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Bremen: Partly cloudy. Bavaria: Clear, slightly warmer. Austria: Clear, warmer. Temperature range: 72 to 34.

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Court Backs Leniency for Lichfield GI

LONDON, April 21 (UP)—A petition recommending clemency in the Lichfield court martial conviction of S/Sgt. James M. Jones, of Muskogee, Okla., which temporarily may postpone the remainder of Lichfield trials scheduled to start at Bad Nauheim, today was signed by all six members of the court, the prosecution staff and the defense counsel.

The court, citing Jones' excellent combat record and "his apparent reliance on orders of his superior officers," also recommended that the former stockade guard be held in restraint instead of confinement pending final action on his case.

Additional requests were made that Jones, who yesterday was sentenced to six months in prison and ordered to forfeit \$18 a month in pay, be allowed to retain his rank and be restored to duty.

Defense Appeal Brings Action

The court's action followed an appeal by Lt. Morris McGee, of Birmingham, Ala., special defense counsel, who yesterday declared, "The American people are beguiled by these Lichfield cases simply because some people won't come forward and tell all the truth."

He asserted the Lichfield prisoners got the biggest break of their lives when they weren't shot in combat. "They got their second biggest break when they were not lined up and shot as deserters. If the Lichfield policy is the Army's fault," he emphasized, "let's be honest about it and say so, and let's apportion the blame. But don't take it out on two sergeants way down the ladder."

"Let's put the blame where it should be," he declared.

Court's Statement

The court's recommendation, which will be delivered for action to Col. Claude M. Thiele, commanding officer of the London Area Office, Western Base Section, was as follows:

"In consideration of the excellent combat record of the accused; his previous record as a soldier and noncommissioned officer; his apparent reliance on orders of his superior officers; the tactical situation then existing and necessity for combat personnel; his probable mental reaction upon return from combat and being confronted with apparently existing conditions at the 10th Reinf. Depot guardhouse; "Lack of positive and definite instructions from his superior officers against use of improper disciplinary measures, and in further consideration of the general overall picture involving the 10th Reinf. Depot and probability of subsequent trials involving other personnel which may not take place in the immediate future, we recommend to the appointing authority that either the whole sentence be remitted and the accused retain his present grade and be restored to duty, or that the sentence be suspended and the accused restored to duty with the view toward later remission if the conduct of the accused so warrants."

Policeman Uses Nickel Phone, Gets Round-the-World Hookup

WINDSOR, Conn., April 21 (UP)—Police officer William Kennedy was convinced today that he had got his nickel's worth when he went to a pay telephone to dial his headquarters seven miles away.

The first thing he heard was: "San Francisco No. 1, San Francisco No. 1." He started to explain that he didn't want San Francisco, but he was interrupted by a voice demanding, "Who are you anyhow?"

"I am the Windsor, Connecticut, Police Department," Kennedy replied timidly.

"Well, hold the line a minute," the voice on the other end commanded, "and I'll put you on an international hookup," and in a moment Kennedy was connected with Alaska, Argentina, Honduras, Scotland, and Guadalcanal.



One of the 400,000

Accustomed to going down into the pits each day, Allen Croyle, a miner for 17 years, finds himself with nothing to do as the strike of 400,000 soft coal miners continues into its fourth week. The deserted mine buildings in the background are at St. Michaels, Pa., in the heart of the coal region.

Foot Urges UNO Inquiry In Azerbaijan

LONDON, April 21 (UP)—Michael Foot, Labor member of Parliament, who has just returned from Iran where he was an observer for the British government, said today that the United Nations could guarantee full maintenance of Iranian independence only by sending a commission to investigate the Soviet Union's evacuation of Azerbaijan.

Foot, who spent three weeks in Iran on a Parliamentary mission with Brig. A. H. Head, Conservative, said in an exclusive interview that the Teheran government definitely had acted under Soviet pressure when it had withdrawn its complaint from the agenda of the UNO Security Council in New York.

Foot said that when he and Head saw Iranian Premier Qavam es Sultaneh on April 12 and asked whether he wanted the Iranian question to remain on the Security Council's agenda, Qavam replied emphatically, "Yes, I do."

Three days later, Iranian Ambassador Hussein Ala announced in New York that Iran had decided to withdraw her complaint.

"It is a mistake to regard the Persian settlement as a victory for

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Fire Ravages 3 States, Perils Fort Meade

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—Fires fanned by high winds raced through wooded areas in New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Maryland, destroying thousands of acres of forests and defying efforts of fire fighters to bring them under control.

Flames enveloped 15 square miles of scrub pine in the Cape Cod area of Massachusetts, and one injured fire fighter was taken to a hospital. About 500 regular firemen and volunteers were battling the blaze, which centered in an area about nine miles southeast of deactivated Camp Edwards, Mass.

Fires Near Fort Meade

Three fires near Fort George G. Meade, Md., were threatening to consolidate despite efforts of more than 1,200 soldiers, sailors, marines and German PWs.

The conflagration destroyed 16 houses in Mayfield, Md., observers said. Fires in other areas of Maryland were estimated by State Forestry Service officials to have set aflame between 5,000 and 10,000 acres.

Twenty-eight fires were reported in 10 of New Jersey's 21 counties, and State Fire Warden William J. Seidel termed it the "worst day in years." About 12,000 acres were affected.

Winds reaching 40 miles an hour fanned the flames, which were battled by 100 State fire wardens and 700 fire fighters.

Blaze in Philadelphia

In Philadelphia, cleaning fluid and other chemicals caused 10 explosions as a seven-alarm fire burned the Allied Chemical and Dye Corp.'s Barrett division plant.

Guy Parsons, superintendent of police ordered 75 homes vacated as buildings in the neighborhood were shaken by explosions.

The fire occurred after city firemen reported they answered 122 alarms in the previous 24-hour period, including one six-alarm blaze.

\$400 Hike Voted for Mail Men

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP)—The Senate Post Office Committee unanimously approved a flat \$400-a-year pay rise for most postal employees. The bill already has passed the House.

President, Lewis Confer as Strike Enters 4th Week

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—President Truman conferred on the soft-coal strike yesterday with John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, AFL, and Lewis B. Schwellenbach, Secretary of Labor, but the White House said that the conversations had "no conclusive result."

Lewis and Schwellenbach left the meeting in obvious good humor and the Secretary arranged to confer today with Ezra Van Horn, chairman of the mine operators' joint negotiating committee.

Schwellenbach said the broken-off negotiations between Lewis and the coal operators could not be revived before Tuesday at the earliest.

The UMW head walked out of a negotiating session on April 10, asserting that it was useless to continue talks as long as the operators refused demands for the creation of

CHICAGO, April 21 (AP)—The executive board of the United Automobile Workers, CIO, asserted that it would "mobilize its million members" to "convey the political facts of life to members of Congress who voted for the destruction of price control."

The statement, unanimously adopted by the board, declared that "Remember November" would be one of the key phrases in UAW demonstrations.

a union-administered health and welfare fund. The 400,000 UMW miners went on strike April 1.

At least 640,000 persons remained on strike throughout the nation, with another 100,000 idle indirectly because of strikes. The latter figure included 40,000 laid off temporarily at the Ford Motor Company because of a shortage of steel and parts.

The American Brass Co. was reported to have offered an 18 1/2-cent hourly wage boost to 10,000 striking CIO employees of plants in three Connecticut cities, Buffalo, N. Y., and Detroit. The proposed hike was one of the principal demands when the workers struck on Feb. 4.

Harry Bridge, president of the CIO Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, told a panel hearing investigating a wage dispute in San Francisco that a guaranteed annual wage is the "only true answer" to the problem of attaining longshoreman pay parity between the east and west coasts.

VA to Open Office In Paris Shortly

PARIS, April 21—A Veterans Administration representative will open an office in Paris "in the very near future," according to Paris-Post No. 1 of the American Legion.

The Paris Post was notified in a message from Washington that the representative will be in charge of problems for servicemen who have taken overseas discharges.

The representative will be accompanied by an envoy from Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Veterans Administration, who will survey veterans' problems throughout the continent, according to James McCann, national committeeman of the Paris Post, who is now in Washington.

50 Vets in Wheelchairs Picket Army Hospital to Halt Closing

ATLANTIC CITY, April 21 (AP)—Fifty bilateral amputee and paralyzed veterans blocked the boardwalk for half an hour in wheelchairs picketing the Thomas M. England General Hospital, which has been ordered by the Army to be closed on June 30.

The men carried placards reading, "1,500 wounded ask you to wire the President to keep the hospital open" and "We won the battle in combat; help us to win the battle on the boardwalk."

The picketing was part of a three-

Plot to Extort Cash in Famine Areas Reported

LONDON, April 21 (AP)—While Allied experts deliberated to save millions from starvation, grim reports reached here today of organized attempts to cash in on what Herbert Hoover, chief American famine investigator, has described as "the greatest crisis ever faced by humanity."

A New Delhi dispatch described how vitamin tablets, glucose and other anti-starvation medicines had suddenly gone underground in anticipation of a sudden demand when the famine situation took a critical turn.

An Associated Press message from Chicago reported Charles Wright, president of the Omaha Grain Exchange, as saying that American farmers had been holding back grain supplies in the hopes of receiving some such incentive as a bonus payment.

Further Bread Cut Seen

Milling sources generally indicated that the United States may have to cut the consumption of bread and other wheat products even more

DENISON, Tex., April 21 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower visited his birthplace here and told the crowd, "No element is as important as preserving the peace of the world as food."

"This land of America has responsibilities it can't dodge. It's the breadbasket of the world, the general said in a brief address which followed a military parade.

than the 25 per cent ordered by the Government unless a Federal bonus inducement brings a release of stored wheat estimated at 160,000,000 bushels.

Meanwhile, plans for a nationwide food collection drive to help combat world famine were announced in Washington today.

Under the chairmanship of Henry A. Wallace, U. S. Secretary of Commerce, the "emergency food collection" will begin on May 12, with the object of establishing collection centers in every community in America. The basis of the organization will be the chairman of local committees in 18,597 towns and cities who recently led a successful clothing collection campaign.

"Everyone in America will be able to help directly in feeding the world's hungry," Wallace declared.

Great Britain is expected to announce wheat conservation measures in line with steps taken by the United States, a statement issued at 10 Downing St. said.

Monaco Bows to Play But Doughboys Are Taboo

PARIS, April 21 (INS)—The world's most fashionable playground is coming back to life. The luxurious French Riviera, with its white sand beaches, its roulette bank at Monte Carlo and its swank international social set, is all ready for a boom season. Monte Carlo almost became a haven for occupation-weary American troops. It almost was subsidized by Uncle Sam to the tune of \$500,000,000. But the citizens of the world's tiniest principality, when offered the fabulous subsidy and the opportunity to become an Army rest center, voted "no."

Citizens of Monaco agreed to accept Allied officers as guests of the resort, but GIs—thanks, no—the Riviera had been too spoiled by the lush trade of pre-war playboys and their playmates. A khaki invasion of soldier-tourists would have meant too great a change.

Square-Mile Resort

So without the subsidy and without the khaki, Monte Carlo and the square-mile principality of Monaco have gone to work to prepare for their first postwar season. It wasn't a big transition, for even throughout the war the Riviera had enjoyed a privileged position in Hitler's bloated empire.

Monaco and its famed Casino de Monte Carlo, where uncounted fortunes have been won and lost by a turn of the wheel, clutched at a precarious neutrality all through the war. Political refugees by the hundreds flooded into the thumb-sized enclave.

When Canadian Commandos stormed ashore along the Riviera, gamblers and croupiers never left their seats for more than an hour or two—and that to watch the bigger show outside.

Monaco is unique in the world for more reasons than its diminutive size. It is the only taxless community this side of Heaven. Its black market is unusual for Europe. Nobody pays any attention and prices are relatively dirt cheap. And Monaco has a comic-opera prince regent who lives in a gingerbread castle on the top of a rock.

Pay No Taxes

Natives of Monaco pay no taxes. The "Societe des Bains de Mer," which operates the casino and has full financial control over the square-mile territory, takes in enough francs to cover all civic expenses without taxation.

But if you're thinking of immigrating, slow down. Monaco is also the hardest state in the world in which to become a citizen. You have to be approved by the council's vote. And the council reckons the population is dense enough. Tourists are preferred.

Like its sister, neutral Switzerland, the Riviera emerged from the war a true land of milk and honey. Prices, morality and cleanliness suffered little from the bomb-stirred ravages of struggle.

A first-class meal in Monaco today costs only \$5. Rare wines, choice creamy pastries and the whole array of delicacies which are only a memory for much of Europe are to be had without rationing in the principality.

Paint and plaster are being used

copiously in a through late-spring cleaning. Theaters and playhouses are having their faces lifted. The palm beach swimming pool is getting new marble and new cement.

The Riviera's luxurious beaches, washed by warm Mediterranean waters, are nearly all cleared of mines. Booby traps and other war-time relics have been scavenged for the junk heap.

But the biggest job of renovation is going on in the gambling palaces. Spurred by competition from other Riviera resorts, Monte Carlo is making a big effort to attract tourists burdened with easy cash.

Gambling Traffic Begins

Already, hundreds of smartly-dressed gamblers, men and women, cluster around the green-velveted tables and many of them never stake less than 100,000 francs on a turn of the wheel. The first of the season's gambling traffic has begun.

At neighboring San Remo for example, just over the Italian frontier, the bank was broken twice in a week—once paying out 15,000,000 francs in less than an hour's play.

But the real gamblers, chiefly from Eastern Europe and America, are still awaited. With their arrival, the season will be in full swing.

Monte Carlo's commissioner for tourists, eager to play his part in



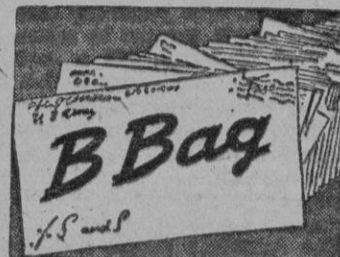
CITIZENS of Monaco, where roulette rules the roost, refused an Army subsidy for a rest center.

attracting paying guests, has announced special privileges for visiting foreigners this summer. All newcomers will be offered special ration books, including coupons for hotel rooms, food, tobacco and gasoline.

New arrivals will find the crowd mixed. Princes and the oldest European aristocracy mingle with Monte Carlo natives. Evening gowns

brush bare legs and tailcoats are interspersed with sports jackets.

The old atmosphere, the tension of the gambling, the wealth of the clientele, the luxury of the beaches and the homes, these will take a little more time to restore. But Monte Carlo is on the road back, and is making a real bid to recapture its former crown as "Playground of the World"



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Famous European Spa

Bad Nauheim Becomes Lichfield Trial Center

By Max Grossman
Staff Writer

BAD NAUHEIM, April 21—For the second time in a century, this picturesque resort town will figure in world news. The current headline feature will be the sessions of the Lichfield trials to be held here on or about May 1.

The last time Bad Nauheim became a world center of interest was almost exactly a century ago when an enormous spring of carbolic acid waters, blowing 66,000,000 gallons of bath water daily, made this community one of the world's best known spas.

Today, the features which made Bad Nauheim so important to the tourist trade will be devoted to housing and feeding persons who must attend the trials.

Even the famous baths, which specialized in curing heart ailments but which were not above looking after a case or two of catarrh, will be available to the court, witnesses, defendants, the press and others.

Bad Nauheim, to judge from the town's advertising literature, was once nearly able to end all human ailments with the exception of dandruff.

Romans Came First

But the Romans, Celts and German tribes ages ago used the springs before advertising was invented.

Advertising literature, still available at hotels, gives the resort "phenomenally valuable experience in the treatment of . . . all forms of chronic heart affections . . . deforming inflammation of the joints . . . inflammatory exudative

maladies . . . constipation . . . neurasthenia . . . hemorrhoid troubles."

As was the case with most famous European spas, the surroundings and the care given patients in these settings combined to make the patients' stay most pleasant. Bad Nauheim, in fact, looks more like a pleasure resort than a medical center.

When America declared war on Germany, members of the United States Embassy staff were held in this community until their exchange. During the war, the Germans used the community as a hospital center for their wounded and convalescent troops.

Population Jumps

Normal population of the town was 9,500. Today's population, because of shelter granted to bomb victims, may be nearly twice that size. Since Bad Nauheim is a watering spot, it has adequate hotel facilities to take care of large transient groups. In the olden days, in fact, the town took care of 40,000 persons annually (mostly during the summer) who came here to cure what ailed 'em.

Persons concerned with the Lichfield trials will find that the Park Hotel, the community's hostelry famous for good food, has been turned into a combination court house and press camp. Three court rooms already have been arranged.

An entire floor and wing of the building has been set aside for press accommodations. Most court officials, witnesses and press representatives will be billeted at the Kurheim Hotel at 4 Goethe Strasse.

Ancient English Pub A Robin Hood Hangout

LONDON, April 21 (INS)—Pubs and inns are an old and picturesque tradition in this country, with many claimants for the title of the "oldest inn."

The strongest claims so far advanced come from "Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem. A. D. 1189," a famous Nottingham tavern.

This quaint inn is carved out of solid rock and over-shadowed by the towering walls of Nottingham Castle. It is said that Robin Hood downed many a tankard of "good olde" English ale at this ancient establishment.

The derivation of the name is fascinating. It was named in the reign of King Richard the Lion Hearted, when Crusaders were said to have gathered here to drink a toast to the success of the "trip to Jerusalem."

Backs Allied Hitch-Hikers

In regard to the "Major, TC" letter in B Bag concerning other than U.S. personnel in Army uniforms, I should like to throw a little more candle-power on this subject.

The percentage of former enemy personnel attired completely in our uniform and audacious enough to hitch-hike, doubtlessly is negligible. This leaves only our Allies. I do not believe there are many Russians, who cannot speak English, roaming through the western zones. For the most part then, there remain the French and the Poles. The former have the right to wear our garments by virtue of lend-lease, or by actual purchase by the French government; the latter we clothe because we cannot have shivering nudes guarding warmer prisoners of war.

Precisely what then, may I ask, is so wrong or debasing in having one's chauffeur stop to give a lift to Allied personnel who do not happen to speak one's particular brand of English. —T/5, 97th Gen. Hosp.

For Sake of Lend-Lease

Has it ever occurred to your readers to wonder why there are few, if any GI bridegrooms? By this I mean the English husband of GI Jane. How come this strange phenomenon? Is it that GI Jane is more fastidious than her brother? Or does she not come up to Englishmen's standards?

Knowing so few American girls, I feel hardly qualified to answer, although I do think that most of them would serve as admirable replacements for the women your boys have taken. Surely it should be possible for the British Empire to claim some of your girls, if only for old time lend-lease's sake. —Cpl., RAF.

He Can Be Had

Those two lonely Wacs say all they want is to be taken out five times a week by some kind gentleman. I have been trying to take out Wacs ever since I've been in the ET, and have had no success.

I act very much like a gentleman, but all they do is give me the cold shoulder. It's best if they don't even write to B Bag about their troubles, for they just talk and never act.

—Gentleman Sailor.

OCCUPATION By Shep



"But she's my wife, meine frau, from America. Can'tcha understand?"

Official Bulletin

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State Dept. Oral Exams

Oral examination will be given to qualified candidates throughout the European Theater on the following dates: Vienna, April 25-26; Berlin, April 29-May 19 and Frankfurt, May 3-8.

Personnel in the Berlin and Bremen areas will make appointments to be examined in Berlin. Call Mr. Warner at Berlin 4-3483. All other personnel on duty (or present) in Germany or Belgium, Luxembourg or Holland will be given their examinations in Frankfurt. Appointments can be made by calling Mr. James Osborn, vice consul at the American Consulate General in Frankfurt. The telephone number is 2-4933.

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Army Courts 'Unjustified,' Royall Says

House Group's Report Called 'Unwarranted'

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP)—The War Department termed "unjustified" the criticism of Army justice made by a subcommittee of the House Military Affairs Committee, as disclosed here yesterday.

Drawing any conclusion from the committee's report, which mentioned that 142 soldiers were executed under court martial sentence, would be "grossly unfair," Undersecretary of War Kenneth C. Royall said.

In a 25,000-word analysis the subcommittee, headed by Rep. Carl Durham (D.-N. C.), was highly critical of what it called injustices in the extreme severity of sentences and partiality stemming from the present court martial system.

Open Hearings Expected

Although the subcommittee document was reported to have been put aside temporarily by the full committee at the suggestion of the War Department, committeemen said privately that there probably will be open hearings on the entire problem.

Royall, in a formal reply to the subcommittee's recommendation that the court martial system be overhauled, said mistakes inevitably had been made under wartime stress but noted that the War Department already has taken corrective steps.

"The department is not only willing but anxious that full consideration be given all possible improvements in the system of military justice," Royall said. "However, the solution of this difficult problem is not helped by incorrect statements, nor by unjustified criticism, nor by unsupported and unwarranted conclusions."

Royall, charged with the responsibility for administering Army justice, noted that no hearings had been held and that the report had not been approved nor released by the full committee. The report, he asserted, contains numerous incorrect statements and many general conclusions based on cases he did not identify but said were not typical.

Outlines Steps Taken

Declaring that the War Department is "intensely interested" in improving military justice and correcting mistakes, Royall said that these steps already had been taken:

Under a system of rehabilitation expanded since the war's close, more than 32,000 men sentenced after conviction by general courts martial have been restored to duty and made eligible for honorable discharge.

A clemency board headed by former Supreme Court Justice Owen J. Roberts has, since last summer, reviewed individually all but about 4,000 of more than 83,000 remaining cases.

Recently, "with full knowledge" of the subcommittee chairman, the War Department named an advisory board, with members selected by the American Bar Association, to review court martial procedure.

U. S. Reduces Cost Ceilings For Bulk Of New Dwellings

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP)—The Government ordered new reduced cost ceilings for the bulk of new dwellings and directed that one-fourth of them be built for rental.

The National Housing Administration order will steer by priority action most of the country's residential building materials into homes well under the present \$10,000 sales and \$80 rental limit.



Proud Papa

To announce the happy event and answer the inevitable questions, John Holyoke, student-veteran, wore a placard to classes at the Beloit (Wis.) College the day after the birth of his daughter.

ROUNDUP

DETROIT, April 21 (AP)—Police resorted to mechanized warfare in their first foray against the flocks of pigeons which have hampered airplane traffic at the city airport. When infantry tactics failed, police drove at the pigeons in an auto, firing helter skelter as they went. Twelve pigeons and the usual innocent bystander—a crow—toppled to the ground.

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SOMERVILLE, Mass., April 21 (INS)—A battle-shocked former Army sergeant admitted to police he shot and killed his estranged wife because of jealousy. He is Renaud Rossignol, 26, of Cambridge, accused of firing three shots from a German war trophy at his wife Alma, 23, outside her Somerville home after ordering her companion, Vincent Severino, to take his son Phillip, 3, into the house.

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TUCSON, Ariz., April 21 (UP)—Supported by coeds who promised not to date short-haired sissies, men students at the University of Arizona boycotted barber shops today in protest against \$1 haircut prices. Students said they would be long-hairs until prices returned to 50 cents.

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DAVENPORT, Iowa, April 21 (AP)—Army light airborne tanks which cost \$26,000 each to build are selling like hot cakes at the Rock Island Arsenal for \$100. One was bought to pull stumps and move timber on a farm. Another will haul logs to a saw mill. A Davenport salvage firm bought one to "switch" freight cars.

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BOSTON, April 21 (UP)—The Latin Quarter, popular Boston nightclub, was swept by a three-alarm fire early today with damage estimated at \$15,000. No one was reported injured. Fire officials suspect arson.

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CHICAGO, April 21 (UP)—Arrested for speeding, Raymond Yenchus, 27, told Judge Leon Edelman that he could not accustom himself to civilian driving. He was an ambulance driver overseas.

Price Logroll In Senate Seen As Peril to OPA

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP)—Reports of backstage bartering over whether Senators were to help lift price controls off each other's pet commodities had friends of the Office of Price Administration worried.

These reports had it that some cotton-state, livestock-state, mineral-state and other Senators with particular interests were telling each other, "You help take price control off my commodity, and I'll help take it of yours."

Not many Senators said that they had heard of it, but Allen J. Ellender (D.-La.), asserted, "There's more logrolling on this than there was when tariff bills were before Congress."

Bowles Gets Warning

Meanwhile, Robert M. La Follette Jr. (Prog.-Wis.) expressed his belief that the OPA had a fighting chance for its life in the Senate, but only if it corrected what he called its mistakes in swifter fashion. He said there were many cases in which justifiable price relief had been unnecessarily delayed.

Ellender said he had told Economic Stabilizer Chester B. Bowles that unless the OPA made some changes voluntarily, it would be "horse-traded right out of business."

The Louisianan declared that he told Bowles he wanted to see a "reasonable bill" extending the OPA's life, but doubted if the Senate would do this unless the OPA:

DECONTROLLED several commodities not essential in the living costs of the average family, such as strawberries and other luxury products.

ESTABLISHED a new price line in the light of wage increases granted since V J Day.

The Senate will not come to grips with the OPA issue for two weeks or more.

General Pays Up To Traffic Officer, Late Pfc of Army

MUNCIE, Ind., April 21 (AP)—This conversation took place in the office of Traffic Sgt. Fred Love, two weeks out of the Army.

"I'm Gen. Randall of the U. S. Army. I have a sticker."

"I am Pfc Love of the U. S. Army. The sticker will cost you exactly one buck."

Motorist Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randall, who had been given a ticket for overtime parking in a meter zone, paid up.

Evangelical Prelate Dies

NAPERVILLE, Ill., April 21 (AP)—Samuel Peter Spreng, 93, bishop emeritus of the Evangelical Church, in which he was a clergyman for 55 years, died here.

Fisherman's Dream Comes True: He Rescues Greer Garson in Sea

CARMEN, Calif., April 21 (UP)—Vincent Sollecito, sardine fisherman, said today he had always dreamed of taking actress Greer Garson in his arms but had never thought he would have the chance to do it.

His chance finally came when she was swept off a rock by an eight-foot wave at a seaside movie set and Sollecito, working as an extra, rescued her.

Tall, dark and handsome Sollecito was beaming, though dripping wet, when fellow workers congratulated him on saving the Academy Award winner.

"I just waded out and swooped her," said the 35-year-old skipper of the Lena V, adding that it was as easy as "fishing a slippery sardine out of a bucket."

The auburn-haired actress was resting comfortably at a Monterey hospital today, according to physicians who treated her for cuts on the body, cuts on the legs and shock.

"I've often pictured caressing Greer Garson in my arms but I never thought I would do it," sighed Sollecito.



Can They Keep It Up?

That's what people are wondering about British press agents' venture into the pin-up field. Having recognized that Hollywood studios had attained worldwide fame with their liberal distribution of photographs of the feminine figure, the British movie industry has announced its intention of glamorizing English stars in a bid for a share in the international film market. This photo of Pauline Tennant launches the campaign.

Boy, 16, Admits OPA Smashes Raping Two in \$3,000,000 Car Bedroom Raids Black Market

BOSTON, April 21 (AP)—A boy, 16, was charged today in Roxbury District Court with raping two women and attempting to rape another, after creeping through windows into their bedrooms and threatening them with a doctor's scalpel.

The youth was ordered committed to the Boston Psychopathic Hospital for observation.

Two of the alleged victims were Negroes, while the third was white, officers added.

The police said the boy's own statements were the first word of the alleged crimes, inasmuch as none of the women had reported the assaults. The officers quoted the women as saying that in each case the boy located an open window, and once in the bedrooms, attempted to cut off their nightgowns with a scalpel.

When he had awakened them, the women were quoted as saying, the boy placed the point of the instrument near their throats and threatened to kill them if they cried out.

Police said the boy had been arrested at 2:30 a. m. while walking "in a suspicious manner" along the street. During police questioning, they added, he produced the scalpel and told the officers of the attacks.

'Dangerous' Army Tests Slated Near Panama Canal

BALBOA, April 21 (AP)—The U. S. Army's Panama Canal Department announced that "dangerous military tests" of an unspecified nature would start tomorrow at San Jose Island in the Perlas group, about 50 miles from the Pacific entrance of the canal.

The tests are to last through June 30.

During the period, no person or boat may approach within a three-mile limit of the island.

Legal Aid on Eating Bugs

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They Won't Cause Ulcers, Judge Rules

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21 (UP)—Cockroaches may not be very appetizing, but they don't give you ulcers, Federal Judge Martin I. Welsh ruled today in the case of Charles Cadle versus the War Shipping Administration.

Cadle had asked \$25,000 from the WSA because, he complained, he had gotten ulcers from eating

roaches in his oatmeal, weevils in his rice, and aphids in his broccoli, while shipping in the Indian Ocean with the Merchant Marine in 1943.

Judge Welsh, backed by a Sacramento physician, ruled that ulcers were not caused by food, no matter what the variety. Cadle's charge, he said, was "nothing more than speculative and conjectural."

Ruhr Gives Brits Toughest Reich Job, OMGUS Official Says

BERLIN, April 21 (AP)—In the Ruhr, Great Britain has an occupation problem unequalled by anything in any of the other Allied zones of Germany, according to a United States Military Government authority.

The policy for this vital area is clearly defined, he says, but to give it effect borders on the impossible. The aims are to rebuild shattered industry, especially coal, so that Germany can have something to export to provide essential food in exchange, to clear out the Nazis and to clean up the indescribable mess left by heavy bombing and shelling. Coal production, which rose at first, is now falling off because of the shortage of young miners and the cut in rations, officials say.

French to Clear 4,000 From Devil's Island

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—Within three years, the French penal colony in French Guiana—known as Devil's Island—will be only a matter of unsavory history.

Now that the war has ended, France is able to put into effect a law passed in 1938 abolishing the grim island prison and its nearby penal settlement in the malarial jungle.

Maj. Charles Pean, of the Salvation Army, who has lived among the convicts, is now on his way to French Guiana to arrange the repatriation of about 4,000 prisoners still there. He estimates that, because of transport difficulties, the task will take about three years.

Of those remaining, about 2,800 are still prisoners. The rest are freed from actual prison restrictions but compelled under the old French law to remain in French Guiana.

A criminal sentenced to Devil's Island for any term up to seven years had to serve an equal term in the prison colony. If his sentence was for eight or more years, he had to remain there for life—but life for a white man in the steaming jungles was short. Those entitled to return to France had to pay their own fares, and it was virtually impossible to earn money.

Soldier Flies to See Ill Bride in England After Waiting Month

BOURNEMOUTH, England, April 21 (AP)—After sweating out a month-long wait for special leave to join his critically ill English bride, Edgar Barr, of Peoria, Ill., 30-year-old Air Forces sergeant, reached England yesterday to learn that his wife was "slightly better."

Barr landed at Hurn Airport before dawn and left immediately for Norfolk Hospital, Norwich where his wife was confined with a spinal ailment.

Australia Gives Up Rice

KARACHI, April 21 (AP)—Australia has decided to export her entire rice crop, and continue to do without rice herself, Australian Premier J. B. Chifley said yesterday.

Drive On in Parliament to Abolish Compulsory Church Rule in Army

LONDON, April 21 (INS)—Led by Tom Driberg, Maldon Laborite, 200 members of Parliament are campaigning to abolish compulsory church attendance in the British armed forces.

Driberg contended that a soldier's body and brain belonged to the state but that he was not compelled to surrender his soul.

"No sergeant major can claim that inner part," he declared, although he admitted that there were hundreds of soldiers who did

not feel they had even this much of themselves regarded as sacrosanct by the topkick.

At present, Driberg continued, if a man objected to going to church he got the dirtiest fatigues possible or he was regarded as somebody who "needed watching," with the result that his army career suffered.

"Compulsory church parades are too often a blasphemous parade of true religious worship and always an infringement on the rights of the individual soul," Driberg said.

Pacific Atom Test Won't Prove a Thing, Top Scientist Says

WINTER PARK, Fla., April 21 (INS)—One of the leading scientists at the Los Alamos (N. M.) laboratory, where the first atomic bomb was exploded, declared that the atomic bomb tests in the Pacific would not prove a thing.

Dr. S. K. Allison, assistant to Dr. William Oppenheimer, director at Los Alamos, said he had very little faith in the tests. He asked:

"If a battleship is blown up, what does it prove? A torpedo will blow up a battleship, also, but that doesn't mean it will wreck a task force or put the Navy out of commission."

"I think the ship will be put out of commission, but that's all I believe will happen."



Teachers Strike in Bombay

Demanding increased salaries and retirement pensions, the teachers of Bombay went out on strike. Women teachers, followed by men, are shown picketing the governor's office.

Era of ET Trips on Uncle Sam Ends As Army Starts Pay-as-You-Go Tours

7-Day Vacations In Paris or Nice

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, April 21—Complete details on the new pay-as-you-go plan for the Paris and Riviera leave areas were announced today by Maj. Gen. A. R. Bolling, theater chief of Special Services.

Effective May 8, the American Express Co., Inc., will operate these leave areas, Bolling said, but the quotas will be allocated to the major commands on the basis of 400 vacationists in Paris and 400 in Nice at any one time.

Both areas are open to U. S. military personnel and dependents, civilian employes of the Army and dependents, and UNRRA personnel. Seven days will be the maximum leave time for each center, exclusive of travel time.

Booking Procedure

Bolling outlined the booking procedure as follows: Special Services officers will book personnel authorized leave in accordance with quotas allocated to them. Theater Special Services will inform the tour agency concerning the quotas allocated to the major command, and the sale of tickets for the tours will conform strictly to the quotas.

The individual booked for the tour will receive leave orders from his unit and present them to his unit Special Services officer or the nearest American Express office to purchase the tour tickets. The leave orders will be the only authorization for such purchase, and payment must be made by U. S. postal money order, payable to the American Express Co., Inc., New York, only.

Exceptions Made

Exceptions will be made for personnel stationed in France, who will pay for the tours with French francs to American Express in Paris or Nice, and personnel stationed in England, who will pay for the tours in pounds sterling to American Express in London.

Costs of the tours will vary for personnel in these categories, according to the rail or boat transportation necessary. American Express offices are located in Frank-

Geishas Get Holiday To 'Improve' Talents

TOKYO, April 21 (AP)—Soaring food costs and public criticism of lavish spending caused 25 geisha houses and five high-class restaurants to close.

The proprietress of one of the largest geisha houses said she was giving the girls a "holiday which they'll devote to improving their talents."

Civilians Included In Quota of 400

with two persons to a room. Most of the rooms will have private baths, but, in any event, adequate facilities will be available to all. Clean linen and blankets are supplied, but tour personnel must provide their own soap and towels. Three meals a day, prepared from Army rations by French chefs, will be served at the Bohy.

Guided Tours Offered

The itinerary: FIRST DAY—Arrive by train at 5 a. m. at Gare de l'Est, Paris. Motor transportation from station to hotel furnished. The day is free for independent sight-seeing.

SECOND DAY—Tour of Paris by motor coach, accompanied by a competent guide.

THIRD DAY—Motor coach tour of Versailles, with guide-lecturer.

FOURTH TO SEVENTH DAY—At the individual's disposal for independent sight-seeing to local places of interest or shopping tours of Paris.

EIGHTH DAY—Departure from Paris.

Civilians Pay More

The Riviera tour will cost military personnel \$39 and all civilian personnel \$67. This difference is attributed to the lack of rail reduction for civilians. The hotel is the Ruhl. There will be dining-car facilities available.

The Riviera itinerary: FIRST DAY—Arrive in Paris at 5 a. m. at Gare de l'Est. There will be an opportunity to visit places of interest in Paris. Tourists will leave for Nice by the evening train from Gare de Lyon at 8:30 p. m. Seating arrangements must be made at the RTO at Gare de Lyon.

SECOND DAY—Arrive at Nice at 7 p. m.

THIRD TO SEVENTH DAY—Sight-seeing tours from Nice to Mentone, Monte Carlo, Cannes and Grasse, with guide-lecturer. The rest of the time in Nice is at the disposal of the tourist.

EIGHTH DAY—A free day, with motor transportation from the hotel to station for departure at 4:30 p. m.

Danish Butter and Cheese Goes on Army Menus June 1

FRANKFURT, April 21 (UP)—USFET chief quartermaster announced today that only Danish butter and cheese will be served to American occupation forces from June 1 to Dec. 1. The announcement added that USFET hopes to extend the contract with the Danes into next year, thus allowing United States dairy supplies to be diverted into other channels.

Hungary's Payments Deferred

MOSCOW, April 21 (AP)—A communique issued here yesterday said that Hungary's reparations payments to Russia have been deferred from six to eight years to bring her into line with Rumania.

Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)

By Milton Caniff



Worst Threat To New Austria

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
VIENNA, April 21—Austrian officials charged with the responsibility of returning former Austrian prisoners of war to civilian life have termed the PW the "greatest threat to the rebirth of a democratic Austria" and a "constant threat of the return of Fascism."

The returned PW, according to Austrian officials, has been, in many cases, so humbled in prisoner of war camps that he has developed an "idea of revenge similar to that of the soldiers of the last war who became the Nazi leaders and followers."

Another factor that the officials reason will point returned PWs toward Fascism is that "most of them are not satisfied with their present type of employment and want to return to their former glory as conquering soldiers."

Soldier Blamed for Trouble

The attitude of the Austrians who did not serve in the German army is cited as a third example. "The non-combatant Austrian," an official pointed out, "is willing to do anything to prove that he never backed Hitler. One phase of this shirking of responsibility is to 'call the returned soldier a Nazi tool and to hold him responsible for today's hard times.'"

German army orientation is also responsible for an anti-democratic attitude on the part of the returned soldier. For more than six years the men were trained to respect orders and to distrust the process of democracy.

Austria's Confusion Cited

"When they see the confused Austria of today," officials remarked, "they will only have to draw upon their Nazi teachings to reason that a democratic nation has no future except anarchy."

The course in democracy given all PWs returning from the American zone was cited by the officials as "a possible salvation for Austria." They said that the American course in democracy demonstrated how the will of the people had produced a winning military machine in an un-military nation and that this fact had "influenced" many returned soldiers.

"American rations helped, too," they added.

Daughter Sees Tojo After 3 Months and Can Scarcely Talk

TOKYO, April 21 (UP)—Hideki Tojo, former Japanese premier, saw his daughter Mitsue, 28, for the first time in three months today.

She visited him in Sugamo Prison, where he is awaiting trial as a war criminal. Miss Tojo said after leaving her father that she had cried so much, "I hardly talked at all."

"We talked mostly about our home, our garden and our farm," she said. "Father seemed pleased when I told him that the barley had grown about a foot."

China Nazis' Return Due to Start in June

SHANGHAI, April 21 (AP)—All Germans in China known to have been connected with the wartime German government will be repatriated on American ships, probably in June, it was announced here.

The first ship will return about 1,500 Germans, including wives and children.

After their return to Germany, it was said, the repatriates probably will be tried for war crimes. Negotiations are being conducted with the commanders of the Soviet, British, French and American zones to return the Germans to their original sections.

Garmisch Center to Get Open-Air Night Club

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, April 21—An open-air night club, with floor shows on ice and a disappearing dance floor, will open at the Garmisch recreation center this summer, center officials revealed here today.

The first of its kind in Europe, the new club will serve both officers and enlisted men and will have a capacity of more than 500 persons. Opening date is expected to be June 15.

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vanguard of some 30,000 service dependents already on the way heading for the European Theater, Army and Red Cross personnel, who are to staff the trains carrying wives and children from Bremerhaven to their new homes, today were taken on a tour of coaches and sleepers assembled here for the move and given an orientation on their new jobs.

As the tour progressed, it became apparent the Army was determined

to win complete travel facilities. "Do you think I overlooked anything?" asked the Transportation Corps official as he reeled off a list of needs that ranged from baby arrangements to diapers.

Approving comments from GI and Red Cross girls, many of whom could recall continental railroad trips made under slightly less deluxe conditions, indicated the Army had attempted adequate provision on every score.

Officials conducting the tour



Britain's Leaders Pay Tribute to Gort

Great Britain's Prime Minister, Clement R. Attlee, left, and her wartime leader, former Prime Minister Winston Churchill, leave Westminster Abbey in London after attending the funeral of Field Marshal John Viscount Gort. Gort commanded the British Expeditionary Force in the retreat from Dunkirk.

Help Smuggle Jews to Palestine By 'Underground,' N.Y. Ad Asks

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—The "underground railway" for movement of Jews from Europe to Palestine "is largely intact" and has been "strengthened by additional guides from Palestine resistance forces," said a full page advertisement appearing in the New York Post.

The advertisement was signed by Will Rogers Jr., son of the noted American humorist, and authors Ben Hecht and Louis Bromfield.

Appealing for funds to "help these abandoned people reach the only home that waits for them," the advertisement declared: "Last fortnight three ships landed with 2,000 Hebrews in Palestine."

Jews reaching Palestine now, it said, are using the same machinery

which "in 1937-40 evacuated 40,000 Hebrews from Europe to Palestine under the noses of the Gestapo and behind the backs of the British."

Declaring the average cost of moving a Hebrew from Europe to Palestine is \$250, the advertisement said, "Words won't carry, Hebrews to Palestine. Give us money, it will get the ships."

The advertisement was paid for by the American League for Free Palestine, Inc.

Jap Governor Kills Self

SHANGHAI, April 21 (AP)—General Rickichi Ando, wartime Japanese governor of Formosa and commander of Japanese troops there, swallowed poison in his jail cell during the night and died in agony.

Moon Mullins

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate Co., Inc.)

By Willard





Nation's Top Golfers Hold Confab

Four of the nation's top golfers pause to discuss the day's results during a recent tournament. Standing are Jimmy Demaret, left, and Byron Nelson, while Bobby Jones, left, and Ben Hogan are seated in front.

Armed Wins 33rd Running Of Philadelphia Handicap

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md., April 21 (AP)—Flying down to the wire in characteristic stretch rushes, Calumet Farm's great handicap ace, Armed, set a new track and stake record in winning the 33rd running of the Philadelphia handicap and boosted his all-time earnings past the \$200,000 mark.

The 5-year-old gelding, coming back after a defeat by Bobanet in the six-furlongs Harford handicap here on Monday, covered the mile-and-one-sixteenth Philadelphia handicap in 1:43 1/2, knocking two-fifths of a second off the track record established by Cavalcade in the Chesapeake stakes in 1934. The old Philadelphia handicap mark of 1:44 1/2, was held jointly by Lightning Bolt and Masked General.

Bull Play Wins

Kentucky Derby hopes for William Helis' highly-regarded Rippey slumped sharply at Keeneland as the non-eligible plumper spurred in the stretch to win by a neck in the Marchmont feature.

Hal Price Headley's bay gelding trailed Rippey into the stretch by half a length and turned on a final burst to travel the mile-and-one-sixteenth route in 1:43 3/4, just two fifths of a second off the track record. Rippey led by four lengths at the half-mile post.

Three other derby eligibles—J. W. Rodgers' Warf, who finished third, F. W. Hoopers' Triumphal, and William Pervey's Puddle Jumper, trailed Plumper across the wire.

W. W. Jones' Bull Play finished ahead of Letmenow and South Dakota in the Ben Ali handicap to capture a \$6,250 purse.

Phantasy Third

Tiger Call, 4-year-old gelding from the Providence Stable of Lipson and Kane, came from far back to cop the first division of the featured Inaugural stakes of the \$7,300 five- and -one-half-furlong sprint at Narragansett Park, Pawtucket, R. I.

Ridden well by Willie Duffy, Tiger Call beat out Mrs. Tom Hasko's Windmill, favorite of the crowd, by a neck. The winner's time was 1:06 2/5.

Brookmeade Stable's Phantasy finished third after battling Windmill for an early lead.

Tiger Call paid \$30.60, \$10.60, and \$4.20 as it earned \$6,230 for its owners who claimed the horse for \$10,000 at Gulfstream in January. Windmill paid \$4.40 and \$2.80, and Phantasy returned \$2.40.

West Fleet's Whizzaway, gelding, won the second division by a length from J. L. McNight's Agrarian W. The latter finished a length and a half ahead of Hilton Dabson's Nace's Ace.

Winton Takes Steeplechase

At San Mateo, Calif., Pride of Hygro, leading from wire to wire, won the \$10,000 added feature race at Bay Meadows by five lengths.

Antelope ran second, and Occupy, recently purchased by Abe Hirschberg of San Francisco for \$55,000 and shipped here last week from Miami, Fla., raced third. Occupy was a mild favorite.

Entry paid \$5.10, \$2.90, and \$2.20. Antelope returned \$7.30 and \$2.90. Occupy paid \$2.30.

Winton, 12-year-old gelding owned and ridden by Stuart S. Janney, Jr., won the second leg on a sweep of Maryland's three big point-to-point features by capturing the gruelling Grand National Steeplechase at Butler, Mo.

Winton cracked the four-foot rail of the last of 18 jumps and had to come from behind in the stretch to win by a neck over Betty Mosley's Count Stefan.

Clifton's Max, owned and ridden by John K. Shaw, Jr., was third in the three-mile test.

Louise Suggs Wins Women's Golf Meet

PINEHURST, N. C., April 21 (AP)—Fighting an uphill battle most of the way, Louise Suggs, hard-hitting little brunette from Lithia Springs, Ga., squeezed out a one-up triumph over Mrs. Estelli Lawson Page of Chapel Hill, N. C., to win the North and South Women's golf championship.

It was the 22-year-old Georgia girl's second straight tourney victory. Last week she won the Augusta, Ga., Women's Titleholders tournament.

Newhouser Twirls Two-Hitter; Wakefield Bangs Three Blows

CLEVELAND, April 21 (AP)—Hal Newhouser throttled the Indians with two singles while Dick Wakefield provided the heavy stick work as the world champion Tigers notched a 7-0 triumph in Cleveland's home opener.

Only two Indians advanced to second and none reached third as the Tiger southpaw spaced singles to Pat Seerey in the first and Steve Gromek in the fifth. Newhouser pitched to only 33 batters, and retired the side in order in four of the nine stanzas.

The Bengals obtained only six blows off three Cleveland hurlers but Wakefield's triple, double, and single in four trips at bat accounted for five of the runs.

The Bengals held only a 1-0 lead going into the sixth but in that inning they got to Gromek for four runs on one hit. A walk, a fielder's choice and Gromek's error loaded the sacks. Hank Greenberg sent Eddie Lake across with a long fly. Wakefield brought in two more with a triple to the right wall and scored on Pat Mullin's fly.

Wakefield's single accounted for two more markers in the seventh after a pair of walks, another error, and a fielder's choice. The Tigers got their first tally in the fourth when Wakefield's double scored Greenberg all the way from first.

Senators 7, Yankees 3

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—After losing their first four starts, the Senators scored their initial victory of the new season by defeating the Yankees, 7-3.

Four Yankee pitchers yielded 14 hits, with Stan Spence banging a homer off rookie Bill Wight, and Buddy Lewis and Jack Sanford hitting triples against lefty Herb Karpel.

The Bronx Bombers made but five hits off Dutch Leonard and Rae Scarborough, Leonard, who blanked the Bronxites for the first six rounds, was the winning pitcher.

White Sox 6, Browns 4

ST. LOUIS, April 21 (AP)—The White Sox defeat the Browns 6-4 for their first American League victory of the season with veteran Wally Moses playing a standout role in a 13-hit offensive.

Moses tripled against the pavilion wall in right field in the fifth, later scoring on Don Kolloway's grounder, and then in the sixth—with the bases filled—he cleared the sacks with a double down the right field line. The blow put the Sox in the lead, 5-3.

The Browns attempted a ninth-inning rally but, with the bases loaded and one run already scored, infielder Mark Christman hit into a double play to end the game.

Red Sox 2, A's 1

BOSTON, April 21 (AP)—Johnny Pesky was the hero as the Red Sox defeated the Athletics, 2-1, before the largest American League opening day attendance in Boston history.

An eighth-inning homer by Pesky gave the Sox the winning margin, and Pesky's heady base running gave the Sox their first run off Dick Fowler, who yielded only two hits throughout the game.

Three of the A's hits were made in the third when they scored their lone run. Hal Peck singled. Johnny Wallaesa doubled to right and Peck went to third. He scored as Doerr threw out Sam Chapman.

Cubs Receive '45 Pennant In Pre-Game Ceremonies

CHICAGO, April 21 (AP)—The Cubs raised their 1945 National League pennant at Wrigley Field, and the Cardinals promptly handed the champs their first setback in four starts, 2-0, behind the clever southpawing of Harry

(The Cat) Brecheen.

After league President Ford Frick handed manager Charley Grimm of the Cubs the bunting in a pre-game ceremony, the Cards nicked Hank Borowy, 1945 nemesis, for a first-inning marker, an that was the ball game except for a nifty duel between Brecheen and Fordham Hank.

Brecheen scattered six hits and was in real trouble only in one inning—the fifth, when the Cubs filled the bases with one out. He fanned all the Bruins except Don Johnson, who poled three straight singles.

Borowy, who last season accounted for three of six Cub victories in 22 starts against the Cards, was touched for seven hits before he yielded for a pinch-hitter in the eighth.

There's More Coming, Claims Pasquel

MEXICO CITY, April 21 (UP)—President Jorge Pasquel of the Mexican League, the man with the open pocketbook, insisted today that "two or three big-name American ball players" would be on their way south to play baseball shortly.

"We are in touch with them and should get their answer today," he said. He emphasized that he could not at this time "give even a hint of their identities."

Baseball Guild Seeking Ex-Star For President

BOSTON, April 21 (UP)—A former big league star, such as Babe Ruth, Jimmy Foxx or Tris Speaker, will be asked to head the newly formed American Baseball Guild, which aims to unionize the nation's professional baseball players, it was disclosed.

Robert Murphy, labor relations advisor of the ABG, said men such as those would be sought for the presidency "because they already have the respect of the players, club executives, and fans, and because they would have a knowledge of wrongs that need righting."

"Management almost always refused to recognize labor at the outset," he added.

"But actually our organization would help the clubs as well as the players. For example, we have just seen a lot of good players go over to the Mexican League. If they had been satisfied they naturally would have remained in the United States."

Wants to Improve Game

"By improving salaries, playing conditions and contracts, the Guild would make players satisfied. We would accomplish through arbitration what the players themselves now gain by jumping to Mexican baseball."

Murphy said the Guild's interest was to make baseball a better game by giving the players what they justly deserve.

"We want to, and will, protect baseball for the youth of America from Mexican inroads and other outside influences," Murphy stated. He said that he would welcome an opportunity for a roundtable radio discussion with club officials on the subject of unions in baseball.

He recalled that Clark Griffith of the Senators, who belittled the ABG, was himself instrumental in the formation of the present American League. About Griffith's comment that no union should be attempted because early attempts to unionize baseball players had failed, Murphy said, "Following that line of reasoning, no further efforts should be made by his Senators and they should have stopped trying to win pennants a long time ago."

Pirates 2, Reds 1

PITTSBURGH, April 21 (AP)—Truett (Rip) Sewell held the Reds to four hits and gave the Pirates the home opener by a 2-1 score.

A crowd of 27,891 saw opposing pitcher Bucky Walters, who was touched for seven safeties, steal home with two out in the sixth but it was the Reds' only counter.

Bob Elliott had a perfect day at bat, three for three, including two doubles. Elliott dashed in from second on Elbie Fletcher's two-bagger in the second and singled to bring in Jack Barrett with the winning tally in the sixth.

Dodgers 9, Giants 8

BROOKLYN, N. Y., April 21 (AP)—Rookie outfielder Dick Whitman broke up a seasaw affair between the Dodgers and the Giants by

slamming a ninth-inning single that sent Augie Galan over the plate with the run that gave the Brooks a 9-8 victory.

The Dodgers tied the score in the eighth when Dixie Walker, popular veteran, pinch hit for Howie Schultz and hit the first ball offered by relief hurler Ace Adams over the right-field fence for a home run.

Mickey Wittek kept the Giants in the ball game. In five trips to the plate he hit a home run, a double, and two singles, batted in four runs and scored four times. A homer was made off Hugh Casey in the eighth with two mates on base to give the Giants a temporary 8-7 lead.

Boston 6, Phils 3

PHILADELPHIA, April 21 (AP)—The Braves ruined the Phils' National League opener at Shibe Park with a 6-3 victory over the Philadelphians.

Tommy Holmes led the Boston attack with four hits in five trips to the plate, one an inside-the-park home run in the first inning with two mates aboard. Holmes had two doubles and a single and scored three runs.

Bill Lee yielded 12 hits but went the distance for the Braves it was the Phils' third straight defeat.

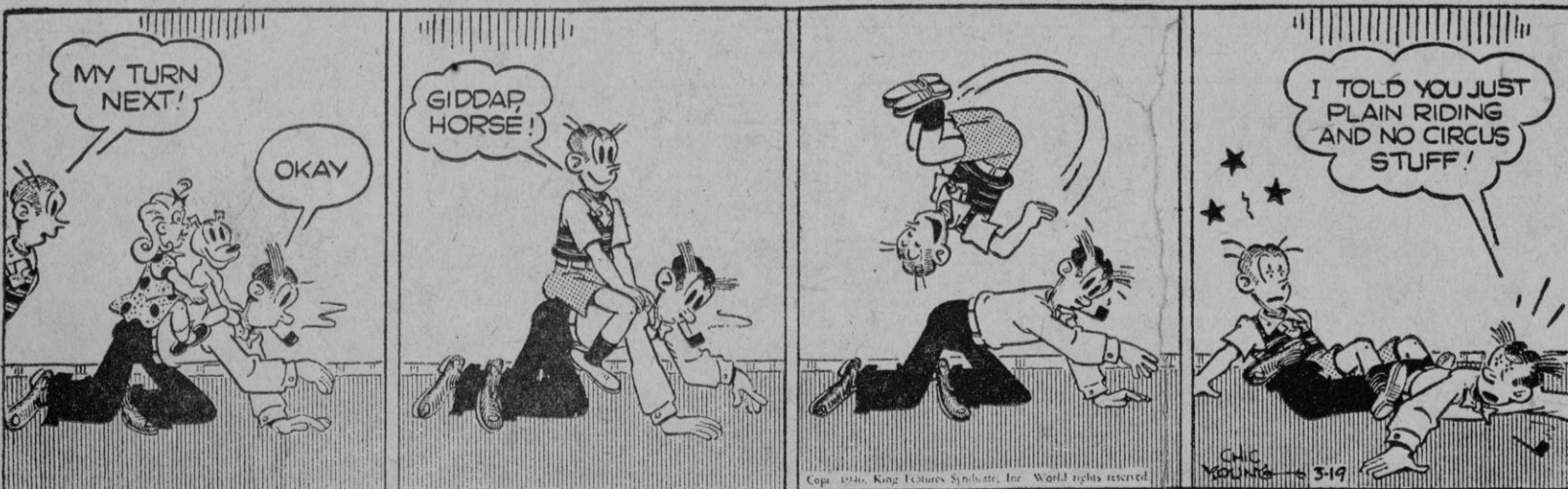
Ford Takes Bowling Lead

BUFFALO, April 21 (AP)—Ed Ford, 38, of Rochester, formerly of the USAAF, took the singles lead in the bowling championship with a 734 gross on games of 240, 240 and 254. He replaced Sgt. Ed Easter of Waukegan, Ill., as the singles' leader.

Blondie

(By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate)

By Chic Young



At a Glance

Ann Curtis Plans To Retire In Two Years

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21 (UP)—Ann Curtis, one of the greatest feminine swimmers of all time, will retire after two more years of competition—probably following the Olympics—she announced.

Marty Servo Presented Championship Belt

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)—The championship belt, emblematic of the world welterweight title, was presented to Marty Servo of Schenectady by Nat Fleischer, publisher of Ring magazine.

Top-Seeded Players Gain In River Oaks Tennis Meet

HOUSTON, Tex., April 21 (AP)—Top-seeded Bill Talbert, Bryan (Bitsy) Grant, Dick Savitt and Gardner Mulloy advanced to the semifinals of the 12th annual River Oaks Invitation Tennis tournament.

Eagles Sign 3 Players, Trade Banta to Rams

PHILADELPHIA, April 21 (UP)—The Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League announced the receipt of signed contracts of three more players, including end Larry Cabrelli, team captain for the past two years.

Association Rules Miler Can't Accept Fans' Money

STOCKHOLM, April 21 (UP)—Sweden's Amateur Athletic Association has ruled that Lennart Strand, Sweden's star mile runner, must not accept an offer of money from sports fans.

DeBernardinis Takes Honors in Golf Tourney

WILDWOOD, N. J., April 21 (AP)—Joe DeBernardinis of the Spring Haven, Pa., club scored a one-over-par 71 to win medalist honors in the 23rd annual Eastern States golf tournament.

Jack Quinn Dead; Played With A's, Giants

POITTSVILLE, Pa., April 20 (AP)—Jack Quinn, famous old spitball pitcher with a record of nearly a quarter of a century in the majors, is dead at the age of 60.

Baseball American League National League

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Williams as Top All-Time Batter

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP)—"I think he's going to be the greatest hitter of all time," said Clark Griffith, owner of the Senators, after watching Ted Williams pace the Boston Red Sox to a clean sweep of their opening series with the Senators.

Williams is one of the few hitters, if not the only one, I've ever seen who can hit any kind of pitch," Griffith said.

Williams impresses fans. The impression Williams made on fans probably is the deepest in the history of baseball here, and that includes the crowd reaction to such old-time greats as Walter Johnson, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig.

After the capacity turnout of 30,000 on opening day, 10,000 fans attended the second and third games of the Senators-Red Sox series.

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American League standings: Boston, Detroit, Cleveland, New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Washington

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International League standings: Montreal, Toronto, Newark, Rochester, Baltimore, Buffalo, Syracuse, Jersey City

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Texas League standings: Tulsa, San Antonio, Dallas, Shreveport, Beaumont, Fort Worth, Houston, Oklahoma City

South Atlantic League standings: Macon, Augusta, Charleston, Columbia, Columbus, Jacksonville, Savannah, Greenville

Dillard Equals Hurdle Record

LAWRENCE, Kans., April 21 (AP)—A 14.2-second performance by Harrison Dillard of Baldwin Wallace College in the 120-yard high hurdles and Baylor's sensational 41 seconds in the quarter-mile relay featured the 25-event Kansas University Relays which returned to the nation's sports calendar after a four-year wartime lapse.

Dillard, tabbed the "Ebony Streak," equalled the meet mark established here by Wolcott of Rice in 1940. The Ohio Negro star, who set a new American mark of 06.5 for the 60-yard low hurdles last winter, was aided by a seven-mile-per-hour wind, and his time will not be recognized as a record-equalling job.

The Baldwin Wallace flash failed in an attempt to add the 100-yard dash to his laurels when he faltered after setting the pace for 50 yards. Allen Lawler of Texas Christian won the century sprint in 09.7 seconds.

Baylor came within five tenths of a second of the world's record for the quarter-mile university relay. A mark of 40.5 was established by the University of Iowa in the 1935 Kansas Relays and equaled by Southern California in 1938.

USFET Wac Team Defeats Paris

VIENNA, Austria, April 21—After being defeated in the opening round, Co. A, USFET, from Frankfurt, dark horse throughout the entire tournament, defeated a high-spirited team from Co. C, 3341st Sig. Serv. Bn, representing Paris, last night, to be crowned the 1946 Wac Volleyball champion.

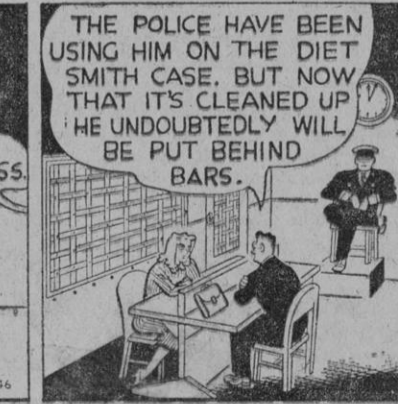
This marks the sixth time the Wac's from Co. C have been runner-up in a theater tournament. Always fighting through to the playoffs, the Wac's from the Signal Co. have yet to win their first tournament.

The first set in the final game went to Co. A, 15-7. Still fighting hard, Co. C took the next set, 15-8. The last set went to Co. A, 15-8, and thus Co. A stalked off the floor as the new theater champion.

Dick Tracy



By Chester Gould



By Chester Gould



By Chester Gould



Li'l Abner



By Al Capp



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France to Play Mediator's Role At Paris Talks

PARIS, April 21 (UP)—France will seek to play the role of mediator to break existing deadlocks between the United States and Great Britain on one side and the Soviet Union on the other, when the Big Four foreign ministers meet, authoritative French sources indicated today.

The parley, which opens here Thursday, will attempt to reach an agreement on the peace treaties with Italy and the Axis satellites, and probably will also draft a broad plan for the future status of the Ruhr and Rhineland as well as the administration of Germany as a whole.

Issues Scheduled

The issues on which the four ministers will attempt to reach an agreement are:

- FUTURE disposition of the Italian colonies.
- REPARATIONS of \$300,000,000,000, which Russia is demanding from Italy for herself, Yugoslavia and Greece.
- TRIESTE.
- DODECANESE.
- SHARING of the Italian fleet.
- FRONTIERS between France and Italy.
- ADJUSTMENT of the Italo-Austria frontier.

If the foreign ministers succeed in reaching an agreement, their findings will be handed over to a committee of deputies in London for inclusion in the draft treaties which would then be submitted to the 21-power peace conference.

Two-Week Parley

The four-power discussion is expected to take from two to three weeks. It would probably take another two to three weeks before the final treaty drafts could be prepared so that the first week in June is the earliest apparent date for the peace conference to begin. The conference was scheduled originally for May 1.

The issue which is thought likely to produce complete deadlock is the future disposition of the Italian colonies. Britain has intimated clearly that she regards Russia's request for UNO trusteeship of Tripolitania as a threat to her life-lines.

French Proposal

France will propose that UNO trusteeship for all Italian colonies be placed in the hands of Italy herself as the only solution.

France is expected to make compromise proposals also on the \$300,000,000,000 reparations bill Russia wants to present to Italy.

The French tend to favor a solution of the Trieste question whereby the port itself would be placed under international control and the surrounding country divided up along ethnical boundaries.

Florence Honors Clark

FLORENCE, April 21 (AP)—Gen. Mark W. Clark flew his own plane from Vienna to Florence, where he received an honorary doctorate of science at the University of Florence. The general returned to Vienna after the ceremony.

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Louvre Gem Theft, GI Stripteaser, Oo-la-la Hawkers Keep Paris in Tune

PARIS, April 21—It happened in Paris yesterday.

First came a jewel robbery at the Louvre. The thief, still uncaught, made off with a collection of diadems, necklaces and rings of undisclosed but "great" value after secreting himself in the museum at closing time. He escaped through a window with a rope.

A lone gendarme discovered a cognac-influenced GI entertaining theater crowds with a nude cavort through the Place de l'Opera. The soldier bit the gendarme's fingers. Four more gendarmes helped turn the unidentified GI over to the Military Police.

Trip to Moon by a Rich Backer

PARIS, April 21 (UP)—Prof. Alexander Ananoff, 37-year-old authority on astronautics, the science of high atmospheric flight, today challenged "any wealthy man" to back his research, and promised his backer the first trip to the moon.

"The possibility of visiting the moon is so near that it's maddening to have research interrupted by lack of funds," the scientist complained. "I've devoted my own money to it up to now, but my funds are insufficient to build the rocket ships I need."

Ananoff, who has been studying

the possibility of a rocket ship since 1930, estimated that the section devoted to the French National Congress on Aviation, now in session here.

Acknowledging that no tests of his theories could be carried out until the problem of converting atomic energy to propulsive power had been solved, Ananoff added: "This may even have been done. If it hasn't, it's only a matter of time—a short time."

A trip to the moon in a rocket ship constructed to his design and

atomically powered would take three hours and 27 minutes, he estimated. The professor has begun construction of models and will be ready to demonstrate his proposed space craft to French government officials this fall.

Asked how many passengers he planned to take with him in his first journey, besides the wealthy philanthropist who pays for the ride, Ananoff answered, "None—not even myself. I'm going to give the thing a trial flight first."

He said, he planned, to send the radar-controlled rocket ship on a

trial run to circle the moon and "automatically record data on numerous instruments which, upon its return, will go far toward deciding under what conditions human beings will first visit the satellite."

The effect on the French mind of current research into inter-planetary flight was shown by an advertisement in the personal columns of *Les Ailes*, which read as follows:

"J. H. seeks a scientist preparing to depart for moon. Object: to go with him." The ad gave an address in the Seine district.

British Trial To Air Deaths Of Girl Agents

HERFORD, April 21 (UP)—The story of how four British women intelligence officers who parachuted into France to help the maquis and were drugged and thrown into a concentration camp crematorium, will be produced at the forthcoming war crimes trial at Wuppertal, starting April 29.

The four British women, together with other Allied parachutists, Allied pilots and many members of the maquis, were taken to the Struthof-Natzweiler concentration camp near Strasbourg and there brutally killed.

An officer of the British Special Air Service, who spent nearly a year investigating the fate of parachutists of his regiment, pieced together the story of their deaths.

Details of the gruesome murders have been told to relatives of the women. Although the names of the women probably will be given in court, it is expected that British authorities will appeal to the press to refrain from using them.

FRENCH SET FOR TRIAL OF ALSATIAN GAULEITER

STRASBOURG, April 21 (AP)—The trial of Robert Wagner, 51, Adolf Hitler's Alsatian gauleiter, and his lieutenants is scheduled to start here Wednesday before a French military tribunal.

Wagner, who participated in Hitler's 1933 Munich putsch, is charged with numerous war crimes, including conspiracy for murder and provoking Frenchmen to bear arms against France.

Specifically, Wagner is charged with complicity in deaths of concentration camp inmates in Schirmeck and Struthof.

Bonded Whisky to Stay Scarce

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP)—"It's going to be several years at least before the shelves in the nation's liquor stores again become well stocked with scarce bottled-in-bond whiskies," a spokesman for the Distilled Spirits Institute said.

Rome Forgets Hunger Threat In Gay Easter Ceremonies

ROME, April 21 (UP)—Thousands of Romans, dressed in their Easter best, filled the sun-flooded streets today on their way to noon high mass.

The marble altars of Rome's 500 churches were banked with flowers donated by the faithful as a sign of rejoicing for the first Easter of peace in seven years.

In St. Peter's Square, the happy Easter crowds showed no signs of suffering or worry despite the latest threat of hunger due to lack of wheat.

Yet barely one mile northwest of the



A Lady in the House
Chatting in Washington with Lady Nancy Astor, Virginia-born former member of the British Parliament, is Rep. Sol Bloom (D.-N. Y.), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Mihailovitch's Life in Wilds, Capture Related by Yugoslav

BELGRADE, April 21 (AP)—Details of the wartime activities and eventual capture of Chetnik leader Draja Mihailovitch were given today by Lt. Gen. Alexander Rankovitch, Yugoslav minister of the interior, in an exclusive interview.

The minister said that under preliminary questioning, Mihailovitch had "admitted collaboration." He is

in a Belgrade jail and will be tried publicly next month.

Rankovitch asserted that when the Chetnik general was tracked down to his hideaway in the wild, uninhabited, war-devastated area of the border between Bosnia and Sandzak, he had been "starving" for days and had never left his hideout since May, 1945.

Mihailovitch had been compelled to withdraw in the direction of the retiring German forces and, deprived of their support, he suffered a catastrophic defeat in May, 1945, in Bosnia when his headquarters was completely routed, Rankovitch said.

"A large number of peasants who had been mobilized by force came over to the national liberation army or else dispersed to their homes," the minister declared, "so that Mihailovitch was left without any contact and thus was obliged to make his way unnoticed with a few followers into the impenetrable, uninhabited areas on the border."

Rankovitch added that when captured, Mihailovitch had about 15 pounds of personal gear, including five compasses for making his way through the trackless wastes where he was living.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES HOLD ANNUAL RITES IN PARIS

PARIS, April 21 (UP)—The large Paris Tsarist Russian Colony came together last night as they have for the last 29 years at Easter time for services in the Russian Orthodox Church in Rue Daru.

For the first time, members of the younger generation who, if not Communists, are at least reconciled to the new Russia, attended the services, together with the Monarchists.

Old Russians who proudly call themselves "the first refugees," doffed the garb of their daily occupations of taxidriver, hotel doorman and saleswoman to wear evening dresses or Czarist army uniforms.

After services, the whole congregation went to a small neighborhood hotel kept by a compatriot, where they ate cake and white cheese and drank vodka at their traditional Easter supper.

Lord Keynes, British Finance Expert, Dies

LONDON, April 21 (AP)—John Maynard Keynes, director of the Bank of England and economic adviser to the British government, died of a heart attack at his Sussex home today. Keynes was 62. Keynes, the author of several books on economics, had returned from the United States in December after participating in talks on the proposed United States loan to Great Britain. In subsequent Parliamentary debates, he strongly supported the American terms.

One of Keynes' best-known books, "The Economic Consequences of the Peace," was written in 1919 after he withdrew in dissatisfaction from the Paris peace conference. He had been the British Treasury's principal representative there. Among his other books were "The End of Laissez-faire" and "Treatise on Money."

At his bedside when he died was Lady Keynes, the former Lydia Lopokova, once a Russian ballet dancer.

Azerbaijan ...

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"UNO," Foot said. "It seems clear to me, after seeing all the political elements in Persia from the Shah to Tudeh Party leaders and being present when the Russo-Persian agreement was signed, that the Russians have gained most of their objectives in Persia."

"First, they gained an oil concession—to which nobody can object. Secondly, they gained influence in Azerbaijan and, thirdly, they gained control of the Persian Parliament."

Foot said that during their months of occupation of Azerbaijan and maintenance of troops in Iran after the expiration of the Anglo-Soviet-Iranian treaty date for their withdrawal, the Russians were able to bring "enormous" pressure on Teheran.

Sees Pressure Remaining
"I think it is likely that they will maintain considerable and possibly a dominating influence in Azerbaijan, even after May 6—evacuation day for Russian troops," he added.

Foot, who reported his findings as official traveler for the Labor Party, pointed out in the interview that for three years the Russian Azerbaijan frontier had been "uncontrolled." During that period, he said, Russia had been able to send into Azerbaijan Caucasians who spoke the same language as Azerbaijanians. "The question remains," he said, "whether these influences will be withdrawn with the troops."

66,000 Eggs Reach Czechs

PRAGUE, April 21 (AP)—Almost 66,000 eggs flown from American hens to Czechoslovak hatcheries arrived here yesterday.

War Dept. Admits 'Bad Judgment' In Test on Sex; Probe Under Way

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP)—The War Department hopes to find out by the first of the week who was responsible for giving some 50 civilian employees a test which included such questions as "Is your sex life satisfactory?"

The inquiry started, officials said, before a demand for an investigation was voiced in the Senate by Sen. Styles Bridges (R.-N. H.).

In the meantime, a spokesman acknowledged that "somebody was guilty of bad judgment," although the test was said to be one that was nationally recognized and used in large civilian corporations.

The test was given a week ago

Saturday to employees of the Adjutant General's department. A professor on leave from a college was in charge, officials said, without giving any further identification.

Yes or no questions which prompted Bridges to ask for an inquiry were among 566 designed to divulge information on subjects of personality. They including such statements as, "I drink to excess" and "I have to go to the bathroom often."

Complaints by employees already had brought an order to destroy the papers and ban further use of the test the Army said.