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USAF WEATHER FORECAST

NORTH & WEST: Cloudy with scattered showers, Max. 75, Min. 55; SOUTH & EAST: Same, Max. 75, Min. 54; BERLIN: Showers, Max. 81, Min. 64; BREMEN: Same as N & W, Max. 74, Min. 52; VIENNA: Showers, Max. 80, Min. 64. FURTHER OUTLOOK: Continued warm with afternoon showers.

One Year Ago Today
B-29s blast Yokohama, leave 60,000 houses blazing. French shell Damascus, Britain approves war trials for Axis criminals.

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U. S. Grants Loan, Credit To France

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—The United States announced today that it had extended a \$1,370,000,000 credit to France.

Leon Blum, the French financial envoy, signed the comprehensive economic and financial agreement with Fred M. Vinson, Secretary of the Treasury, and James F. Byrnes, Secretary of State, in a ceremony at the State Department.

The signing of the agreement climaxed 11 weeks of negotiations. President Truman and French President Felix Gouin announced the conclusion of the financial conversations in a joint statement released simultaneously in Washington and Paris.

Loan in 2 Parts

The American credit, to help France begin a four-year reconstruction program, is divided into two portions.

One is a direct loan of \$650,000,000 from the Export-Import Bank.

The second is a credit of \$720,000,000 which would permit the French to settle their lend-lease account and purchase United States Army and Navy surplus supplies now in France and French overseas territories.

In addition, the United States promised to grant France an additional credit to purchase approximately 750,000 tons of American-owned merchant shipping.

The governments of the two countries hailed the results of the negotiations as "a substantial step towards achievement of international economic cooperation which is the prerequisite of a peaceful, prosperous world."

Blum left immediately by train for New York en route to Paris to participate in the last five days of the French political campaign.

U. S. LOAN WILL RESTORE FRENCH ECONOMY, GOUIN SAYS

PARIS, May 29 (AP)—President Felix Gouin predicted today the American-French loan agreement would set French economy back on its feet.

The Socialist president, for whom fellow-Socialist Leon Blum's Washington triumph came virtually on election eve, said France's economic effort had risen to the level of the crucial period of 1929.

With the American credits behind it, he said, the country's recovery drive now could reach its objectives, by concentrating on obtaining coal, raw materials and machinery.

Glass' Widow Reported Considered for His Seat

WASHINGTON, May 29 (INS)—The widow of Sen. Carter Glass (D-Va.) was mentioned today as a "temporary" successor to the seat of her husband, who will be buried tomorrow in the soil of his beloved state.

Mrs. Mary Glass, former school teacher, was said to be under consideration for an interim appointment which would last until the November election decides the successor for the remainder of the Glass' term, ending in January, 1949.

French Invaded Territory, Seized Land, Siam Tells UN

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP)—Siam has complained to the United Nations organization that French colonial troops from Indo-China crossed the Mekong River May 1, 25, and 16 and "forcibly seized Siamese territory which they continue to hold," it was learned here yesterday.

A cable from Pride Phnompong, president of the Siamese Council of Ministers, to Trygve Lie, UN secretary-general, said the incidents "must be considered a concerted action against Siamese sovereignty and the preservation of peace."

A Bangkok cable dated May 27 added: "Against this unjustified aggres-

Bong's Widow Accepts Medal for Flying Ace

Mrs. Marjorie Ann Bong, widow of the American flying ace of World War II, Maj. Richard Ira Bong, holds the British Distinguished Flying Cross posthumously awarded to Bong for "outstanding and meritorious service in aviation." Mrs. Bong now is living in Los Angeles.



Ship Strike Impends; Coal Mines Stay Idle

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—While hope continued for an early settlement of the nation's soft-coal strike, the Government turned attention today to a threatened shipping strike which could halt shipments of relief supplies overseas.

Lewis Schwellenbach, Secretary of Labor, called representatives of shipping lines and maritime unions together in an effort to avert a strike scheduled to start June 15, tying up shipping from Atlantic and Pacific ports.

Six unions have joined the National Maritime Union, CIO, in demanding a 30 per cent wage increase, an eight-hour day and other benefits. The seven shipping unions claim a membership of 200,000 on 3,100 ships.

Curran Rejects Offer

Joseph Curran, chief of the NMU, on Monday rejected an offer advanced by 39 ship owners operating from Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico ports.

Curran said he expected the owners to make fresh proposals, adding, "If they do not it will be a difficult situation, and I mean it."

In the coal dispute, one official expressed the opinion that the strike of 400,000 miners would end today.

Meanwhile, an Associated Press poll today showed that President Truman's strike draft plan faced almost certain defeat in the Senate if the coal dispute is settled.

Among the 62 senators willing to state their positions, 44 said they were opposed to the section of the emergency bill which would empower the President to conscript those who strike in Government-seized industries. The House has already passed the bill. Eighteen other senators said they would support the proposal.

Bill Seems Doomed

There seemed little doubt that the number opposing the bill would increase provided the coal dispute is settled quickly and the labor scene brightens, even temporarily. The opposition included 19 Democrats, 24 Republicans and one Progressive. Fourteen Democrats and 11 Republicans declined to commit themselves. Senators favoring the proposal included 15 Democrats and three Republicans.

Any new dispute in the coal controversy is likely to alter the situation, but opposition to conscripting men for work appears to be so strong that this section of the bill seems doomed in its present form.

ROCHESTER STRIKE ENDS WITH VICTORY FOR UNIONS

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 29 (INS)—The paralyzing general strike of CIO and AFL workers in Rochester ended today under terms which permits a city employe the right to join any organization he pleases which is loyal to the United States and does not claim the right to strike against the public. The strike, which was called yesterday and virtually paralyzed New York State's third largest city, was a complete victory for the unions.

Allies Accuse Yugoslavia of Unfriendly Acts

LONDON, May 29 (AP)—Great Britain and the United States have protested formally to Yugoslavia against what was described as "obstruction" to the Allied military government in Trieste and Venezia Giulia and the Tito government's general attitude toward western nations, a foreign office spokesman said today.

Texts of the notes, which were sent May 20 and which have not been answered, were not made public.

The foreign office spokesman said the British government concluded "that Yugoslavia is trying to isolate herself from the West" and that the British had made this a main point in their protest.

Demonstrations Protested

The British note includes protests about Yugoslav demonstrations in Venezia Giulia during the visit of a four-power border investigating commission. It was understood that the British charged the Yugoslav government with inciting "lack of cooperation" and "obstruction" to Allied authorities in the disputed area under military government.

The British also complained about difficulties in their embassy and consular communications from Yugoslavia and about the Yugoslav refusal to allow British businessmen to inspect their property in Yugoslavia.

The British spokesman also announced that the Foreign Office has dispatched a note to Albania expressing dissatisfaction with Albanian explanations for shots fired at British cruisers passing near the Albanian coast recently.

The spokesman said that Albania's explanation that it was not realized the cruisers were British was no explanation at all.

Greek officials said that the Albanians had fired because they thought the ships were Greek.

River Floods, Tidal Wave Threaten Iran Oil Refinery

TEHERAN, May 29 (AP)—Gathering floods from the Euphrates and Tigris, combined with a predicted 27-foot tidal wave in the Persian Gulf on June 2, are threatening the giant Anglo-Iranian oil refinery at Abadan.

Sections of Khoramshahr, port city, are already under water.

Army Newsmen in Pacific Hit Censorship, Ask to Quit

MANILA, May 29 (AP)—The entire staff of the Daily Pacifican, U. S. Army newspaper in the Pacific area, requested transfer to other duties today, charging they were required by superiors to "twist, omit, bury and deceptively present news" so that the Pacifican was no longer a "free and honest" newspaper.

Directives to the War Department relating to Army newspapers consistently have been violated by the Western Pacific command, the Pacifican staff charged.

A statement signed by the staff said there and been increasing pressure to suppress all criticism of Government officials or agencies and that stories which tended to satirize officer-enlisted man relationships had been suppressed.

Say Column Is Censored

Editors also charged that the Mailbag column had been censored when letters were critical of Army policy. They asserted that letters which requested writers' names be held in confidence had been removed from the Pacifican office by officers.

News stories pertaining to Philippine affairs were stricken by orders from "the top," even when Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander, was discussing Philippine affairs, they alleged.

Other charges were that censorship extended to American news-agency stories which the Pacifican received, that stories pertaining to demobilization were killed regularly, that cartoonists likewise had been subjected to censorship with gags and cartoons deleted by a colonel because, he asserted, they depicted officers as "puny looking."

'Injustice to Every Soldier'

"To aid in this mishandling of news is to participate in injustice to every soldier who depends on this publication to bring him news," the staff statement said. "Therefore we request that unless War Department regulations are enforced as regards this newspaper and unless it is freed from unwarranted censorship, that we be relieved of our duties on the Pacifican."

Cpl. Don Lawder, managing editor of the paper, said ranking officers of Information and Education.

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13 Lichfield Witnesses Refuse To Testify in 'Silence Strike'

BAD NAUHEIM, May 29 (AP)—A mass refusal of prosecution witnesses to testify forced a two-day adjournment today in the trial of Lt. Granville Cubage, of Oklahoma City, who is accused of mistreating prisoners at the 10th Reinf. Depot at Lichfield.

Thirteen successive witnesses called to the stand by the prosecution refused to answer any question, even when threatened with military punishment.

They complained they were being unfairly treated by the Army.

When the 14th witness, although not refusing directly to testify, answered every question with "I don't remember," the prosecution finally called a halt to the proceedings.

"This situation has become so difficult the prosecution feels it should be reported to the appointing authority," said the prosecutor, Capt. David M. Proctor Jr., of Kansas City, Mo.

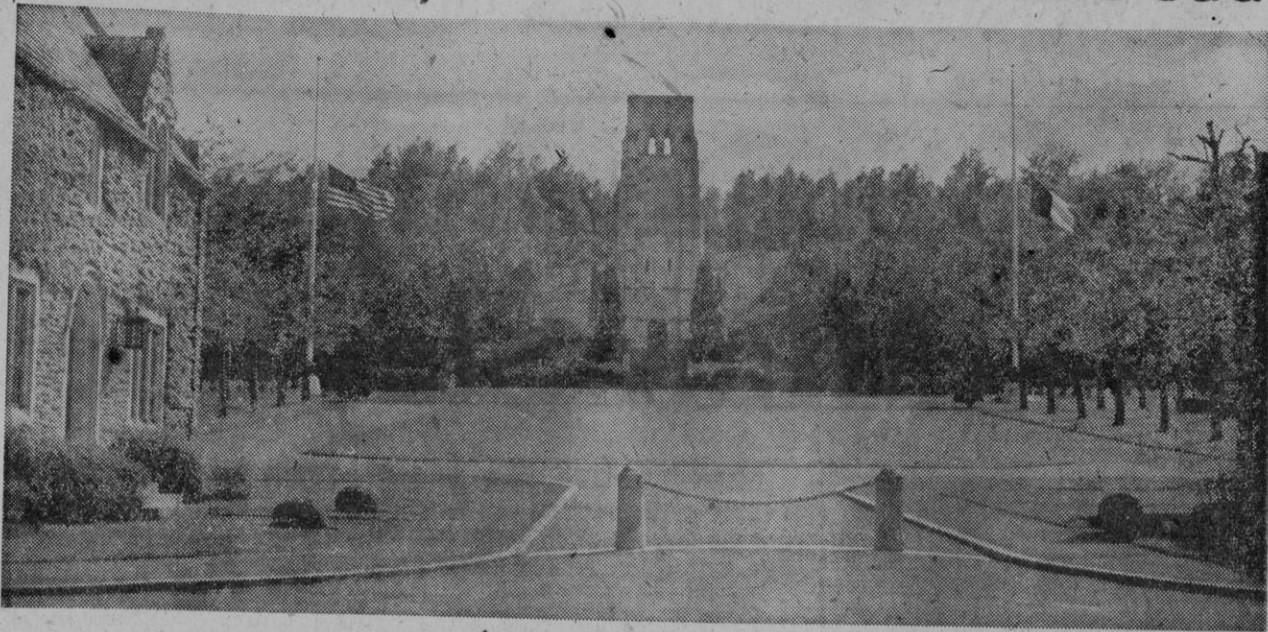
He obtained an adjournment until Friday afternoon and said he would confer in the meantime with officers of the judge advocate's office who are supervising the trials.

All the witnesses who balked were named in Cubage's indictment as victims of his alleged cruelties at Lichfield, and consequently were regarded as key witnesses for the prosecution.

All are confined in an Army guardhouse, some serving court martial sentences and others recently.

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Memorial Day Services to Honor ET Dead



ENTRANCE to the American cemetery at Belleau Wood, France.

By Joseph L. Ranff

PARIS, May 29 (INS)—A miniature American flag will blossom tomorrow before each of the crosses marking the graves of 135,000 U. S. fighting men who gave their lives in Europe in World War II.

Members of the American Graves Registration Command planted the flags at the graves early this morning in 36 American military cemeteries in seven nations, as U. S. forces still in the European theater planned to honor their dead on Memorial Day. "Taps" will sound and volleys ring out in each of the burial grounds, situated in France, Belgium, The Netherlands, England, Ireland, Luxembourg and Switzerland. High officials of the host nations and other Allied countries will participate in the services.

Five Ceremonies

Five major ceremonies will commemorate the fallen heroes—one in each of the liberated countries and one in the United Kingdom. United States Army, Navy and Marine units will form honor guards and chaplains will offer invocation, prayer and benediction. The rites will conclude with the playing of the National Anthem by service bands.

Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, European theater commander, will speak at both Margraten and Henri-Chappelle cemeteries, in The Netherlands and Belgium, respectively. The two cemeteries—largest American burial grounds in Europe—are only 12 miles apart.

Officers and men of the 3rd Army will conduct services at Hamm cemetery, Luxembourg, where their famed wartime leader, Gen. George S. Patton, is buried.

Linking Two Wars

Ambassador Jefferson Caffery will lay a wreath and deliver an address at Solers cemetery, 30 miles south of Paris. The main observance in England will be at Cambridge cemetery, 50 miles north of London.

In Ireland, there will be a ceremony at Lisnabreeny, near Belfast, where American dead are buried. In Switzerland, the American legation will conduct a ceremony for the 62 Americans buried at Munfingen, near Berne.

Perhaps the most unique ceremony tomorrow will be at the cemetery of St. Laurent, Normandy, where 3,800 soldiers of the Omaha Beach landing lie buried. Nearly 6,000 French civilians, who have "adopted" graves which they visit regularly, will participate.

In more than one European cemetery, bowed heads will recall the now famous words of the Canadian poet, John McCrae, which seem to serve as a link between the two wars:

*"In Flanders fields the poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky,
The larks, still bravely singing fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not live, though poppies blow,
In Flanders fields."*

2,000 Vessels Will Sleep In 'Magic Cloaks'

WASHINGTON, May 29 (INS)—Enveloped in an air-tight protective "magic cloak" of plastic film, more than 2,000 U. S. warships are going "to sleep with one eye open" at stations on both coasts.

Guarded by modern science against deterioration for 20 years, these slumbering vessels, ranging from battleships and carriers down to tenders, will constitute a standby armada for future national defense.

This is in contrast to the situation at the end of World War I, when immense quantities of new ships and weapons had to be scrapped or sunk simply because it would have been too expensive to keep them in condition.

Air-Tight Spray

The new process consists of spraying all destructible material with air-tight, moisture-proof coats of resinous solution based on vinillite, one of the plastic developments of recent years.

The operation can be done by the crew in a few days.

When the ships are wanted, the "magic cloak" can be stripped off, in a matter of hours.

In one recent test, the crew of a 3-inch gun ripped the coating off the piece and was ready to fire it in 90 seconds.

The inactivated ships include units of the 16th fleet in the east and the 19th fleet in the Pacific. Among them are 13 battleships.

Grease Useless

Such material as was not junked after World War I was covered with grease. Deterioration was 70 per cent. The new plastic coat is expected, on the other hand, to keep the fleet in practically 100 per cent order. This means that, when the magic cloak is stripped away, the guns and instruments beneath it will be just as they were when "put to sleep."

A framework of tape is first stretched around the objects to be protected. A primary coat of the resin in filament form is then sprayed on, making a kind of cobweb over the tape.

On this, there is sprayed a moisture-proof coat of the same material. Third, a pigmented topcoat is applied to shield the equipment from the elements.

Covers Anything

Finally, the air is exhausted from the interior and a chemical desiccant, or moisture absorber is placed inside. Delicate recording gauges are placed behind a window of transparent vinillite set in the envelope. These instruments reveal, at a glance, any change in temperature or humidity within.

The impervious magic cloak conforms to the shape of the object protected by it, regardless of irregularities. Any object from a tiny ballbearing to a 16-inch gun can be enveloped.

Cost averages \$10,000 a ship. Maintenance is figured at \$4,000,000 annually for both fleets, exclusive of pay of personnel.

German Reconversion Requires Ingenuity

BERLIN, May 29 (AP)—Germany is beating her swords into ploughshares, with hand grenades being made into salt cellars and aircraft parts into kitchen utensils and cutlery.

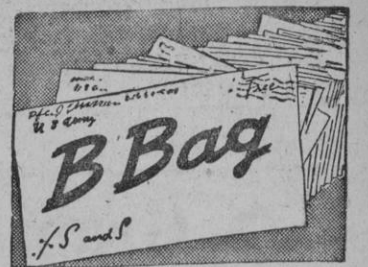
To fight critical shortages in raw materials, the American Military Government has released old Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe stocks to German industry.

After years of improvisation and ersatz materials, German inventiveness has been sharpened and, in combination with American ingenuity, some remarkable results have been achieved.

In Nurnberg, the plant making salt cellars is also producing general-purpose containers from old German gas mask cannisters. Armored plate from captured and destroyed German tanks is producing steel for ploughs.

A factory in Geislingen, which made 88 mm. shells during the war, is now converting its remaining stock of shell cases into milk cans.

Meanwhile, an independent firm has announced that it is ready to produce 80,000,000 nails a month from old rifle cartridges.



Address all letters to: B Bag Editor, The Stars and Stripes, APO 757, U. S. Army. Include name and address. (Names are deleted on request). Due to space limitations, letter may be cut for publication, provided such editing does not alter the meaning of the original.

Road Repairs Asked

Few mistakes of our occupation army and of military government are as inexcusable as the thorough neglect of German roads and highways.

Indeed, it is bad enough to have GI vehicles reissued which can hardly be called "fair" and "good" without being guilty of a gross exaggeration, to have trucks and jeeps fly by you on these roads as if they were in deadly fear of missing the last boat to the U.S. and to read at least once a week of a GI killed in a motor accident. But to see miles and miles of road, often right next to an SS internee camp, with holes deep enough to hide every bit of a Hoffman character, makes me wonder more than ever over our concern of GI lives and GI equipment.

Why aren't the internees put to work repairing these death traps? Why can't the remaining displaced persons be asked to help and paid accordingly by the German authorities? Wherever one goes in the U.S. zone, there are young and healthy men loafing in villages and towns. Perhaps it would be a good idea to emulate the Russians in this case: If you don't work, you don't eat; in their zone, people are not receiving food ration cards unless they satisfy the authorities that they are engaged in work, essential work.

Some will probably answer that this is a matter for the German authorities, but if we cannot direct and correct the Germans on failures and mistakes, I don't know what we are here for.

—Unwilling Traveler.

'0600' Is Defended

Your conception of art, Pfc T. J. B., is a little naive. I found Sgt. Cartiero's prize-winning painting, "0600," indeed breathtaking. It fulfilled the most important requirements for fine art: namely, the evocation, in a few subtle strokes, of an immense variety of thought and feeling, of a whole epoch in fact—if our occupation of Germany can be called an epoch.

Apart from the artistic value of the painting, it is a positive achievement in depicting the GI's conception of the occupation; better than a 1000-word news story. It is something for the folks back home to see and reflect upon, whether it's "very nice" or not.

—Pvt., USFET.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Stars and Stripes Magazine, Weekend, will devote a page in its June 9 issue to the prize winners at the art exhibit, including the much-discussed "0600."

All Take the Rap

The other day another company in our battalion screwed up the works for us. They came up with six cases of VD, and how the whole battalion is having to pay for their foolishness.

We used to have a little time to fool around, as the rest of the GIs do. They now have bed check so early we don't even have time to go to a movie. I think it is pretty rotten that every guy in the battalion has to take the rap for a few guys who are fools.

—Troubled Private.

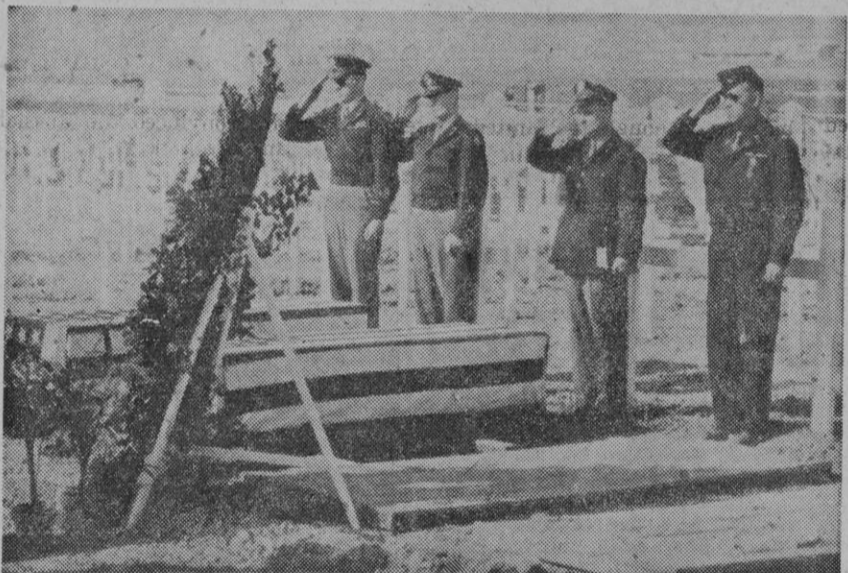
Goose and Gander

Equality for all is the foundation of our America. It's crumbling if 18-year-olds and married men are not being drafted, and the ones over here are not home. What's good for the goose is good for the gander.

—Cpl., 15th Inf.



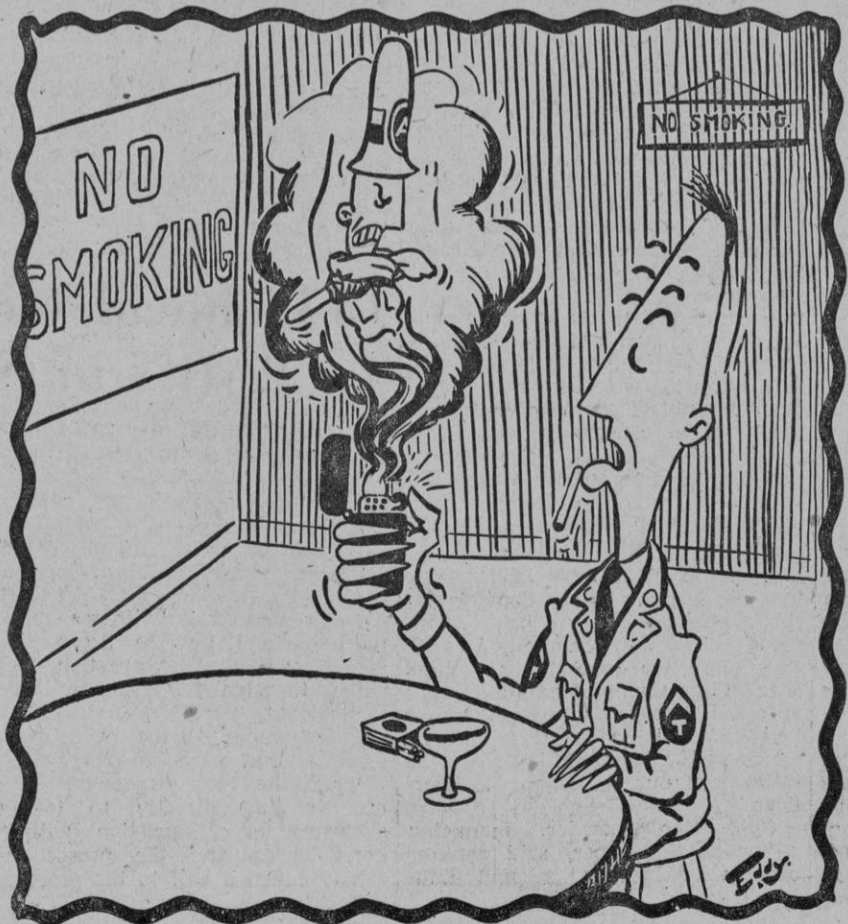
CROSSES at St. Mere Eglise, Normandy, where 4,798 American soldiers, most of whom fell during the invasion, are buried.



DIGNITY with which American personnel are laid to rest is illustrated here, as the burial party gives the salute while taps are played at Lunyes cemetery, just north of Marseille.

TALES

By Hoffman



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Preparing for Atom Tests

Army plans call for a careful tryout of protective clothing to be worn by personnel during and after the atomic-bomb tests in the Pacific. The man on the

right models a parka. The cold-weather face mask is shown on the left. The effect of nuclear energy on all types of clothing will be tested.

Superforts Stage Dress Rehearsal For A-Bomb Test

World Control Of Atom Urged

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace joined with a group of scientists today in calling for international control of atomic energy to preserve peace.

Douglas, speaking during a special radio broadcast on atomic energy asserted, "There can be no absolute guarantee peace will be maintained as long as any nation has the sovereign right to decide questions of war and peace itself."

Wallace said, "Every leader of public opinion who has taken the trouble to think the thing through logically has come to the same conclusion."

The program, originating in the Library of Congress, was devoted to a discussion of the "method and cost of survival in an atomic age."

3 SEEK SWEDISH PATENTS FOR NEW ATOMIC DISCOVERY

STOCKHOLM, May 29 (UP)—Three scientists living in France have filed an application to the Swedish patent office on a method to produce radiation energy by splitting atom nuclei, it was disclosed at the Scandinavian Engineering Conference here today.

Their names were given as Koliot, Von Halban and Korwarski.

RADIO-OPERATED V-BOMBS REPORTED OVER SWEDEN

LONDON, May 29 (INS)—A Daily Mail dispatch from Stockholm said today that Swedes who say they have seen V-bombs passing over Sweden are convinced the Russians in Germany are experimenting with radio-controlled bombs.

Twice within a week, the dispatch said, thousands of people in southern Sweden declared they had seen projectiles passing at a considerable height.

Black Market Ring Broken in Montreal

MONTREAL, May 29 (UP)—What was described as the biggest black market ever exposed in Montreal, involving counterfeit ration coupons for millions of pounds of butter and an equal amount of sugar, has been smashed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police here.

The operations of the black market counterfeiting ring, dealing among the provinces, were on a scale to threaten the entire rationing system of the nation if they had not been halted, the police said.

Four arrests have been made in Montreal, with more expected. The black marketeers operated in Quebec and Ontario and extended as far as the U.S. border.

The Criminal Investigation Bureau, which made the announcement, said police seized thousands of bogus checks by which coupon supplies are drawn from coupon blanks. Some of the counterfeit documents already had been found in the butter and sugar trade. The arrests came as a result of months of investigation.

Tryouts at Bikini Called 'Perfect'

KWAJALEIN, May 29 (INS)—American Superfortress airmen have completed their first full scale, on-the-spot dress rehearsal for operation "Crossroads," the atom-bomb tests.

This was disclosed by Brig. Gen. Roger Ramey, chief of Tactical Air Forces assigned to the Bikini tests.

Ramey said more than a score of B-29s participated in atomic-bomb tryouts in the Bikini Atoll for nearly three hours. He termed the results excellent and conclusive.

Disclosure of formal rehearsals marked the final stages in Air Force preparations for X-day operations against fleet target ships which will concentrate around Bikini as soon as weather permits during the first week in July.

B-17s Guided by Radio

Col. Alan Clark and Col. John Sutherland served as aerial task group and aerial scientific commanders, respectively.

They said the decision to stage a full-dress rehearsal was made when forecasters predicted ideal weather.

A novel feature of the tests was the inclusion of radio-guided B-17 "drones" which operated for the first time in and around a bomb-carrying Superfort, testing out simulated radio-active areas which will be encountered by the pilotless planes the day "big baby" is dropped.

With Col. Paul Tibbets at the controls and Maj. Thomas Ferrabee, as bombardier, the lead B-29 left its Kwajalein base and patrolled the target area on four "dry runs" before Clark, Tibbets and Sutherland gave the "Okay" to drop the practice bomb.

Jap Ship Target

The perfectly synchronized operation had aircraft staggered from very low to extreme altitudes and included, in addition to the B-17 drones, eight photographic aircraft under the command of Col. Paul Culien of Los Angeles.

The drones used the Japanese battleship Nagato as their point of operation.

Culien maneuvered over the approximate area where key target ships are to be anchored, while Tibbets and Ferrabee centered their attack on the target range.

Waiting for the planes at the Kwajalein base—exactly as will happen on X-day—was the special Skymaster transport. Thousands of photographs taken with special high-speed cameras were loaded aboard and the craft took off for Washington, where armed services leaders will examine the photographic results.

Ramey pronounced this initial rehearsal as "perfect for scientific purposes and outstanding for bombardment accuracy." He indicated additional tests will continue until the actual dropping of the atom bomb, with three all-inclusive rehearsals now scheduled.

Strangles Wife, Leaps to Death

MIENNEAPOLIS, May 29 (AP)—Police said Wesley J. Kapalin, 34, an optical worker, had slashed his throat and leaped to his death from a third-floor hotel room after strangling his 25-year-old wife with an electric-iron cord.

9 Die as Floods Bring Ruin in 2 Eastern States

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP)—At least nine persons were drowned and four others were missing as muddy flood waters fed by four days of almost continuous rains flowed relentlessly into homes and business establishments in south central New York and north central Pennsylvania.

Estimates of the damage exceeded \$3,000,000, and thousands of persons were homeless.

The swirling waters of the Susquehanna River raced virtually out of control and struck hardest at Williamsport. Eye witnesses said this central Pennsylvania community of 43,000 persons lay helpless in the most crippling flood since 1936. Eighty per cent of the city's industries were flood-bound and 60 per cent of the residential area was under several feet of water.

Elmira, N. Y., looked "Old Man River"—the Chemung, a Susquehanna tributary—right in the face. One-third of the community's 50,000 inhabitants were battling raging torrents at every turn under more than five feet of water. Utilities were disrupted and all roads but one were closed. The flood in New York State centered here.

Want a Close Shave? Just Look for 'Grace'

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 29 (UP)—If a three-fingered barber with the name "Grace" tattooed on his left arm starts to shave you, walk or run—if you can—to the nearest exit.

Idaho state police notified local officials that William Charles Aldridge, 46, a barber with a mania for cutting throats, had escaped from the Ontario (Ore.) mental hospital and was believed to be in San Diego.

Employers Attacked For GI Bill 'Racket'

KANSAS CITY, May 29 (AP)—Joseph M. Stark, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, charged that many employers were "racketeering" by using discharged servicemen as "cheap labor" under on-the-job training provisions of the GI Bill of Rights.

Stark said in an interview that "training was being prolonged beyond a reasonable length of time in too many cases."

"In some cases, employers have stretched the minimum four-to-six-week course to two years, forcing the Government to pay part of their operating expenses."

U. S. Imports Rise, Exports Drop Slightly

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Commerce between the United States and the other nations of the world is slowly moving toward a balance, although the United States is sending abroad more than it is buying.

American exports during the first two months of 1946 totaled \$1,471,038,000, compared with exports valued at \$1,789,453,000 in January and February of 1945, when lend-lease was in effect.

American imports for January and February, 1946, totaled \$710,025,000, compared with \$659,344,000 during the same period in 1945.

This indicated that the nations of the world, which during the first two months of 1945 required \$1,130,109,000 in dollar credits, required only \$761,013,000 credit during the first two months of 1946.

The lack of equilibrium in trade with many nations has been temporarily balanced by credits from the Export-Import Bank, or from other sources.

Pulitzer Scholarships Won by 3 at Columbia

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP)—Three students of the Columbia University school of journalism have received 1946 Pulitzer traveling scholarships of \$1,500 each, Dean Carl W. Ackerman announced.

Winners were Myrick Ebben Land, of Kilgore, Texas; Laura Hoyle Davis, of Santa Cruz, Calif.; and Barbara Nell Neblett, of Miami Beach.

'Grapes of Wrath' and 'Strange Fruit' Just Sour Apples to School Board

ASTORIA, Ore., May 29 (INS)—A controversy over two novels, "The Grapes of Wrath" and "Strange Fruit," ended yesterday with the resignation of the principal of the Nehalem Valley High School.

Colin McEwen said he had resigned after school directors had ordered him to remove the two novels from the school library, which also is used by adults in that community of 200 population.

In a letter of resignation, McEwen declared he could not teach modern literature if he was "not permitted to use books of novelists who in the course of great realistic portrayals of life present with fidelity the manners and morals and, indeed, the speech of real people."

Editor Receives Silver Star

SAN FRANCISCO, May 29 (UP)—Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal highlighted his inspection tour of San Francisco naval installations by personally presenting the Silver Star to Paul C. Smith, editor and general manager of the San Francisco Chronicle. Smith was decorated for bravery on Guam where he commanded a rifle platoon in the 3rd Marine Div.

Blondie

(By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate)

By Chic Young



Escaped Soldier Slain, 3 Captured in Tavern Gun Fight With Patrol

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, May 29—One American soldier was killed, one wounded and two others captured when an Army patrol discovered the four recently escaped 1st Div. prisoners in a German inn 30 miles from the Swiss border early Sunday morning, USFET disclosed today.

Alfred Marino, 19, of Co. C, 18th Inf. Regt., was fatally shot in the chest three times after raising his pistol at a member of the 84th FA Bn. patrol which had surrounded the inn at Thalkirchdorf following an all-night chase.

The wounded soldier is Eugene McMasters, 31, of Hq., 1st Div., who was shot in the left armpit by a stray bullet.

Raymond Riley, 19, of Hq. Co., 2nd Chem. Mortar Bn., and William Pearce, 29, of Hq. Btry., 32nd FA Bn., surrendering to the tactical patrol in Thalkirchdorf, between Obershausen and Immenstadt, are no win the custody of the 819th MP Bn.

Fifth Member Caught

A fifth member of the group which broke out of the stockade at Regensburg a week ago and fled in stolen automobiles gave himself up to military police in Bamberg, the Army announced. He was Robert Pane, 22, A. U. Det., 17th Repl. Depot. Upon narrowing the chase for the four others to the inn, the sergeant patrol leader was informed by Germans inside that the fugitives were upstairs. He withdrew to organize his men and call for more help against the prisoners known to have weapons.

Two of the escapers were then detected through an open window, the Army related. When they were called upon to surrender, they attempted to escape through the back door only to find their exit already blocked by a member of the patrol.

The scuffle which followed the artilleryman's attempt to disarm Marino resulted in the shooting.

German Divorces Nearly Eight Times Rate Before War

BERLIN, May 29 (INS)—The payoff for Nazi production-line marriage campaigns is going on today in German divorce courts, where up to 6,000 couples are being split up monthly.

The divorce rate, which has risen to nearly eight times its prewar level, reflects the fate of Adolf Hitler's "quick marriage and big families" program.

A large percentage of divorce applications are from returning German prisoners of war, and adultery is the most common charge. Many of the broken marriages were made during the war by proxy, a scheme by which German troops could be married without ever leaving the front line.

Axis Partners Blamed Franco For Defeat, Records Disclose

NURNBERG, May 29 (AP)—Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini, tasting the bitter dregs of defeat at Stalingrad and Tripoli, agreed that Generalissimo Francisco Franco had robbed the Axis of victory by refusing to attack Gibraltar.

But captured records of the German foreign office disclosed that Hitler attempted to salvage something from the Franco defection by signing him to a secret protocol to fight any Anglo-American landing on the Iberian Peninsula, even if it meant a Spanish march into Portugal.

Light on Franco's wartime relations with the Axis chieftains was thrown at a four-hour conference in Rome on Feb. 25, 1943, between Mussolini and Hitler's foreign minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop.

"Franco, who had the Duce and Fuehrer to thank for everything, left Germany and Italy in the lurch at a decisive moment," Ribbentrop exclaimed, referring to the debacle of the Gibraltar plans in 1941.

An official memorandum in Nazi files gave this account of their conversations:

"The Reich foreign minister informed the Duce of the recent conclusion of a secret protocol. Spain wishes to have arms from Germany.

"In view of Franco's attitude, the Fuehrer has agreed only on Spain's promise, in case of a landing by English and the Americans on the Spanish islands of the Mediter-

Himmler's Aide Arrested After Year's Search

HERFORD, May 29 (AP)—Oswald Pohl, second in command of the SS under Heinrich Himmler, was arrested by British special investigation officers Monday, it was revealed today.

Pohl was discovered working as a farm laborer under an assumed name, after a year-long search.

As chief of staff to Himmler, Pohl was responsible for the administration of all German concentration camps. He is expected to be accused of complicity in the deaths of concentration camp victims.

Known as the brain behind Himmler, Pohl is said to have been the first to have instituted the gas chamber.

In the last year, British war crimes investigators followed his trail from Bavaria to Hamburg, where he was reported to have been seen pushing a handcart; to Bremen, and finally to a farm in the Hanover plain, where he was known as Ludwig Gniss.

Two vials of poison were found on him when he was arrested.

Pohl will now be flown to Nurnberg for questioning before the International Military Tribunal, it was reported.

SUB PENS AT HAMBURG BLOWN UP BY BRITISH

LONDON, May 29 (INS)—The British Broadcasting Co. reported that engineers had blown up the big Blohm and Voss naval construction facilities at Hamburg, where the Nazi built many of their submarines and other warships.

U.S. Zone Air Force To Have 2,700 Ships

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—An American occupational air force of 2,700 planes, including 800 long-range B-29 Superfortresses is being planned for Europe, the Army Air Forces announced today.

Air Force, official journal of the AAF, said 750, fighter-bombers, about 100 medium bombers, 650 transports and a variety of specialized planes also would be included.

anean or Atlantic, to defend these with all means.

"Should the English, therefore, land in Portugal, Franco would march in.

"Perhaps a landing soon of the English in Portugal would be to the advantage of the Axis, for then Franco would be drawn into the war on the Axis side."

Mussolini agreed, the memorandum said, adding: "In general, he criticized the earlier attitude of Franco, who had rejected a good opportunity when it existed, to conquer Gibraltar, for his rejective attitude had shattered the German plant."



Striking It Rich

Smoking a cigar and scanning the \$100,000 he insisted be paid him in \$50 bills, Ulrich J. Arsenault, Northwest Territories prospector, closes a deal in Toronto with Samuel Ciglen of the Beaulieu Yellowknife Mines, Ltd., for his gold-mine claims. Arsenault received 250,000 shares of stock in addition to the money, but almost didn't close the deal when he realized it was the 13th of the month.

British Hope to Maintain Zone Ration Till June 23

UNRRA Sees Gain In Austrian Food

By ARTHUR NOYES
Staff Writer

VIENNA, May 29—A general increase in the Austrian food ration was predicted today by Brig. R. H. R. Parminter, chief of the UNRRA mission to Austria, who said that UNRRA shipments in sight and "really vigorous steps regarding home production" should lead to a July ration basis of 1,200 calories a person daily.

Parminter said that because of a 15,000-ton food contribution by the American Army and a 7,500-ton gift by the Red army, Austria would be able to maintain an 1,100 calory ration through June.

He urged the Austrian people to match the American and Soviet gifts "by a most vigorous campaign throughout the country to make available to the appropriate authorities every possible scrap of indigenous produce."

In answer to complaints in the Austrian press that UNRRA supplies are being used to feed displaced persons, Parminter reminded Austrian editors and politicians who have campaigned against the gifts of UNRRA food to the former slave workers and concentration camp inmates that "the agreement between UNRRA and the Austrian government makes provision for supplies to displaced persons on a basic standard equal to that provided for the Austrian population."

"This," he said, "is not taking food away from Austrians."

Later Allocation Hinges on Harvest

BERLIN, May 29 (AP)—The British expect to maintain the 1,000-calory food ration for normal consumers in their zone of Germany up to June 23 but are "making no official promises beyond that date," a high military government official said today.

He said that "although we are fairly confident" this ration could be maintained also until next

TOKYO, May 29 (AP)—The Japanese press, alert to the food crisis, discovered that Yasurei Kanda, a school teacher, had reported that he did not eat, he just drank four bottles of beer daily.

"Doctor's orders," said Kanda, adding that he had been doing it 15 years, as the result of a stomach ailment.

harvest there could be no guarantee until official allocations had been made.

The official said that while there was no starvation in the zone there were "definite signs of deterioration" and the death rate among old people and infants had risen.

Industrial absenteeism has risen on the average of 25 per cent and in some cases as high as 50 since rations were cut in early March. He estimated a 15 per cent overall decline in worker efficiency.

Cholera Threatens Shanghai

SHANGHAI, May 29 (AP)—A serious cholera epidemic is threatening Shanghai, city health authorities warned.

Sale of Jeeps To Be Handled On Auto Lots

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
FRANKFURT, May 29—Sale of jeeps and other Army surplus vehicles to military and civilian personnel will be temporarily suspended, pending the establishment of used-car lots at convenient points throughout the occupied zone of Germany, it was announced today by USFET headquarters.

Under the plan, now in preparation, it will be possible to make all arrangements for purchase, inspection and licensing of vehicles at any one of the used-car lots to be established.

At present, all approved applications must go to the Office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner in Paris for processing. The rush of personnel to Paris to purchase vehicles is in excess of the OFLC's capacity to make prompt retail sales.

Consequently, processing of applications made in person has required a week, and requests by mail have taken two weeks or longer.

Applications Face Delay

Applications already approved will be processed, officials said, but unit commanders have been advised to withhold further approvals until new purchase arrangements are completed.

Under the plan heretofore in effect, it was necessary to purchase vehicles in Paris and then secure delivery at ordnance depots throughout the theater. All surplus property in France is frozen now in expectation of the successful completion of a bulk sale to France.

If the sale is completed, all future purchases of motor vehicles will have to be made in Germany. Personnel travelling to Paris or to ordnance depots in connection with the purchase of private vehicles must go on leave and not on temporary duty. Travel to Paris for this purpose must come within American Railway Express leave quotas authorized to major commands unless private accommodations are available.

'Poor' Means Overhauling

In clarifying classifications of vehicles, USFET officials said that a grade of "poor" indicates that that vehicle requires a major overhauling to be put in serviceable condition. Car purchasers were reminded that the current vehicle and traffic code provides that privately owned vehicles must be able to pass a mechanical inspection before being licensed for operation in the occupation zone.

Only under exceptional circumstances will "poor" vehicles pass such a test. Spare parts to recondition or maintain vehicles are not available from military sources and must be procured from commercial concerns in the United States. Negotiations are being made to secure spare parts from the United States, but officials estimate that none will be available for sale for at least 90 days.

USFET officials also pointed out that although personnel making permanent change of station are authorized shipping space for privately owned vehicles on Army transports from ports of embarkation in the European theater, such shipment will be made only as space becomes available after normal Army cargo shipment.

Consequently, there is no assurance that the vehicle will be transported at the same time that individuals leave the theater.

Redeployment of individuals from the theater will not be delayed in order that they may have time to purchase a surplus vehicle.

Quints Reported Born

BOGOTA, Columbia, May 29 (UP)—The newspaper El Liberal reported that a woman in the town of Cucuta had given birth to quintuplets. The babies, born in a hospital, are said to be in perfect health.

Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)

By Milton Caniff



28 Dachau Killers Are Hanged at Landsberg

Scene Visible From Hitler's One-Time Cell

By IRVING DILLIARD
Staff Writer

LANDSBERG, May 29—If Adolf Hitler had been in his old room at Landsberg prison today and yesterday, he could have seen the payoff. Fifty steps from the window out of which he looked when he was writing "Mein Kampf," 28 of his killers from Dachau paid with their lives, on a double gallows, for their crimes against the world.

Since approximately one-quarter of a million men, women and children were beaten, gassed, burned, poisoned, shot, starved or otherwise tortured to death at Dachau, the ratio was one Nazi executed for every 10,000 - of Dachau's victims.

14 Hanged Each Day

Fourteen of the condemned were "hanged by the neck until dead" today and 14 were hanged yesterday, seven in the forenoon and seven in the afternoon of each day. The executions satisfied Military Commission Order No. 4, dated April 23. They bore the approval of Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott Jr., and the confirmation of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney.

The first killer to climb the 13 steps was Friederich Wilhelm Rupprecht, 40, whose crimes included the slaughter of 90 Russian officers. He left his cell yesterday at 9:27 a. m. was hanged at 9:39 and pronounced dead at 9:54. The last to stand on the hangman's trapdoor was one-legged Leonhard Anselm Eighberger, 30, who knew the way to Dachau's crematorium. He died in midafternoon today.

Malaria Experimenter Dies

Seventy-four-year-old Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling—conductor of Dachau's mass malaria experiments on human guinea pigs—was the oldest of the 28. With gray mustache, short, pointed gray beard and wavy gray hair, he more than any of the others, was visibly anxious to have it over with.

As white tapes were tied over his wrists and at the ankles of his baggy, patched blue trousers, the old scientist squinted his eyes into the bright, warm Bavarian sun which flooded the prison yard both days. When the black zipper-fitted hood was put in place, he twisted his head and then dropped it over his chest. He was no. 9.

Resigned to Death

Every one was resigned and few of them accepted the opportunity to make a last statement from the freshly-painted black platform. Ninth Div. chaplains from Augsburg—Catholic Peter S. Rush, of Newark, N. J., and Lutheran Karl Almer of Minneapolis, who assisted the German prison chaplains, found that killers died as they lived—with no regard for human life. Dr. Schilling said merely: "Nein, danke."

One repented sufficiently to "forgive the court for passing sentence" and to "thank the Americans for treating me so well in prison." He was no. 3—Otto Forschner, 44, but looking fully 15 years older—who wore a great black overcoat as he fell to his death behind the black curtain under the scaffold.

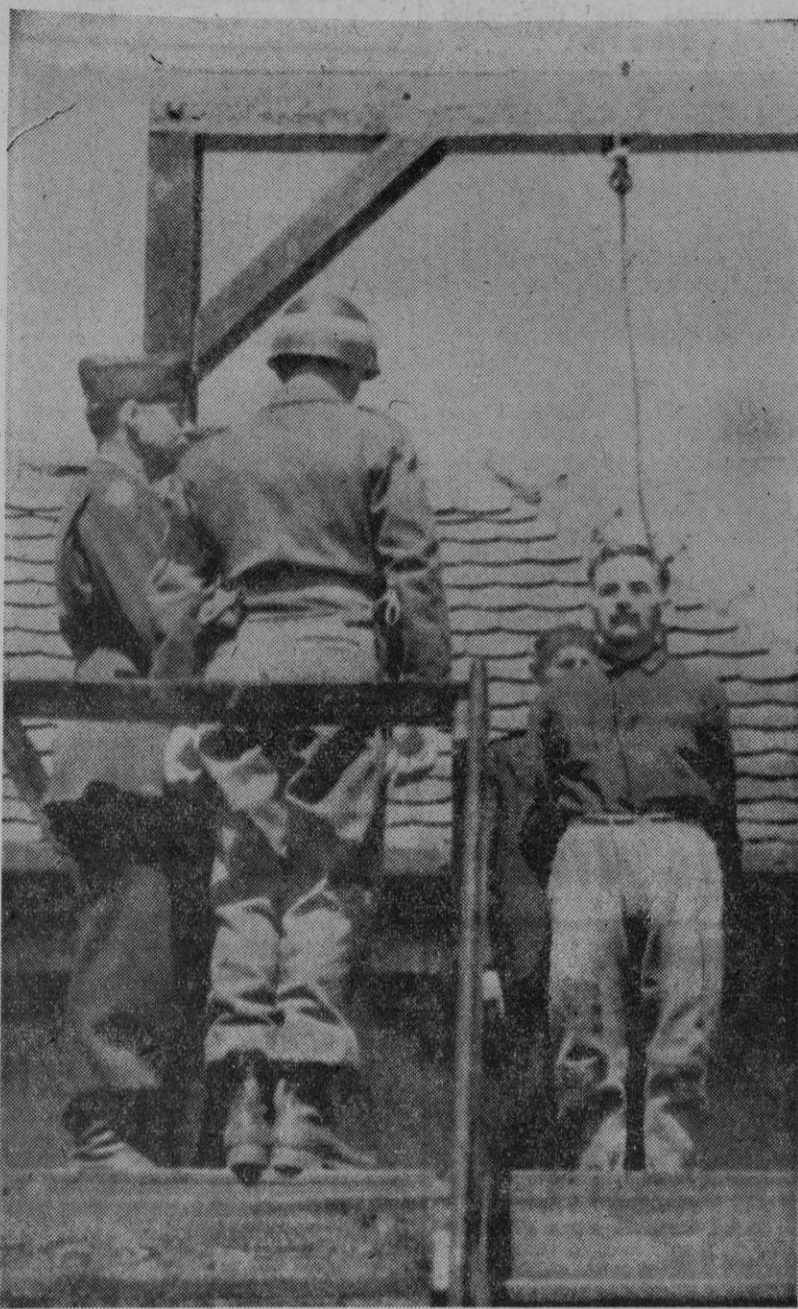
Wants Beautiful Germany

No. 10, Josef Seuss, 40, said: "I hope Germany will grow strong again." Realizing how this remark would be interpreted, he corrected himself: "No, no, no—I hope that Germany will be beautiful again." He was noted for hanging prisoners by their wrists and kicking and beating them to death.

The anti-religion of the Nazis was conspicuous by the absence of reference to God—aside from the words of the chaplains. An exception was Simon Kiern, 32, "happily married" and the father of two children. "Those who take my life," he said, "will have to answer to God for it." Then he asked that his wife be told that he would be "waiting for her in heaven."

He carried a wilted bouquet of red and white peonies, brought to him on Sunday when wives were allowed to visit the condemned. He was a block leader, who beat and shot prisoners to death when they fell exhausted from systematic starvation.

The first mass execution by the Army in Germany, it was conducted by the Provost Marshal's section of the 3rd Army as a military



Anton Anders, Dachau war criminal, on the gallows at Landsberg Prison

formation. A lieutenant colonel gave the command of attention each time one of his majors and the four MP guards brought a war criminal to the doorway between the twin gallows. A captain read the orders. Medical Corps officers determined when death came. A former Military Government captain, now a U. S. civilian in the legal branch of the Bavarian MG, stood on the scaffold to meet the possibility of a last minute legal question.

Nos. 1 and 2 were dead in exactly the same time—27 minutes after they left the cell. This was deemed as taking somewhat too long and the chaplains, escorting officers and hangmen were instructed to tighten up. Thereafter the average was about 21 minutes. As the last walk and final arrangements on the

gallows took about six minutes, most were dead some 15 minutes after the executioners shoved forward the red handle which opened the trap.

Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, 33, was dead only nine minutes after he fell. At that, life lasted longer for No. 7 than for his victims. An honor graduate of the Dachau school of flogging, he was made administrator of the crematory because of his record.

The gallows, which were in the shade of linden and horse chestnut trees at the start of the day, were employed alternately. While the rope of one was taut, the other was being readied to use again. Insofar as possible, Catholics and Protestants were alternated as a help to the chaplains.

Nazi Loot Returned To French Museum First American Baby Is Born in Berlin

VIENNA, May 29—A carload of objects taken from the Army Museum of Paris by the Wehrmacht in 1940 and carried to Vienna has been returned to the French, it was announced yesterday at USFA headquarters.

The collection included war trophies dating from the 17th, 18th and 19th Centuries, many of them taken by Napoleon I.

Found by French authorities in the Kunsthistorische Museum and the Heeresgeschichtliche Museum in Vienna, the list of trophies included suits of armor, lances, shields, flintlocks, crossbows, halberds, and battle standards captured in World War I.

BERLIN, May 29 (AP)—Birth of the first American baby in postwar Berlin was announced today. Parents of the 6 pound, 9-ounce boy are Sgt. and Mrs. Marvin C. Gerber. The father, attached to the 3,110th Sig. Serv. Bn., is from San Antonio and has been overseas three years.

He met his wife, the former Andree Fortelle, of Amiens, France, while, he was stationed in Paris and they were married there. She was one of the first soldier dependents to arrive here.

They baby was born Sunday at the 279th U. S. Sta. Hosp. and was named Franklin, for the late President Roosevelt.

Allied Group Blocks 4-Zone Probe of Arms

BERLIN, May 29 (AP)—The Allied Control Council's coordinating committee today was stalemated on an American proposal to send a quadripartite commission into each of the four occupation zones to investigate the progress of German disarmament. It was announced that there would be no investigation.

It was not immediately known which power had blocked the investigation, which had been proposed by the coordinating committee's member Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, upon instructions from Secretary of State James F. Byrnes.

Poles to Decide 3 Big Issues In June Vote

WARSAW, May 29 (AP)—Eleven million Poles are expected to vote in the national referendum on June 30.

The principal issues are these:

1. Whether Poland shall have a one- or a two-house parliament.
2. Whether Poles approve of the nationalization of industries and the land reforms which broke up the big estates and parceled them out to the peasants.
3. Whether they approve of the establishment of Poland's western frontiers along the Baltic, the Oder and Neisse rivers.

Mikolajczyk Party Dissolved

Meanwhile, the provisional Warsaw regime, whose most powerful posts are in the hands of the Communist-backed Polish Workers Party and its close ally, the Polish Socialist Party, is proceeding with the dissolution of Vice Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk's Polish Peasant Party. The first two parties assert that Mikolajczyk's organization is top-heavy with "anti-government, anti-democratic and pro-fascist" elements.

Mikolajczyk and his party chiefs have protested that secret police raids against their district headquarters are a violation of the Moscow agreement setting up the provisional regime and granting the six political parties equal rights to participate in the government.

Denies Terrorism Charge

The Polish Peasant Party has disclaimed any links with terroristic bands such as the NSZ (National Armed Forces).

Continuance of the secret police campaign brings Poland closer to civil war, officials of the Polish Peasants Party have warned.

They were joined in that view recently by Karol Popiel, president of the Labor Party, which generally has stood by the Mikolajczyk organization on most controversial issues.

Against Mikolajczyk and his Labor Party friends are arrayed the workers, the Socialists, the Democratic Party and an independent organization known simply as the Peasant Party, which has no connection with Mikolajczyk's party.

BENES VICTORY BELIEVED SURE IN CZECH ELECTION IN JUNE

PRAGUE, May 29 (AP)—The election of the president of Czechoslovakia by the new Parliament has been fixed for June 14.

The re-election of President Eduard Benes is considered to be a foregone conclusion.

Juliana Back From Swiss Trip

AMSTERDAM, May 29 (UP)—Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard returned from Switzerland, alighting at the Soesterberg air-drome. Bernhard had piloted the plane on the trip from Switzerland. They went immediately to the palace at Soestdijk.

U.S. Presents DSM To Cunningham for Joint Naval Tactics

The Stars and Stripes Bureau LONDON, May 29—Adm. of the Fleet Viscount Cunningham, British First Sea Lord and chief of the naval staff, has received the U. S. Navy Distinguished Service Medal, highest decoration the U. S. may confer on an officer of a foreign service, from Vice Adm. H. Kent Hewitt, commander of U. S. naval forces in Europe and of the U. S. 12th Fleet.

Among those who attended the ceremony at U. S. Navy headquarters in London was Adm. William H. Leahy, chief of staff to President Truman.

The citation accompanying the award, which was for "exceptionally meritorious service to the government of the United States" as First Sea Lord from October, 1943, to September, 1945, said Cunningham had "planned with brilliant judgment and decisive foresight the maximum utilization of British fleet power in joint naval operations in the European and Pacific theaters."

Recognizes Two Parties

The coordinating committee also authorized the Allied Berlin Kommandatur to recognize on a city-wide basis in Berlin both the Social Democrat Party and the new Socialist Unity Party, which was formed by a fusion of Social Democrats and Communists.

This resolved a long-standing argument brought about by a succession of anti-merger Social Democrats. It was agreed that each should have equal facilities for campaigning in the city. The recognition of the Socialist Unity Party by the western powers applies only to Berlin and not to their occupation zones.

Moon Mullins

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

By Willard



The first mass execution by the Army in Germany, it was conducted by the Provost Marshal's section of the 3rd Army as a military

Nats Shade Yanks, 2-1, On Leonard's 6-Hitter

Vernon's 22-Game Hit Streak Halted

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP)—They turned the lights on for the first time at the Yankee Stadium last night, but they shone only for the Senators, as the Yankees bowed to the knuckleball wizardry of Dutch Leonard, who checked them with six hits, 2-1.

Fans saw the Yanks take a one-run lead in the first, as George Stirnweiss doubled, went to third on Tommy Henrich's fly ball and scored on DiMaggio's blooming hit to center. Thereafter, they saw the home team rolling and popping out as the veteran Leonard's knuckler wobbled and jumped most effectively.

Nats Nick Marshall

The Nats meanwhile teed off periodically on the offerings of Clarence Marshall, until he was removed for a pinch hitter in the seventh. He was nicked for seven hits, but none of them came from the bat of Mickey Vernon, who had hit safely in 22 straight games until he was stopped yesterday.

The Senators tied the score at one all in the second, as Vernon walked and came the rest of the way home on Jeff Heath's fly to left, which Charley Keller couldn't quite reach and which went for a double.

They tied together three singles in the fourth to score the deciding run, Cecil Travis, Gerry Priddy and Leonard causing the damage. Marshall was fairly steady in the other innings he worked, although on a couple of occasions bases on balls got him into jams.

White Sox 9, Browns 2

ST. LOUIS, May 29 (AP)—The White Sox picked up where they left off Monday night and hammered three Brown pitchers for 15 hits and a 9-2 victory. Stan Ferens was driven from the mound in a four-run first inning, while Orval Grove held the Browns to five scattered hits.

Ferens hit Ralph Hodgkin with a pitched ball to open the game and walked Guy Curtright, and both runners scored on Luke Appling's single and Hal Trosky's fly ball. Thurman Tucker forced Trosky. After Appling was picked off second and with two out, Bob Kennedy singled and Don Kolloway doubled for two more runs.

Mancuso scored for the Browns in the third on a single, Bob Dilinger's infield out and Kennedy's wild throw past first base on Joe Grace's grounder. The Browns' other run came in the seventh, with Walt Judnich scoring on Chuck Stevens' single.

Tigers 6, Indians 1

CLEVELAND, May 29 (UP)—Freddy Hutchinson limited the Indians to five hits to hurl the champion Tigers to a 6-1 victory. Charley (Red) Embree, who started for the Tribe, was charged with the loss.

Hutchinson rapped two of Detroit's nine hits off Embree and relief hurler Ed Klieman, as the Tigers tallied three unearned runs in the sixth and seventh frames and sealed the contest with a three-run outburst in the ninth.

Cleveland tallied in the bottom half of the sixth stanza on a walk and Hank Edwards' triple, but Detroit crossed the plate three times in the ninth on Lake's double, two singles, a walk and a wild pitch.

Close Call

Leon Culberson, Boston Red Sox outfielder, slides back into third base in time to beat Chisox catcher Mike Tresh's snap throw to Dario Lodigiani. The slugging Bosox made this their 14th straight, winning 7-5.



Koslo Snaps Dodgers' Winning Streak, 5-2

Flock's Margin Cut As Cards Rip Cubs

BROOKLYN, May 29 (AP)—Dave Koslo snapped the Dodgers' seven-game winning streak tonight by hurling the Giants to a 5-2 triumph, their fifth successive victory.

The Giants scored what proved to be the winning run in the eighth when Hugh Casey, who relieved starter Joe Hatten, completed the job of walking Bill Rigney with bases loaded. Hatten delivered three wide pitches to Rigney when he gave way to Casey, whose first delivery was a ball forcing Johnny Mize in with the run that broke a 2-2 tie.

Triples by Buddy Blattner and Jack Graham off Casey helped the New Yorkers pick up two additional runs in the ninth, assuring Koslo of his fourth triumph. The win boosted the Giants into fifth place, one percentage point ahead of the idle Braves and cut the Brooks' first-place margin over St. Louis to two games.

New York hopped on Hatten for two runs in the second, but the Dodgers tied the count in the fifth, one run coming on Howie Schultz's first homer of the year.

Cards 11, Cubs 2

CHICAGO, May 29 (AP)—With Dick Sisler's grand-slam homer highlighting an eight-run fifth inning, the Cardinals pounded four pitchers for 14 hits to gain an 11-2 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

The Cards combined three singles, two walks, two errors and Sisler's big blow to clinch the game in the fifth, at the expense of Claude Passeau and Bob Chipman. Red Adams, the third Cub pitcher, was touched for five hits and three more runs in the ninth before Paul Erickson came in to retire the Redbirds.

Johnny Beazley started for the Cards, but was relieved in the fourth by Ted Wilks, who hurled the rest of the way and was credited with the victory.

Terry Moore, St. Louis center-fielder, injured his right knee catching Bob Sturgeon's liner and was replaced by Buster Adams. The injury was not serious.

Pirates 6, Reds 3

PITTSBURGH, May 29 (AP)—The Pirates combined a walk, a fielder's choice and four singles to produce four runs in the seventh to overhaul the Cincinnati Reds for a 6-3 triumph.

Bill Salkeld's double bounced off Benny Zientaras's glove and tied up the game in the seventh after the Reds had gone ahead in their half. Singles by Lee Handley, Jim Russell, and Elbie Fletcher off Joe Beggs settled the issue.

The Reds tallied twice in the seventh. Ray Lamanno singled and took second on Ralph Kiner's bobble. Bahr grabbed Bert Haas' sacrifice and threw it into left field, Lamanno scoring. Ed Miller's long fly put Haas across.

Edson Bahr, winning his second straight game, held the Reds to six hits, though taken out for a pinch hitter in the seventh inning. Lamanno collected three of the six hits.

'Jumpers' Reveal Verbal Agreement

ST. LOUIS, May 29 (UP)—Max Lanier and Fred Martin, formerly with the St. Louis Cardinals, disclosed as they left for Mexico City by automobile that they had no written agreement with Jorge Pasquel, President of the Mexican League, but they had reached a verbal understanding.

Lanier and Martin said they had been assured "of a pretty good deal or we wouldn't be going." They added that they wouldn't have considered the Mexican offer if they were five years younger.

Lanier said a verbal contract with Pasquel's agent's would be put in writing upon arrival in Mexico City.

The pair are expected to arrive by Thursday and said they expect to play for the Vera Cruz club managed by Mickey Owen, former Dodger and Cardinal catcher.

Johnson Reported Very Ill

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Walter Johnson, famous old-time pitcher, was reported in a critical condition at Georgetown University Hospital and his family was summoned to his bedside today.

Mays, Rose Ranked as Favorites to Win 30th Indianapolis Auto Racing Classic

Former Speedway Winners			
	M.P.H.		M.P.H.
1911—Ray Harroun	74.59	1929—Ray Keech	97.585
1912—Joe Dawson	78.72	1930—Billy Arnold	100.448
1913—Jules Goux	75.933	1931—Louis Schneider	96.629
1914—Rene Thomas	82.47	1932—Fred Frame	104.154
1915—Ralph DePalma	83.84	1933—Louis Meyer	104.162
*1916—Dario Resta	84.00	1934—William Cummings	104.863
1919—Howdy Wilcox	88.05	1935—Kelly Petillo	106.240
1920—Gaston Chevrolet	88.62	1936—Louis Meyer	106.069
1921—Tommy Milton	89.62	1937—Wilbur Shaw	113.580
1922—James A. Murphy	94.48	1938—Floyd Roberts	117.200
1923—Tommy Milton	90.95	1939—Wilbur Shaw	115.035
1924—L. L. Corum and Joe Boyer	98.23	1940—Wilbur Shaw	114.277
1925—Peter De Paolo	101.13	1941—Mauri Rose and Floyd Davis	115.117
*1926—Frank Lockhart	95.885		
1927—George Souders	97.545		
1928—Louis Meyer	99.482		

INDIANAPOLIS, May 29 (UP)—The field of 33 entrants for the 30th annual Memorial Day 500 mile race was completed as nine cars qualified yesterday, barely beating the sun-down deadline.

Rex Mays, veteran Long Beach, Calif., driver, and Mauri Rose, who teamed with Floyd Davis to win the last Indianapolis race in 1941, rank as the top favorites, although they are expected to have plenty of trouble from Cliff Bergere, Chet Miller and Ralph Hepburn.

Bergere has the advantage of the pole position of the first row, while Rose will start in the third row, Mays in the fifth, Miller in the sixth and Hepburn, who shattered the track's qualifying record, in the seventh.

Hepburn Sets Trial Mark

Hepburn, who at 50 is the oldest man entered in the speed classic, set a new record for the 10-mile qualifying heat as he was clocked at 133.994 miles per hour. The old record, set by the late Jimmy Snyder in 1939, was 130.138 miles per hour.

Mays, who has yet to win the event although he finished second to Wilbur Shaw in 1940 and was runner-up to the Rose-Davis combination in 1941, turned in the second fastest of the qualifying marks, touring the 4-lap trail heat at 128.861 miles per hour in his Bowes Seal-Fast Special, which is a Meyer-Winfield creation.

One Former Winner Entered

An unusual feature of the race is the fact that Rose is the only former winner entered in this year's grind.

And Rose himself was not behind the wheel of his car when it crossed the finish line. Floyd Davis, who had started the race in his own car, took over for Rose mid-way in the event after his car had been sidelined by mechanical difficulties.

Two veterans of the Memorial Day classic are missing from the list of drivers that will roar around the brick oval. They are Joel Thorne, wealthy California sportsman, and Kelley Petillo, winner of the 1935 race. Thorne is in a Beverley Hills, Calif., hospital, recovering from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident last month, while Petillo has been barred from the race by the speedway officials.

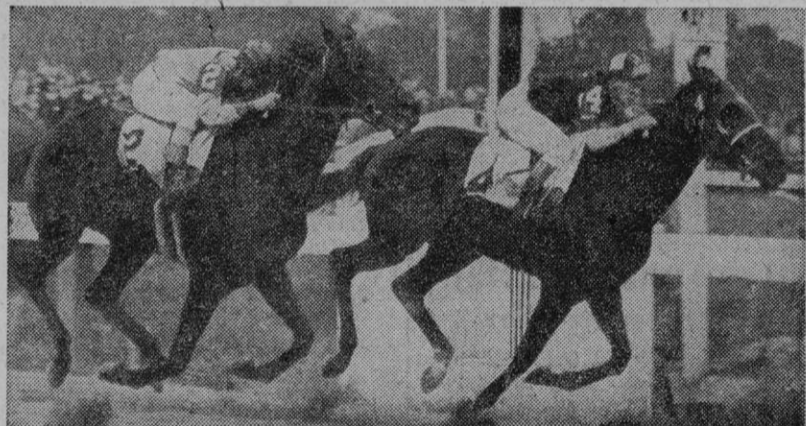
Assault Made Odds-On Choice To Capture Belmont Stakes

NEW YORK, May 29 (UP)—Assault, fast-stepping Texas bangtail who won this year's Kentucky Derby and Preakness, looms as the top-heavy favorite to capture Saturday's Belmont Stakes and with it the coveted "Triple Crown."

Many track fans started to doubt Assault's ability to add the third

\$10,000 Peter Pan Handicap, which Assault did not enter. The slump accompanied a corresponding rise in enthusiasm of Assault's followers with the result that the "Texas Typhoon" will go to the post odds-on in the Belmont Stakes.

However, the Belmont, at a mile and a half, is considerably longer



Assault adds 2nd jewel . . . by beating Lord Boswell in Preakness

gem to the crown after the Texas colt stumbled across the Preakness finish line just a neck in front of Lord Boswell. The latter will also run in the longer Belmont classic, and at first found plenty of backers who believed that the Maine Chance Farm's entry would snap Assault's streak.

But Boswell's stock slumped badly over the past weekend following a defeat by longshot Mahout in the

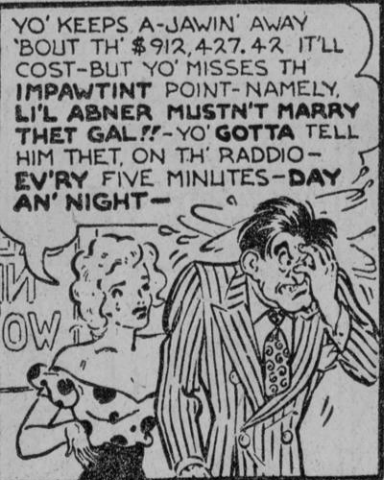
than the Derby, Preakness, or Peter Pan. This tends to keep Boswell as the main threat to Assault, although his recurrent "too little and too late" performances have brought few dividends thus far.

Only six horses in the history of the American turf have annexed the "Triple Crown"—Sir Barton, Gallant Fox, Omaha, War Admiral, Whirlaway and Count Fleet.

L'il Abner

(By Courtesy of United Features)

By Al Capp





Loss of Stars Leaves Dyer In Tough Spot

CHICAGO, May 29 (INS)—The man who holds baseball's toughest managerial post today is Eddie Dyer of the St. Louis Cardinals.

The situation is a simple and not especially pretty one. Dyer was thought to be a dead cinch to bring the Cards home ahead of the pack in his first year as manager.

He'll have a lot of trouble doing this. But give the peppery little guy credit. He knew what lay before him when he succeeded Billy Southworth as manager. And today, now that his best pitcher, sparkplug infielder and top relief hurler have left the club in favor of Mexican gold, Dyer confessed the deck was stacked against him.



Dyer . . . left holding bag

for the greatest season he ever had. I could use all three of them. This is a terrific blow."

Would he find players to replace them? "That's what I am manager for," Dyer said. "We've got a good ball club. The fellows aren't hitting the way they should but I think they should iron that out. I'll tell you one thing right now—we've got a hefty row to hoe. But don't think we're giving up the ghost now because if you do, you don't know this ball team. We're going to fight all the way down the line."

Dyer confirmed reports that his all-star outfield of Stan Musial, Terry Moore and Enos Slaughter had been approached by Jorge Pasquel, president of the Mexican League. Dyer said "You could call those offers tempting if you wanted to understate the case. At any rate, Moore, Musial and Slaughter talked the whole thing over with me. We shook hands on the matter after a long discussion and they promised to remain with the Cardinals."

Connie Mack Picks Bosox to Win Flag

BOSTON, May 29 (INS)—Cagey Connie Mack moved gingerly out on a limb today and in diplomatic language picked the Boston Red Sox to win the American League pennant. The 83-year-old manager of the Philadelphia Athletics said "I think the teams will wind up the season in just the same positions they now occupy."

The Sox are six and one half games ahead of the New York Yankees at the moment so it is safe to say Connie figures Boston will have its first pennant winner since 1918.

Stranahan Tops Briton to Enter Amateur Finals

BRIDDALE, England, May 29 (AP)—Youthful Frank Stranahan, of Toledo, Ohio, slugged his way into the fourth round of the British Amateur Golf Tournament today, with a five and four triumph over Marshall Robertson, 27-year-old Northern England munitions worker.

Stranahan won all but two of the fourteen holes. On the 202-yard thirteenth hole, he dropped a thirty-foot putt for a birdie two.

As the small gallery applauded the putt—Stranahan's best of the tournament—he kissed his bent-shafted putter, which he calls the "Blue Goose" because of its goose-neck shape.

Stranahan ended the match with a birdie four on the 517-yard fourteenth hole.

Stranahan was scheduled to play his final match against an opponent to be decided by a match which was in progress as Stranahan finished.

NBA to Adopt Two New Classes

WASHINGTON, May 29 (UP)—Two new boxing divisions, one between light-heavyweight and heavyweight, and the other between welterweight and middleweight, may soon be established by the National Boxing Association.

President Abe Greene disclosed that the NBA would take up the adoption of the new classifications at its annual meeting in Cleveland September 9.

"Boxing is based upon weight equality," said Greene, "and the difference between a man weighing slightly over the 175-pound limit and a full-fledged heavy weighing 200 or more is far too great."

The NBA has no desire to "resurrect various junior classes of some years ago," Greene added.

15th Const. Raps 2nd Const., 4-0

WEINHEIM, May 29—Behind the seven hit pitching of George Samgman, the 15th Const. Regt. defeated the 2nd Const. Regt. 4-0.

Samgman, who shut his opponents out without a run, allowed only seven hits while Holiday who also allowed seven hits had a weak defense behind him, as his teammates committed five errors.

The 15th scored a run in the third inning, one in the sixth and two in the eighth.

14TH REGT. WINS, 2-1, ON 5TH REGT.'S ERRORS

KITZINGEN, May 29—The 14th Regt. defeated the 5th Regt. today, as the losers contributed seven errors on the field. The score was 2:1.

Lefty Robbins, who hurled for the winning 14th, struck out 14 men and allowed only four hits. Bob Peterman, who hurled for the losers, allowed six hits.

The 14th scored their only two runs of the game in the seventh inning on errors.

AFN Highlights

Frankfurt 1411 kcs; Munich, Stuttgart 1249; Berlin, Bremer 1429; Paris 610; Bayreuth, Normandy 1204.

THURSDAY

1800 News	2100 News
1805 Sports	2130 AFN Flyhouse
1815 Personal Album	2200 Johnny Desmond
1900 Fred Allen	2230 Andre
1930 Music Hall	Kostelanetz
2000 Abbott & Costello	2345 Vocal Touch
2030 Dinah Shore	2400 News

FRIDAY

0600 News	1330 Command School of The Air
0730 Fred Waring	1430 This Is The Story
0800 GI Jive	1500 News
0815 News	1650 Duffers
0830 Repeat Performance	1705 Duffe Bag
1130 Melody Roundup	1800 News
1145 At Ease	
1200 News	

Conn Predicts He'll Kayo Louis By Concentrating on Midsection

Billy Declares Body Attack Will Fold Champion Up

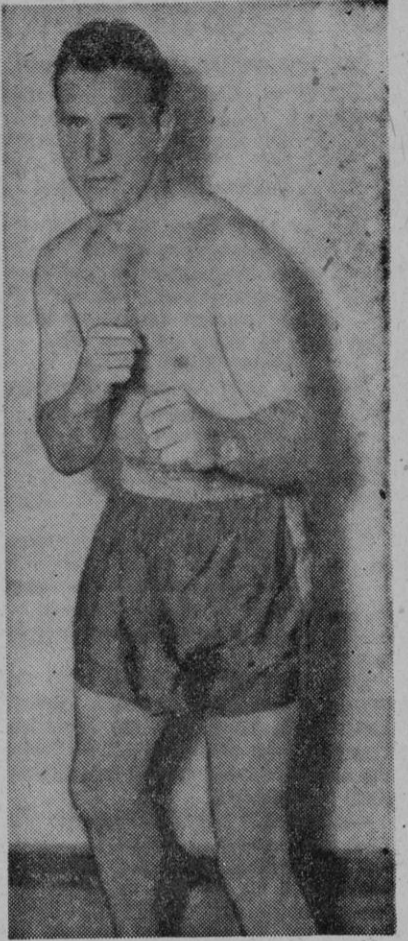
GREEN WOOD LAKE, N. J., May 29 (UP)—Billy Conn is confident that a heavy midsection bombardment is the formula for stopping Joe Louis and his battle plan became so increasingly apparent in sparring sessions that the challenger for the heavyweight title broke down and admitted it frankly.

"You can't keep punching sparring partners in the belly every day without people getting wise. But I guess the tipoff won't make Joe very happy," Conn said.

Sneaking Hunch
"I got a sneaking hunch during our first fight that Joe didn't like to take it downstairs, and I wasn't really trying to hurt him down there just belting him in the body to get his hands down so I could get shots at his chin. During the early rounds of our coming fight I'll be shooting for his head only to get his arms up so I can get at his belly. I'll fold him up. I don't know how long it'll take but I'll fold him up and knock him out."

A reporter said he figured Billy should be content to outpoint Louis this time after what happened in the first bout.

"Outpoint him nothing," declared Conn. "I'll knock him cold this time. But I won't try to put him away until he's ready to go. When I get ready to knock him out, he won't have strength enough left to kill a fly. He'll be out on his feet."



Conn . . . reveals battle plan

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	29	9	.763	—
New York	23	16	.590	6 1/2
Washington	20	14	.588	7
Detroit	20	18	.526	9
Cleveland	16	21	.432	12 1/2
St. Louis	16	22	.421	13
Chicago	14	20	.412	13
Philadelphia	9	27	.250	19

Results
Detroit 6, Cleveland 1
Chicago 9, St. Louis 2
Washington 2, New York 1
Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Brooklyn	23	11	.676	—
St. Louis	21	13	.618	2
Cincinnati	15	15	.500	6
Chicago	16	16	.500	6
New York	17	18	.486	6 1/2
Boston	16	17	.485	6 1/2
Pittsburgh	14	16	.467	7
Philadelphia	8	24	.250	14

Results
New York 5, Brooklyn 2
Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 3
St. Louis 11, Chicago 2
Only games scheduled

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	Pct.
Indianapolis	20	14	.588
Louisville	22	16	.579
St. Paul	18	17	.514
Kansas City	18	18	.500
Toledo	18	20	.474
Milwaukee	15	19	.441
Minneapolis	16	22	.421
Columbus	15	21	.417

Results
Indianapolis 5-2, Columbus 0-4
Toledo 1, Louisville 0
Milwaukee 13, Minneapolis 3
Kansas City 6, St. Paul 4

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Montreal	24	11	.686
Syracuse	20	13	.606
Baltimore	17	14	.548
Newark	18	17	.514
Toronto	16	16	.500
Rochester	14	17	.452
Buffalo	13	18	.419
Jersey City	8	24	.250

Results
Newark 3-0, Syracuse 1-1
Montreal 5, Buffalo 1
Only games scheduled

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	Pct.
Atlanta	32	14	.711
Chattanooga	26	17	.605
Nashville	20	16	.556
New Orleans	23	19	.548
Memphis	23	20	.535
Birmingham	15	27	.357
Mobile	14	27	.341
Little Rock	13	27	.325

Results
Memphis 8, Nashville 2
Chattanooga 5, Little Rock 2
Birmingham 4-2, New Orleans 0-9
Atlanta 9, Mobile 1

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Oakland	38	20	.655
San Francisco	38	22	.633
Los Angeles	34	25	.576
San Diego	29	32	.475
Sacramento	28	33	.459
Hollywood	26	32	.448
Seattle	23	35	.397
Portland	20	37	.351

Results
San Diego 6, Los Angeles 2
Hollywood 5, San Francisco 4
Sacramento 1, Portland 0 (14 innings)
Oakland-Seattle, (postponed, rain)

TEXAS LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Fort Worth	28	12	.700
Dallas	28	16	.636
Tulsa	26	18	.591
San Antonio	21	18	.538
Beaumont	22	20	.524
Shreveport	20	20	.500
Houston	14	29	.326
Oklahoma City	12	29	.293

Results
Dallas 7-6, Tulsa 2-2
San Antonio 3, Houston 2
Beaumont 9, Shreveport 5
Only games scheduled

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Augusta	24	17	.585
Columbus	20	17	.541
Greenville	21	19	.525
Savannah	17	16	.515
Jacksonville	21	21	.500
Columbia	17	19	.472
Macon	18	21	.462
Charleston	15	23	.395

Results
Columbia 4, Macon 0
Jacksonville 9, Savannah 4
Columbia 2, Greenville 1
Augusta 14, Charleston 3

Major League Leaders

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Vernon, Senators	25	114	25	45	.395
Walker, Dodgers	27	103	18	38	.369
Kurovski, Cardinals	27	89	11	32	.360
Musial, Cardinals	34	136	25	48	.353
Williams, Red Sox	38	134	34	47	.351
Pesky, Red Sox	37	159	37	55	.346

RUNS BATTED IN

	National League	American League
Holmes, Braves	27	Williams, Red Sox 35
Slaughter, Cards	27	Doerr, Red Sox 33
Walker, Dodgers	25	DiMaggio, Yank's 30

HOME RUNS

	National League	American League
Mize, Giants	10	DiMaggio, Yank's 10
Reiser, Dodgers	5	Greenberg, Tigers 8
Kiner, Pirates	5	Williams, Red Sox 5
Kurovsky, Cards	5	

Dick Tracy

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By Chester Gould

Byrnes Denies Molotov Charge Of Bloc at Talks

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, yesterday denied charges levelled against him and the United States Government by Vyacheslav M. Molotov, Soviet foreign minister, on Monday.

Byrnes said that he hoped the Big Four foreign ministers could settle their disagreements and complete the peace-treaty drafts for six former enemy countries when they met in Paris on June 15.

Denies 'Bloc' Exists

Denying that Great Britain and the United States had formed a bloc to intimidate the Soviet Union, Byrnes said he regretted that Molotov believed the existence of such a bloc was behind disagreement among the three powers.

He insisted that Generalissimo Joseph Stalin had once agreed to support a treaty to keep Germany disarmed for 25 years. Among his replies to other of Molotov's charges were:

THE UNITED STATES did not oppose reasonable Russian reparations from Italy but, as President Truman had declared at Potsdam, the United States would not finance such reparations.

AMERICAN willingness to discuss the issues at present dividing the big powers at a general peace conference or in the General Assembly of the UN, could not be interpreted as an effort to impose the will of the U. S. on any nation. On the contrary the U. S. would submit world problems to world opinion.

IT WAS TRUE that the occupation of Italy had been a heavy burden on that country, but the costs had been largely offset by direct and indirect Allied assistance to the Italian people, totaling nearly \$1,000,000,000.

U. S. INVITES RUSSIA TO SIGN FRIENDSHIP PACT

WASHINGTON, May 29 (INS)—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes disclosed today that the Soviet Union had been asked to conclude a treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation with the United States.

The proposal for the treaty came from the State Department during an exchange of notes with Moscow regarding the subjects to be discussed during the forthcoming Russian-American financial and economic negotiations.

Chiang Personally Leads Manchurian Push, Red Charges

NANKING, May 29 (AP)—Chinese Communist Gen. Chou En-lai said today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was personally leading the central government's Manchurian campaign and termed the situation in Manchuria critical.

Chou's assertion was the first discordant note to disturb the hopeful atmosphere pervading China in recent days.

Chou is the Communist representative at the peace discussions with government officials and U. S. Gen. George C. Marshall.

Central government troops today captured the important road-junction city of Kirin, east of the Manchurian capital, Changchun, according to dispatches from the official Central News Agency.

Chiang's forces in the north were said to have swept from fallen Changchun to the vicinity of Panshinh, 110 miles to the southeast.

Police Kill Three in India

ALLAHABAD, India, May 29 (AP) Police opened fire on a crowd near Allahabad, today, killing three persons and injuring 10.

British 'Stork Bookie' Guesses Sex Of Unborn Baby in 5 of 7 Attempts

LONDON, May 29 (INS)—Right in five cases out of seven, Great Britain's unique forecaster, R. Cottam, predicts the flitting, undetermined, indefinite and uncertain activities of the stork.

The "stork bookie" operates at what once was the Essex Maternity Home in Danbury Park, a lovely old country mansion where he is head gardener.

He takes only bets of 1 shilling (20 cents) for even money and will tell prospective mothers and fathers whether their baby will be a boy or a girl. His predictions are correct more than 70 per cent of the time.



Kidnapers' Target?

NEW YORK, May 29 (INS)—Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, heir to a \$20,000,000 share in the Vanderbilt railroad fortune, said he was unaware of any plot to kidnap him.

Vanderbilt denied he had a special police guard or Pinkerton detectives protecting him.

A report that a mob of gangsters was preparing to kidnap Vanderbilt was said to have been given to police by a former convict who said he learned of the plot while serving in Dannemora (N. Y.) Prison.

Ike and Nimitz Favor Arming Latin Nations

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Adm. Chester W. Nimitz and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower today urged Congress to authorize transfer of arms and war goods to other nations of the Western Hemisphere.

Nimitz said that should there be another war, transfer legislation would permit "organization of the western republics as one hemispheric force."

The operating heads of the Navy and Army testified before the House Foreign Affairs Committee on a bill providing for a broad program of military cooperation with other American countries.

Nimitz emphasized that no attempt would be made to accomplish any "overall increase in armament strength of the Western Hemisphere."

He also said the United States planned "no greater relative strength" for any American nation than it has had previously.

Nimitz added, "We propose to assist other American countries to give each of them a small balanced Navy sufficient to protect its own waters."

Civil or Army Experience Desirable for Postal Jobs

The Stars and Stripes Bureau FRANKFURT, May 29—Warrant officers and enlisted men who apply for commissions as second lieutenants to serve as postal officers should have civilian or Army experience in that line, it was announced today.

Applications should be made in accordance with the provisions of Circular 18, dated Feb. 13, 1946, and should be submitted to the applicant's immediate commanding officer, instead of as announced in The Stars and Stripes yesterday.

SS Captain Admits Order To 'Bump Off' Yank Flier

DP Slaves Legal, Nazi Tells Court

NURNBERG, May 29 (AP)—Fritz Sauckel, Adolf Hitler's labor chief, told the International Military Tribunal today that it was "legal" to conscript 5,000,000 foreign workers for the Reich war effort.

He insisted that several millions of workers had come to Germany voluntarily, and explained that the association of the SS and the police with labor recruitment was only a "protective" measure.

Punishment against entire villages for failure to meet labor quotas were inflicted "locally" and without his knowledge or consent, Sauckel testified.

Tells of Goebbel's Order

As it became apparent after the German defeat at Stalingrad that voluntary labor recruitment was insufficient, Paul Josef Goebbel, Nazi propaganda minister, proclaimed a "total war effort" and laid down a "work or starve" dictum for foreign laborers, the defendant said.

"The (German) Army said that it was senseless to bring these people to Germany to work; the army wanted to make soldiers out of them and I resisted that," Sauckel declared.

He said he had had controversies with various Reich ministers and drew a picture of Hitler's cabinet torn by squabbles as the knowledge of impending defeat dawned upon the Nazis.

Lichfield . . .

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imprisoned on charges brought against them for offenses allegedly committed since they came to Bad Nauheim to testify.

The nature of the charges was not disclosed officially, but one witness said six were accused of making a trip to London without authority.

Asked by the reporters if all the witnesses in the guardhouse had agreed among themselves not to testify, several of the witnesses insisted "we didn't agree on anything. We don't discuss this case among ourselves. We are all acting independently for our own reasons."

Their complaints varied. Some protested being confined while the accused officers against whom they are to testify are "running around free."

One charged the Army had issued general instruction in Bad Nauheim that they were "bad characters" and that they were treated as "dangerous criminals" and held "always under suspicion."

Several complained that they had been wrongly identified in a picture appearing in a U. S. newspaper as defendants instead of witnesses.

Pauley Wants Jap Equipment To Rebuild Manchuria Industry

SHANGHAI, May 29 (AP)—Edwin W. Pauley, U. S. Reparations Commissioner, said deliveries of Japanese industrial equipment to rebuild Manchurian production should begin immediately. Japanese repatriation ships could bring machinery on the return trips to China, he declared.

Pauley said at a news conference that the transfer of 75 per cent of Japanese "industrial war potential" was planned, with the bulk of it going to Manchuria and Korea because the necessary raw materials were available there.

He inferentially rebuked Asahi, one of Tokyo's leading newspapers, asserting the paper had misinterpreted him as implying that the Japanese would be prevented from manufacturing farm implements and fertilizer for export.

Pauley wrote to Allied headquarters denying he had made such an implication, and a Pauley spokesman explained that enough machine tools would be left in Japan for the

'Magnificent Yankee' Wins Land in Virginia

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP)—Louis Calhern, star of "the Magnificent Yankee," won the annual award of the Barter Theater for "the outstanding performance by an American actor on the current New York stage."

The prize: A plot of land on a mountain near Abingdon, Va.

Arab Chieftains Focus Parley on United Front

CAIRO, May 29 (AP)—A united Arab front in dealing with the rest of the world, particularly on the question of Jewish immigration into Palestine, appeared to be the chief concern of last night's meeting of kings, princes and presidents of the seven Arab states.

Bitter differences of the past were being put aside in the intimate, informal talks at the royal estate of Inchas, provided by the host to the gathering, Emkordan.

Among proposals which have divided Arabs in the past was one to unite Lebanon, Syria and Transjordan into greater Syria under King Abdullah and one to unite Transjordan and Iraq.

Further talks on the Anglo-Egyptian treaty negotiations were to be held.

AGREEMENT FOR OIL PIPELINE THROUGH TRANSJORDAN MADE

JERUSALEM, May 29 (AP)—The Palestine Broadcasting System said last night that four-week negotiations between representatives of the Arabian-American Oil Co. and the Transjordan government had been concluded with an agreement for building an oil pipeline across Transjordan.

Reece Says Election For Congress Will Be Red-GOP Clash

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., May 29 (AP)—B. Carroll Reece, Republican national chairman, describing the forthcoming election as a "fight basically between Communism and Republicanism," declared his party had the most important job that confronted it since 1860.

"Republican candidates for the Senate and House this year will not be running against candidates of the Democratic Party but against Political Action Committee candidates," the Tennessee Congressman told a party attended by state Republican leaders and candidates.

The threat, he said, had come into dangerous actuality because a group of "alien-minded radicals has been successful in seizing control of the party which bears the label of Democrat."

He Cried 'Goody' As Soldiers Died

DACHAU, May 29 (UP)—A former SS captain told the Malmédy court today how he had received the Ritterkreuz, Nazi equivalent of the Congressional Medal of Honor, because he had ordered an unarmed American flier to be shot.

The captain, 25-year-old Georg Preuss, former company commander in the 2nd SS Panzer Grenadier, Regt., said the incident had happened on Dec. 17, 1944, in a woods near Buellingen, Belgium, where his tank took cover after being fired upon by an American truck column. In a statement read to the tribunal, Preuss, one of 74 accused SS men on trial here, said they were hiding in the woods in the early afternoon hours when one of his crew members brought in an American flier who was also hiding in the woods.

"He was either a first or second lieutenant," Preuss recalled.

Gave Flier Coffee

Preuss said they offered the flier some coffee and bread "as we were all eating something at that time." Then he interrogated the American briefly in English, "but I could not find out anything of interest." As night came on and he was setting out on a reconnaissance patrol, Preuss said a sergeant asked him what to do with the flier. "I replied, 'Just bump him off.'"

Preuss said a few minutes later the sergeant reported that he had shot the flier "as he sat unsuspectingly or lay unsuspectingly on a blanket."

On the following day, Preuss said, he told his commander of the incident. The commander cited Preuss for gallantry in defending himself against an attack by the American flier and proposed him for the Ritterkreuz.

Officers who interrogated Preuss said that he was notorious among men of the 1st SS Panzer Div. who referred to him as "Masche Masche" (Goody Goody). They said Preuss first earned this nickname during the Russian campaign. Every time he was told that one of his men had been killed, he would exclaim "goody goody, that means another woman for me."

When Preuss took command of the 11th Armd. Co. during Von Rundstedt's offensive after most of its original officers had been killed, he assembled the men and told them "goody goody, tomorrow this outfit is going to get itself wiped out."

Pacific . . .

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ation Division headquarters had been "clamping down" on any editorial criticism of news stories tending to show any Army inefficiency and that the paper was in danger of becoming merely a "house organ."

'Control Is Necessary'

Brig. Gen. E. J. McGaw, assistant Chief of Staff for the Western Pacific Command, commented, "obviously such control is necessary, as the Pacifican is considered and often is quoted as an official Army publication."

"In publishing the Daily Pacifican, War Department Circular 103 is our guide. It states in part, 'The War Department acts in a manner analogous to that of a publisher of any responsible newspaper in a democracy, subject to such special considerations arising from the Army's position as a Government agency.'"

Movies Cost Soldiers 15 Cents July 1; 10-Ticket Books to Be Sold at PXs

The Stars and Stripes Bureau FRANKFURT, May 29—Because of the withdrawal of a reduced-charge motion picture service by the American film industry, European Theater movie patrons will be required to pay admission starting July 1.

Tickets will be sold only at post exchanges in the form of coupon books selling for 15 marks. U. S. and Allied military personnel will be charged 1 1/2 marks for admission.

Admission price for authorized civilians will be announced later. No

currency will be accepted at the theaters and no books will be available at any place where motion pictures are presented.

Only theaters showing 35-mm. films are affected. Those showing 16-mm. films will continue the present policy of no admission charge.

As a result of the curtailment of the service, a \$1,000,000 annual wartime rental and operation cost for all movie houses in the ET, which was formerly met by army exchange profits, is expected to increase to nearly \$2,500,000 a year.