nazis?

"You must," he replied, "look at these things from the German side."

Which is what?
"Which is," he said in the tone of a man delivering a lecture, "that these people were patriots and that they joined Hitler's party in order to save Germany from the Communists."

Wasn't that, I asked, a typical Nazi propaganda line—and a lie? Wasn't it true, I asked, that the Communists were only one of many German parties? Wasn't it true that this Communist bogey was nothing but the well-known "red herring," used by Hitler to grab power?

"Well," the doctor said, "we were told that there was a Communist menace in 1933. We didn't know that Nazism would be as bad as it turned out to be. We didn't realize that Hitler was going to do all those unpleasant things. Even after we began to suspect that everything was not right, we couldn't back out. Once you get on a train you don't know how to stop. We were all deceived."

This man, I thought, was an educated and responsible citizen who gave Hitler all his support. Now he says, "excuse me, please, I didn't know."

I asked: "How can you claim

that you didn't know that Nazism would be so bad? Hitler never made any secret of his intentions. When I was in Germany in 1931 I read Nazi speeches and newspapers. All of them shrieked at democracy, threatened to murder Jews, promised to build a powerful military machine, and urged the establishment of a Fascist dictatorship. For years Hitler shouted his program from the rooftops, and here you sit and claim you knew nothing!"

The doctor threw up his hands: "We were misled."

As I was going out, he brought out a new thought.

"You know," he said, "it is too bad that we didn't have the atomic bomb two weeks before you did. If we had had it, we would have forced you to come to terms with us and we could have had peace, instead of the occupation."

Dr. R—, I gathered, did not like the occupation.

Million Get RC Clothes

BRUSSELS (UP)—Miss Marjorie J. Bomberger of the American Red Cross reported today that the ARC had to date distributed clothing valued at 2,166,667 dollars to approximately 1,000,000 persons in Belgium.

Parents of Vet Killed by Japs Aid the Killers

DOWNINGTON, Pa. (AP)—A scholarship for some Japanese youth to study at Lafayette college has been set up by the parents of an American soldier killed in the war by the Japanese, out of funds received from his insurance.

The \$10,000 life insurance policy of Pvt. Robert Johnstone will be added to other gifts here for the scholarship, his father explained, "because I do not think we are going to have peace by settling the war with hate and hard terms."

"I mentioned the Japanese in the scholarship terms," Johnstone said, "because my son was killed by the Japanese. It would help, I think, if those people saw the light."

Terms of the scholarship provide that, if no suitable Japanese candidate is found, it will go to Chinese, Korean or other Asiatic, or anyone intending to be a missionary in Asia.

France Expects 150,000 Tourists

PARIS (UP)—An estimated 150,000 tourists will visit France this summer, Jules Moch, minister of public works and transport said.

Describing France's plans to revive its prewar tourist trade, Moch said, entry regulations into the country would be relaxed and accommodations at special prices will be made available to tourists.

Three meals per day and a room at a first class hotel will cost approximately \$12 per day.

Although 150,000 tourists is all that France can accommodate this summer it is hoped that the country in 1947 will be able to accommodate tourists on near prewar scale.

Playhouse Solves A Housing Problem

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—An Army veteran and his wife solved their own housing problem.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Anderson rented a playhouse built 40 years ago for a little girl.

Although on a miniature scale, the stucco house has electric lights, a gas stove, sink and fixtures, fireplace and a three-and-a-half-foot bathtub.

Anderson, five feet eleven, clears the ceiling comfortably but has to watch his nose and forehead at the doorways.

Over Here

By Bob Clarke



"Is dat guy botherin' you lady?"

Nazis Held Spy School In Holland

AMSTERDAM (INS)—Documents have been found and published by Communists revealing the existence of a school for Nazi secret agents, spies and terrorists.

The existence of this school at The Hague has been known ever since 1943 when political prisoners were taken out of their cells and set to work on building huts in an inclosure in the woods.

It was to be the vortex of Nazi underground activity. Nazis of French, Belgian, Italian, Czech, Romanian, Hungarian, German, Dutch and Arab nationality were among the pupils. The Arabs were trained to wreck the Suez Canal. A group of Americans who once attended the school were provided with models of the Panama Canal and important industries.

U-BOAT USAGE

They were intended to leave by U-boat to The Argentine, thence to the U. S. with special orders to wreck vital spots.

Englishmen, too, attended the school, but no details were given about their activity. It is thought likely they were intelligence officers.

The Italians were ordered to enter the part of their country occupied by the Allies and set up underground movements. Some of the pupils were professional Nazis of the most rabid type. Others were habitual criminals, some of whom had a death sentence. They were used for murder, espionage and sabotage. They were very well equipped and received substantial salaries and large rations of cigarettes and alcohol.

The Grand Mufti of Jerusalem is known to have paid a visit to the school as well as the Indian Fascist leader Chandra Bose. It is supposed that remnants of the school, which was sent to Austria after D-Day, still exist and that graduates of this infamous institution are behind Nazi werewolf activity. The "headmaster" was a German who had been a spy in The Netherlands for 25 years. His supposed occupation was that of a commercial traveler.

Radio Station Gives Churchill A Day Off

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP)—The telephone rang at the Springfield radio station.

"Is Churchill on tonight?" said the voice.

"I'm sorry, this is his day off," replied receptionist Beverly Mackay.

The caller displayed irritation. "No, I mean Winston Churchill," the voice explained.

"So do I," said Miss Mackay pleasantly. "Winston Churchill is our chief engineer. He has two days off this week and this is one of them."

Cherry Trees Bloom Early in Washington

WASHINGTON (AP)—The cherry trees around the tidal basin are showing their first blooms to the surprise of park officials who had not expected them for a week.

The first blossoms burst out five days ahead of the date of the first showing last year, which set a record.

The trees are the gift of Japan, but Washingtonians softpedaled that angle in recent years.

Turkeys triple in U.S.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. (INS)—Turkey production in the U. S. has tripled in the past 15 years, a survey by the New Jersey College of Agriculture, part of Rutgers University, indicated today.

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Life on French-Spanish Border at Snail's Pace

By a Staff Correspondent

HENDAYE, France, March 17—Life in this little town on the Spanish frontier, which wasn't very fast even when Winston Churchill and her less celebrated tourists vacationed here, has slowed down to a snail's pace since the French government decided to close the border two weeks ago.

The town's citizens, who received rather sizable shipments of oranges,

potatoes and chocolate from Spain have been very sad since France ordered the red and white gates to be dropped at the foot of Boulevard De Gaulle.

However, that does not mean the people were not in support of any action against Spain which might hasten the downfall of Franco.

"You will find no Falangists or Francoists in Hendaye," said Mayor Seze. Crudely-painted signs on

walls in Spanish and French exclaiming "Death to Franco, Hitler's Partner" bear mute testimony to the democratic sentiments of the local population.

"America and Britain should break off trade relations with Spain," continued the mayor. "Already they have no bread in Spain. If matters get worse, Franco would have to quit."

Reports that the frontier would

be opened long enough to exchange citizens of both countries who happened to be temporarily on the wrong side of the fence have stirred new hopes in many hearts.

Since the closing of border trading, the inhabitants here have found time to engage in guessing as to the location and number of Franco's troops. Most of them are convinced that there are very few Spanish soldiers located in Irun, the Spanish

counterpart of Hendaye just across the border. But back of Irun, well, everybody is afraid to guess.

By mutual agreement, the French and Spanish take turns fishing in the Bay of Biscay. A French fisherman with whom I spoke said there was no hostility between individuals of the two countries. But mere mention of Franco's name brings a gesture of defiance by French and Spaniards alike.

5-Year Plan Has Spotlight In Red Press

MOSCOW, March 17 (AP)—The scene in the Soviet Union was dominated today not by Iran, not by Winston Churchill or by the United Nations Security Council, but by the new five-year plan.

The new plan, which is the USSR's fourth, was the dominant subject of the press, radio and general conversation of the people in the lowest to highest brackets. For the plan, like the others, is an undertaking covering every phase of life and affecting every man, woman and child.

The first five-year plan, launched in 1928, stressed building of huge factories. The second, commencing in 1933, sought to master this new technique.

STARTED IN 1938

The third five-year plan, started in 1938 and interrupted by World War II, sought realization and enjoyment of the two previous plans.

All Russia's heavy industry is to be geared to the highest pitch in history and once again the slogan is to outstrip advanced capitalistic countries.

Restoration of devastated areas of the USSR is, of course, one of the paramount features of the new plan.

There are provisions for security, for a well-equipped and large standing army, navy, air force and munitions industry, but the plan is a master blueprint which could not work for a single week during a war.

No Totalitarianism, Says Czech Head

PRAGUE, March 17 (AP)—President Edouard Benes yesterday told Czech youth representatives that he opposes totalitarianism in any form.

He said that spiritual freedom is possible only if there are at least two political parties in a country.

Opposing the lowering of the voting age in Czecho-Slovakia to 18 years, Benes said he had not planned to enter politics until he was 45 years old, but circumstances forced him to do otherwise.

Army Denies Taking 'Millions' From Japs

TOKYO, March 17 (AP)—General MacArthur's Economic Chief today flatly denied Russian Press reports that the U.S. Army was moving valuable metals from Japan to America.

He said "millions of dollars worth of gold, silver, platinum and jewelry was still under military guard in vaults of the Bank of Japan."

Weather Outlook

USAFE Weather Service

U. S. Zone: Weather forecast with maximum and minimum temperatures: North and west—partly cloudy, hazy in morning, 42, 30; south and east—partly cloudy to cloudy, hazy continued cold, 35, 25; Berlin—partly cloudy, 35, 25; Bremen—partly cloudy to cloudy, warmer in afternoon, 45, 35. Further outlook: Continued fair, slight warming on 19th.

2 Berliners Dead, 40 Hurt In Police Station Explosion

BERLIN, March 17 (UP)—Two persons were killed and 40 injured—two critically—as a result of the ammunition explosion at the central police station in the Russian Occupation Zone here, it was officially announced by German police president Paul Markgraf.

Markgraf said the wreckage was being searched for "a few" still

believed buried under the debris. The cause of the explosion is unknown and the matter is being investigated, he added.

The ammunition that exploded was gathered from the population as well as from materials found lying around the city, and was temporarily stored at the police station before being removed to suburban ammunition dumps.

Frank Told Of Nazi Trials

PRAGUE, March 17 (AP)—Karl Herman Frank, accused as the perpetrator of the Lidice massacre and most prominent personality facing Czecho-Slovak war criminal charges, learned for the first time today that his former Nazi colleagues are now being tried on war criminal charges at Nurnberg.

Frank has been held virtually incommunicado since his arrest shortly after the end of the war in Europe, and it is problematical whether the former Reichsminister for Bohemia and Moravia knows the Japanese war is over. The Czech authorities, for their own purposes in questioning him, did not want him to know the course of development elsewhere.

Because of this policy, Allied authorities were unable to interrogate him concerning the Nurnberg defendants until charges were formally presented against him this week-end on the seventh anniversary of the German march into Prague.

Frank goes on trial March 22.

Patterson Praises West Point Grads

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said 9,000 West Point graduates were the "leaven which raised our citizen army to heights of combat achievement and victory."

Observing the 144th anniversary of the founding of the military academy, Patterson said the quality of West Point officers offset the smallness of their numbers.

Scottish Airlines Group Welcomed In Iceland

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, March 17 (AP)—The Duke of Hamilton and other officials of the Scottish Airlines Co. were welcomed here yesterday in a reception given by Group Capt. Edwards, commanding officer of the Royal Air Force in Iceland.

The Duke and his party are due in New York Sunday after a survey flight for the Scottish Airlines.

He announced that the Scottish Airlines would start passenger service from Scotland to Iceland, with two weekly flights, within three or four weeks.

Nazi General Lands in U.S.

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—A German general was among passengers debarking from the USS Gen. Anderson.

Also aboard the Navy transport were 5,208 military personnel, several civilians and a Chinese military delegation.

Maj. Henry D. Draper, the transport commander, of Santa Barbara, Calif., said the German officer aboard was Lt. Gen. Wolfgang Thomale. No other information was given.

Assailant Sought In Trieste Shooting

TRIESTE, March 17 (UP)—Allied authorities are searching the city for the unidentified assailant who tried to murder Yugoslav Maj. Stane Cunder, who was seriously wounded by revolver shots yesterday.

The assailant escaped in an automobile but is believed hiding somewhere in the city as all exits are being closely guarded.

A spokesman for the Yugoslav political group said he expected a diplomatic protest will be made by the free stay of Yugoslav refugees and war criminals in the Trieste area.

The attempt on Cunder's life is generally attributed to adherents of the Chetnik organization and the incident has visibly intensified tension in the city.

Byrnes Rejects Idea Of U.S. Power Alliance

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes last night rejected any idea of an alliance with the Soviet Union against Britain or with Britain against the Soviet Union.

He declared the U.S. bases its hopes for security on the United Nations "as the path to enduring strength."

Churchill's Speech Held Up in Russia

MOSCOW, March 17 (AP)—Winston Churchill's New York speech Thursday night in which he again discussed Russia has not yet been reported here, but it is assumed that it will be when the complete text is received.

It was not generally known that the former prime minister was making another speech. His Fulton speech, however, is still the subject of conversation.

Byrnes Told To List Reds

WASHINGTON, March 17 (UP)—House Military Affairs Committee members said yesterday they would demand publication of a list of "pro-Russian" sympathizers in the State Department unless Secretary of State James F. Byrnes acted first.

Congressmen dismissed Byrnes' statement Friday that he never had been asked by the committee to fire State Department employees with Communist leanings. Anyway, he said, the Department's test of an employee was whether he was "pro-American."

Byrnes denied specifically that the committee's Chief Investigator Ralph H. Burton had given him a list of State Department employees, who allegedly had Communist or pro-Russian sympathies. He said he talked to Burton, but that he remembered only one name.

Italians Move Clocks Up

ROME, March 17 (AP)—Italians went on Daylight Saving Time at 0100 hours today, putting their clocks two hours ahead of GMT.

SENATORIAL COMMENT

Meanwhile in Washington, four Democratic Senators took issue with Winston Churchill's proposal for a "fraternal association" of American and British people, after Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn.) had endorsed it.

Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.), Harley M. Kilgore (D-W.Va.), Hugh B. Mitchell (D-Wash.) and Glen H. Taylor (D-Idaho) issued a statement declaring:

"Mr. Churchill's proposal is simply a call for the preserving and rebuilding of British imperialism, with the aid of the U.S. regardless of the consequences to peace."

The senatorial comment stemmed from the former British prime minister's New York speech follow-up to his Fulton, Mo., address.

"He was thinking of something more than a fraternal association at Fulton when he spoke of Britain and America sharing military bases the world over, and implying a joint military planning and strategic distribution of forces," the four Democrats said.

Ball accused the New York CIO leadership of attempting by picketing and pressure to prevent Churchill from speaking his mind, and added the move "is part and parcel of an ominous shadow of tyranny which Mr. Churchill described as falling upon Allied victory."

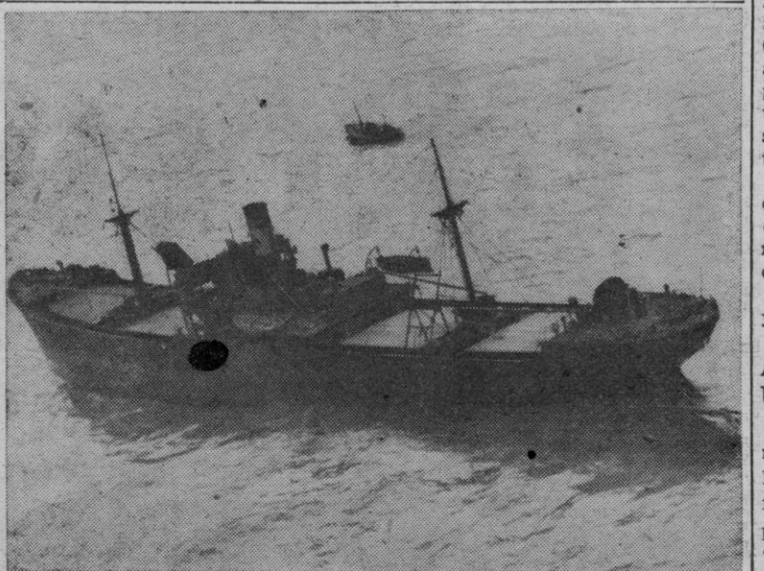
In Chicago James Roosevelt, son of the late president, said the kind of speeches Churchill has been making are "harmful to the peace of the world."

"If you talk enough about war you'll get it," Roosevelt said.

Austria Chief Urges Unity Among Allies

VIENNA, March 17 (AP)—Commenting on Winston Churchill's Missouri speech, and the reaction from Moscow, Dr. Karl Renner, president of Austria, yesterday said: "the end of unity would be the end of Austria."

Renner said: "I hope there will be agreement among the Western Allies and Russia. I hope that in the agreement Austria will not be forgotten."



SHIP ADRIFT: The British steamer Corcrest, which began breaking up off Caister-on-Sea, was left adrift after 25 crew members were taken off. The last lifeboat pulls away from the vessel, which is left without anyone aboard. The picture was taken from a low-flying plane.

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U.S. Priority On Rationing Extended Year

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—Amid warnings that the "war is not over yet," the House Friday voted to extend the Government rationing priority and allocation powers until March 31, 1947. For building materials the authority was extended to June 30, 1947.

The action came as the proposed continuation of price control subsidy powers for another year met severe criticism before the House Banking Committee. Witnesses called for sharp changes in OPA policies.

The measure extending rationing priority now goes to the Senate. Rep. Sam Hobbs, (D-Ala.) of the House Judiciary Committee which handled the legislation, told colleagues the war must still be considered as continuing so long as "hundreds of thousands of our boys are still abroad and while we have shooting still going on in so many places in the world."

Hobbs said the committee is conducting the study to determine how many wartime laws and regulations can be eliminated.

Meanwhile, House opponents of the OPA added the objective of limiting to nine months any new lease of on the life for the agency instead of a year extension asked by the President.

The House group also seeks a sharp curtailment of OPA's existing powers if the agency continued. Legislation is now before the House Banking Committee and about April 1 the battle will probably move to the House floor.

Packer Charges Ceilings Force Processing Halt

KANSAS CITY, March 17 (AP)—Slaughter of beef cattle at four big packing plants has declined sharply, and an official of one major concern, who declined to permit use of his name, said today he had recommended that his company halt the processing of beef because of OPA price ceilings.

"Anybody who is doing business on a legitimate basis," he said, "cannot operate under the present OPA regulations. Only the black market and those who juggle their books can do it."

Only 3,600 cattle were bought during the past week on the Kansas City market by four companies—Swift, Cudahy, Armour and Wilson—local officials said, and two of the plants had dropped their beef kill to 18 animals an hour each. Normally, they said, each plant slaughters 1,000 head a day.

All complained they were unable to make a profit on the OPA schedule, which, they said, permits the spread of only 3½ cents found between the live cattle price and the grade A ceiling, plus 1½ cents a pound Government subsidy. Black market buying also contributed to the shortage of cattle available at prices they can afford, packers said.

Raoul Walsh Divorced, Charged With Cruelty

LOS ANGELES, March 17 (AP)—Seventeen years of marriage ended for film director Raoul Walsh and Lorraine Helen Walsh when she was granted a divorce decree on grounds of mental cruelty.

She testified Walsh was rude to their guests and often moody. Walsh entered a denial of his wife's charges but stipulated he would not contest the action.

U.S.-Red Amity 'Imperative'

NEW YORK, March 17 (INS)—Soviet Ambassador to the U.S. Gromyko, arriving yesterday at Laguardia Airfield to attend the UNO Security Council meeting here March 25, said that "it is imperative that good relations be maintained between the U.S. and the Soviets."

OPA Authorizes Cut In Weight of Bread

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—The Office of Price Administration authorized a reduction in the weight of bread loaves and bakery products up to 10 per cent without a corresponding cut in the price ceilings.

The agency said the purpose is to meet the recommendations of the President's Famine Emergency Committee.

Re-enlistment Of GI in Spy Case Refused

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 (UP)—Sgt. Frank Hirt, acquitted two weeks ago of conspiracy to commit espionage against the U. S., has been refused permission to re-enlist in the Army Air Forces, the San Francisco Chronicle reported.

The Chronicle quoted Col. Horace D. Aynesworth, commanding officer of Fairfield Air Base, as saying he turned down Hirt's application for re-enlistment in conformance with an Army policy directive.

Hirt, 31-year-old American-born soldier who served as a mechanic at Fairfield, admitted during his courtmartial that he studied Nazi espionage practices in Germany, but said that he did not carry out Gestapo orders to communicate with German agents after he returned to the U. S.

3 Killed, 1 Hurt In Collision

BRISTOW, Okla., March 17 (AP)—Three men were burned to death and a fourth man was in the hospital seriously injured as a result of a railroad crossing crash that halved a trailer tank and sent 4,600 gallons of gasoline up in flames.

Dead were L. E. Wham, engineer, Elbert A. Coulter, 24, truck driver, and Jack Reilly, 43, relief driver. All were from Oklahoma City.

Guy Dennis, fireman on the train, was in the hospital, but had a chance to recover, physicians said.

Winchell's Daughter, 18, Contests Divorce Suit

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 17 (UP)—Walter Winchell's 18-year-old daughter Walda will contest the divorce with alimony action filed by S-Sgt. William F. Lawless, 29, with whom she eloped last June.

Son of a railway motorman, Lawless was formerly employed as a \$40-a-week clerk at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In suing for divorce in September he charged cruel and abusive treatment last June 2.

New York Irishmen Have Great Day on 5th Avenue

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—It was a great day for the Irish on Fifth Avenue as 75,000 wearers of the green paraded in bright sunlight in honor of Ireland's patron saint.

A box of Burpees double-lucky shamrocks was received by Mayor William O'Dwyer from Peadar S. Doyle, lord mayor of Dublin.

The skirl of bagpipes and the staccato sound of the fife and drum made jaunty marching tunes for the parade. It was led by veterans of "The Fighting Irish," 165th Inf. Regt. Behind were veterans of the old 69th and Rainbow divisions, and representatives of many Irish-American societies.

Outside St. Patrick's Cathedral, 25 Catholic church dignitaries, including five bishops, were seated to wave benign greeting in accordance with long-established custom.

O'Dwyer, a County Mayo boy himself, and the city's first Irish-born mayor since 1894, was in the reviewing stand at 64th Street with Gov. Dewey and Leo T. McCauley, consul general of Eire here.

Atop the reviewing stand was an eight-foot harp as part of the Irish motif.

Brains With Beauty Demanded by Pupils

EAST CHICAGO, Ind., March 17 (AP)—About 100 youngsters were back in their classes at Riely Grade School after a short strike in a demand for "young and pretty" teachers.

"We are tired of being taught by old and ugly teachers and want young and pretty ones," school superintendent A. Senour said a juvenile spokesman told him.

French to Try 'Executioner'

PARIS, March 17 (AP)—The trial of Dr. Marcel Petiot, whose arrest more than a year ago in connection with the murder of perhaps 63 persons startled Europe, will open tomorrow.

Only 27 bodies have been identified out of the clutter of human remains found in the doctor's cellar. The prosecution says the victims were burned or thrown into a lime pit where their agonies were watched by the doctor through a periscope found in his office.

Argentina Assailed For Pro-Nazi Line

WASHINGTON, March 17 (INS)—Assistant Secretary of State Spruille Braden declared last night that if the blue book about Argentina had been published at the time that country was being considered for UNO membership, "Argentina would not have been admitted."

Braden, former ambassador to Argentina, said in a radio broadcast:

"My guess is that the lines are so firmly established that the blue book issued by the U. S. to document pro-Nazi activities in Argentina had no effect on the Argentina elections."

Ft. Riley Hall Honors Patton

FT. RILEY, Kan., March 17 (AP)—Ft. Riley Cavalry School will honor the memory of the late Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., on April 4, in ceremonies initiated as a "tribute to a true cavalryman." The school will dedicate a \$404,885 academic building completed in 1940, to Patton's memory.

Mrs. Patton will unveil the 14-inch bronze letters spelling "Patton Hall" above the columns of the building.

A choir from the Junction City High School will sing the hymn "God of Battles," written by Patton.

Last Mass Is Held Honoring Glennon

ST. LOUIS, March 17 (AP)—Throng of persons of many faiths, including many of America's high-ranking Catholic Churchmen, paid final tribute to John Cardinal Glennon, who died in Dublin a week ago shortly after his elevation to Cardinal in Rome.

Celebrant at a pontifical requiem mass in St. Louis Cathedral was Archbishop Amleto Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the U. S.

Heading the list of church dignitaries at the service was Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago, Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York and Edward Cardinal Mooney of Detroit.

Plans Solo Trip to U. S.

TANGIERS, March 17 (AP)—Hans von Meissteuffen, a Swiss who failed in 1940 to make a voyage alone to America when his vessel was wrecked off Liberia, arrived here today in the yacht Speranza to attempt the feat again.

Court Martial Punishes First WD Civilian

FRANKFURT, March 17—The first civilian employe of the War Department to be tried and punished by a court martial here is James R. Allen, 27, a chauffeur for the Theater Visitors Bureau.

Allen was charged with being drunk and disorderly in a public place and with insubordination under the 96th Article of War.

He was arrested Feb. 23 when he reported for work drunk and got into a brawl with another civilian. Allen refused to obey admonitions by the acting duty officer and the officer of the visitors bureau, and challenged the MPs summoned to take him in custody as to their right to give him orders.

He was sentenced to three months in the guardhouse and fined \$250. The fine later was remitted.

Allen, who was in the Army four years and was discharged with the rank of first sergeant, became a civilian three months ago.

Col. Mickelsen Given G5 Post

FRANKFURT, March 17—Col. S. R. Mickelsen, now chief of the Office of Military Government's displaced persons division, will head USFET's reactivated G5 division when military government operations are consolidated on April 1. His deputies will be Col. Hayden N. Smith and Col. W. C. Baker, Jr.

The consolidation will close out the zonal military government office in Frankfurt. Its responsibilities will be taken over by the Office of Military Government for Germany (U. S.) in Berlin under Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay. Maj. Gen. C. L. Adcock, director of the Frankfurt agency, will become Clay's assistant.

Engineer Saves Two Girls' Lives

DES MOINES, March 17 (AP)—Two little girls who went down to the tracks to watch trains, owe their lives to the sharp vision of engineer Harold Bateman, of Rock Island, Ill.

Joyce Halligan, 8, and her sister, Judy Carol, 6, wandered out on the Rock Island bridge over the Des Moines River and heard the train whistle.

Joyce's leg became caught and her sister tried vainly to free her. The engineer caught sight of the struggling figures 200 feet ahead and stopped just in time.

Young Composer Wins Gershwin Award

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—Harold Shapero, 25-year-old composer, of Newton, Mass., has received the George Gershwin memorial award of \$1,000, plus performance of his work and its publication.

The check was presented by Mrs. Rose Gershwin, mother of the late composer, on the stage of Carnegie Hall. The Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, with Leonard Bernstein conducting, played the first movement of Shapero's work, "Serenade in D for Strings."

One ETO Tetanus Death

PHILADELPHIA, March 17 (AP)—Only one American soldier is known to have died from tetanus infection in the European Theater, Dr. William S. Middleton, Dean of the University of Wisconsin Medical School, disclosed.



OLD ENGLISH CUSTOM: In keeping with English tradition, a new Yeoman Warder is installed at the Tower of London with a toast. The new Warder, Capt. Henry Johns (in civilian clothes), is

honored by Col. E. H. Carkeet James and the other Yeoman Warders at the Tower. They turned out for the event in full uniform.

—Keystone Photo



Guards to Halt Food Seekers At Zone's Edge

FRANKFURT, March 17—German police agencies have been alerted to halt any infiltration of food-seeking Germans from the British Occupation Zone to the American Zone, Military Government officials revealed here.

A spokesman for Col. James R. Newman, Military Government director for Greater Hesse in the American Zone, said German police agencies have been ordered to strengthen the numbers of their border guards and to screen all incoming transports thoroughly for illegal entrants.

At the same time, he said, German police officials in the British Zone have been notified that any persons apprehended attempting to enter the U. S. Zone without proper permits will be sent back without rations, care or assistance.

The food situation in the British Zone is so acute that consideration is being given to reducing the ration there still further, according to recent reports by Red Cross officials. The reduced ration may be as low as 750 calories a day, these reports said.

Peace Parley To Be Secret

PARIS, March 17 (AP)—The European peace conference, scheduled for sometime in May, will be shrouded in official secrecy, it was learned in French official circles today.

There will be only two public sessions, the opening and the closing, to which newspapermen will be admitted, officials in charge of conference preparations said.

These sources said they were prepared to establish microphones and news teleprinters in the Luxembourg Palace, but were told: "There's no use. There will be only two public sessions." Consequently, these plans have been abandoned.

Union Suspends Wildcat Strikers

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 (AP)—The International Association of Machinists' executive council, armed with a court order, took over the funds, records and properties of Lodge 68, whose wildcat strike kept 50,000 men away from their jobs for 19 weeks.

Harvey W. Brown, IAM president, told reporters:

"Lodge 68 is now under the authority and supervision of the Grand Lodge. When the present suspension is lifted, Lodge 68 members will select new business agents."

Harry Hook and Ed. F. Dillon, Lodge 68 business agents, were not in the offices when Brown and other IAM officials took over.

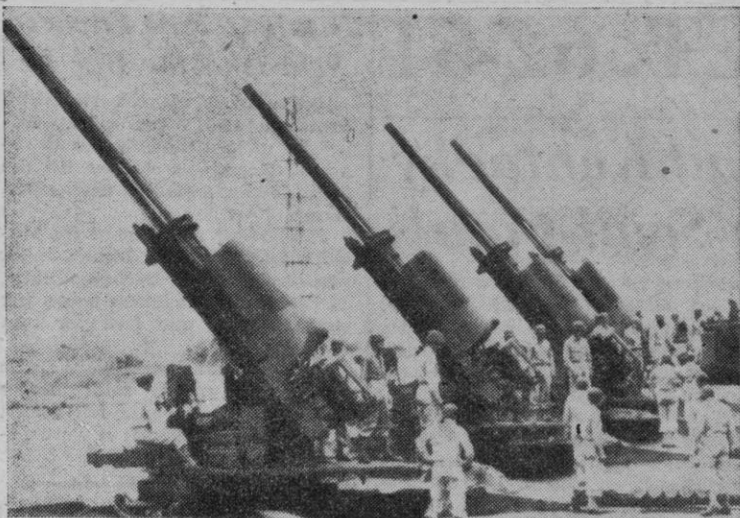
The court order is temporary. A hearing will be held March 26.

Police Suspect Prowler In Slaying of Vet's Wife

LOUISVILLE, March 17 (AP)—Police believe a prowler was responsible for the slaying of Mrs. Martha Frances Allison, 19, wife of a recently discharged soldier.

Detective Sgt. Henry Riebel said the young woman was found lying on the floor by her husband's step-mother, Mrs. Esther Allison, who occupied an apartment across the hall.

Riebel said the victim's husband, Dewey Allison, 24, was released after questioning.



RADAR EQUIPPED: Tests are being conducted at the Aberdeen (Md.) proving grounds in the use of radar and electronic shells for artillery. The experiments are being carried out with these four 120 mm cannons.

—Keystone Photo

Veteran Confesses Again To Nonexistent Murder

CHICAGO, March 17 (UP)—A discharged veteran tried for the second time to confess a slaying which apparently never happened.

George Fairbanks, 23, of Rowley, Mass., walked into a police station and announced "I want to confess a killing." He said he had killed a 4-year-old boy on a bus near Green River, Wyo., but Wyoming authorities said no slaying had been reported.

Last Tuesday Fairbanks walked into a North Platte (Neb.) police station and said he was wanted for murder. He was released when investigation failed to reveal the slaying.

"I've had dreams before but never anything like this," Fairbanks told police.

"There's something on my mind. If something happened I did it."

Capt. Jerry Looney, of the Chicago police, said he thought the youth might be a victim of war nerves.

GI Confesses Killing of MP

SEOUL, Korea, March 17 (UP)—Norman Duran, Denver, has confessed that he stabbed an American military policeman to death, and seriously wounded another, after escaping from an Army Stockade where he was serving a life term for raping a Korean woman, authorities announced recently.

Robert V. Medina, Los Angeles, confessed that he held the MP's rifle while Duran stabbed him, according to the provost marshal's office.

A third escapee Leonhard V. Rqiney said he had not taken part in the fatal stabbing.

The provost marshal's office said they had planned to flee across the 38th Parallel into the Russian Occupation Zone.

Quadruple Amputee Gets De Luxe Trailer

CHICAGO, March 17 (AP)—M-Sgt. Frederick Hensel, 27, the war's only quadruple amputee, and his bride, Newel, were presented with a de luxe three-room trailer at the eighth national trailer coach show.

The Corbin (Ky.) sergeant lost his arms and legs when he stepped on a mine on Okinawa.

CIO Joins Franco Attack

WASHINGTON, March 17 (INS)—The CIO executive board urged the State Department yesterday to break diplomatic relations with Franco's Spain immediately.

The board, in its resolution, also called upon the United Nations Security Council to place the Spanish question on the agenda of its New York meeting.

The CIO group declared that UNO should "take a concerted action to secure a speedy elimination of this center of Fascist infection and threat to world peace."

The board said the recent execution of 10 Spanish Republicans by the Franco dictatorship "re-emphasized the need for united action by the democratic nations on behalf of the Spanish people."

It insisted that the existence of Fascism in Spain was a threat to all free peoples and therefore not exclusively a question for settlement by the Spanish people.

Educator Debunks Atom-Run Planes

ST. LOUIS, March 17 (UP)—Dr. Arthur S. Compton, one of the leaders in atomic research, debunked the idea that motor vehicles and airplanes might some day be powered by atomic energy.

Dr. Compton, chancellor of Washington University, in a speech before a group of engineers and scientists said there was no reason to hope that atomic power units will ever weigh less than 100 tons.

"Driving motor cars or airplanes of ordinary size by atomic power must be counted out," the educator said.

Dependents' Ship to Sail

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 (AP)—The Army transport David C. Shanks will sail tonight for Hawaii carrying 275 dependents of Army personnel and War Department civilian personnel stationed in the islands.

Guarded Train Is 'Tip-Off' to ETO Pilferers

By ROBERT MARSHALL
Staff Correspondent

FRANKFURT, March 17—Guarded freight shipments in Europe are pilfered almost twice as frequently as unguarded shipments, the Theater provost marshal's office said yesterday, but there is a perfectly good reason for it.

The reason is that unguarded trains don't carry anything a pilferer wants. The good stuff that lights a gleam in a pilferer's eye is on guarded trains—which is why they are guarded.

"No one in his right mind is going to do any great amount of pilfer-

CIO Opens Campaign To Elect Pro-Laborites; Democrat Dinners Set

End of Party Split Is Aim of Banquets

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—The Democratic Party has scheduled a series of "unity" dinners for Congressmen in an effort to close the split in its ranks.

Five of the gatherings have been arranged by the national committee and Congressional leaders.

They told newsmen they hope the sessions will promote harmony and better feeling among legislators and thus:

1—Woo back into the fold straying elements, particularly the bloc of Southerners, some of whom have lined up frequently in coalition with Republicans.

2—Encourage united support for the Administration's bogged-down legislative program.

3—Solidify the party for the national elections this year, when all 435 representatives and 32 of 96 Senators face ballot tests.

One leader, who asked not to be named, described the dinners as "our answer to the coalition movement."

He said he referred to the recently-launched attempt to organize Republicans and Southern Democrats for control of pending OPA legislation.

GIs Smuggle Boy to States

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—A 13-year-old Polish boy stowaway, covered with scars from SS knife wounds, arrived in New York on the USS General Anderson with \$50 and one ambition—to go to school where they don't teach "Heil Hitler."

S-Sgt. Sigmund Ebner, of Brooklyn, Sgt. Pasquale Calorio, of Trenton, N.J., and Sgt. Joseph Muniz, Jr., of Alliance, O., who smuggled him aboard in a duffel bag and kept him hidden for seven days, rode into the harbor locked in the ship's brig.

Co. D, 406th Inf. Regt., 102nd Div., had "Frankie" as its mascot for more than six months.

Frankie, whose real name is Bronislaw Stalicia, spent three years in Dachau prison, where he saw his mother burned to death by the Germans. His father, a major in the Polish air force, was killed in Buchenwald prison.

Police Chief Denies Murdering Waitress

BENTON, Ill., March 17 (INS)—Clyde Brown, 30-year-old police chief of Buckner, Ill., yesterday denied any knowledge of the circumstances under which Miss Mary Pasternock, a night club waitress, was shot to death.

Her body was found in a wooded section, four miles west of Benton.

Brown, father of three, is held in jail on a murder warrant. Sheriff Clarence Smothers signed the complaint after Brown had refused a lie detector test.

Contributions Sought From Members

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—The CIO Political Action Committee served notice it is returning to the political wars by launching a campaign to nominate and elect Congressional candidates favorable to labor issues.

PAC has the authority from the CIO executive board to register and seek voluntary contributions of at least \$1.60 from each of approximately 6,000,000 CIO members.

A similar campaign among the 5,000,000 CIO workers in the 1944 elections brought less than \$500,000.

Sidney Hillman, president of the CIO-PAC, said efforts would be made to help pro-labor candidates regardless of party.

"The more good Republicans we can get the better we will like it," he remarked. "We would like to freshen up the party a bit."

Repair Rushed On L.A. Duct

LOS ANGELES, March 17 (AP)—The earth continued to twitch Saturday but workmen sped repairs to the Los Angeles aqueduct caved in by a boulder dislodged in Southern California's most severe earthquake since 1933.

Seismologists here said it was comparable to the Long Beach disaster 13 years ago or the Santa Barbara quake in 1925.

The boulder tore a nine-foot hole in a concrete pipeline, spouting water across the desert at a rate of 100,000 gallons a minute before it was shut off at the intake.

The quake apparently marked activity of the Kern River fault, dormant since 1850.

Youthful Scientist Plays Lone Hand

PITTSBURGH, March 17 (INS)—The boy who was "too young to fool with such dangerous stuff" as sulphuric acid has been named as a finalist in the national science talent search.

Because dealers refused to sell him chemicals, Donald J. Shombert turned to making his own supplies and sharpened his interest in his favorite subject—chemistry.

In Washington this month, Donald will compete in a five-day talent contest for \$11,000 in Westinghouse scholarships.

Toy-Pistol Gangster Slain In Shop Holdup

DETROIT, March 17 (AP)—A 24-year-old holdup man, armed with a toy pistol was shot to death by a detective as he held up a dry cleaning shop in suburban Ferndale.

The police watched the shop for a week after receiving an anonymous tip it was going to be robbed. Detective James Dunn shot the unidentified robber.

ing in a carload of salvaged jeep fenders," one official commented.

"Guarded trains, on the other hand, carry supplies pilferers want. These trains are naturally the most frequent target for their efforts."

Pilferage has decreased considerably in the past month, according

to rail security officers. Among reasons cited are extensive road repairs eliminating detours and unscheduled stops, better organization of the German civilian railway police force, fencing of marshalling yards and stiff penalties imposed on violators by military government courts.

42nd MPs Stop TSFET, 62-51

USFA Gains Cage Finals

FRANKFURT, March 17—The gigantic 42nd Military Police Co., representing USFA in the company-level tournament, this afternoon knocked TSFET out of the semi-final round with a decisive 62-51 victory.

Led by Fred Klaisner with 16 points, the MPs got off to a quick start and had piled up a 20-12 lead at the end of the first quarter. They widened it still further in the second stanza, and half-time found them out front by a count of 40-20.

TSFET's high-scoring forward, Sam Trounatore, sparked his mates to a desperate 3rd period comeback attempt, cutting USFA's margin to 13 points, but it was too little and too late. USFA, using mainly reserves, coasted in to a well-earned triumph.

By virtue of today's win, their second over TSFET, the USFA quintet has earned the right to face the undefeated Third Army team in Frankfurt's Victory Gym Monday night. The box score:

USFA	FTF	TSFET	FTF
Riggan f	3 0 3	Tr'natore f	8 4 3
Vargo f	4 1 4	Hillborn f	3 3 3
Vovell g	3 1 5	La'riwicz c	3 1 0
Reed g	4 3 2	Toth g	0 2 2
Klaisner f	7 2 1	Canzoneri g	3 5 5
Mackey c	0 0 0	Gale f	1 0 0
Caldwell f	2 0 2		
Thaxton c	0 1 0		
Warnock g	4 0 4		

Totals 27 8 21 Totals 18 15 13

USFET's Rally Fails As TSFET Wins, 43-40

FRANKFURT, March 17—A fast-breaking TSFET team nosed out Co. F, 508th PIR, representing USFET, 43-40 here in the Victory Gym last night. The loss, the second for the Troopers, eliminates them from further competition in the company-level tourney.

Once again paced by Sam Trounatore, who caged 23 points, TSFET led 24-20 at the half. Sharpshooting Jimmy Combs, who hit the nets for 20 points, led the USFET attack throughout the first two periods. In the third quarter TSFET pulled away to a commanding 37-28 lead.

The box score:

TSFET	GTF	USFET	GTF
Tr'natore f	11 1 5	Combs f	8 4 5
Hillborn f	4 1 2	Sanders f	1 0 3
Gale f	0 0 0	Sexton f	0 0 0
La'riwicz c	2 0 1	O'Keefe f	3 2 1
Toth g	0 1 2	O'Connor c	2 0 1
Canzoneri g	3 0 3	Lidie g	2 1 5
		Morrow g	0 1 2

Totals 20 3 13 Totals 16 8 17

New York Romps To Track Victory

NEW YORK, March 17 (UP)—New York University's crack trackmen chalked up a record total of 81 points to romp to an easy victory in the Fourth Annual Metropolitan Intercollegiate Track and Field Meet before 4,000 fans at Columbia's South Field yesterday.

Competing without the services of Frank Dixon and the Callender twins, Maurice and Stanton, three of their star distance runners, the Violets broke two meet records and tied two more in capturing eight of the 13 events and tying another.

Manhattan finished a distant second with 47 points; Columbia third with 22 and Fordham fourth with 20.

England Loses First Postwar Hockey Tilt

LONDON, March 17—In the first international ice hockey game played in England since the war, the Hammarby Club, of Stockholm, defeated an English league six, 14 to 2, at Wembley rink.

Holger Nurmela, one of Sweden's forwards, was high scorer with five goals.

Muhlenberg and Kentucky Reach Garden Semi-Finals

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—Muhlenberg sprang the third upset of the National Invitational Tournament by defeating favored Syracuse, 47-41 in the second game of the Madison Square Garden doubleheader before a record crowd of 18,483. Muhlenberg joined top-seeded Kentucky, which earlier had, beaten Arizona in the semi-final round.

Pancho Segura Bests McNeill For Net Title

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—Pancho Segura, tightly-wound little Ecuadorian who swings his racquet with both hands, captured the U. S. indoor singles championship with a victory over former title-holder Don McNeill, 1-6, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5.

The South American used a superb passing shot and an uncanny defensive game to take the title out of the U. S. for the first time since Jean Borotra carted it to France in 1931.

After McNeill easily won the first set, 24-year-old Segura discarded vicious long drives and began returning all the McNeill shots in patty cake fashion. With this switch McNeill's game went to pieces.

Segura is No. 3 in the current U. S. rankings, behind National Champion Frank Parker and Billy Talbert, whom he defeated in the semi-finals Friday night.

McNeill and Frank Guernsey, of Garden City, N. Y., downed Segura and Alejo Russel, of Buenos Aires, 6-4, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 to salvage that title for the U. S.

Buddy Young Shows Old Form in Training

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., March 17—Claude (Buddy) Young, although almost 20 pounds heavier, has lost little of the speed he flashed as a freshman track and football star at the University of Illinois two years ago.

Working out for the Chicago Daily News Relays March 30, Young stepped off the 300-yard sprint in 32.2 seconds, only four days after returning here on leave from the Navy.



ROYALTY ON SKIS: For the first time since the German occupation of Norway in 1940, the royal family of Norway takes part in ski contests at Holmenkollen near Oslo. Shown as they partici-

pate in their favorite winter sports are, left to right, King Haakon, Princess Ragnhild, Prince Harald, Prince Olav, Princess Astrid and Princess Martha.

Student Poll Favors Nebraska for Big 10

IOWA CITY, March 17 (AP)—Iowa students favor asking Nebraska to join the Big Ten to replace Chicago, a survey by the Daily Iowan, a student newspaper, shows.

Thirty-four per cent of the students said Nebraska. Twenty-eight per cent favored Michigan State, 19 per cent Iowa State, seven per cent Missouri and five per cent Pittsburg.

The Iowan excluded Notre Dame because the paper said: "Notre Dame probably would not accept the invitations even if it were extended."

Musial Injured As Cards Lose

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 17 (UP)—Manager Eddie Dyer, of the St. Louis Cardinals, hoped today all his troubles would be spring training ones, as he counted an injury list of eight players, a losing streak of five games in six starts, and a pre-season dope sheet, which said he should have an easy time winning the National League championship.

The cards lost Stan Musial and the ball game Friday. Musial, their best outfielder, twisted his knee in practice, and Dyer said he would be out for a least a week.

HAVANA, March 17 (AP)—The Senators made it four straight over the Cuban All-Stars winning an exhibition game, 8-3, behind the eight-hit pitching of Bert Shepard, Larry Brunke and Marino Pieretti.

Shepard, who lost his right leg below the knee in aerial combat over Germany, twirled two-hit balls the first three innings.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 17 (AP)—Joe DiMaggio's homer with two on in the eighth enabled the Yankees to come from behind and defeat the Cardinals, 3-2.

The homer was DiMag's eighth of the spring, and was garnered off Howard Pollet third Card Pitcher.

LAKELAND, Fla., March 17 (AP)—The Tigers lost their fifth straight, 4-3 to Washington's B. team—the third time the world champions have been whipped by Clark Griffith's seconds.

The Bengals garnered nine hits, received five walks, and had the help of five Washington errors but still couldn't win.



—Signal Corps Photo by Bob Merritt
SPRING STYLE: This is what the well dressed feminine boxer will wear in forthcoming fights, baseball chest protector, oversized gloves and slacks. Modeling the chest protector, which never looked so good on any umpire, is Miss Helen Carlson, of the Darmstadt American Red Cross Club.

NAIB Tourney To Carbondale

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 17 (AP)—The Southern Illinois Normal (Carbondale) hustling Maroons won the National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship, making a whirlwind finish to triumph over Indiana State Teachers, 49-40.

The Maroons broke a deadlock midway in the second half to pull away.

Carbondale was out-scored from the field, 16 to 15, but won the title by expert marksmanship at the free throw line, sinking 19 of 22 gratis tries.

'Goliath' Trims 'David' Despite New Cage Rules

KANSAS CITY, March 17 (AP)—New Mexico Mines, led by seven-foot-one-inch center Elmer Morgenthaler, reversed the story of David and Goliath by winning an experimental basketball game from Drury College 84-61.

The baskets were 12 feet above the floor, instead of the usual 10, and three-point field goals spiced the novel game played as part of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball's research program.

New Mexico Mines, selected to play the giant role in a game with the smaller Drury quintet, put a crimp in the theory of high basket pronouncements, but Dr. Forrest Allen, leading advocate, termed the results of the clash "pleasing."

Skyhigh goals, Kansas coach Allen and his followers contended, would tend to equalize the advantage of taller players.

"It showed the ball rebounds farther back," Allen said. "It also proves the poorest position from which to shoot is directly under the basket, and the best place to shoot is seven to 20 feet out."

Ben Hogan Leads Nelson In '46 Money Earnings

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 17 (AP)—Little Ben Hogan is the leading 1946 money winner among the touring golf pros with \$11,500 earnings to date.

Byron Nelson is next with \$8,400. In third place is Jimmy Demaret with \$4,200 followed by Sam Snead with \$4,000.

—Associated Press Photo

Aguirre Urges Allies to Break With Spain

By GERSHON FISHBEIN
ST. JOSE DE LUZ, March 17—Dr. Jose Antonio de Aguirre, president of the Basque Republic in exile, said yesterday in an interview at his villa here that the Allies, through the UNO, must break off both trade and diplomatic relations with Spain if the Franco regime there is to collapse.

Taking issue with the American viewpoint that the present regime in Spain does not constitute a threat to peace, Aguirre said as long as the Allies do not back up their word with positive action, Franco and his fascist doctrine will grow stronger.

PRAISES U.S. ATTITUDE

He said he was satisfied with the present American attitude toward Franco in that he felt it was progressively leading up to a showdown rather than being based on any immediate motive.

France's action in closing the frontier, he declared, was based on political pressure plus the necessity of safeguarding against imminent danger from her southern neighbor.

Aguirre said Franco's grip on the military class was the only factor keeping him in power and that this could easily be tipped over by strong Allied action.

PREDICTS SUPPORT

Regarding the possible success of Franco, Aguirre said he believed Dr. Jose Giral, president of the Spanish Republican Government in exile, would have the support of the majority of Spaniards.

Aguirre denied reports which he said were prevalent among the Allies that there was no organized resistance movement against Franco in Spain.

"I would estimate that at least 80 per cent of the civilian population is definitely working to get rid of Franco," he said.

Indonesian Parley Makes Progress

BATAVIA, March 17 (AP)—A second meeting of Dutch and Indonesian negotiations made "real progress," an official spokesman said today.

Agreement was reached on procedure to be followed and two subcommittees were formed "to discuss matters of detail," he said.

The next meeting will be held when the subcommittees make their report.

Dr. Hubertus van Mook, lieutenant governor-general of the Netherlands East Indies, in reply to a question whether he had received instructions from The Hague concerning Indonesian counterproposals said, "I am certainly ready to enter discussions."

Farouk Hopes Egypt Achieves Her Aims

CAIRO, March 17 (AP)—King Farouk told Egyptian delegates who will meet British representatives to revise the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, "I hope you will be able to achieve your country's aims," the paper Al Mokattam reported.

The newspaper said the king added that when the treaty negotiations are completed "you will have another duty—to raise the standard of living of the nation."

No Attack, Envoy Says

PRAGUE, March 17 (AP)—Rumors spreading through Prague today that there had been an attack on American Ambassador Lawrence Steinhardt were denied by Steinhardt himself to the Associated Press.

First GI Mother-in-Law Leaves London for U.S.

LONDON, March 17 (AP)—Mrs. Lillian Hughes, of London, believed to be the first "GI mother-in-law" to go to the U.S., is scheduled to depart today by Pan-American airliner to join her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Brumble.

"He is a grand chap and we get on well," said Mrs. Hughes. He said that he would like me to join them in Portland, Ore., where he is now demobilized."

Mayor Plays Cupid in GI's Dream

ATLANTA, March 17 (AP)—"Ah, l-o-v-e," said Mayor William Hartsfield as he promised a soldier fulfillment of his foxhole dream and his prospective bride the "prettiest wedding ever staged in Atlanta."

Several years ago Cpl. Ernest Shafto, of Farmingdale, N.J., met Miss Kathleen Jordan, of Atlanta, in front of downtown Hurt Park's multicolored fountain. They became engaged, but Shafto was sent overseas before the wedding could be arranged.

Somewhat timidly, Shafto told His Honor that all during his overseas tour he kept dreaming of a marriage ceremony before the fountain.

Hartsfield not only agreed, but promised to give the bride away and arrange for a vine-covered altar and an organ to be placed unobtrusively in the shrubbery. As an afterthought, he said he would move every potted plant from the larger Grant Park to Hurt and "have that carpet of grass combed with a fine-tooth comb."

Service Held for GI Shot by German Girl

FRANKFURT, March 17—A Catholic funeral service was held here yesterday for T-Sgt. John Chinchar, Tuscarora, Pa., who was shot Thursday by Ingeborg Fischer.

Nearly 100 GIs headed by Steve Chinchar, the victim's brother, crowded the tiny USFET chapel. Burial will be in an Army Cemetery in one of the neighboring Allied countries, probably France.

Provost Marshal Col. R. J. Connolly said investigations of the shooting are still going on.

TERRY AND THE PIRATES

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By Frank Willard



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Held 62 Days In Brig 6 by 8, Seaman Says

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17 (UP)—A complaint by a Navy man who said he had been held for 62 days at Camp Shoemaker, Calif., in a room six by eight feet and without a bed is being investigated by the California department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Sam Hermann, California department quartermaster and adjutant, said the sailor, S2-C Truce Everett Knight of Sloat, Calif., had reported his imprisonment for being AWOL to J. E. Reid junior vice-commander of the department.

Knight's letter to Reid said, "Sir, we are now in solitary confinement and have been for 62 days and no trial, not even mast (preliminary appearance before commanding officer).

"We are in cell six by eight that is lighted with one 50 watt bulb 24 hours a day and we have no bunks.

"We put a mattress on deck to sleep as best we could.

"Sir, I didn't get one cigaret since I have been in the brig at Shoemaker."

Officials at Shoemaker station brig said Knight had been AWOL and was being held for a general court martial after being declared a deserter. He had been given no hearing, they said, because it was necessary to send to Washington for his service record.

Truman Curb Of Atom Urged

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—The Senate Atomic Energy Committee voted to give the President direct control over the production of atomic bombs and other military applications of nuclear energy.

A five-member civilian commission, which would be set up under the pending control bill would be authorized to produce atomic weapons "only to the extent that the express consent and direction of the President had been obtained, which consent and direction shall be obtained at least once each year."

Chairman Brian McMahon (D-Conn.) said the commission would have full power to conduct research and development work, but could produce bombs only if the President specifically directed so.

The committee has agreed tentatively to the first 22 pages of a 40-page bill, and may complete its work next week.

63 ARC Workers Killed During War

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP)—Gen. Jacob L. Devers today revealed that 63 of 20,000 Red Cross workers who served with the armed forces overseas were killed in action.

The Army Ground Force chief paid a "soldier's tribute" to the workers in a broadcast from the Metropolitan Opera House. They "performed great service" to American troops, he said, adding that women workers especially "were a constant source of inspiration."

More than 100 ARC workers, he said, were cited for bravery under fire. Three won Silver Stars for heroism, and 52 won Bronze Stars.

French Consul Hurt in Cuba

HAVANA, March 17 (UP)—French Consul General Jacques Leroy, 56, was taken to the Anglo-American Hospital, seriously injured with four broken ribs as the result of an automobile accident. His wife Winifred, 41, was only slightly hurt. Seven others also were injured.



DEMAND PORTS: Italians, still demanding the ports of Fiume and Trieste on the Dalmatian coast of the Adriatic sea, parade through the streets of Milan with posters. Hungary also is reported seeking Fiume, and a plan is under consideration to internationalize the port of Trieste.

—Keystone Photo

Reds to Leave Bornholm; Danes Bar Foreign Powers

COPENHAGEN, March 17 (AP)—Moscow has notified the Danish Government that Soviet troops would be withdrawn from the island of Bornholm following Denmark's assurance that the Danes would administer the island's affairs "without the help of foreign powers."

Foreign Minister Gustav Rasmussen confirmed that Denmark had received the Soviet notification March 7, and the government replied that Danish troops were ready to take over.

In Moscow, informed foreign sources had suggested that Russian troops were staying in Bornholm because British troops were in Denmark.

However, on Saturday night here, Brigadier Crowe, chief of the British mission to Denmark, said that the few British troops remaining in Denmark would leave as soon as possible.

MARINES PREPARE TO LEAVE

Meanwhile, a late report from Bornholm said that two Russian vessels had arrived there Saturday and began loading equipment and Soviet marines.

Lt. Gen. Ebbe Goerty, a commander-in-chief of the Danish Army, declared that the Danish commander at Bornholm had been instructed to confer with the Russians.

Danish troops, Goertz said, would not be able to move into the Russian camps immediately because of housing difficulties.

Sen. Langer Renominated

BISMARCK, N. D., March 17 (AP)—The North Dakota Nonpartisan League state convention nominated U. S. Senator William Langer (R-N. D.) to succeed himself for the long-term seat in the Senate.

Doodads Harass U.S. Patent Office

WASHINGTON, March 17 (UP)—The Patent Office—over its aching head in a welter of 98,715 patent applications that haven't even been opened—today beseeched the nation's would-be inventors to stop dreaming up gadgets, doodads, thing-a-ma-bobs and what-you-may-call-its a la Rube Goldberg.

If people have to invent useless devices, said W. Huston Kenyon, Jr., attorney for the Government's Patent Survey Committee, they can at least stop asking for patents and

give the examiners a break. Looking over the files of devices waiting for patents, he used such terms as "trivial" and "questionable practical value."

Of course, it is not thought that he was referring to such as-yet-unpatented wonders as the "drip cup" made to fit around the handle of a toothbrush so that the brush won't wet his hand while polishing his teeth; or the mighty combination lead pencil and pocket adding machine; or the magic machine for

Rome S&S Announces It Has Been 'Muzzled,' Staff Is Ready to Resign

ROME, March 17 (UP)—The Mediterranean Edition of *The Stars and Stripes* announced that strict censorship upon it has been imposed by the U. S. Mediterranean commander, and its staff of 55 men are prepared to resign unless restrictions are lifted.

The paper said it had been "muzzled" by Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee through activation of an order giving Lee and other staff officers supervision over letters written to the paper's popular "Mail Call" column by soldier contributors.

The "Mail Call" column is being discontinued rather than submit to Lee's supervision, the paper said, and the staff of four officers and 51 enlisted men "chooses to continue on duty with *The Stars and Stripes* only if the current affront to their judgment is withdrawn."

ANNOUNCED IN EDITORIAL

The paper's announcement was printed in the form of an editorial set in five columns across the top of the front page and did not mention Lee by name but referred to his censorship directive of three weeks ago.

The paper also said that its publications officer, Maj. Hal C. Kestler, had cabled protests to President Truman, Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower asking "how much of their constitutional liberty must members of the U. S. armed forces sacrifice."

"Staff members of this Army newspaper are first of all soldiers, aware of their responsibility toward their appointed leaders," the announcement said. "They also are professional newspapermen, proud of the profession and aware of the heritage of service of the Mediterranean Edition of *The Stars and Stripes* and eager to maintain that unbroken pledge.

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"For more than three years it had been possible for this staff to combine both professions in the service of their country.

"They have resisted every encroachment and there have been many.

"Professional and personal integrity of its staff members have been upheld and confirmed by those who now find it necessary to muzzle us. As newspapermen these soldiers find further the performance of certain duties intolerable if they are forced to betray the trust that soldier-readers have imposed in them.

"The staff chooses to continue on duty only if the current affront to their judgment is withdrawn."

CALLED GRAVE DETERRENT

In his cables to the President, Secretary of War and Gen. Eisenhower, Kestler said: "The staff seeks not only redress of our grievances but your consideration of the attitude of high Army authorities which we believe constitutes one of the grave deterrents to voluntary service in the U. S. armed forces.

"How much of their constitutional liberty must members of U. S. armed forces sacrifice, thousands of young Americans, whose services as officers and enlisted men our nation urgently needs and is seeking, would like to know."

WD Is Silent On Protests Of Rome S&S

WASHINGTON, March 17 (UP)—White House and War Department officials said Saturday night they had no information on protests by the publications officer of the Mediterranean Edition of *The Stars and Stripes* against censorship imposed on the Army newspaper by Gen. John C. H. Lee, theater commander.

Informed sources indicated, however, that any War Department action on protests is highly unlikely since Lee's action conformed generally to a recent War Department directive barring Army personnel considered "disaffected or subversive" from certain Army assignments including those dealing with education and information services.

This directive was revealed by the War Department after Lee announced three weeks ago that he intended to impose censorship on the Mediterranean Edition of *The Stars and Stripes* because "if anything goes wrong it is my responsibility."

Informed sources said the method of applying this directive is entirely within the jurisdiction of the various theater commanders and that it is unlikely the War Department here would overrule a theater commander in any action that is considered as conforming to the War Department directive.

'Red Infiltration' Into S&S Worries Staff Officer

HONOLULU, March 17 (UP)—Maj. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby, intelligence officer on Gen. Douglas MacArthur's staff, expressed concern here at the "wholesale infiltration of Communists into key Army positions, especially on Army newspapers."

Willoughby said the assignment of such individuals as Sgt. Ken Pettus and Cpl. Bernard Rubin to the Tokyo Edition of *The Stars and Stripes* "started in Washington and went all the way down."

"How and where they were placed was part of a prearranged plan.

"We both know Pettus and Rubin are labor agitators belonging to most radical of Communist organizations," Willoughby said.

De Valera Expresses Friendship for U.S.

DUBLIN, March 17 (AP)—Prime Minister Eamon De Valera said tonight in a St. Patrick's Day broadcast to America that he did not believe Eire's neutrality during the war had alienated American friends of the Irish.

The broadcast ended a day of military parades, sporting and social events and special church services throughout Ireland. De Valera said America had shown sympathy during Ireland's "long struggle for freedom" but at no time would he have dared ask America to go to war on Ireland's account.

By the same token, De Valera said, American friends of Ireland should not have expected this small nation to go to war because America was at war.

forming hamburger patties and wrapping them after they're cooked (machine never munches one on the sly—strictly functional).

It is not known whether Kenyon meant to cast a slur on the bubble gun which forms bubbles for the amusement of persons who like to make bubbles. If he did, the inventor—Peters Gilchrist, of Charlotte, N. C.—would like him to know that a lot of persons do like to make soap bubbles. And, what's more, to break them. So there!