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Reynaud Calls Petain A Traitor

By Richard Lewis
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A charge that King Leopold of Belgium had sold out his country in much the same way as Marshal Henri-Philippe Petain was made yesterday by former French Premier Paul Reynaud in Petain's treason trial in the Palace of Justice.

Reynaud testified that on May 26, 1940, he met the former Belgian Prime Minister, Paul Spaak, at an airport, while preparing to leave for a conference with the British.

Spaak, Reynaud said, asked for a lift to London and en route disclosed that Leopold, who had taken over the Belgian Army, was almost ready to surrender to Hitler, and was trying to induce his ministers to join him in a collaborationist government.

The trial entered its second day in an atmosphere of tension, marked by sharp exchanges between the defense and the bench. Although there was no repetition of Monday's wild demonstration, there was considerable heat in verbal tilts between Judge Pierre Mongibeaux and Defense Counselor Fernand Payen.

Called Traitor, Phony

After Reynaud charged that Petain was both a traitor and a phony—that Petain had been kicked upstairs by Marshal Joffre to get him away from Verdun—Payen objected violently.

"Reynaud has formulated his slanderous accusations too lightly," Payen said. "He ought to retract them . . . or public opinion will retract them for him."

The judge interrupted, saying Reynaud "has no incentive for or against your client," and the cross-examination by the defense continued.

Attacking Petain, Reynaud also declared that a secret peace offer was made by France to Italy in 1940.

"To the sound of German applause, he (Petain) has descended the steps of dishonor," Reynaud declared.

Tells of Own Efforts

For nearly four hours, Reynaud related the day-by-day details of the last days of the Third Republic. The 89-year-old marshal stared moodily at the witness, from whom he had taken over France's government and surrendered as the Wehrmacht approached the gates of Paris.

Ignoring the defendant for the most part, Reynaud told how his efforts to continue the war by moving the government to North Africa had been sabotaged, how he, him-

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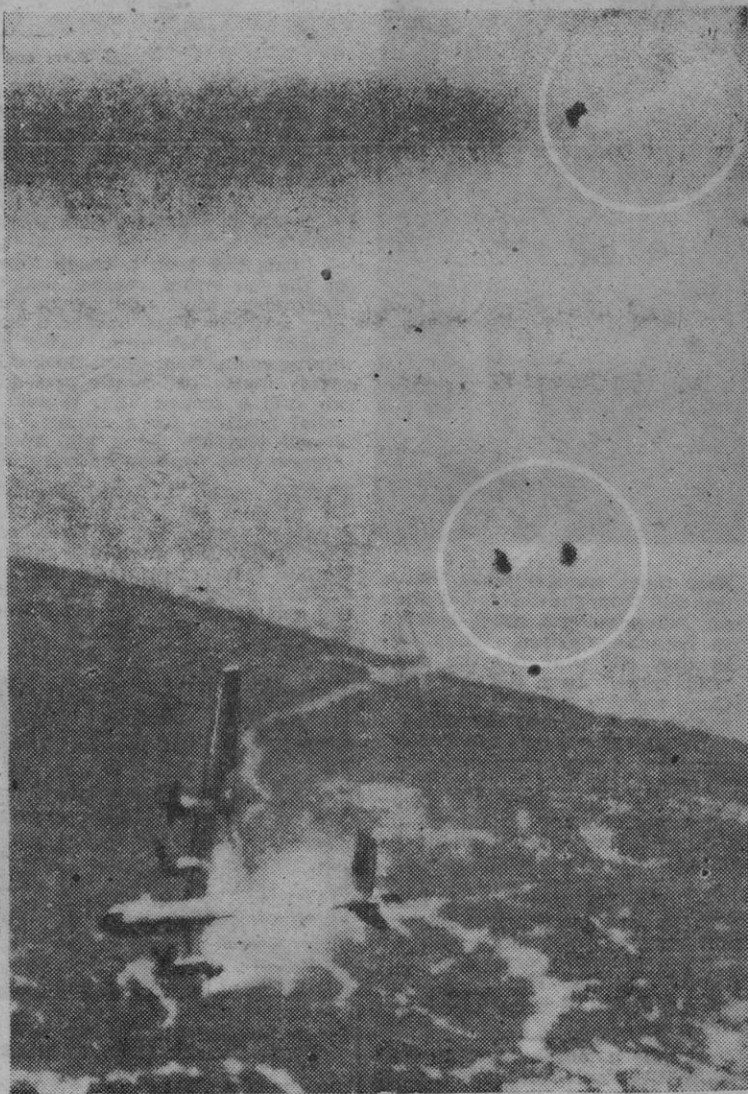
18 Coats of Lacquer Shine Patton's Helmet

The gleaming helmet liners Gen. George S. Patton Jr., commander of the Third Army, wears are covered with 18 coats of lacquer, the obtaining of which, it was disclosed yesterday, has posed some thorny supply problems.

A news release prepared at the Assembly Area Command related some of the tribulations of the 3457th Ordnance Co. in getting lacquer for Patton's helmet liners while the unit was servicing the Third Army in Luxembourg.

"After buying out the local supply," the release explained, "the tapped the Air Forces, Signal Corps and Engineers in rapid succession. At one point Capt. Frank E. Eby, of Diana, Fla., flew to St. Dizier, France, for a quart of substitute lacquer. Finally, the right stuff was found and Sgt. 'Diamond Jim' Montgomery, of 2132 South Dorrance St., Philadelphia, gave the general's liners their 18th coat."

Stricken Superfort Falls in Flames



Rammed by a Jap fighter plane over Kyushu, Japan, this B29 burst into flames and disintegrated as it plummeted earthward. Sections of the Superfort's wing and its blazing No. 1 motor are seen in the circles.

Big 3 Will Recess as Churchill Returns to UK for Vote Results

By Ernest Leiser

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, July 24.—An official statement said today that "there is no question of the Potsdam conference being over by Wednesday." This put an end to widespread reports here that the Big Three would close up shop when Prime Minister Churchill and Clement Attlee returned to England for election results, which will be announced Thursday.

The statement issued by the British delegation said adjournment by Wednesday was out of the question and indicated that the conference would resume again on Friday.

The interim, which will give the Prime Minister a chance to go home and find out whether he is still Prime Minister, is in effect a recess of the Potsdam meetings, the statement said.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will also accompany Churchill and Attlee—the latter being the logical man to succeed Churchill if he is defeated.

Churchill, Attlee and Eden will leave Potsdam "late Wednesday" and are expected to return Friday morning. This necessitates only a single day's interruption in the

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Werewolf's Howl Just Pup's Yipe

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, July 24.—The American Army's authority on werewolves says "there ain't any."

Col. Thomas K. Sands, of Cornwall, N.Y., the Army authority, according to Brig. Gen. Edwin L. Sibert, USFET assistant chief of staff, G-2.

Col. Sands, USFET CIC chief, said "there is no such thing as a 'werewolf.' At the start, they were a badly organized, poorly led element. I hope the American press never dignifies this criminal element by calling them werewolves."

MPs Seize 300 'Joy-Riding' Cars

More than 300 Army vehicles had been impounded in Paris up to 8 PM yesterday in a drive by military police to prevent the use of jeeps and staff cars for joy-riding and dating.

The round-up, ordered by Brig. Gen. Pleas B. Rogers, Paris troop commandant, began Monday night on the Champs-Elysees, near the Rond-Point, and was continued last evening on a larger scale with MPs halting hundreds of drivers in the Champs-Elysees, the Place de la Concorde and at the intersection of the Boulevard Haussmann and the Boulevard des Italiens.

The climax of last evening's operations on the Champs-Elysees, near the Rond-Point, where hundreds of soldiers had gathered to watch the proceedings, was the halting of a car driven by a brigadier general and accompanied by a French girl. As the upshot of the affair, the general left his car and walked off

in one direction while the girl took off in another, calling, "Daddy, I'll see you at the Lido later."

The Provost Marshal's office disclosed, meanwhile, that 15 Army vehicles found at the swanky Racing Club of France in the Bois de Boulogne had also been impounded after Gen. Rogers had ordered MPs to make a check of the club's parking area. According to the Provost Marshal's office, Rogers had expressed the opinion on previous occasions that it was a misuse of Army vehicles to take them to the club.

Several hundred GIs and civilians alternately whistled, cheered or commented loudly on Monday night as more than 110 jeeps, sedans and other OD-colored vehicles were impounded and their drivers questioned.

Maj. H. H. Turney-High of the 787th MP Bn., explained that delinquency reports would be sub-

1,600 Planes Hit 2 Jap Industrial Cities, Navy Base

GUAM, July 24.—The U.S. Fleet today was ranging unchallenged on a 2,600-mile front off the coasts of Japan and China as it rained new and mighty air and sea blows on the enemy. Simultaneously, Marianas-based Superforts struck their heaviest blow to date in a devastating attack on two important Japanese industrial cities.

U.S. Removes Large Forces In Czech Area

PRAGUE, July 24 (UP).—A "considerable reduction" in the number of American troops stationed in Czechoslovakia already has been carried out, Dr. Vladov Clementis, acting Czech Foreign Minister, said today.

Clementis added that "it is probable that in the near future, an announcement will be issued about it." Russian troops opposite the American zone are waiting for transport for their war materiel and equipment, he said.

"The presence of American units in Czechoslovakia has been the subject of friendly diplomatic discussions which are taking a satisfactory course," Clementis said.

He said that the main problem Czechoslovakia would seek to place before the Big Three concerned the Sudeten German population.

Clementis revealed that the Big Three had been asked about a solution to a "most pressing problem of our state, which has to be solved in agreement with the Allies—the question of the transfer of German-Hungarians from Czechoslovakia."

13th Armd. Vets Arrive in U.S.

NEW YORK, July 24 (ANS).—About 2,400 men of the 13th Armd. (Black Cat) Div. of the Third Army were among more than 3,000 veterans of European service who arrived in New York yesterday aboard six ships.

Capt. Robert M. Daly, public relations officer of the division, said it would be the first armored division redeployed to the Pacific after furloughs.

Overseas for six months, the men of the 13th were credited with capturing 19,000 Germans and 50,000 Hungarians and with taking Adolf Hitler's birthplace at Braunau, Austria.

Nazi Ships Leaving Spain

MADRID, July 24 (AP).—Fifteen German Navy and merchant marine vessels are on the way or preparing to leave Spain for British ports under escort of the British Navy as result of an agreement between Spain and the British and American governments. The vessels include nine freighters and tankers, three motor launches, two aircraft tenders and one submarine. The German crews are being taken to PW camps.

The latest attacks included:

1—More than 1,000 Third Fleet carrier aircraft attacked Honshu's west coast naval base of Kure in a continued search for enemy warships.

2—Superforts, estimated at more than 600, blasted the two east-coast industrial centers of Nagoya and Osaka.

3—U.S. warships steamed up the China coast, below Shanghai, and sunk and damaged several ships.

4—Other surface units bombarded Paramushiro in the Kurile Islands.

Adm. William F. Halsey, sent more than 1,000 of his American and British carrier planes against the great Inland Sea naval base of Kure, apparently seeking more Japanese warships than were found in the earlier strike at the Yokosuka base. The attack was launched at dawn "in great strength and continued throughout the day," Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique said.

Warships Hit

Some warships were caught at Kure, reported James Lindsley, Associated Press correspondent with the fleet, and at least one was hit with a 1,000-pound bomb. Lindsley also wirelessly that "the enemy, apparently goaded in to action by the Third Fleet's recent taunts, finally sent up 12 planes to harass the attackers. One U.S. plane was lost, while one Jap plane was accounted for. The communique also said U.S. Fleet units were attacking Paramushiro, but gave no other details.

On the east coast, a force of B29s, officially numbered at "more than 600" but which all dispatches agreed was the biggest yet launched from the Marianas, dumped 4,000 tons of demolition bombs ranging from 500-pounders to two-ton "block-busters" on Osaka and Nagoya, Japan's second and third largest cities. The giant bombers struck at noon, when lunchtime crowds were leaving the factories. They made their runs at medium and high altitude, and operated without any fighter escort.

30,000 Tons Dropped

Superforts this month have dropped 30,000 tons of bombs in 11 missions against 37 targets. Osaka, a city of 3,200,000, has been 25 percent burned, with a 17-square-mile area charred. Nagoya, with 1,300,000 population, has had 31 percent or 12 square miles burned out. Today's raids were the 17th by the B29s against Nagoya and the sixth against Osaka.

The attack on Kure, one of Japan's four biggest naval bases, was the first by carrier planes since mid-March when a Japanese battleship was sunk there and 15 to 17 warships, including one or two battleships and two or three carriers, were damaged.

The Japanese estimated 2,000 planes attacked Honshu during the day. They reported that Mustangs and other lighter planes, apparently from Okinawa and Iwo Jima, attacked along with the Superforts and carrier planes.

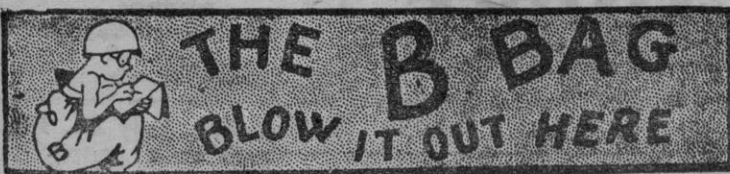
They also reported that three submarines bombarded Chichi Jima in the Bonins, between Iwo Jima and Tokyo, following up the previous day's bombardment there by U.S. surface ships.

Vet Pilot Dies in Crash 18 Days Before Release

LACONIA, N.H., July 24 (ANS).—Eighteen days before he was to be discharged from the Army, a young veteran of 50 fighter missions over Europe and his girl companion crashed to death in a hired plane yesterday in front of his parents' home.

Accompanied by Miss Alice Noaks, 20, a war worker, 2/Lt. John Burke, 23, flew low to wave to his mother. The plane struck a tree, losing a wing, crashed, exploded and burned. The couple died in the flames.

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The Frau—Line

Before the war and all during the war the Nazi propaganda machine tried very hard to break up the ties between the U.S. and Britain.

With V-E Day many of us took it for granted Germany was "alles kaput." It may be in some respects, but the propaganda machine is still at work—still trying to cause trouble between the nations that crushed them into utter defeat.

The propaganda seed, which I am thinking of is being spread by that little "Fraternizing fraulein." Her line: "The Americans and the Russians will eventually be fighting each other in Europe." Then she winds up with, "They'll have to. It is unavoidable." Some of our "Joes" believe it.

Only the other night, one of the boys in my own company told me the Americans and the Russians will be fighting soon. He knew, because the fraulein he was with told him so. His parting words were that he didn't care whether he went to the Pacific or stayed here, because he will have to fight anyway.

I used this GI's case as only one example of what I have heard time and again. If I had a mile for every time I heard that same story, I could walk home. I know that all GIs don't believe the "fraulein" but there are so many gullible enough to let it sink in—and spread it on to the next guy.

The same story, in reverse, is no doubt being spread out to our Allies, the Russians. Don't let it go any further, fellows, because it is the same Nazi propaganda, only in another form. Too many of our buddies won't be going home with us just because of the Nazi beast so before we forget, clamp down on the "fraulein's line" and remember, she was a Nazi before we came and you can bet your P38 she still is.—Sgt. J.T. McAllister, 69 Div.

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We, the undersigned, agree to help Frankie swallow all The Stars and Stripes ever published if your editorial writer will swallow the stuff Special Services dishes out in the guise of entertainment.—Sgt. M. DeGeorge, BAD 2.

There's no doubt about it—the USO means well—but unfortunately isn't doing too good a job. I've been in France and Germany since D12 and have yet to see a half-way decent show. The entertainment is strictly fifth and sixth-rate. Why? The majority of shows we've seen we wouldn't pay a damn cent to see if we were civilians.

It seems Sinatra caught on fast—it's about time the USO got wise.—Pvt. Eddie Blackman, 540 Sig. Co.

His remarks are an insult to the lesser-known performers who have skillfully entertained us in the past. We were happy laughing and applauding them and we don't need Frankie, tearing himself away from the bobby-soxers, to tell us how to enjoy ourselves.—Hut 5.

As for the rest of the Special Service, it stinks. The Special Service officer's job seems to consist mainly of setting up Officer's Clubs, and keeping their liquor ration coming on schedule. Athletic equipment is something out of a dream. We've been over here two and a half years on borrowed equipment. The troops are all starved for entertainment and that's the only thing that prevents a mass walkout at 99 percent of these so-called shows.—G.C.W., 362 M.P. Co.

Sinatra is to be congratulated. He is right, saying the poor class of entertainment is an insult to our intelligence. Furthermore, it cheapens the entire American entertainment world.

Excluded from my criticism is that handful of entertainers, including Bob Hope and a number of other known and unknown entertainers, who are doing a splendid job.—Sgt. J.E. Bosth, 15 Gen. Hosp.

Sinatra has improved his reputation here due to his efforts at letting someone know just how bad the Special Service and USO setup really is.

We, members of the front line outfits, believe that Sinatra's statements contain more fact than fiction. In nine months overseas we

have yet to see evidence of the stellar performances presented by these "traveling troops."

We were entertained twice; once by a troop of British ATS girls, and again by a group of French civilians.

Now that our organization has been assigned to duty in the Assembly Area Command, we will await with skepticism the forthcoming presentations of the USO and Special Service and trust that our opinions will be altered.—O. V. Martin (and 2 others... Ed), 289 Inf.

If Frankie Sinatra rated low in my judgment, he has certainly ascended the ladder of my regard after his recent statement about the poor quality of USO shows.

We do not intend to disparage or underrate the work and effort that the USO has undertaken. It's simply this: We have never seen a good USO show, and we agree with Sinatra.—Good Show Lovers, 728 Ord Co.

Usually the editorials in Stars and Stripes are a reflection of my own opinion (I'm not brown nosing!). I was therefore surprised to find you so far off the beam in your editorial lambasting "The Voice" for his truthful statement on the kind of entertainment we've been getting.

I know we can't all be Hopes and Crosbys (Yep, I'm a Crosby fan.), and it is not the lack of talent, but the act itself I'm talking about.

Don't misunderstand me. I certainly appreciate the efforts of the many entertainers who have taken risks and lived in discomfort for our morale's sake.

But the "thrush" who sings to an individual GI leaves me cold. With roguish glances and arms open in invitation she throws her sex right in his lap. Her voice is suggestive with meaning the lyrics do not convey. And to top it off—she's hammy as all hell! Most of them seem to think we eat that stuff, because of a vociferous few in the audience.

A few days before, Ella Logan (bless her) gave us a show, too. She sang some of the same songs, but what a difference! She brought back home to us. Her voice was suggestive of our wives and sweethearts, instead of a "hello bebey" mademoiselle.

See what I mean?—Pvt. Jack Boxer, 470 M.P.E.G. Co.

It's about time the USO (with a few exceptions) got out of Paris, Rome, and London and earned the respect of the men they supposedly have been entertaining. Frankie, if you aren't telling the truth, by golly I'll help you eat them damned papers.—A Crosby Fan, 517 Prcht. Inf.

I've been with a Special Service USO battalion ever since it was only a company. I've traveled France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany with USO shows... inefficiency almost everywhere. The men who know the show business aren't in there.

Why do Special Service officers "goof off" so much when it comes to taking care of USO shows? Special Service officers have been known to have been informed two to four weeks ahead of a show and comes the day and they are unprepared for a show. It starts back in

Very Uncanny



This fancy number looks like a line doll from the Follies but she's an American and she's dancing in Kunming, China. When GIs in that city produced the show "Oklahoma," June Sabel, a Red Cross worker, was cast as a can-can dancer—for obvious reasons. She's from San Francisco.

the offices in the States to the Special Services over here. Everything needs house-cleaning in order to have better entertainment!—A USO Commando.

No, Frankie Boy, you'd better stick to "sending" 15-year-old girls and leave the men alone. We will enjoy real performers like Bing Crosby and Bob Hope. They at least entertain us.—Lt. D. H. Smith, 67 M.P. Co.

Thanks a million to the Bob Hope USO unit for a swell show given off the beaten path.—H.W., 90 T.C. Sq.

Frankie

We Special Service members agree with Frankie... new low, when we have to resort to such talent as he has to offer. We appreciate the great sacrifice he made coming over (months after V-E Day) to tour Rome. We in the U.K. kept our fingers crossed in fear he would pay us a visit. We're taking back 200 copies of The Stars and Stripes for Frankie's dinner.—Cpls. P. G., R. M., 140 Gen. Hosp.

After witnessing our first and probably last USO show here at Camp Marlboro (Stalag 14) we all agree with Sinatra 100 percent when he says they don't know what time it is. The show last night leads us to believe they lost a few entertainers as well as their equipment and costumes, which is the excuse they gave for not being fully prepared. The show consisted of: Act. I—Four ballet dancers. Act. II—Two French accordion players. Act. III—A piano concert. Act. IV—(the last) A girl singing semi-classical songs.

For a few it might be called entertainment, but for the average GI give him something lighter. Hooray for Sinatra!—(28 signatures.—Ed.), Postal Det. D.

Out Our Way

By Williams



THE BULL OF THE WOODS

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The American Scene:

Fraternizing GIs Hit Nation's Front Pages

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, July 24.—Every American newspaper from Maine to California carried pictures today of you and you and you—if, first, you are in Germany and, second, if you spent a few hours with a fraulein. The dailies carry such captions as this: "Relaxation of Non-fraternization Wins Approval of GIs in Germany." Pfc Stephen Farkas, of Amboy, N.J., and Cpl. Seymour Friedman, of Chicago, were pictured "Enjoying a Visit With a Rhine Maiden."

This has been a rough time for Congressmen. And it couldn't be the sweltering weather that brought on all the fisticuffs, insults, columnists' hints and freaks which have pestered the House for so long. Here's what has been happening: the House office building caught fire last week, butter disappeared from the Congressional dining room, Rep. Clare Boothe Luce (R-Conn.) demanded medals for Army mules, the House passed unanimously a bill for the relief of an Indian named Mrs. Winnia Lefterbehind. It adopted another relief measure for a citizen knocked down by a bottle of ketchup tossed playfully by a pfc, and finally busy Congressmen discussed reports that Arabs were using lend-lease diapers for turbans.

DOWN in St Charles, Va. where sea monsters and bars are not allowed, 500 loyal citizens whiled away a sultry afternoon taunting a pair of snakes named Helen and Lem. The Holiness Faith Healers, who caught the mountain rattlers, had much fun with the reptiles. Despite teasing them and watching their forked tongues dart out, the Faithful escaped harm. Not so Helen, the snake. When a member of the cult forced Helen into biting him, Helen dropped dead.

SEVERAL hundred babies had a crying session at Beverly Hills, Calif. Nobody was upset about it and instead of getting spanked, the kids were urged by their mothers to put more "umph" into the squalling. The situation developed when a promoter offered a \$25 War Bond as first prize in a crying contest. Just about every father who'd ever done any night floor-walking entered his offspring in the hope of getting some pay-off. Winner was Darlene Judith Appleman, 16 months old. She didn't even stop when the judges handed over the bond.



Babies Cry for War Bonds Mark Hanzlik (left) and Darlene Appleman

FIVE grimy Liberty ships, pressed into service as Army transports, arrived in New York yesterday with 1,390 ETO officers and men, and a barrel-chested major—Paul Sabo, of Farrell, Penn. Major Sabo joined the Army as a private in 1939, and at 25 became a fighter squadron leader in the Ninth AF.

The major was very bitter. It all started when he was shot down in a bombing raid on German gas dumps in Nantes last December. Although his ship was hit and he was injured, the major shot down two Nazi planes before he crashed, and was awarded the DFC. Then he was sent back to the States on a War Bond tour, and gained 37 pounds on the junket.

"It seemed to me," he said, "that the people didn't give a damn and didn't think there was a war on. All they talked about was the food shortage and the cigaret shortage. If I gained all that weight, there can't be much of a food shortage, can there? The only reason I am home now is because the war is over in Europe. I hope I can get to the Pacific and see what's up there."

Not so bitter was M/Sgt. George Guill, a field artilleryman from Columbia, S.C. Guill, before his Army career, was a pari-mutuel clerk at various racetracks. During the 14-day trip from Antwerp, Guill tried his hand at dice. The \$2,100 he won is earmarked for his daughter's education, he said. She is one year old.



Paris Area

MOVIES TODAY MARGINAL—"The Corn is Green," Bette Davis, John Dall. Metro Marbeuf. ENSA-PARIS—"The Woman in the Window," with Edward G. Robinson and Joan Bennett. Metro Marbeuf. OLYMPIA—Same as Marginal. Midnite show only 11.30. Metro Madeleine. VERSAILLES CYRANO, 13 Rue Réserveiro—"My Reputation," George Brent, Barbara Stanwyck.

Soissons

CASINO—"The Suspect," Charles Laughton, 1430. Boxing Show, 2000 hours. CASINO ARC CLUB—Opens 0930 daily. TRIPLE "S" CLUB—Ice cream, cokes, Opens 1430 hours.

Chateau-Thierry

CINEMA—"Flame of the Barbary Coast," John Wayne, Ann Dvorak.

Rheims Area

MOVIES PARAMOUNT, Rue Thillois—1400: 1830 and 2030 hours. "Conflict," with Humphrey Bogart and Alexis Smith. MODERNE, Rue Barbatre—1830 and 2015 hours. "GI Joe," (The Life of Ernie Pyle), with Burgess Meredith.

MISCELLANEOUS

PARC POMMERY—"Circus International." Performances every night, 2000 hours. CHATEAU CLUB, Blvd Henry Vasnier—Snack Bar, beer, and cokes. Dancing on the terrace to good music by GI Band. Opens 1300 hours.

Nancy

EMPIRE—"The Unseen," Joel McCrea, Gail Russell. CAMEO—"Tarzan and the Amazons," Johnny Weissmuller.

Metz

SCALA—"Hangover Square," George Sanders, Laird Cregar. DIJON DARC—"My Reputation," Barbara Stanwyck, George Brent. TOUL PATHE—"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," Dorothy McGuire, James Dunn.

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Midwest Swelters; East Repairs Flood Damage

NEW YORK, July 24 (ANS).—The Midwest sweltered in plus 90 degree heat today as the East repaired flash flood damage that exceeded \$4,000,000 in eastern New York, western Massachusetts and New Jersey.

Iowa temperatures, considered a boon to the corn crop, reached 101 in Des Moines. Chicago's first prolonged heat spell continued with no relief in sight, the temperature yesterday was 94 and 95 was forecast today.

Nebraska's wheat and corn grew taller as temperatures near 100 and high humidity held.

Pierre, S.D., had 99, Kansas City 102 and Green River, Utah, 104.

Highest for Year

Florida residents sweltered with temperatures at 84 degrees and humidity as high as 100. The mercury soared to 100 in Birmingham and 98 in Memphis, highest for the year in either place.

Tupelo, Miss., reported temperatures up to 100 and Arkansas thermometers hovered between 98 and 100.

In the northeast, roads were inundated, bridges washed out, communications disrupted, livestock destroyed and work halted as the Passaic River in New Jersey, the Hancock River in Massachusetts, the Rampapo River and Kinderhook Creek in New York rose after a Sunday storm that killed two at Hancock.

Between 30 and 40 New Jersey communities were affected by the flood which halted work at many plants and kept scores from getting to their jobs at others. Flash floods also forced hundreds of war plants to close in the Saddle River Valley.

Truck Crops Damaged

Conditions were worst in areas bordering the Passaic River which runs through Paterson, N.J., and Goffle Brook which empties into the Passaic at Hawthorne and along Molly's Brook which runs through Haledon and empties into the Passaic at Paterson.

At Springwater, N.Y., where two cloudbursts struck, creek waters rose to the first floor level of some homes and swept tons of gravel over highways. A storm at Bushnell's Basin near Rochester damaged acres of truck crops and tied up traffic on Route 96.

The Rampapo River in Rockland County, New York, broke one dam, cracked another, piled four feet of water on Route 59 near West Nyack and flooded the Good Samaritan Hospital at Suffern.

Flood conditions also were reported in Virginia and Pennsylvania.

'DD' Is Required For Job With Firm

QUINCY, Mass., July 24 (ANS).—Two disabled veterans of World War II have started an industry here that requires a disability discharge as the first requisite for a job.

Maj. Douglas Yule, seriously injured at Camp McCoy, Wis., and Lt. Burl Harrison, holder of the Silver Star, who lost a leg in Tunisia, founded Yule Industries, Inc., to repair and rebuild auto engines.

They conceived the idea of a 100-percent veterans organization while in an Army hospital after watching patients contemplate their future minus arms or legs or with other serious handicaps.

Yule said it didn't matter if a man were disabled. "If he can't stand, we find him a bench job. If he needs outside work, we'll find that for him. We decided to adjust our business to train them."

The present staff of the company is made up of 35 veterans and Yule hopes to have 200 "former cripples" soon.

Five Yank Ex-PWs To Guard PWs in U.S.

FT. SHERIDAN, Ill., July 24 (ANS).—Five former prisoners of the Germans were assigned today to guard German prisoners of war.

They were Pvt. Frank Brooks, Savanna, Ill., a prisoner for seven months; T/4 Francis T. Conely, Brighton, Mich., a prisoner for four months; Pvt. Otto Maag, Chicago, three months; Pvt. Donald Meads, Earlville, Ill., four months, and S/Sgt. Richard Leinaar, Hastings, Mich., seven months.

Lt. Col. Ernest R. Schuelke, commander of Ft. Sheridan's Base PW camp, said the men would be given assignment at one of 36 branch camps now operating in Illinois, Wisconsin and upper Michigan.

N.Y.-Miami in 4 Hours
MIAMI, July 24 (ANS).—Airliners to reduce the post-war travel time between New York and Miami to four hours non-stop are on order, Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, president of Eastern Airlines, said yesterday.

Vinson Sworn; More Cabinet Changes Seen

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP).—Fred M. Vinson was sworn in yesterday as Secretary of the Treasury amid increasing speculation that two other new men soon might join President Truman's cabinet.

The retirement of Henry L. Stimson, 78, as Secretary of War after his return from the Potsdam conference, and the replacement of Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes are expected in official circles.

Ickes is reported planning to see Mr. Truman as soon as the President returns from Potsdam to ask for a clarification of the Secretary's status in view of widespread rumors that he will be replaced.

Few expect Truman to give Ickes any assurance that he is in the cabinet permanently. Sources close to the President say that he will accept Ickes' resignation because he "wants a cabinet of his own choosing."

Among the names mentioned for Secretary of War are those of Under-Secretary Robert P. Patterson and Assistant Secretary John McCloy. Both are lawyers, both Republicans, and, like Stimson, both were officers in World War I. Sen. Joseph O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), and Democratic governors Robert Kerr of Oklahoma and Herbert D. Maw of Utah are considered leading prospects for Secretary of the Interior.

374,000 Vets Get U.S. Jobs

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—More than 26,000 veterans have been placed in Federal jobs since the war in Europe ended, the Civil Service Commission said today.

They bring the total of ex-servicemen going to work for the Federal government since January, 1943, to more than 374,000, or an average of more than 12,000 a month for a two-and-a-half-year period. The present monthly average is about 16,000.

The commission said more than 8,000 disabled veterans have received Federal jobs since July 1, 1943.

Judge Balks at Halter On Girl in N.Y.; Fine \$2

NEW YORK, July 24 (ANS).—Central Park is no place to bare a midriff, Magistrate Abraham Block ruled yesterday.

He fined attractive Elise White, 25, of Sebring, Fla., \$2 for appearing in the park in a halter and shorts despite her protest that what she was wearing was "ordinary attire" in Florida.

"I am from Florida and I know they don't allow that type of attire there," the judge told her.

Will Aids University

CINCINNATI, July 24 (ANS).—Dr. Elmer Lee, 91, retired New York City physician, who died here June 13, left \$240,000 to Ohio Wesleyan University, his alma mater, his will disclosed today.

'Unknown Heroine' Shrine Proposed

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—A shrine to the "unknown heroine of World War II" was proposed today.

Rep. Thad Wasclewski (D-Wis.) introduced legislation authorizing such a memorial in Arlington National Cemetery.

Describing it as a proper recognition of the "services and sacrifices at home and abroad," of America's women, Wasclewski added "bravery is not confined to the men in the armed services alone. Many women in their own right have performed distinguished service to our country."

Guaranteed Not to Make 'Em Swoon



New York's champion barbershop quartet, representing the St. Mary's Horse Show Club of The Bronx, gives out with a few bars of close harmony. The finals, rained out of the Central Park Mall four times, finally were held at Hunter College. Winning tonsorial troubadours (left to right): Frank Mauer, Leo Lecomte, Fred Moynihan and Frank Miller.

Percy, the Potomac Monster, Just Adores Tchaikowsky

By Jules Grad

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The nation-wide excitement over sea monsters seemed pretty silly today to the government's only sea monster expert.

"A 30-foot sea monster named Percival has been loose in the Potomac for the last two years, and nobody has been excited about him," said Fred Orsinger, director of the Federal aquarium. "Nobody has even gone out to see him except me. I go out every once in a while to scratch his back, because he hasn't hands like that Boston sea monster; Percival can't scratch himself."

Before we consider the monster of the Potomac further, let us report that the distinguished director of Federal fish was cold sober. He was talking about a sea monster practically at the front door of the White House, and as soon as the war ends in the Pacific, Orsinger has plans for putting Percival on public view. "Then maybe all this hullabaloo about sea monsters off Boston will die down," he explained. Meanwhile, Mrs. Orsinger is pretty sore about the whole thing.

Too Friendly to Suit Mrs.

"Ever since that sea monster showed up in the river," she said, "Fred has been going down there and making friends with it. I have no doubt that it takes some effort to get friendly with a sea monster, but I feel that my husband should spend more time at home making friends with me."

Now, then, if you have any more doubts about the Orsinger saga, we can only repeat the fact that he is the only man ever to do dental work for a pickerel. Still in doubt? O.K. Orsinger once gained considerable fame by discovering a fur-bearing catfish in a river near Salida, Calif. Orsinger, it should be plain by now, is not a man to be taken lightly.

Likes Symphony Music

Orsinger said that the Potomac monster came up out of the river about two years ago, and, having risen from the depths, his bladder was expanded and he had trouble in sinking again, or at least sinking very deep. The result has been that Percival has taken to sticking around the capital, where he has developed a lively interest in music as played by the symphony at the Watergate.

"He seems to like Tchaikowsky best," Orsinger mused. "Of course, he stays submerged. He is a very kindly sea monster, really, and he wouldn't want to frighten the musicians. He has phosphorescent knobs on either side of him, but he never turns them on except when I drop by to scratch his back." So much for Percival, until we get to meet him personally. Orsinger says he is arranging to introduce the monster to the press.

Girl, 5, Dad Leap To Death in Bay

SAN FRANCISCO, July 24 (UP).—Five-year-old Marilyn Demont and her father committed suicide today by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge into San Francisco Bay.

The child stepped out of her father's car and walked over the bridge railing.

Two workmen, Jack Ricketts and Al Malone, watched her. They saw her climb the railing and jump to the water 200 feet below.

The father walked to a point 30 feet farther along the railing. He climbed to the top, then dived headlong.

Army Blamed By ODT Head On Rail Snafu

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—Col. J. Monroe Johnson, defense transportation director, today declared the Army has not kept him informed on its redeployment needs and even now is bringing back troops from Europe "in violently fluctuating numbers" without letting his agency know how many trains it will need and when.

Before the Senate War Investigating Committee, Johnson also charged the Army with building up such a heavy load that western railroads will be unable to move both troops and their heavy war freight traffic.

After the committee session, the War Department issued a statement that it had not been asked to provide witnesses but that it would "welcome the opportunity to present publicly all the facts in connection with rail transportation difficulties and problems of the vast troop movement schedules now in progress."

Promises Answers

"At such a time," it added, "any criticisms of the War Department will be answered."

Johnson said 60 troop trains were moving every day now and the number would reach 100 and might go higher.

"Every troop train diminishes the capacity of railroads to handle freight by perhaps two trains," he continued. "Therefore, assuming we are called on to continue present freight movement plus 40 additional military trains, something must give way."

He said the Army did not consult him in drawing up the 10-month redeployment plan and on top of that did not stick to its plan.

One day when he was in the Pentagon Building talking to a railroad representative, Johnson said he happened to mention that 154,000 men were heading home in June. He said the other man exclaimed, "154,000? There are going to be over 200,000!"

Got No Notice

And that, Johnson said, "was on the 26th day of June."

Just a week ago, Johnson said, the Army landed 60,000 in three days and gave him no notice. "Well, how could you get transportation for them?" asked Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.).

"You can't," Johnson exploded. He also told the committee of his manpower troubles. He said he asked in January for furloughs for 10,000 former railroad men but could get a promise of only 4,000. Of these, he related, only 2,500 have arrived and 1,000 of them have had absolutely no railroad experience whatsoever.

Pyramiding Hit On War Goods

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—A system of "cross-stream" selling which pyramided prices of surplus goods after the last war has reappeared, OPA warned today in announcing regulations to check the practice.

Under such sales, one manufacturer, or wholesaler sells to another with markups each time the property is sold. This leads to excessive prices.

OPA's new regulations, effective Aug. 22, permit resellers of government surplus who have customarily sold "cross-stream" to continue but only at markups permitted by OPA, and they must file statements with regional OPA offices.

They may split markups with subsequent buyers under certain conditions only. OPA's new order also is intended to prevent resellers from using ceiling prices of "similar items," which often caused excessive resale prices for war goods bought at low prices.

U.S. Taxpayer's Load To Double After V-J

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—The American taxpayer will have to foot a yearly bill after the war of more than twice the size of prewar Federal budgets, Chairman Clarence Cannon (D-Mo.), of the House Appropriations Committee predicted today.

Cannon said it is "reasonable to expect" reduced appropriations for armed forces and war agencies in Washington now that the war has narrowed down to one side of the world, but he saw no early hope for an easier tax load.

20 Million Air Base Job

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—Award of a \$20,000,000 contract for expansion at Fairfield-Suisan Army Air Field, near Fairfield, Calif., was announced today by the War Department.

Merchant Fleet Of 860 Asked

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).

—A minimum U.S. flag postwar merchant fleet of 860 ships totaling 6,155,000 gross tons was recommended yesterday in a report prepared by experts of the Harvard School of Business Administration.

The report, made public jointly by the Navy and Maritime Commission, set as a recommended maximum 1,325 ships of 9,185,000 gross tons. The recommendations do not necessarily reflect ultimate government policy.

Legislation dealing with postwar disposition of surplus U.S. merchant vessels is now in congress.

The report recommended quick sale of surplus ships on a one price basis, maintenance of a reserve of ships and avoidance of commercial shipping service by the government.

The report considered only vessels of 2,000 gross tons or over. It estimated that by the end of this year, the U.S. will possess 5,500 of these ships.

F.D.R. Memorial Medal To Be Sold to Public

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—The mint is preparing a Roosevelt Memorial Medal which will be sold to the public for \$1 within a few weeks.

The medal will have a likeness of the late President on one side and a representation of a mourning figure on the other.

An inauguration medal of President Truman also will be issued soon.

Status: Un-Altered



Actress Carole Landis tucks her divorce papers into her purse in the Las Vegas, Nev., court where she was granted a decree from Maj. Thomas A. Wallace, AAF pilot whom she married in London in 1943.

Senators Back Research Over Peace Draft

WASHINGTON, July 24 (UP).—Contentions that a front-rank research program was of more military value than peacetime conscription were made yesterday by two Senators who introduced a bill to establish a national science foundation to foster research.

"Research is the key to military success," Sen. Harley Kilgore (D-W.Va.) said.

"Another war will be won in the laboratory, not on the drill field," said Sen. Edwin Johnson (D-Col.).

Both are members of the Military Committee and joined Sen. Claude C. Pepper (D-Fla.) in offering legislation to increase financial support for research in war weapons, medicine and basic sciences.

Kilgore cited the speed with which Germany overran France in answering questions as to whether he believed the U.S. would need compulsory military training in peace time if it had an adequate postwar research program.

He also pointed to China as proof that "manpower is not enough."

Germans See How Berlin Fell

BERLIN, July 24 (INS).—German civilians jammed one of the few remaining motion picture houses here to see a Russian film on the fall of Berlin.

The film—"Berlin"—showed the death throes of the city, and the spectators heard themselves accused of war-guilt by the Soviet commentator, who spoke in German. Huge quantities of American equipment were visible in scenes that depicted the Russian assault across the Oder River and the all-out attack on the capital.

The German audience laughed derisively at scenes showing Hermann Goering strutting around the planes of the defunct Luftwaffe. Mostly silence greeted pictures of Hitler and Mussolini. The film presented a clear view of Josef Goebbels' charred body as it was found in the Reich chancellery's bunker.

You're Out, Franco Is Told by Pravda

MOSCOW, July 24 (UP).—Commenting on Generalissimo Francisco Franco's announcement of his intention to restore monarchy to Spain, Pravda's international reviewer today wrote that if the Spanish dictator thus hoped "to preserve his regime, established with the aid of Hitler and Mussolini, he has miscalculated."

"After the destruction of Nazi Germany," the writer continued, "Franco devised various maneuvers in an effort to whiten his past." Pointing to the internal tension in Spain, where "the Spanish people hate his gangster regime," the reviewer added that "Franco feared there would be no place for him in the new Europe and that he would be isolated."

U.S. Ends Censorship On Exported Films

WASHINGTON, July 24 (UP).—Future American films will be sent to European countries without supervision or censorship by the government, the Office of War Information and the Department of Commerce announced today.

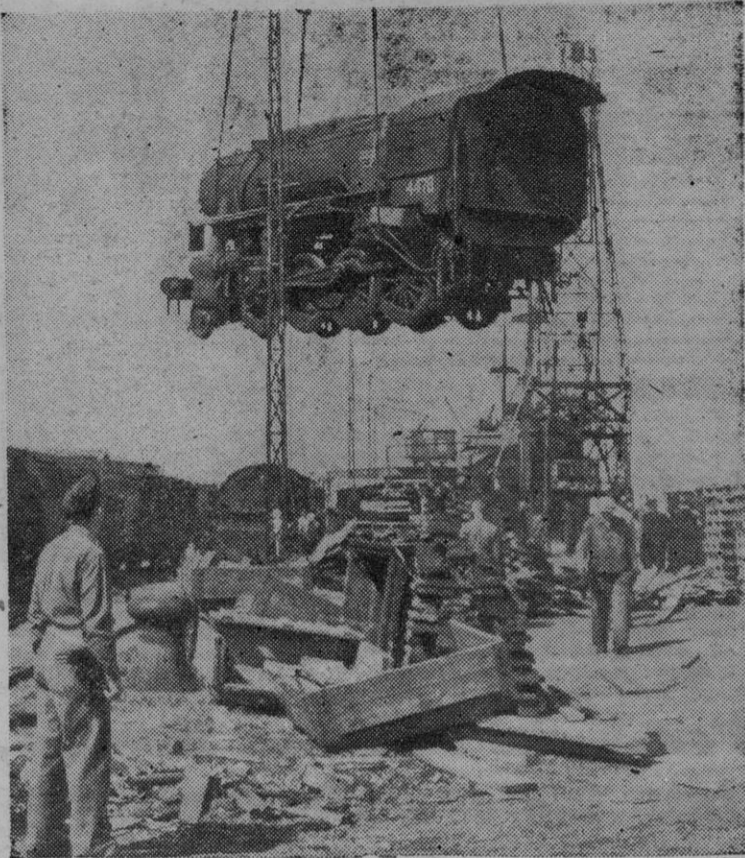
An OWI spokesman said the agency had been controlling only those pictures shown in the Netherlands, Bulgaria and Hungary. The control of films in Luxembourg, France, Denmark, Greece and Italy had been relaxed gradually.

53rd AFN Station Goes on Air Today

LE HAVRE, July 24.—"AFN-Normandy," the 53rd American Forces Network station to be opened in the European Theater and the United Kingdom, will go on the air at 8 AM tomorrow.

The new station is at 1204 kilocycles on the 249-meter long-wave band and will serve the Le Havre area 20 hours daily.

U.S.-Made Locomotive Reaches Germany



Giant cranes hoist this American-made locomotive from the Liberty ship, Filipi de Bastrop, to tracks at the dockside in Bremerhaven. The engine will help to solve transportation problems for U.S. forces.

Seven Cordons of Gendarmes — And Seven Prisoners Escape

French police were on the lookout yesterday for seven prisoners who escaped from the Palace of Justice, in Paris, under the noses—if not the eyes—of 600 gendarmes.

Jailed on charges that they had been members of the Legion of French Volunteers, organized by Vichy to fight against Russia, they apparently had no desire to remain in the same building with Henri-Philippe Pétain.

The only clues they left were soot, rubbed off a 60-foot chimney as they made their way through it to freedom, and the remains of a snack, with which they had fortified themselves for their ascent.

The men escaped early Monday by climbing through the chimney of the building's central heating system to the roof. From there, police said, they made their way to the palace's top floor, where they mingled with a crowd gathering for the opening session of the Pétain trial.

Having no desire to attend trials of any kind, they then left the palace and pierced seven cordons of police guarding the Pétain proceedings.

French Aid Lauded By Ordnance Chief

Control of the gigantic flow of ordnance to five U.S. armies in the field centered in Paris during the European war, Maj. Gen. Henry B. Saylor, USFET Ordnance Chief, said yesterday.

French civilians and German prisoners of war shipped 138,000 long tons of ordnance supplies to the fighting troops following the liberation of Paris, he said.

"This could not have been done without the aid of the thousands of French civilians who worked in our headquarters and in the various installations throughout France," Saylor said. "Now I want the French people to know how deeply we appreciated their aid."

British Honor Greek Leader

LONDON, July 24 (Reuters).—The Distinguished Service Order, one of Britain's highest military honors, has been awarded to John Peltakis, Greek Army officer and underground leader.

Li'l Abner



Skipper Leaves Ship, Swims 25 Ft. to Curb

BREMERHAVEN, Germany, July 24.—After commanding the Liberty ship Fannin throughout the war without mishap, Capt. Bessel Scott finally had to abandon ship on Bremerhaven's main stem.

It happened while he was riding in a command car with two Red Cross clubmobile hostesses, Bonnie O'Brien, of Hymore, S.D., and Helen Lockwood, of Cleveland, Ohio. A cyclist cut in front of the car. The driver swerved and the car scaled a rubble pile, then plunged into a bomb crater filled with water.

The captain, the two girls, and the driver swam 25 feet to safety.

Greek Official Resigns, Asks All-Party Rule

ATHENS, July 24 (Reuters).—John Sofianopoulos, Greek Foreign Minister, resigned today from the government of Adm. Petros Vulgaris a few hours after he returned from the San Francisco Conference.

He said that his reason was that he wanted an all party government, which would be in accordance with general opinion he found in the Allied countries he had visited.

British Foreign Office Refuses Comment

LONDON, July 24 (AP).—A British Foreign Office commentator refused to comment on the resignation of Greek Foreign Minister John Sofianopoulos and said that the British government was still waiting for reports on alleged border incidents.

He expressed the belief that the present Greek government was "pretty successfully doing its best" to "maintain law and order in Greece."

Last week, the Central Committee of the National Liberation Front (ELAS) declared that Greece was ruled by Fascist remnants, and charged that 60,000 members of the ELAS Liberation Army had been "victimized, imprisoned, tortured, humiliated and murdered."

(Sofianopoulos, foreign minister under Plastiras and who survived the fall of that government in April, said last February that for the time being no Communists or ELAS members would be included in the government.)

Egyptian Youth Guilty Of Slaying Premier

CAIRO, July 24 (AP).—A military court today convicted Mahmud Issawy, 24-year-old Egyptian, of the assassination of Prime Minister Ahmed Maher Pasha in January. The death sentence is expected to be pronounced Saturday. Issawy showed no emotion at his conviction.

Swedish Bricks Eliminated A Nazi Pane in the Glass

By Earl Mazo
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

STOCKHOLM, July 18 (Delayed).—Some experts figure the glass expanded on the German propaganda display window in Stockholm would be almost enough to replace almost every bomb-shattered window in London.

The German display stood behind a 15-foot square plateglass window on the main street. The glass was smashed every other night by brick-hurling Swedes. And in the morning, a truck would roll up with another pane.

1st War Trial Before British Court Started

ROME, July 24 (AP).—The first trial of a war criminal before a British tribunal in Europe was under way here today as Italian Maj. Gen. Nicola Bellomo, former commander of the Bari area, faced charges of murdering one British officer and of attempting to murder another.

The alleged crimes took place Nov. 1, 1944, at Torre Tresca, near Bari. The general is accused of instigating and participating in the slaying of Capt. G. Payne, of the Hussars, a war prisoner, and attempting to kill Lt. R. Cooke, of the Queen's Sixth Guard Regt.

Butcher of Lidice Admits Dooming 2,000 Czechs

MONDORF-LES-BAINS, Luxembourg, July 24 (AP).—"The Butcher of Lidice," Karl Hermann Franck, has admitted sending 2,000 Czechs to death, according to Col. Bohuslav Ecker, chief of the Czechoslovak legal service and member of the United Nations War Crimes Commission. He said Franck would be turned over to the Czechoslovak government for crimes committed on Czech soil and would be tried later by the War Crimes Commission for other crimes.

U.S. Staff in Paris Collects War Crimes Evidence

Associate Justice Robert H. Jackson of the Supreme Court, U.S. Chief of Counsel for the prosecution of European war criminals, said yesterday that for the last two months a small staff, with offices at 7 Rue de Presbourg, Paris, has been collecting evidence throughout the Continent for use in the trials, which will be held in Nuremberg.

The staff is headed by three U.S. Army colonels—Col. Robert J. Gill, of Baltimore, as executive officer; Col. Robert G. Storey, of Dallas, in charge of collecting documentary evidence, and Col. John Harlan Amen, New York City, in charge of interrogations. Amen is a former Assistant Federal Attorney in New York, who first prosecuted the late Louis (Lepke) Buchalter, racketeer.

Confirm SS-Men At Large in Hills

WITH THE THIRD ARMY, Germany, July 24 (UP).—Existence of SS troopers still holding out in the Bavarian Alps was confirmed today by Third Army intelligence authorities.

They are scattered individuals and not units, it was pointed out in response to questions about the persistent reports of continued resistance from the hills. There is no resistance to mention, the officials said, and violence and sabotage are negative.

Some of the troopers have been captured, armed with pistols or grenades. Only a few surrender voluntarily and it is unknown to what extent the SS remnants are using German doctors to remove their telltale SS tattoo marks.

That went on for months. Then the Germans decided for economy's sake to replace the solid pane by nine smaller glass windows separated by moulting.

The display behind the first such window showed pictures of how well the Germans treated their "friends," the Poles and Belgians. Swedish police were placed on guard, but the bricks kept coming, and the Germans had to replace nine smaller panes.

The windows were smashed for the last time on the night of May 8.

By Courtesy of United-Features

By Al Capp



2,000 Seized In Berlin Black Market Raids

By Ernest Leiser
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, July 24.—More than 2,000 German civilians have been arrested by Berlin police in the last two days for black market activities, the U.S. provost marshal revealed here today.

In the largest operation yesterday, 500 police surrounded the Reichstag area—the center of black market activity—and nabbed a throng of German civilians dicker with Allied soldiers and each other.

It has not been decided yet whether military or civilian courts will try the black marketeers, American military government officials said.

Few Soldiers Picked Up

The number of soldiers picked up in the first few days of the drive against the black-market has been negligible. The British provost marshal reported only about a dozen arrests, and U.S. military police a comparably small number. No figures on arrests of Russian soldiers are available.

Col. N. C. Atwood, acting as U.S. provost marshal for the Berlin district, said meetings with British and Russian military police heads were continuing and warned soldiers that the drive ordered by the Kommandantur against black market dealings would continue with "increasing intensity."

All available enforcement agencies now are working on the black market, officials said. In the American zone alone 250 additional MPs are being brought in, and when the Big Three conference ends the police staff now assigned to Potsdam will be available to fight the black market.

Agreements Reached

Agreements have been reached which permit MPs of all three nations to go into each others' sectors to arrest their own soldiers as well as any civilians they see engaged in black market dealings. Civilians, however, are to be turned over to military government officials of the zones in which they are caught.

Officials said that there was no indication of an organized black market on the part of soldiers and that violations were spontaneous and individual. However, they warned that they were out to prevent any such organizations from forming and said soldiers selling government property or property furnished for their use would be the number one target of MPs.

There was some indication of an organized black market among the Germans. This, it was stated, would be mainly the responsibility of civilian police to check. All civilian police in the city operate under direct orders of various military government headquarters.

British Bank Deposits Highest in History

LONDON, July 24 (UP).—Britain's state finances may be in the worst condition in history, but the position of her individual citizens is the best ever, with savings of more than \$400 for every man, woman and child.

Thanks to the shortage of goods, bank deposits now total \$4,751,468,000, or £15 per person more than a year ago and £55 per person more than before the war.

New U.S. Films for Europe

WASHINGTON, July 24 (UP).—France, Italy, Belgium and other liberated areas soon will see new American-made films, an official of the Commerce Department's Motion Picture Division said today. He said the U.S. movie industry shortly would take over the distribution of its products from the Office of War Information, which has been choosing films for liberated areas.

The President Sweats Out a Chow Line on Shipboard



Aboard the USS Augusta en route to the Big Three conference, President Harry S. Truman carries his own tray to eat with the crew.

Big 3 Parley Will Resume

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daily session of the Big Three. There will be no schedule for Mr. Truman and Stalin Thursday, but staffs will continue the work of the conference.

There was no immediate indication as to whether Premier Stalin and President Truman would stay in the conference area for further talks during the recess.

It is known that the President desires a trip to England. Reports have also been current that he would like to visit Italy, but the recess is too short for much of a trip to either place and it is unlikely that the President would choose the day of election returns to make a trip to England.

Part of U.S. Big 3 Party Reported to Have Quit Reich

NEW YORK, July 24 (ANS).—Roy Porter, of the National Broadcasting Co., said in a broadcast from Berlin last night that a part of the American delegation to the Big Three conference already has left Germany and that other members are preparing to leave for "a new and surprising destination."

He explained that security reasons prohibited his saying definitely "who they are and what they will do."

Where another group is preparing to go "will be as much of a surprise to you as it was to me," Porter said in his broadcast.

U.S.-Soviet Agreement On War in Pacific Seen

POTSDAM, July 24 (AP).—The belief that President Truman had reached substantial agreement with the Soviet government on impending developments in the war against Japan prevailed here after the seventh day of the Big Three conference.

It is believed that the President had "two strings to his bow" on the way to bringing Asia out of the chaos of war. First, he appeared to believe that Japan's saner militarists might join hands at least in seeking peace, and thus avoid occupation of the Japanese home islands.

Second, it is thought that, if Japan's leaders persist in their suicidal course, Allied forces, including those of the Soviet Union, would be employed in such a co-ordinated manner that the greatest blows could be struck at the most vulnerable points of the enemy's defenses.

Yale Dinner Planned

A dinner for Yale men soon in the Paris area is being arranged by W. P. Powning, G. P. A., APO 887.



Sgt. Harry A. Truman, nephew of the President, was ready to board the Queen Mary to head for the U.S. when his uncle arrived in Berlin. The sergeant was flown from the POE to Potsdam at the President's request.

Cupid Club Found In Michigan Prison

LANSING, Mich., July 24 (UP).—Convicts in the state prison at Jackson, largest in the world, turned it into a "cupid's club for the loveless" where drugs, drink, gambling and women flourished, Attorney General Dehmers reported today after a four-month investigation.

His report made the following revelations: Liquor was manufactured inside the prison by convicts who paid for the privilege and sold their product.

A gambling syndicate accepted bets on ball games, fights and races, and ran gambling games with stakes as high as \$500.

Soft jobs were bought and sold by a convict-run labor exchange. Prisoners operated a pawnshop and loan business at usurious rates. Robberies of inmates were common, and one group of prisoners bought the entire control of prison manufacturing operations with a turnover exceeding \$100,000.

Danes to Change Money, Hitting at Collaborators

COPENHAGEN, July 24 (AP).—Danes will exchange old money for new this week in the first direct action to be taken against collaborators who profited by the German occupation.

In the meantime, the prospect of new banknotes, which were printed secretly 18 months before V-E Day in anticipation of an Allied victory, has driven the black market underground as operators are withholding their wares pending the exchange.

French Assail 'Secret' Pact

The Russian Ambassador to France, Alexander Bogomolov, has been summoned to Potsdam, it was learned yesterday, following denunciation in the French press of the reported Big Three "secret" reparations pact, which would relegate France to the role of a lesser nation.

The hurried departure Monday of the Soviet envoy was believed directly to criticism of the "agreement," Reuter's correspondent in Paris said. It was also believed American Ambassador Jefferson Caffery had gone to Potsdam.

Under the reported agreement, Russia would receive 50 percent of \$20,000,000,000 reparations to be paid by Germany, while Great Britain and the United States would receive 20 percent each, with the remaining 10 percent to be divided among the other United Nations.

Although official opinion was guarded, awaiting confirmation of the agreement, the Reuter dispatch said, the Paris newspaper "L'Ordre" was quoted as saying "this gives the Big Three a political trump card and reduces us to the level of beggars. No country, least of all France, could accept such a compromise."

Denmark Preparing Reparations Claims

MOSCOW, July 24 (AP).—Denmark is preparing reparations claims to be presented to the Allies against Germany, it was learned in Danish circles here.

Sale of War Goods Ordered Speeded

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP).—President Truman in a letter to the Army and Navy liquidation board, has directed that the sale of American war surplus goods to Italy be expedited, it was learned today.

The President urged that American surpluses be disposed of "as quickly as possible" to accelerate Italy's economic rehabilitation.

A board spokesman said \$5,000,000 worth of war goods in Italy had been declared surplus, but only about \$500,000 of the total was suitable for civilian use.

Pay and Free Housing Asked by Czech Students

PRAGUE, July 24 (UP).—Mounting pressure is being exercised here by students demanding that the Ministry of Education fulfill its promise to provide pay, free housing and other benefits to those attending the universities.

Charging "bureaucratic red tape" in the Ministry of Education, the students paraded, held mass meetings and demanded an audience with the Minister of Education Dr. Zdenek Nejedly.

U.S. Set to Tell Swiss: Oust Nazis or Else

By Thom Yates
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BASEL, July 24.—A few hundred "dangerous" Nazis, all able to exert enough influence to delay their deportation from Switzerland, may be organizing into a group to carry on Hitler's work, it was learned today.

The Germans, most of them former Nazi consular and legation employees in Basel, Zurich, Geneva and Berne are married to Swiss women.

"As many as 100 relatives and friends applied pressure on Swiss authorities when deportation proceedings were started," said one anti-Nazi, who had left Germany on political grounds.

"These Nazis are dangerous in that they number enough to form the nucleus that can co-ordinate future German clandestine activities. In fact, they are already organizing a society to send packages to German internees in Switzerland," he added.

It was learned from high sources that U.S. diplomats are about to inform the Swiss government that the Nazis must be deported or else America will act, possibly by halting food shipments to Switzerland or by blocking Swiss financial accounts.

The center of the reported Nazi organization is unknown, but it was believed that it may be at Davos, hot-bed of Nazism in Switzerland during the war.

3,259 Jap Planes Blasted in 76 Days

WASHINGTON, July 24 (INS).—The Navy Department today announced that Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher's Task Force 58 destroyed or damaged 3,259 Japanese planes at Okinawa between March 14 and May 28.

In opening and supporting the Okinawa operation during the 76-day period, pilots of Task Force 58 shot down 1,640 enemy planes and destroyed 619 Jap planes on the ground. Another 1,000 enemy planes were listed as probably destroyed or damaged.

The Navy revealed that the task force lost 14 of its planes in operations during April and May. Its aircraft also sank 220 vessels, probably sank 150 and damaged 759.

The force sank two submarines, damaged another and sent one coastal vessel to the bottom.

The ships destroyed by aircraft included the 42,000-ton battleship Yamato and a heavy cruiser.

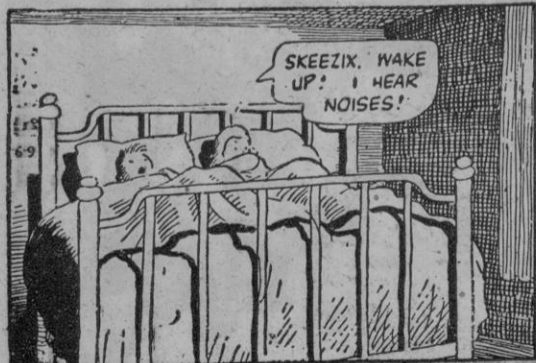
Ex-Milwaukee Bundist Hangs Self in Reich

WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY, Germany, July 24.—Ludwig Kuehner, once leader of the German-American Bund in Milwaukee and later a Wehrmacht lieutenant, hanged himself in the Moshbach jail after he was caught by 84th Inf. Div. authorities, it was announced today.

Kuehner, who made a noose from a necktie and handkerchief.

In a statement signed before his suicide, Kuehner admitted acting for the German consulate in Chicago as an espionage agent. In the late twenties, he began urging skilled workers and technicians to return to Germany to aid the Nazi party. He returned to Germany one month after the war broke out.

Gasoline Alley



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By King



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1800-News	2330-One Night Stand
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1845-Spotlight Bands	0205-Sign Off
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Bobo Newsom Blanks Tigers, 1-0, on 4 Hits

Hare Annexes Com Z Singles, Doubles Titles

By Jim Harrigan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NICE, July 24.—S/Sgt. Charlie Hare, former British Davis Cup team member now in the U.S. Army, monopolized the Com Z tennis tournament when he annexed the singles crown and played on the victorious doubles team yesterday at the Nice Lawn Tennis Club.

Hare, representing the UK, subdued Dick McKee, Oise netter from Miami Beach, in the singles finale, 5-7, 7-5, 6-2. Then he joined with Bill Blalock, of Fort Worth, Texas, to capture the doubles championship at the expense of Jim Hobart and Sumner Rodman, 6-2, 6-1. Hobart and Rodman played under the Seine Section banner.

McKee appeared headed toward a surprise victory over Hare when he won the first set. But the veteran international star turned on the steam and literally blasted McKee from the court with his smashing drives and clever play at the net.

Hare Team Extended

The formidable team of Hare and Blalock eliminated another Seine Section team in the doubles semi-finals earlier in the day. The UK players emerged from a grueling match against Sam Lee and Bob Braithwaite, 6-4, 6-8, 6-3, as Hare, apparently, tried to conserve some of his energy for his singles duel with McKee.

The combination of Rodman and Hobart qualified for the finals by racing through Normandy's Bill Hester and Elliott Smith, 6-1, 6-2, in the semi-finals.

Hare, McKee, Blalock and possibly Rodman and Hobart will comprise the Com Z entourage in the ETO championships, to be held Aug. 15 at London's famed Wimbledon Stadium. Whether George Lott, former U.S. Davis Cup star now touring the Continent with a GI sports troupe, will be added to the Com Z roster has not been determined as yet.

Sonny Horne Decisions Wilkins in New York

NEW YORK, July 24.—Sonny Horne, of New York, punched out an unanimous verdict over Jay Wilkins, of the Bronx, in the feature eight-rounder at Queensboro Stadium last night.

At Providence, R.I., Cabby Lewis, of New York, chilled Cannonball Gibson, of Jersey City, in the eighth round of a scheduled ten. George Henry, of New York, outpointed veteran Johnny Carter in ten rounds at West Springfield, Mass., while Freddy Archer, of Newark, easily whipped Johnny Williams, of Montgomery, Ala., in ten rounds at New York.

Dougherty Assumes Cage Post at Penn

PHILADELPHIA, July 24.—Robert E. Dougherty, West Catholic high school football and basketball coach, today was appointed mentor of the U. of Pennsylvania quintet. Dougherty, a former Penn star, succeeds Don Kellett, who resigned July 1.

95th Gen. Hosp. Wins, 1-0

The 95th Gen. Hosp. edged the 50th Gen. Hosp. 1-0, at Bar le Duc yesterday.

MAJOR LEAGUE Leaders

National League					
	G	AB	R	H	Pct
Cuccinello, Chicago	78	274	38	89	.325
Case, Washington	78	320	48	101	.316
Lake, Boston	62	216	41	68	.315
Stephens, St. Louis	78	298	52	93	.312
Estallpella, Philadelp.	84	306	35	95	.310

Homerun Leaders
Stephens, St. Louis, 14; Johnson, Boston, 11.

Runs Batted In
Johnson, Boston, 54; Eiten, New York, 53; York, Detroit, 45.

American League					
	G	AB	R	H	Pct
Rosen, Brooklyn	82	343	74	126	.367
Holmes, Boston	89	372	83	136	.366
Cavarretta, Chicago	86	327	67	116	.355
Olmo, Brooklyn	84	341	48	102	.340
Ott, New York	88	310	47	102	.329

Homerun Leaders
Holmes, Boston, 16; Workman, Boston, and Lombardi, New York, 15.

Runs Batted In
Walker, Brooklyn, 31; Olmo, Brooklyn, 17; Holmes, Boston, 72.

Marchildon Rejoins A's



After more than a year in the ETO—he was captured after being shot down over Germany—Phil Marchildon returns to the Athletics to take up pitching where he left off when the war started. He is scheduled to try his regular turn on the mound this week.

McCarthy's Bid To Quit Chilled

NEW YORK, July 24.—Joe McCarthy today offered to resign as manager of the Yankees but the club refused to consider his offer, President Larry MacPhail announced at a press conference.

Rumors had been rife all week that McCarthy was ready to step down. Sunday, MacPhail vehemently denied the reports, attributing McCarthy's two-day absence from the stadium to a minor "nervous breakdown."

This morning, however, McCarthy told MacPhail he felt the Yankees would be better off under some other manager. The Yankee executive said he advised McCarthy to return to his Buffalo home for a brief rest and take a physical checkup.

MacPhail's parting shot to reporters was, "McCarthy is manager of the Yankees and will continue to be so until his contract runs out."

16th Cops Marne Title

RHEIMS, July 24.—The 16th Reinforcement Depot won the Marne District baseball championship yesterday by defeating the 195th Gen. Hosp. 4-1, at Hq Command Field Pfc Chuck Hachey, of Milford, Mass., limited the 195th to four singles.

THE SCOREBOARD

American League				
Cleveland 2, Washington 1 (night)	Philadelphia 1, Detroit 0 (night)	Chicago 1, New York 0 (11 innings)	Only games scheduled	
Detroit	47	36	.506	—
Washington	44	38	.557	2 1/2
Chicago	44	41	.518	1
St. Louis	41	39	.513	4 1/2
New York	42	40	.512	4 1/2
Boston	43	41	.512	4 1/2
Cleveland	39	45	.476	8 1/2
Philadelphia	30	52	.366	16 1/2

Cleveland at Washington
St. Louis at Boston
Only games scheduled

Pitches No-Hitter

NANCY, July 24.—Danny Hagewood, of the 2nd Gen. Hosp., pitched a no-hit game to defeat the 3101st Ordnance, 2-0, a then followed up by bowing to the 602nd Ordnance, Dijon champs, 5-4.

Senators Bow To Tribe, 2-1; Yankees Lose

NEW YORK, July 24.—Bobo Newsom carved out another step in his "comeback" ladder last night when he baffled the American League leading Tigers, 1-0, on a four-hit performance to draw the sixth place team within four and a half games of first place.

Newsom, who now has allowed only three runs and 14 hits in his last four games, provided the winning punch at the plate, too, with a single off Stubby Overmire in the second inning that drove in George Kells, who had doubled. It was Detroit's eighth defeat in 12 games.

The Senators failed to reduce their two-and-a-half-game deficit, bowing to big Ed Klieban and the Indians, 2-1, last night. Klieban's single drove in one run in the fifth inning, and Jeff Heath counted the clincher in the sixth inning when he walked, advanced to third on Manager Lou Boudreau's single and raced home on Frank Hayes' fly to deep center.

Niggeling Suffers Loss

Successive singles by Harland Cliff, George Binks and Rick Ferrell in the fifth inning accounted for Washington's only run. Johnny Niggeling, reached for ten hits, was the losing pitcher.

Bill Dietrich elevated the White Sox into third place and dumped the Yankees into a three-way tie for fourth place with the Browns and Red Sox by mastering the New Yorkers, 1-0 in 11 innings. Bill Zuber matched Dietrich's scoreless pace for ten innings, but caused his own downfall with a spell of wildness in the 11th.

With two outs, Zuber walked Johnny Dickshot. Then he uncorked two consecutive wild pitches, permitting Dickshot to reach third base. Oris Hockett rolled weakly to the box, but Zuber slipped as he went for the ball and Dickshot chugged across with the winning run.

Bucs Wallop Braves

In the day's only scheduled National League game, the Pirates uncorked a 17-hit attack against three Boston pitchers to win, 8-5, for their fourth triumph in a row and their seventh in the last eight games. Tommy Holmes, the league's leading baseman who recently completed a spurge of hitting safely in 37 straight games, went hitless for the fourth consecutive game, extending his futility over 18 times at bat.

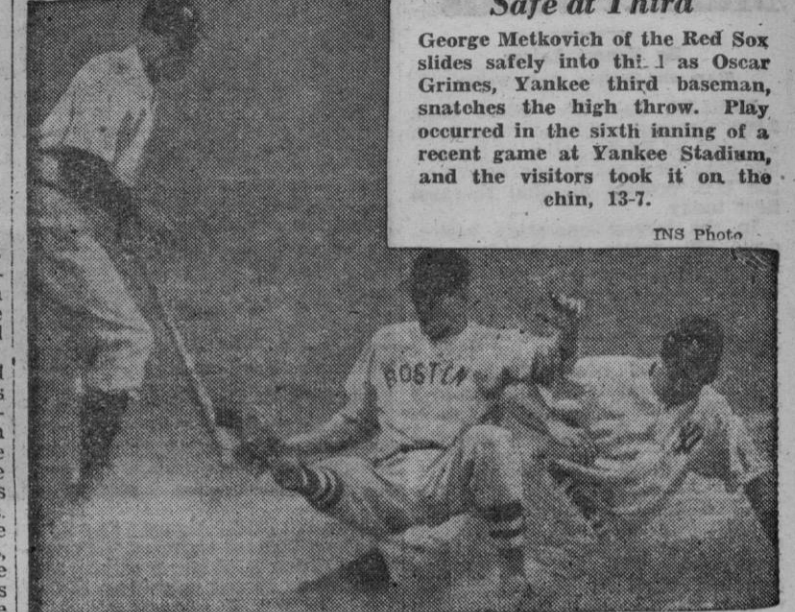
Homeruns by Jim Russell, Bob Elliott and Bill Salkeld kept Boston pitchers unhappy. Boom Boom Beck, who relieved Rip Sewell, was credited with the victory over Johnny Hutchings, starting pitcher for the Braves.

National League				
Pittsburgh 8, Boston 5	Only game scheduled			
Chicago	52	32	.619	—
St. Louis	49	38	.563	4 1/2
Brooklyn	49	38	.563	7 1/2
Pittsburgh	47	42	.528	7 1/2
New York	46	45	.505	9 1/2
Cincinnati	40	41	.494	10 1/2
Boston	41	46	.471	12 1/2
Philadelphia	25	67	.372	31

Boston at Pittsburgh
Brooklyn at St. Louis
Philadelphia at Chicago
New York at Cincinnati

Metzig Leads Glidermen

EPINAL, July 24.—With Bill Metzig, former Chicago White Sox player, leading the attack, the 325th Glider Inf. topped the 504th Parachute Bn., 9-5, in a wild-hitting baseball game.



Safe at Third

George Metkovich of the Red Sox slides safely into third as Oscar Grimes, Yankee third baseman, snatches the high throw. Play occurred in the sixth inning of a recent game at Yankee Stadium, and the visitors took it on the chin, 13-7.

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Once Over Lightly

By Gene Graft
Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

DESPITE an admirable throng of male fans, WACs take their softball playing seriously. At least they did the other night when three games were going on simultaneously in the Bois de Boulogne, Paris, so close together you couldn't separate the shrieks and umpire-baiting.

Minor League Results

International League							
Syracuse 10, Buffalo 2	Baltimore 7, Toronto 3	Others postponed, rain					
W L Pct	W L Pct						
Montreal	61	39	670	Toronto	43	44	494
Jersey City	47	41	534	Rochester	36	49	424
Baltimore	46	41	529	Syracuse	35	49	417
Newark	45	41	523	Buffalo	33	51	393

American Association							
Indianapolis 5, Columbus 0	Toledo 6, Louisville 4	St. Paul 3, Kansas City 0					
Milwaukee 15, Minneapolis 13	(Revised Standings)						
W L Pct	W L Pct						
Milwaukee	60	36	625	Toledo	44	52	458
Indianap.	59	37	615	Minneapolis	42	53	442
Louisville	55	44	556	Columbus	41	57	418
St. Paul	47	44	516	Kansas City	34	59	366

Eastern League							
Binghamton 11, Wilkes-Barre 8	Scranton 5, Utica 4	Hartford 4-7, Williamsport 0-6					
Others postponed, rain							
W L Pct	W L Pct						
Utica	46	34	575	Scranton	36	39	480
Hartford	42	35	545	Williamsport	43	469	
Wilkes-Barre	43	38	531	Elmira	34	43	442
Albany	43	39	524	Binghamton	33	44	429

Southern Association							
Memphis 11, Little Rock 4	Birmingham 9, Nashville 1	Chattanooga 3, Atlanta 1					
Only games scheduled							
W L Pct	W L Pct						
Atlanta	60	30	667	Memphis	40	48	455
N. Orleans	54	35	607	Nashville	33	55	375
Chattanooga	42	37	584	Little Rock	32	55	368
Mobile	52	38	578	Birmingham	32	57	360

Pacific Coast League							
No games Monday							
W L Pct	W L Pct						
Portland	72	41	637	Oakland	55	59	482
Seattle	65	48	575	Los Angeles	52	61	460
Sacramento	57	50	500	San Diego	53	63	457
S. Francisco	57	58	496	Hollywood	45	69	395

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By Ham Fisher



Behind The Sports Headlines

By Bill Leiser
San Francisco Chronicle

DINK Templeton was unlike other track coaches. That is until he developed so many stars that others began to follow him. Others would be working a quarter-mile who responded to training by running him in 49 seconds. Then 48 seconds, and one day 47.6. About that time the coach would get scared thinking he had his man trained too fine and too early. For that reason Ted Meredith's quarter mark of 47.4 stood for years until Templeton came along. When Dink's quarter-milers would get under 48 seconds in mid-season, Templeton, instead of getting scared, would say: "Bud, you're running pretty well, but you've only begun to do what you have in you. Now, do this and do that and you should run 47 flat for the IC4A." "But," the runner would gasp, "47's only four-tenths under the world record, that's all." "What difference does that make," Dink would ask. "You can do lower than that next year." With that approach and attitude Bud Spencer did 47 flat and Ren Eastman did 46.4 for the quarter. Yes, Dink, knew how to handle the boys.

By Fred Tuerk
Peoria Journal Star

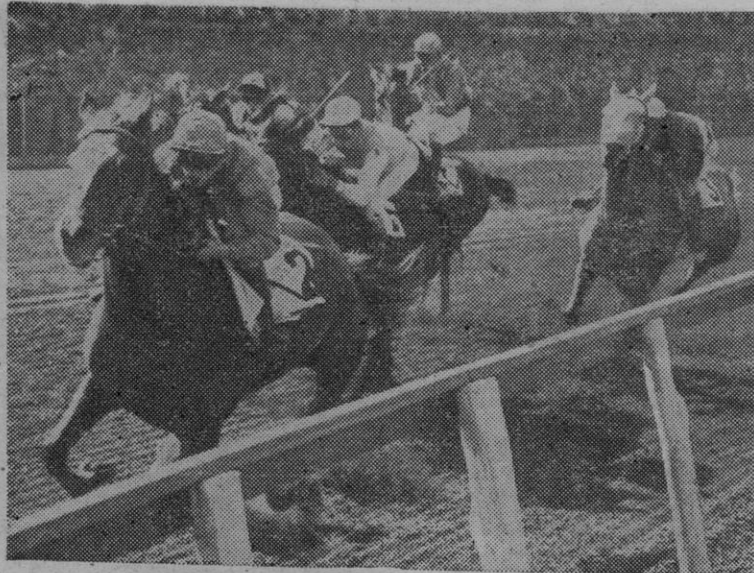
EVERY now and then a Super-man does a flop that makes him a fellow-man. Like Babe Ruth fanning with the bases loaded or that seven that By Nelson took on the sixth hole in the preliminary round of the recent PGA championship. When Lord Byron took that seven there was rejoicing among the duffers who gaped in envy when he had a deuce on the hole before. Anyway, Nelson managed to stagger around in four-under-par 38. Which reminds us of 1929 when Bobby Jones was kingpin of the golfers. A huge crowd gathered to watch him tee off in the 33rd Open. It was a par four hole and the great Jones started like a dud, winding up with a suicidal six. The pros emitted a crocodile moan of sympathy and deserted Jones to follow Al Espinosa, who was giving par a drubbing. After all, Bobby was only an amateur. The deserters left too soon. Jones got hot and wound up the first nine in 38. Then the real fireworks began. Jones reeled off five straight 3's and finished with four 4's—31—for the nine holes and a new course record of 69. So at the end of the first round Robert Tyres Jones' name led all the rest and Espinosa was second with 70. The rest is history. How Bobby and Al battled through to a tie with 294 each. In the 36-hole playoff, Jones won with a 72 and a record tying 69-141. Espinosa carded a duffer's 84-80-164.

Louis Kayoed in Golf Tournament

CHICAGO, July 24.—T/Sgt. Joe Louis stepped out of his class yesterday when he made a surprise start in the qualifying round of the All-American amateur golf tourney at the Tam O'Shanter course—and missed the qualifying figure by one stroke.

The heavyweight champion banded out a very creditable 77, but it was just one putt short of qualifying as a field of 80 teed off for the 12

Thundering Herd Rounds Turn



First Stage (left foreground) leads the field at the first turn in the sixth race at Aqueduct. Behind him (left to right) are: Bridon, Rodart, Paolet and Our Arms. They finished in that order, too.

Clowns to Play Two Against UK

The Seine Base Clowns will play host to the Eighth AF of the UK in a two-game baseball series, with contests tonight and tomorrow a 1900, at Stade Jean-Bouin, Paris.

The Eighth, winner of the UK crown in 1944, will face Maj. Charles Eisenmann in the opener. Cpl. Bill Kufta, undefeated in six starts, will twirl the second game for Seine.

Majors Snub Bid To Lift AA Price

CHICAGO, July 24.—The major leagues today flatly rejected a demand by the minors that the draft price of AA players be doubled from the present \$7,500 tag.

"The majors absolutely refused to consider any increase in the draft price," said Tommy Richardson, chairman of the minor league committee, after the six-hour session.

Clarence Rowland, president of the Pacific Coast League, led the minors' argument for a bigger draft price and asserted that the matter was not yet closed.

Santasiere Wins Chess Title

PEORIA, Ill., July 24.—Anthony Santasiere, 40-year-old New York schoolteacher, clinched the international chess championship by defeating Einar Michelson in the semifinals. One game remains to be played, but it cannot affect Santasiere's title status.

Head Smart Scores Upset

NEW YORK, July 24.—Head Smart racked up her first triumph of the season at Jamaica yesterday as Teddy Atkinson booted the daughter of Head Play home by a length and a half over Night Strike in the West Point Purse. The winner was overlooked by the gala Monday crowd of 28,441, paying \$19.10.

I Can Get It, 3-year-old son of Stagehand, nipped 4-5 favorite Fighting Step in final strides in the Jock Purse at Washington Park. Fighting Step was in front all the way until Doug Dodson pushed I Can Get It up by a nose at the wire. The winner paid \$6.80.

Johnny Jr., 4-5 choice, made the chalk stand up at Suffolk as he raced to a five-length verdict over Weatherite.

Hornbeam, \$8.10, took the measure of Spareman and favored Reztips as Nickey Wall piloted him home in the Erlton Purse at Garden State, while Shout About made every post a winning one as Hedy Woodhouse drove him in the Pharamond Purse at Detroit.

Cooke Completes Tennis Grand-Slam

NEW YORK, July 24.—Lt. Elwood Cooke made the Eastern Clay courts tennis championships a clean sweep for his family yesterday when he paired with Sidney Wood to win the men's doubles crown from J. Gilbert Hall and Ladislav Hecht, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

Cooke previous had won the singles title by beating Wood, while his wife, Sarah, won the women's singles and teamed with Dorothy May Bundy to annex the doubles diadem.

Braves Obtain Wright

BOSTON, July 24.—Eddie Wright, Indianapolis hurler who pitched a no-hitter earlier in the season, was purchased yesterday by the Boston Braves for an undisclosed sum of cash and Pitcher Ira Hutchinson and infielder Steve Shemo.

Seine, Delta Favored As Com Z Track Begins

By Mike McGowan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, July 24.—The two-day Com Z track and field finals got under way at White City Stadium today, with the Seine and Delta Base Sections fielding formidable arrays for the 18-event meet. Oise Base and UK teams rounded out the competition.

Seine's T/Sgt. Bill Slack, of Bloomfield, N.J., who has whizzed 200-meters in: 22.2 and 400-meters in: 52.1 was entered in both events.

The UK contingent, weak in most departments, was depending on Pfc Richard Davis, of Wilmette, Ill., and T/5 Howard Mamala, of Hammond, Ind. Davis, All-America fullback at the U. of Indiana in 1937, figured to be the man to beat in the javelin throw. He has a mark of 174-feet to his credit. Mamala is the UK 100-meter threat.

However, Cpl. Charles Edwards, also of Hammond and captain of the Oise team, was labeled as the strongest contender in the 100. Edwards already has done :10.4 for the distance, one second over the Olympic record. He also will compete in the 200.

In the 3,000-meter run, the Delta outfit has two distance men who get high figures. Pfc Bill Scott, of Halstead, Kan., has done the route in 10:50, while 1/Lt. William Tribou, of Weathersfield, Ky., has been clocked in 10:20.

Archery and horseshoe competition started at 0900 hours at Sudbury Hill, with targets at 40, 50 and 60 feet and a total of 90 arrows to shoot.

USSTAF Name Tank Squad For ETO Meet

By Bob Sontag
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BAD NEUSTADT, Germany, July 24.—Pfc Alex Canja, of the Eighth AAF, scored a major upset by winning over his teammate, Lt. Dick Smith, in the high board diving event here yesterday as USSTAF qualified a team for the ETO swimming championships to be held at Nuremberg on Saturday and Sunday.

Canja, who captured the Big Ten three-meter diving crown in 1942 while attending the U of Michigan, defeated Smith by the slim margin of two points. Smith, holder of the Pacific Coast and AAU diving titles before joining Billy Rose's Aquacade, was leading after compulsory dives had been completed, but he muffed a one-and-a-half optional dive to fall behind Canja.

Maj. Taylor Drysdale, stellar U. of Michigan back stroke artist who was expected to win his specialty without trouble, was unable to shake his military duties to compete. However, he qualified for the Nuremberg jamboree by winning in the Frankfurt preliminaries two weeks ago.

Other winners:
50-Meter Free Style—Cpl. George Allen (8th AF). Time :29.1.
100-Meter Free Style—1/Lt. Richard Carbault (8th AF). Time 1:06.8.
400-Meter Breast Stroke—1/Lt. A. R. Clark (12th TAC). Time 7:23.1.
800-Meter Free Style Relay—8th AF. Time 3:50.4.
100-Meter Back Stroke—Cpl. Raymond Pierce (9th AF). Time 1:24.1.
200-Meter Breast Stroke—Pfc Edward Gisz (8th AF). Time 3:14.2.
400-Meter Free Style—Sgt. John McCarthy (8th AF). Time 5:59.3.
1,500-Meter Free Style—Pvt. Andrew Demant (9th AF). Time 24:50.5.
One-Meter Diving—1/Lt. John Perryman (8th AF).

Childress' 70 Tops Golfers

BRUSSELS, July 24.—S/Sgt. H. B. Childress, Channel Base Section amateur from Memphis, carved out a two-under-par 70 as he led the field in the opening round of the Com Z golf championships here yesterday.

Childress had a five-stroke advantage over his closest pursuer, teammate Pfc. R. L. Miller, of Jacksonville, Fla., who posted a 75. T/5 J. Manzone, Delta Base clubber from Yonkers, N.Y., was third, another stroke back.

Lt. J. Browning, of Bangor, Me., representing Oise Section, led the pros with a 75.

Leaders follow:—

Amateurs	
Childress	70
Miller	75
Manzone	76
Pfc. W. Kudders, OBS.	77
T/5 V. Sangster, UK, New York	77
Professionals	
Browning	75
W/O J. Roth, CBS, Miami	78
Pfc. E. Stephens, OBS, Chicago	79
T/5 E. Gann, OBS, Chattanooga	79
Sgt. L. DeAngeles, OBS, Rochester, N.Y.	79

75th Div. Defeats 66th Baseballers, 4-2

ASSEMBLY AREA, France, July 24.—The 75th Div. baseball team whipped the 66th Div., 4-2, last night to maintain its hold on the XVI Corps League lead.

By Milton Caniff

Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



By Chester Gould

Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.



Runs for the Week

	American League							
	M	T	W	T	F	S	To	
Boston	2	1	6	3	3	1	4	20
Chicago	7	2	5	6	6	3	6	29
Cleveland	3	6	2	5	4	1	13	33
Detroit	9	4	11	4	4	1	10	35
New York	4	4	2	4	5	12	5	26
Phil'phia	9	2	4	2	11	1	3	26
St. Louis	12	2	4	4	7	4	7	30
Washington	4	4	4	4	7	7	6	30
	National League							
	M	T	W	T	F	S	To	
Boston	0	2	X	8	X	6	2	16
Brooklyn	8	5	9	1	10	7	11	51
Chicago	4	1	10	3	4	5	14	41
Cincinnati	X	1	X	8	X	3	13	25
New York	3	2	10	0	5	6	6	32
Phil'phia	X	3	8	6	X	3	16	36
Pittsburgh	4	2	6	4	13	4	5	33
St. Louis	2	3	11	11	X	8	8	33

Births

Folks at Home Send These GIs Swift News of Sir Stork's Arrival:

PL. David Gallant, Maspeth, N.Y.—C. Richard Harvey, July 17; Sgt. Fred Campisano, Ashtabula, Ohio—boy, July 19; Pvt. John H. McNeil, Croghan, N.Y.—Larry Michael, July 19; Pfc Clifford E. Fluck, Halifax, Minn.—Richard Allen, June 21; Pvt. G. R. Schaffner, Baltimore—Raymond Allen, June 22.

CAPT. John H. Ellering, Chicago—John C. George, July 14; Capt. George I. Geer, Hartford, Conn.—girl, July 16; Sgt. James H. Westfall, Hot Springs, Ark.—James Michael, July 18; Sgt. Charles R. Jacob, Reynolds, Pa.—Ellen Olya, July 18; Pfc Norman F. Rosenthal, Brooklyn—Richard Lewis, July 19; Lt. Wayne Adair, Mt. Clemens, Mich.—Patricia Louise, July 12.

Japanese 'Peace Feelers' Enter Charter Debate

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP).—The question of Japanese peace overtures was thrust into the Senate debate on the United Nations world security charter today after Sens. Tom Connally (D-Tex.) and Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich.) had called for its swift ratification.

Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry (R-Neb.), declaring that a compilation of purported enemy peace feelers had been made by a "high military source" and forwarded to President Truman at Potsdam, said he would ask the State Department whether it had received any peace proposals from the Japanese.

Senate debate on the world charter opened with a plea by Connally that the chamber ratify it with a heavy vote as a "shot in behalf of peace that will be heard around the world."

Would Give Europe Sign

Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which has approved the charter by a vote of 21-1, said that overwhelming support of the plan in the Senate would dispel European doubts of America's desire to participate in a world organization.

Dramatically pointing to the chamber wall, Connally shouted: "They know the League of Nations was slaughtered here in this chamber. Can't you see the blood? There it is on the wall."

Heading off possible criticism of the charter provision for furnishing troops to be used by the World Security Council without prior approval of Congress, Connally asked: "Can't we show the same sort of courage toward the obligations of peace as we have toward those of war?"

Points to Security Parley

Vandenberg, a member of the U.S. delegation at San Francisco, cited the "repeated crises" successfully surmounted by the conference which drafted the charter as proof that the world powers could work together harmoniously.

"If that could happen at San Francisco," he said, "who shall say it cannot happen when we face the problems of tomorrow? If that could happen in the writing of the charter, who shall say it cannot happen in the operation?"

Ratification of the charter this week is considered probable.

Russia Will OK Charter, Keep Making Munitions

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—Vassili Kuznetsov, head of the Russian trade union movement, said yesterday that Russia would ratify the world security charter for international peace, but that it was "a little bit early" for his country to discontinue large-scale munitions production.

He told a press conference that the extent of the Russian munitions industry "will depend on international affairs," but that the charter was a very important step to a just and lasting peace.

Last Interned Airman Leaves Switzerland

BERNE, July 24.—The last of 1,505 U.S. airmen interned in Switzerland—Cpl. Arthur G. Enyeart, of Peru, Ind.—left Saturday for Paris and possibly home.

Enyeart, a 15th AF tail gunner on a B24 incurred a fractured skull, broken left arm and smashed his right foot when the plane was forced down.

Adm. King Inspects Ports

LONDON, July 24 (UP).—U.S. Navy headquarters here announced today that Fleet Adm. Ernest J. King, chief of America's naval forces flew from Berlin to Bremen and Bremerhaven yesterday to inspect port facilities. He checked the liner Europa, now being converted into a U.S. troopship.

Cream of the Navy To Put War on Ice

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—A \$1,000,000 concrete ice-cream barge is ready in the Western Pacific to serve ships smaller than a destroyer, which do not carry their own ice-cream-making facilities.

Lent to the Navy by the Army Transportation Corps, the floating ice-cream parlor is equipped with a commercial type 40-quart freezer that can make ten gallons of ice-cream every seven minutes. The hardening room has a storage capacity of 2,000 gallons.

Paramushiro Attackers See Not a Jap Ship

By Murray Moler
United Press War Correspondent
ADAK, Aleutians, July 22 (Delayed).—Not a single Japanese ship was seen when light warships of the North Pacific Fleet bombarded the vital enemy island of Paramushiro, at the northern end of the Kuriles chain, this afternoon.

The warships penetrated through the island chain into the sea of Okhotsk in search of Japanese warships, but had to abandon the hunt for shipping. Instead they shelled targets on Paramushiro's southeast coast, where two important Japanese airfields, several fisheries, and other installations are situated.

The warships met five single-engine Japanese bombers, which started a half-hearted attack, but soon cleared off when the ships' guns put up a fierce anti-aircraft barrage.

Bougainville Japs Infiltrate 6 Miles Behind Aussie Line

MELBOURNE, July 24 (Reuter).—Japanese forces in southern Bougainville have infiltrated through Australian lines so successfully that gunners supporting the Australian Third Div. have had to swing their 25-pounders around and fire on Japanese positions six miles behind their own front line, Australian Army headquarters announced today.

Though in fair strength, the Japanese can hope to achieve only harassing raids, it was added.

More Reich Japs To Leave for U.S.

SALZBURG, July 24 (AP).—Following the 33 top-ranking members of the Japanese diplomatic staff in Berlin who are already in America, the remaining 100 persons in the party were due to leave here by plane today for Le Havre, where they will board ship for the U.S. on Thursday.

Third Army headquarters said the second group included wives and children, all of whom have been quartered in the luxurious Astoria Hotel at Bad Gastein since they were taken into custody early in May. Infantrymen who guarded and talked to the Japanese said they understood that Oshima, Tokyo's ambassador to Berlin, would urge his government to comply with the Allies' demand for unconditional surrender.

Saar Miners Returning, Will Aid French Output

More than 4,000 miners and their families are returning to the Saar coal mines from Bavaria, where they took refuge during the last days of the war. The move is expected to increase French coal production 120,000 tons a month, the U.S. Group Control Council estimated.

Royal Navy Has Best Air Day In Strike at Japanese Homeland

By Astley Hawkins
ABOARD A BRITISH BATTLESHIP OFF SOUTHERN HONSHU, July 24 (Reuter).—Swarms of planes from a record concentration of American and British carriers tore into Japan today through hazy, cloudy and squally skies to hit shipping and airfields in the Kure area.

The sky above this battleship hummed with planes in the biggest air day the British Fleet has yet had.

While the British forces were whipping through a fresh sea launching their planes in the early morning, we could see the Americans sending off their bombers and fighters almost faster than we could count them.

Overhead breaks in the driving clouds revealed the silver forms of Superforts. Gunners manned action

MPs Check Trip Tickets in Paris



1/Lt. Leonard Moriber of the 787th MP Bn. asks to see trip authorization papers of a jeep carrying two Wacs and a corporal.



A hatless woman sits beside this colonel who was halted by MPs.

Ike Commutes 300 Vehicles Death Sentence Seized in Paris

Gen. Eisenhower has commuted the death sentence of Pfc Samuel Rosenblum, 23, of Brooklyn, who refused to obey his captain's orders, to life imprisonment at hard labor, USFET announced yesterday.

The case of the veteran of the Normandy and Rhine battles was disclosed in New York June 22, when Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.) told reporters that Eisenhower had commuted the soldier's sentence at that time.

However, Eisenhower denied that he had taken any action in the case when interviewed at his home in Abilene, Kan., on June 24. He said then he had asked specifically that any action be withheld until his return to Europe.

On his return, the Supreme Commander reviewed the veteran's case and yesterday USFET announced: "The death sentence ordered in the case of Pfc Samuel Rosenblum, 32538530, Co. E, 121st Inf. Regt., for willfully disobeying the command of a superior officer, has been recommended to be commuted to life sentence at hard labor by the convening authorities. The commutation has been approved by the Supreme Commander."

A Pretty Penny

WASHINGTON, July 24 (ANS).—An average of 46 tons of coins a day was turned out by U.S. mints during the fiscal year ended June 30, Director Nellie Tayloe Ross reported today.

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Champs to wave down all Army cars.

One of those he motioned to the curb, as the crowd held its breath, was a jeep of Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, CG of Com. Z. The general was not in the jeep, which was being driven by an Air Force lieutenant. Unable to give a satisfactory explanation, the lieutenant and a Red Cross girl passenger were escorted to the PM and an "interview."

The jeep was not impounded since generals' vehicles are not within the PM's jurisdiction in such cases.

One harassed lieutenant was held up for 20 minutes explaining he was just giving a Wac a lift and only had to go one block out of his way to do it. Lt. Col. R. L. Hayes, CO of the 787th, allowed the officer to proceed after personally questioning him.

Two other lieutenants, also with a Wac, weren't so fortunate. The colonel ordered their sedan-type, closed-in jeep impounded, and as Sgt. John Manley, of Scranton, Pa., slid into the driver's seat he exclaimed over the novel steering-wheel-genuine Buick.

Most of the vehicles stopped contained women, but on two occasions jeeps with three officers in the front seat were halted and their occupants rearranged according to regulations—only two persons in front and the third, the lowest-ranking, in back.

Maj. Turney-High explained that Gen. Rogers "just got tired of all this joy-riding and decided to do something about it. Business was very good."

He said his men impounded all cars "with unauthorized women—regardless of rank or charm." A Wac colonel with no business in a jeep could get the driver in just as much trouble as a civilian, he said.

Under the heading of "authorized women in government vehicles," the major said, would come "Army nurses in an ambulance going to or from an accident, Wacs on a military mission or soldiers and Wacs together on organized recreation."

A letter which appeared in The Stars and Stripes B-Bag column Sunday said the writer had counted 104 Army vehicles occupied by "officers and mademoiselles" on the Champs-Elysees between 2 and 3 AM and asked: "Don't they need any gasoline in the Pacific?"

GI Handicraft on Display

Handicraft of GI hospital patients, from sculpture to hand-made baby shoes, is on display at the Paris American Red Cross headquarters, 12 Boulevard de la Madeleine.

Paul Reynaud, On Stand, Calls Pétain Traitor

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self, had been later arrested by Pétain's Vichy government and how he had come to the conclusion that Pétain had plotted to let France slide into defeat.

In one emotional moment, Reynaud said he had come to despise Pétain.

Yesterday's session was taken up with a recital of the events leading up to the entry of Pétain into the government and the progressive weakening of the government's determination to continue the war, despite its commitments to Britain, under his influence.

Reynaud said he proposed that the government retire to North Africa, after consultation with the British government which had suggested that an exiled French government form a political union with England to carry on the war.

This plan was opposed in the Council of Ministers, he related, which was swayed by Pétain and Gen. Maxime Weygand, the French commander in chief, on the grounds it would leave French soldiers to be slaughtered "like rabbits."

Decided to Resign

Pétain, as chief military adviser to the government had insisted that the military situation was hopeless and that the government had only one course—to ask for the conditions of surrender, he said.

Faced by a majority opposition in the council, Reynaud said he then decided to resign, rejecting the plea of President Albert Lebrun to continue as prime minister.

He advised the British of the council's majority opinion favoring surrender and the British ambassador asked that the French fleet immediately put into British waters.

Pétain then came into the government. It was apparent that the marshal had already formed his government even before he was called, Reynaud said.

It was when the terms of the armistice became known, Reynaud said, that he became aware that Pétain had sold out. Article 3 of the terms provided that the powerful French fleet would ride at anchor in German-controlled ports.

Offered Ambassadorship

Adm. Jean Darlan then promised that the fleet would never fall into the hands of the enemy.

"I must state that Darlan kept his word," said Reynaud. "Two years and four months later, in November, 1942 the fleet was sunk at Toulon."

Pétain then invited Reynaud to become Vichy France's ambassador to the U.S., Reynaud said he hesitated, then refused, suspecting Pétain's motives.

"From the moment I made known my refusal, I became Public Enemy No. 1," he said.

From that moment on, Georges Mandel, who was Minister of the Interior, and Reynaud knew persecution, the witness testified. Both were arrested and became political prisoners.

Paris Newspapers Give Nearly All Space to Trial

Opening of the treason trial of Marshal Henri-Philippe Pétain filled three-quarters of the space in yesterday's editions of the one-sheet Paris newspapers.

Public reaction was indicated by such typical headlines as "Pétain, Number One Traitor, Appears Before High Court," and "Man Who Fed Execution Squads Dares To Assert he Gave Frenchmen Life and Bread."

U-Boats Reported at Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 24 (Reuter).—Two German submarines were escorted to the Brazilian port of Rio Grande yesterday by Brazilian destroyers, the Argentine radio said today. The report added that two other U-boats were being held at Rio Grande.

Orchestra Conductor Doubles in War Brass

BOSTON, July 24 (ANS).—When a sound effects man of the Boston Pops Orchestra, who makes sound like a falling bomb, was missing at a crucial moment of a war song medley, it didn't bother Conductor Arthur Fiedler.

Fiedler put two fingers in his mouth and put large blasts at appropriate moments. He waved his baton with the other hand, and the audience didn't know the difference.