

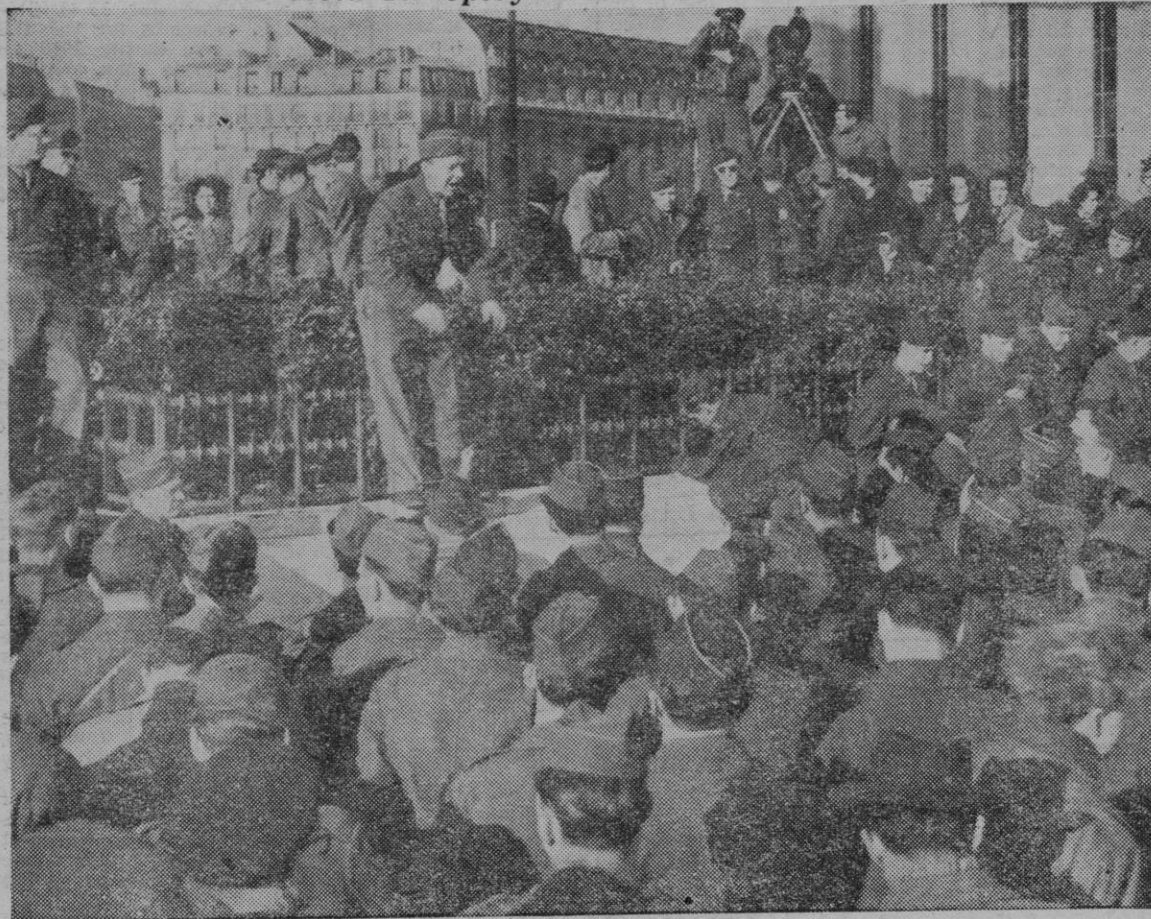
One Year Ago Today

Russians open offensive on 40-mile front in Poland. Germans continue retreat through Ardennes. Nazi convoy smashed off Norway.

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GIs in Paris Hold Redeployment Demonstration at Trocadero



The orderly throng which gathered at the Trocadero yesterday listens to one of the speakers.

500 Paris GIs Hold Second Protest

Formation of a "GI Liberation Committee" was agreed upon by 500 members of the second Paris mass protest meeting yesterday afternoon to organize and present a "concrete program" for the release of soldiers to a special Senate investigating group due here Jan. 27 or 28.

Scene of the meeting was shifted from the Arc de Triomphe to the Place du Trocadero opposite the Eiffel Tower when the French objected to gatherings at the Arc, where the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is located. A dozen MPs directed demonstrators to the new site.

Ike Hits 'Bring GIs Back' Wave

TORONTO, Jan. 13 (AP).—The wave of "bring them home" public opinion in the U.S. is blinding the American occupation troops to the importance of the Allies' "unfinished task" in Germany and Japan, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told a news conference yesterday. Blaming this agitation for much of the unrest among soldiers, Eisenhower said:

"This clamor to bring the boys home gets back to the soldier and has a very definite influence on his attitude and morale. He thinks, 'well, if everyone says bring us home we must not have much to do over here.'"

"It is extremely difficult for a commanding officer—in the face of this kind of thing—to convince the men of the real importance of their assignment. If the democratic Allies believe that a good solid occupation of hostile territory is necessary it is up to us to keep our forces at reasonable strength."

Foil Nazi Revival in Japan

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—An attempt to reorganize the Nazi party of Japan has been broken up. U.S. counter-intelligence officers in Yokohama announced yesterday.

House to Ask Army: Explain

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—House Military Affairs Committee members, after a closed meeting, said today that the War Department would have to give an adequate accounting of demobilization policies before Congress would be willing to go along on post-war military legislation.

Members of the committee indicated that they were disturbed about Army morale and probably would not be in a mood to support Army-requested legislation.

It was generally believed that Congress would be willing to extend the draft at least for a limited time.

The Selective Service Act will expire May 15 unless Congress votes an extension.

House members also predicted increased demands for Congressional action to declare an end of hostilities despite President Truman's warning that such a proclamation would automatically stop Selective Service induction, take away the President's emergency power and make mandatory the release of all drafted men at the end of six months.

ETO to Get 77,232 Dependents Of Yanks When Rules Permit

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Jan. 13.—Survey of troops likely to comprise the occupation army during its first months reveals that a total of 77,232 dependents may be expected to come into the theater as soon as regulations and facilities permit, USFET announced here today.

The total, the survey indicated, probably would include 35,184 wives, 4,496 fiancées, 32,496 children and 4,992 other dependents.

Questionnaires were submitted to a representative group of officers and men of two infantry divisions, two command headquarters and two reinforcement depots. Officers questioned were either Regular

Army officers or those volunteering to remain in service until June, 1947. Enlisted men surveyed were those who have enlisted or reenlisted in the Regular Army and those entering the theater as replacements.

For each 1,000 officers, the survey showed, there will be 95 fiancées, 733 wives, 677 children and 104 other dependents, or a total of 1,609. The poll average for each 1,000 enlisted men is 79 fiancées, 410 wives, 462 children and 273 other dependents, for a total of 1,224.

Current statutes provide that only dependents of officers and enlisted men of the first three grades may be transported to the ETO at Army expense.

Asks Democratization

T/3 Raymond Redmond of Corpus Christi, Tex., leader of the meeting, sounded the keynote of the afternoon's discussions when he called for a democratization of the Army, which he said would increase the flow of enlistments and decrease the necessity of draftees remaining in the Army.

Volunteers for the "Liberation Committee," representing men who have been in the Army three or more years, men who have been overseas two years, men who came in on or near D-Day and over-age men were: Pfc Julius W. Sexton, T/5 Jerome Rosenfeld, T/4 Enzo A. Santucci, Pfc Lewis Simpkins, Pfc Bob Giebert and Pfc Robert Hirst.

One officer, 1/Lt. Robert Eisner of Brooklyn, drew cheers when he joined the committee and told the crowd, "I'm all with you. And so are plenty of other officers."

Before the meeting, Redmond passed out mimeographed copies of the "Enlisted Man's Magna Carta," which he said included suggested points to be presented to senators. The committee scheduled a meeting at the Washington Red Cross Club for 8 tonight to formulate additional facts and requests.

Demands listed in the "Magna Carta" for the democratization of the Army included:

- 1—Abolition of special privileges for officers, including exclusion.

Coast Guard Points To Be Lowered Feb. 2

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (INS).—The Coast Guard announced yesterday a reduction of the discharge points for officers and enlisted men and women.

On Feb. 2 officers' points will be lowered from 43 to 41, Spar officers from 32 to 30, enlisted men from 40 to 38 and Spars from 26 to 24.

The Coast Guard said critical point scores would be lowered at two-week intervals through March.

Pickets Clash; Steel Workers Postpone Strike

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (AP).—The nationwide strike of the United Steel Workers, set to begin tomorrow, was postponed for one week by Philip Murray, CIO president, after a White House conference. President Truman announced that he believed "an agreement will be reached."

New offers to settle the wage dispute had been made by both the union and the U.S. Steel Corp., the President said. CIO officials in Detroit were quoted as saying a gap of only one and one-half cents in the hourly wages rates still remained to be closed in the Washington negotiations.

(Meanwhile, the United Press reported clashes along picket lines set up by strikers who walked out of the huge Bethlehem Steel mills at Lackawanna, N.Y., yesterday, before announcement of the last-minute postponement. A number of

Pickets Pause for Nylons

NEWARK, N.J., Jan. 13 (UP).—A long line of telephone operators on picket duty broke ranks here today, dispersed and reformed in front of a nearby hosiery shop which had just put on sale a new shipment of nylons.

employees of the mill were said to have been injured when they attempted to enter the plant.)

Still on schedule, however, were strikes by 200,000 CIO electrical workers, set for Tuesday, and by 200,000 CIO and 150,000 AFL packing house workers scheduled for Wednesday.

Higher wages was the issue in both cases. The strikes would bring to more than 1,000,000 the total number abstaining from work. More than 416,000 were idle over the week end.

Government conciliators failed again last night to effect a settlement of the telephone tie-up which has resulted from a nation-wide strike of telephone workers. Talks were ordered resumed today.

When the government suggested that it might take over the telephone service, union spokesmen indicated that the operators might refuse to man their switchboards even under Federal control.

Brides Delayed Until Jan. 26

The Stars and Stripes London Bureau

LONDON, Jan. 13.—A five-day delay in the arrival at Southampton of the Argentina has postponed departure of the first GI bride ship until about Jan. 26, the London Area Office said today. It had been announced earlier that the ship would leave Jan. 21.

At the same time officials said the Queen Mary would sail with 2,450 brides and babies about Feb. 3.

(From New York it was announced that another ship, the 24,000-ton Saturnia, would also enter the bride shipping service in a few weeks.)

Article on GI's Letter to S & S Brings Censorship in Budapest

BUDAPEST, Jan. 11 (Delayed) (AP).—An official of the Hungarian Telegraph Agency announced today that partial censorship had been imposed on articles dealing with foreign policy in Budapest newspapers.

The censorship was the result of an article in the Communist daily Free People suggesting that the Americans and British in Hungary lived too well while Hungarians starved.

The article quoted a letter from an American soldier in France to The Stars and Stripes, saying:

"I cannot understand, when millions of women and children, old and young, are on the verge of starvation they insist on stuffing us. Let them send me less food

British Push Draft of Ike As UNO 'King'

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—British pressure to draft Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for the job of virtual "king of the world" continued here today in the face of resistance from both the American government and "Ike" as the United Nations Organization prepared to elect a secretary-general.

Selection of a man for the post—one who must combine the politician, diplomat and hard-driving executive—is scheduled for this week. Even among the few available, some do not want the job and none so far has achieved the support of a majority of the big powers.

This reluctance of delegates of leading nations to agree on a candidate has spurred British talk of drafting the man who proved himself a competent general and diplomat in leading the Allied powers to victory.

However, the American government advised the British several weeks ago that "Ike" could not be released from his present post as American Army chief of staff to become UNO secretary-general, and James F. Byrnes, Secretary of State, revealed that Eisenhower had told him that he was not interested in the job.

Other possible candidates for the post include Lester B. Pearson, Canadian Ambassador to Washington; E. N. van Kleffens, Netherlands Foreign Minister; Jan Masaryk, Czechoslovak Foreign Minister; N. J. H. van Roijen, Netherlands Minister of State; and Stanoje Simic, Yugoslav Ambassador to Washington.

American officials talk most about (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

Party Primaries Opened To Alabama Negroes

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 13 (AP).—The state Democratic Executive Committee voted overwhelmingly yesterday to open the party primaries in Alabama for the first time to qualified Negro voters.

The committee adopted a resolution setting up the qualifications for candidates for various state offices, but left out the customary "white primary" phrase.

The committee held that Negroes could not be barred, solely because of race, from primaries conducted under state law.

and more to the needy European nations."

(The article apparently referred to a B-Bag letter printed in the Paris edition of The Stars and Stripes on Nov. 14. The letter, which was signed "Too Darned Fat," originated from Camp Charlotte, France, and said:

"I have spent two weeks at Camp Charlotte, N.C., France, doing nothing and looking forward to at least a month before going home for a discharge.

"But I'm getting too damn fat. Why does the Army put out so much food to the redeployed soldier? With a lot of women, children, grown men, etc., in Europe on the verge of starvation, why do (Continued on Page 8, Col. 1)



They Heard the Guns

We might have expected the glib and unfair statement made by the general in Washington to the effect that not many men still overseas have heard a gun fired, as quoted in the New York Herald Tribune editorial reprinted by The Stars and Stripes.

Nonetheless, it is deeply resented by thousands of us in the ETO—many over 26, many fathers, many who would be discharged now if we were in the States—who have heard many guns fired. The general has made a facetious aspersion on thousands of men in his own Army. We have had our intelligence, insulted many times during the redeployment period; now it is our service. Oh, a few may remain, he is saying—why worry about them now? They can wait a few more months.

In view of the startling ignorance displayed by the Secretary of War concerning rather significant aspects of the point system, it might be well to inform the general that points were not given for combat under the Army's system.

Combat stars were given out, to be sure, but everybody raked them in clear back to Scotland, including Wacs and pigeon companies. The infantrymen and, to a lesser extent, the other outfits who underwent privations in the lines received no extra points for being in the genuine combat zones. The Bronze Star Medal, all too frequently a glorified Good Conduct or Brown Star Medal, counted five points—the Combat Infantryman's Badge none.

Virtually all of us in the fifties saw months of combat. Thousands in the forties heard guns fired—even a great many in the thirties. The men in the States who could be our replacements are the ones who didn't, General.

The statement that the number is "not very great" is a typical Army phrase—negative, tending to create a false impression. And the slur inherent in it is not hidden at all. It didn't even have to infiltrate. We got it right away.—T/5 Wayne McNeil, (65 Signatures, Ed) (Jan. 8, 1946.)

Pilgrims Laud Metz

There was one bright spot for us in the long trip home through the redeployment pipeline. That was when we stopped with our trucks at Metz on the way from Germany to Marseille. At the Seventh Army Transient Mess, operated by the 460th AAA AW Bn, we were well taken care of. The medics were more than willing to aid some of our boys who needed medical care. Their courtesy and interest made us most thankful and sent us on our way with a smile.—1/Sgt. R. C. Whitehead, 375th F A Bn.

Chivalry Scuttled at Sea

Due to poor arrangements, we nurses and Wacs were forced to live in unsanitary, overcrowded, ill-kept holds of the U.S. Army transport George Washington. USO and civilian personnel had staterooms, yet eight of our nurses were moved out of their quarters to help provide room for the 200 cases of VD.

We 51 nurses and 159 Wacs (45 enlisted white Wacs and 114 enlisted colored Wacs) were led to the hangar decks of D2, which had inadequate facilities for female personnel. We had a curtained entrance where troops gathered. Ventilation was poor because the port holes had to be closed.

The commander of the ship told us we had to accept this or be taken off the shipping list for from four to six months.

We feel that after two to three years' overseas the female personnel should not be forced to live in these deplorable conditions. We hope that conditions will be changed for further shipments.—Signed by 31 Lts. (Nurses) and 22 Enlisted Wacs, Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, Dec. 27.

Seeks the Answer

This is just another redeployment gripe and I don't give a damn whether you print it.

All I want is a simple answer to a simple question. Why am I, and hundreds like me, sitting here with up to 64 points (no VD or bad time) while low-pointers from the 82nd Airborne Div. ship home?

Most of the officers don't know either, and those that might, give me the same old "stock in trade" answers that cannot satisfy me.

For the past three and a half years I believed I was in a democratic army, fighting for a democratic way of life. I do not think so now.—T/3 A. J. Arfsten, Hq. Co. 3rd Bn. 399 Inf. (Jan. 4, 1946.)

An Editorial

Officers, EM and Caste

Though the "gripes" that have been voiced by our enlisted men in the war would fill great volumes and would doubtless scorch the paper on which they were printed, it is a useful thing to summarize them and see how they add up. The Stars and Stripes has just performed that service, calling upon the Army and Navy to give serious study to the grievances with a view to promoting democracy in our armed forces.

How do these familiar charges look, thus conveniently summarized? They look reasonable, they look justified. There is no other way to characterize the complaint that officers, especially in forward areas, have a monopoly of liquor supplies, of all-hour passes, of dates with nurses and Red Cross girls, and a near-monopoly of transportation and recreation facilities.

Anybody who has talked to returning servicemen knows that the enlisted men in general bear a grudge against officers. Some of that feeling can be laid to normal human cantankerousness. A great deal more of it must be attributed, however, to the system which sets up officers as a caste, a privileged class. We cannot build the kind of Army and Navy we need for the future as long as that impression prevails in the mind of the average enlisted man, and it behooves us as a nation to find a solution.

The Stars and Stripes notes significantly that the complaints concern officer privileges in off-duty hours, not in line of duty. Combat wipes out almost all grudges while it lasts, but it is the nature of war that only a small proportion of men in arms are engaged in front-line fighting at any one time. The complaints listed by The Stars and Stripes may seem trivial, but they loom large to men whose nerves have been stretched by strangeness and loneliness as well as by danger.

Reserve officers should feel a particular obligation to study these charges and to try to urge the regulars toward a solution. The reserves feel heir to a system which so many enlisted men resent as undemocratic, and some of them bore their authority more arrogantly than the most unfortunate examples of Annapolis and West Point. The great body of reserve officers, however, felt a closer kinship to their fellow civilians who did not happen to get a commission. They would serve the Army and Navy well if they would work out patterns for relationships between officers and men which would eliminate those little inequalities that rankle, those small injustices that antagonize young men who have been brought up on democratic principles.

—Reprinted from the Louisville Courier-Journal.

UNO Eats on an Austerity Basis

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—No pampering of appetites is the rule for United Nations delegations. Rationing is strictly on an "austerity" basis if the representatives of 51 nations choose to eat at the establishments set up for them.

Catering is on a "serve yourself" basis with two cafeterias set aside for delegates, clerks and journalists. Usually they are packed to capacity, with long lines waiting.

Yesterday the fare was simple and typical. It reflected England's emphasis on "filler foods" and the prevailing lack of luxury items. The menu included a meat pie or fish, boiled potatoes and brussels sprouts. Like all British meals, it was limited to three courses.

But even this modest bill of fare had to be cut when the number of waiting delegates and their aides exhausted the food supply.

Delegates are not strictly limited to austerity rations, however. Most of them are billeted in London's larger hotels where a reasonably large choice of fairly fancy food is usually available.

Laski Bids British Cling to Russia

LEWES, England, Jan. 13 (AP). Harold Laski, chairman of the British Labor party executive committee, yesterday lambasted "the America of big business" as "reactionary in international relations," and urged Britain to cling to "Anglo-Russian solidarity as the key to world peace."

Addressing the Sussex Federation of Labor Parties, Laski said close understanding with Russia was "perfectly compatible with friendship for America."

Laski said he hoped Britain also would cultivate friendship with France.

Give Atom Facts To UNO Council, Committee Asks

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (UP).—A committee of atomic-energy scientists issued a statement today urging the U.S., Canada and Britain to give to the UNO atomic-energy commission "sufficient knowledge for its purposes," and said this could be done without surrendering the secret of the atomic bomb.

The scientists, including members of the "Manhattan Project" which developed the bomb, stressed the need for setting up a "world-wide control system" for atomic energy without delay, adding that an atomic race between nations "must be forestalled by immediate effective planning for peace."

U.S. Wheat for France

America is doing everything possible to maintain an adequate flow of wheat to France, according to a statement issued by U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery, International New Service reports. Sections of the French press had previously attributed the recent renewal of bread rationing to insufficient wheat shipments from the U.S.

UNO Unit Likes Hyde Park Site

LONDON, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—The United Nations committee surveying possible sites for permanent headquarters of the world organization expressed itself "deeply impressed" with the Hyde Park, N.Y., home of the late President Roosevelt, it was reported yesterday by radio from New York.

Stoyan Gavrilovich, Yugoslav Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs and chairman of the committee, said that Hyde Park would be given "serious consideration" and that if the estate was chosen New York City would be interim headquarters while the estate was being prepared, the radio report said.

U.S. Envoy Objects To Loan for Poles

WARSAW, Jan. 13 (AP).—American Ambassador Arthur Bliss Lane bluntly informed the Polish government yesterday that he would oppose granting any U.S. funds to Poland "as long as present conditions" prevailed in that country.

The ambassador protested against anti-capitalistic measures by the Provisional Government, including the decree nationalizing all basic industries employing more than 50 persons a shift. He told the Foreign Ministry he considered that the 1931 commercial treaty between Poland and the U.S. had been "violated." Lane declared that the treaty permitted free entry and development of commercial enterprises in Poland by American businessmen.

U.S. to Produce 33,000 Planes During 1946

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (INS).—Production prospects for the U.S. aircraft industry during 1946 are estimated at more than 300,000, and an over-all payroll of at least 200,000 persons is foreseen.

According to a survey by the Aircraft Industries Association of America, airplane manufacturing firms are anticipating the following orders for next year:

For military aircraft, approximately \$500,000,000; for commercial transports, at least \$124,000,000, and for personal planes, more than \$100,000,000.

The money is expected to produce more than 3,000 planes for the armed forces, mostly newer and advanced types; between 300 and 400 commercial transports, and at least 30,000 private planes.

1,000 to Be Converted

Meanwhile, the industry is planning to keep many of its employees busy during the first six months of next year converting more than 1,000 military transport planes to peace-time use as luxury air liners.

Compared with war-time figures, production and employment prospects for 1946 are infinitesimal, but industry officials appeared optimistic over the future.

Peak employment in war-time was more than 1,000,000 workers, who during 1944 turned out nearly 100,000 planes of all types.

Cutbacks following the end of hostilities have shrunk America's aircraft industry from the largest single manufacturing group in the world to 15th or 16th place in the U.S.

Manufacturers of personal aircraft now are in all-out conversion to peace-time production and already have a backlog of orders for more than 50,000 private planes. Not more than 30,000 are expected to be produced during 1946.

Three New Arrests In Probe on Hitler

BAD TOLZ, Jan. 13 (AP).—Three more persons were arrested yesterday by British Security Police in connection with the case of Luftwaffe Col. Nicholas von Below, for questioning by British "Hitler intelligence experts." They were Baron Von Boselar and his father-in-law, Karl Kuhne, and Fraulein Mush von Groot.

(Below was captured Wednesday and is being continuously questioned by British "Hitler intelligence experts" to see whether the former Luftwaffe adjutant holds the secret of Hitler's death, the United Press reported. He may be one of the two military messengers who escaped from Hitler's "death" bunker.)

Boselar and Kuhne are both charged with helping to harbor Below, believed to be the only surviving witness to Hitler's will. Fraulein von Groot allegedly made frequent visits to the Godesberg apartment where Below was found.

Confesses Killing Baby

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 13 (INS).—Authorities announced today that Fred Jackson, 16-year-old Negro, confessed having beaten to death the one-year-old baby of Mrs. Hazel Goss and attacking the mother and a second child with a knife before setting their home on fire.

Willie and Joe

By Mauldin



"I can't tell whether he's a war-embittered young radical or a typical, sound, 100 percent American fighting man."



Paris Area MOVIES TODAY MARIIGNAN—"Love Letters," Jennifer Jones, Joseph Cotten, continuous 1400-2300. Metro Marbeuf. ENSA PARIS—"The Affairs of Suzan," Joan Fontaine, George Brent, continuous 1400-2300. Metro Marbeuf. OLYMPIA—"Dolly Sisters," Betty Grable, John Payne, Monday only continuous 1430-2300. Metro Madeleine. STAGE SHOWS ENSA MARIIGNY—"Fun of the Fair," variety show. MISCELLANEOUS PX Fountain SHOP—Adjacent to Main PX at Rue de Provence and Rue du Havre. Open daily except Sunday 1300-2130. Malted milk, ice cream, sundaes, beer. PX BARBER SHOPS—12 Rue de Seze (opposite Rainbow Corner), weekdays 0800-2000. Sunday 0900-1700, with beauty parlor, 146 Champs-Elysees, 0900-1900 weekdays only, with beauty parlor, 48 Avenue Kleber, 0900-1900 weekdays only, no beauty parlor. COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers. ARMORIAL CLUB—Officers and guests only, 14 Rue Magellan. Metro George V. OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment. RIC 64-41, Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Metro Bourse.

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The American Scene

VFW Claims Million New Members, Legion 650,000 in Race for Vets

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (INS).—Thirty-five national veterans' organizations are scrambling today to sign up members among the estimated 15,000,000 men of World War II.

The American Legion is the biggest of the established groups, claiming a membership of 1,700,000, including 650,000 veterans of World War II.

The greatest gain, 1,000,000 men, is claimed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars who had 300,000 members prior to Pearl Harbor and now say they have 1,300,000.

Smallest and most select of the old organizations is the Disabled American Veterans.

Skelton Robbed by GI Selling a Pistol

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 13 (UP).—Red Skelton reported to police yesterday that a hitch-hiking soldier robbed him of \$51 with a souvenir pistol he had offered to sell the comedian.

Skelton said the theft occurred in his apartment after he had offered the GI \$51 for the pistol. The soldier took the money, pointed the loaded gun at him and backed out the door, the actor declared.

Terrain Maps to Cover Milady's Form

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—Here's the latest thing in reconversion . . . and please, girls, don't crowd. It is a gaily colored aircraft navigation map of waterproof rayon converted into blouses, skirts and kerchiefs.

Wriston A. Thompson got the idea while serving as a gunner with the Eighth U.S. Air Force in Europe. He found out that 100,000 of the maps were scheduled to be declared surplus and by the time he was discharged this September had lined up a manufacturer to process the maps, installed his brother as a partner and arranged for retail outlets.

The maps are suitably colored in rich greens, buffs and brown to depict topography.

There is only one hitch. Each veteran is limited to 3,000 maps. Thompson did not say what he would do when he and his brother had exhausted the 6,000 maps they are eligible to purchase.

Civil Air Parley Slated in Bermuda

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP).—The U.S. and Britain will hold a civil aviation conference in Bermuda beginning Tuesday, the State Department announced yesterday.

The Bermuda conference will be on an "official level" and will examine civil aviation matters outstanding between Britain and the U.S., the State Department said.

Meanwhile, the North Atlantic Conference of the International Air Transport Association, after a short meeting in New York to consider air passenger rates to Europe, adjourned until Feb. 2 in anticipation of "impending important developments in the international field."

U.S. Scorns Pact With Argentina

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP).—Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson reiterated today that the U.S. would not sign the proposed inter-American mutual defense treaty if Argentina was represented.

However, Acheson pointed out that the treaty signing was scheduled only tentatively for March or April, and suggested that there might be changes before that time which would enable the U.S. to sign.

One possibility, he said, apparently referring to the Argentine elections scheduled for Feb. 24, was that Argentina might not still have its present military government.

He also suggested the American nations might agree on a treaty that would not include Argentina.

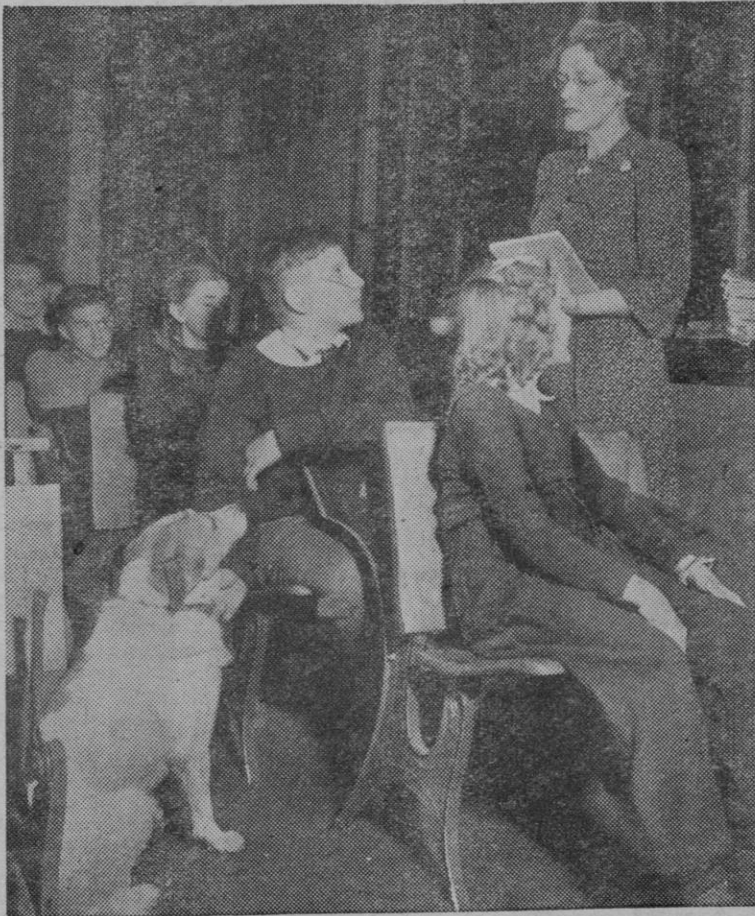
Crowley Gets Papal Decoration

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 13 (AP).—Leo T. Crowley, former Foreign Economic Administrator, Thursday received the Papal decoration of the Order of Pope Pius IX. The award is the third highest the Roman Catholic Church can bestow on its laymen.

Air Fields to Be Discussed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (INS).—Agreements on the future use of American-built air bases on British territory promised to become a major point of discussion at the forthcoming Anglo-American aviation talks at Bermuda.

Spot Is on the Spot



Spot is probably the only dog that attends school regularly. School authorities at Rockdale, Pa., accept Spot for the simple reason that it is easier to let him stay than to get rid of him. Here Spot is admonished for barking, while his master, William Boughner II, holds on.

Victim of Texas Tornado



Aided by a newspaperman with a flashlight, C. H. Taylor (right) of Palestine, Texas searches the wreckage of his home, after the tornado, which killed 24 persons and injured 137, swept the locality.

Lifer in 'Escape-Proof' Jail Digs Way Out With a Spoon

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 13 (INS).—The story of how he broke out of the "escape-proof" death cell in an Edinburg, Tex., jail last June with a spoon, a jar of nose salve, and a starvation diet was told by Frank Mullins yesterday as he sat quietly in solitary confinement.

Mullins was serving a life sentence at the time, but because he is established as a successful jail breaker, he has been put in the death cell.

On the pretext of having a head cold, the lifer ordered a jar of salve. Then he began to save his soap and went on a starvation diet. He dug in the cement of his cell with an ordinary eating spoon, pecking away at night and throwing the dirt and cement dust down a two-inch drain pipe.

During the day, Mullins placed a magazine over his diggings. In two weeks he had made a hole 12 inches in diameter through 18 inches of cement to an 18-inch drainpipe.

That night he took off his clothes, greased himself with the nose salve, and pushing his clothes ahead of him started head first through the hole into the pipe. He slipped into the pipe slowly and hopelessly.

"If I'd hit a curve or if the pipe had become smaller, I would have been stuck. There was no backing up," he related.

Mullins came out via a manhole in the back yard of the jail. There he scaled a high, double barbed-wire fence and was gone.

That was in June. In October he became involved in a running gun battle with police and was captured.

"I'm going to 'fly right' after this," he said. "Besides, the jailer rides whip on me pretty close."

U.S. Allots 13 Planes To Foreign Nations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP).—The U.S. Surplus Property Administration has announced allocation of 13 surplus military transport planes to foreign nations.

Nine Douglas C54 planes were allotted to the Netherlands and Netherlands East Indies governments, Scottish Aviations and Aero Portuguesa each received one C53. Latin-American Airways received two C54s.

Actress Declares Liquor, Not Love, Trapped Writer

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 13 (INS).—Actress Constance Worth, one-time wife of George Brent, denied today she had been intimate with William A. Pierce, screen-writer, and said he would not even have been found in the same apartment with her if he had not had too many "boilermakers."

At divorce proceedings against Pierce, Mrs. Wilma Pierce said she had raided her husband's apartment last July 18 and discovered "Miss Worth nude in bed and my husband wearing a bath-robe."

The actress took the witness stand to insist she was wearing a "slip and a brassiere" in bed and Pierce was fully clothed.

She explained that she and her sister had been borrowing Pierce's apartment and that one night during a visit he drank so many boilermakers (whisky with beer chasers) that he was unable to drive his car home.

She continued: "So he slept on a couch in the living-room while I retired to the bedroom. At about 2 AM Mrs. Pierce gained admittance by a subterfuge, accompanied by a private detective and two police officers with drawn guns."

Mrs. Pierce was granted a divorce, custody of her two children and \$25 a week alimony.

Ft. Logan Vets Protest Thefts of Souvenirs

PUEBLO, Col., Jan. 13 (INS).—A.T. Stewart, an attorney, has asked the Senate Military Affairs Committee to investigate the reported theft of valuables and other souvenirs from overseas veterans at the Fort Logan Separation Center.

'Is She Art?' Court Is Asked On Varga Girl

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—The U.S. Supreme Court yesterday took up the question of whether the Varga Girl is or is not art.

Inviting the court to "take a look at this Varga Girl, Government Attorney Marvin C. Taylor unfurled a three-foot picture of Esquire magazine's famous curvaceous feature.

"I would prefer not to be forced to say whether that's art or not," he said. "But the legs are too long and other things are all out of proportion for one reason or another."

"Of course the Varga Girl is art, regardless of what we may think of its quality," argued Bruce Bromley, attorney for Esquire.

Taylor opened the Post Office Department's appeal from a Federal Appeals Court decision that former Postmaster General Frank C. Walker had no right to deny second-class mailing privileges to Esquire. Walker had ruled that Esquire's content was not "information of public character."

The magazine contended that Walker's directive was an unconstitutional attempt to abridge freedom of the press according to "his own moral yardstick," and labeled it "direct censorship."

Taylor denied that Walker had attempted any "moral judgment," and said the ruling was based upon the "fundamental purpose" of Esquire, which he charged was to "put out a magazine to build up circulation on salacious appeal."

"Cheesecake, leg art and illustrated girl gags aren't literature and aren't art," he asserted.

Navy Rejects Europa; May Be Given to UNO

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—The liner Europa has been definitely rejected by the Navy as structurally far below American standards and the Maritime Commission has refused to take the ship over, The New York Times reported yesterday.

The paper said it was strongly indicated that the U.S. might turn the ship over to the United Nations Organization for reassignment to another country, probably England.

Capital Press Talks to Turn Ritzy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—Future White House news conferences may look like Broadway productions, even to the point of a disappearing stage and banked spotlights. Newsmen, accustomed for many years to crowding around the President's desk, will be able to cover the chief executive's conferences in the comfort of opera seats.

An auditorium seating 375 persons will be one of the main improvements in a \$1,065,000 construction project which will get under way at the White House next spring. It is here that future news conferences will be held.

The auditorium will be equipped with built-in flood and spot lights. A special elevator will lift a disappearing stage between the basement and main floors.

The auditorium also will be used by the President for his newsreel, radio and television appearances and broadcasts. Around the upper balcony will be glassed-in booths for radio commentators, photographers and television crews.

Lorenzo S. Winslow, White House architect, explained the purpose of the disappearing stage. "It's to move heavy objects on and off stage," he said, "for instance, a piano."

The main part of the construction will be an addition to the West Wing executive offices. Despite a new East Wing, the White House has become so crowded for space that many staff members now have their offices in other government buildings.

The addition will provide 15,000 feet of new office space. Offices now in the East Wing will be moved to the new space, and the East Wing will be turned into a museum. The casual passer-by would never be aware of the changes.

Some of the funds already appropriated by Congress will be used to landscape and improve the South Grounds. Winslow expects the work to begin in the spring. It should be completed during the fall.

Spanish Generals Reported Ready To Rule Before Shift to Monarchy

Don Juan's Trip Called 'Purely Personal'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—Diplomatic quarters indicated here today Spanish generals were willing to take over control of the Spanish government from Generalissimo Francisco Franco pending the establishment of a constitutional monarchy.

It was suggested that Gen. Orgaz would head such a junta, but his acceptance by the U.S., Britain and France was doubted in view of his attitude as high commissioner of Spanish Morocco during the war.

In Lisbon the brother of the Spanish Caudillo, Nicolas Franco, Spanish Ambassador to Portugal, told newsmen that Franco had shown "fatherly solicitude" in the expected visit to Portugal by Don Juan, pretender to the Spanish throne.

'Personal' Visit

El Caudillo, the ambassador asserted, knew "that Don Juan and his wife would very much appreciate seeing once again the aged Duke of Sevilla and Dona Teresa, parents of Juan's wife."

Both he and Spanish Foreign Minister Martin Artajo denied that Juan's visit to Portugal was anything but "purely personal."

Political observers expressed the view, however, that Franco's "sanction" of Juan's visit tied in with reports that the prince had finally consented to a conference with the Caudillo and that the two would discuss restoration of the monarchy.

May Oust Germans

In Madrid, Artajo said that the Spanish government was negotiating with Britain and the U.S. for the expatriation of some Germans still in the country.

Artajo said that although Spain has an old law which guarantees an asylum, she still maintains the right to expel undesirables, and added that she had been asked to exercise this right.

Bulgarian Cabinet Coalition Stymied

LONDON, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—Negotiations for the inclusion of two opposition party leaders in the Bulgarian government have broken down because of "ridiculous demands" made by opposition representatives. It has been announced from both Sofia and Moscow.

Moscow radio, in reporting the return to Moscow from Sofia of Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy People's Commissar for Foreign Affairs, said that "the Bulgarian government made proposals to representatives of the Farmers Union and Social Democratic party. However, a representative of these groups, Nikola Petkov (Social Democratic party) declined these proposals."

"He advanced terms for their participation which fundamentally changed the decisions of the conference of the three foreign ministers (in Moscow). Petkov demanded dissolution of the National Assembly and change of the present Bulgarian government and made other ridiculous demands."

Damascus Deputy Assassinated

DAMASCUS, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—Tarrad Moulhem, a leading deputy from Damascus, was assassinated here today. Police arrested a man alleged to be his murderer.

Relief on Way for Bremen GIs; 5,430 Hit Area in Four Days

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
BREMEN, Jan. 13.—Long-awaited relief for the understrength GIs of Bremen Enclave appeared imminent today with the announcement that a group of replacements, including 778 enlisted men and 13 officers, are en route from the replacement depot at Marburg. The men will be assigned to enclave ground force units upon arrival, according to G-3 of Bremen Port Command.

The news was cheerfully greeted by GIs of the 311th Regimental Combat Team, 78th Div., who have had almost continuous guard duty in recent weeks. The arrival of the replacements will help fill vacancies created by redeployment of troops and will hasten resumption of recreational and athletic facilities.

The Flag That Defied the Japs



The flag that flew over Hickam Field four years ago when the Japanese raided Pearl Harbor has an honored place at the United Service Club in Philadelphia. Soldiers and sailors place the emblem on display.

France to Hit Spain at U'NO

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—France has framed a resolution for introduction in the United Nations Assembly calling upon all members to withdraw their ministers and ambassadors from Spain, a French delegate disclosed yesterday.

American and British opposition to the move has been expressed in negotiations among the three countries, he added.

Should the opposition continue, he said, the resolution would be left aside for the present. It may be introduced during the second half of the Assembly session in the U.S. this spring.

Pravda Lauds French Request For U.S.-Britain, Spain Talks

MOSCOW, Jan. 13 (UP).—Pravda's international review today lauded the French proposal that the U.S. and Britain jointly re-examine their relations with Franco's Spain.

The newspaper warned, however, that "serious discussion of this problem is inconceivable without the participation of all the great powers which bear the main responsibility for maintenance of peace and security," implying that the Soviet Union would welcome an opportunity to join in discussions of international sanctions against Spain.

Pravda also disclosed that several international organizations, including the world trade union federations, had appealed to the recent Moscow Conference of Foreign Ministers to take measures against Franco. Apparently these appeals were not heeded, since Bevin told correspondents that the Spanish question was not discussed.

"It's high time to act concretely," the review said. "Liquidation of the last vestige of Fascism is a vital task and . . . solution is indispensable to the post-war system of peace and security."

University of Berlin To Be Reopened Jan. 20

BERLIN, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Soviet Military Government today announced the reopening of the University of Berlin on Jan. 20 and the University of Halle on Feb. 1.

Due to the destruction of most of its buildings, the University of Berlin, which will offer eight courses, will be housed in a castle near Koepenick.

Swank Gaming Club Raided by Berlin MG

BERLIN, January 13 (INS).—Military Government officials reported a raid on a luxurious gambling and dining club in Berlin yesterday where dinner checks of \$200 were the average. Large quantities of cash and more than 100 bottles of illegal liquor were seized when a warning buzzer failed to advise of the arrival of German and British police.

Authorities estimated that more than 200 such clandestine hangouts were functioning.

Homma Court Told GI PWs Died Like Flies

MANILA, Jan. 13 (INS).—How "Americans died like flies" of disease and torture at Camp O'Donnel after surviving the Bataan Death March was described to a military court yesterday by a U.S. Army captain who witnessed the ordeal.

Testifying at the war crimes trial of Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, Capt. William Cain of Columbia, S.C., told the tribunal that almost all prisoners suffered from malaria and dysentery, but the camp hospital was just a place to die because there was no medical care or equipment.

Thousands stood in line day and night trying to get drinking water trickling from two taps, he said, and there was no water for washing.

More than 30,000 Americans and Filipinos died from disease and ill-treatment at the camp records show. During a 51-day period, 1,400 Americans perished.

Testimony that the Japanese had thousands of their own and U.S. vehicles contradicted Homma's plea that the Death March had to be made because of insufficient transportation.

Earlier the court heard a Filipino Army captain testify that sadistic Japanese troops used rice-filled sacks for sandbags in sight of starving Americans.

Swiss Steamer Sinks; Spanish Ship Saves Crew

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Portuguese, Russian and Belgian crew of the Swiss steamer Zurich was picked up by a Spanish vessel today after the ship sank in a violent storm off Algeiras, according to the Exchange Telegraph. The ship was en route to Lisbon.

Jewish Band Wrecks, Robs Haifa Train

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13 (UP).—Armed with rifles and automatic weapons, a band of Jewish extremists attacked, robbed and wrecked a train near Haifa yesterday, it was announced today.

A British soldier and two Palestinian policemen, members of the train escort, were wounded.

The official pronouncement said that members of the "Irgun Zvai Louki," a Jewish terrorist organization, made the raid, and that several hundred Jews have been detained for questioning. Fifty have been arrested.

The two nearby villages of Hadera and Benjamina were cordoned off and bloodhounds were used in an effort to track down the raiders, but the scent was lost on the Tel-Aviv-Haifa road.

The metal box which had contained the payroll was found smashed some distance from the wreck.

Meanwhile, in Jerusalem, a number of persons broke into the district commissioner's office and stole several hundred identity cards, and others broke into a shop and stole approximately a thousand dollars worth of clothing.

Reich Parties Call for Unity

BERLIN, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Soviet-sponsored "United Front" of four political parties announced through its joint committee today that it planned to "appeal to the entire German people" for a fight against "reactionary efforts to prevent German unity."

The manifesto was signed by chiefs of the Communist, Social Democratic, Christian Democratic and Liberal Democratic parties.

Indirectly criticizing the Allied administration, the manifesto said the United Front planned an appeal to the Allied Control Council "to act against growing banditry in the various zones."

German Advisory Group Set Up in British Zone

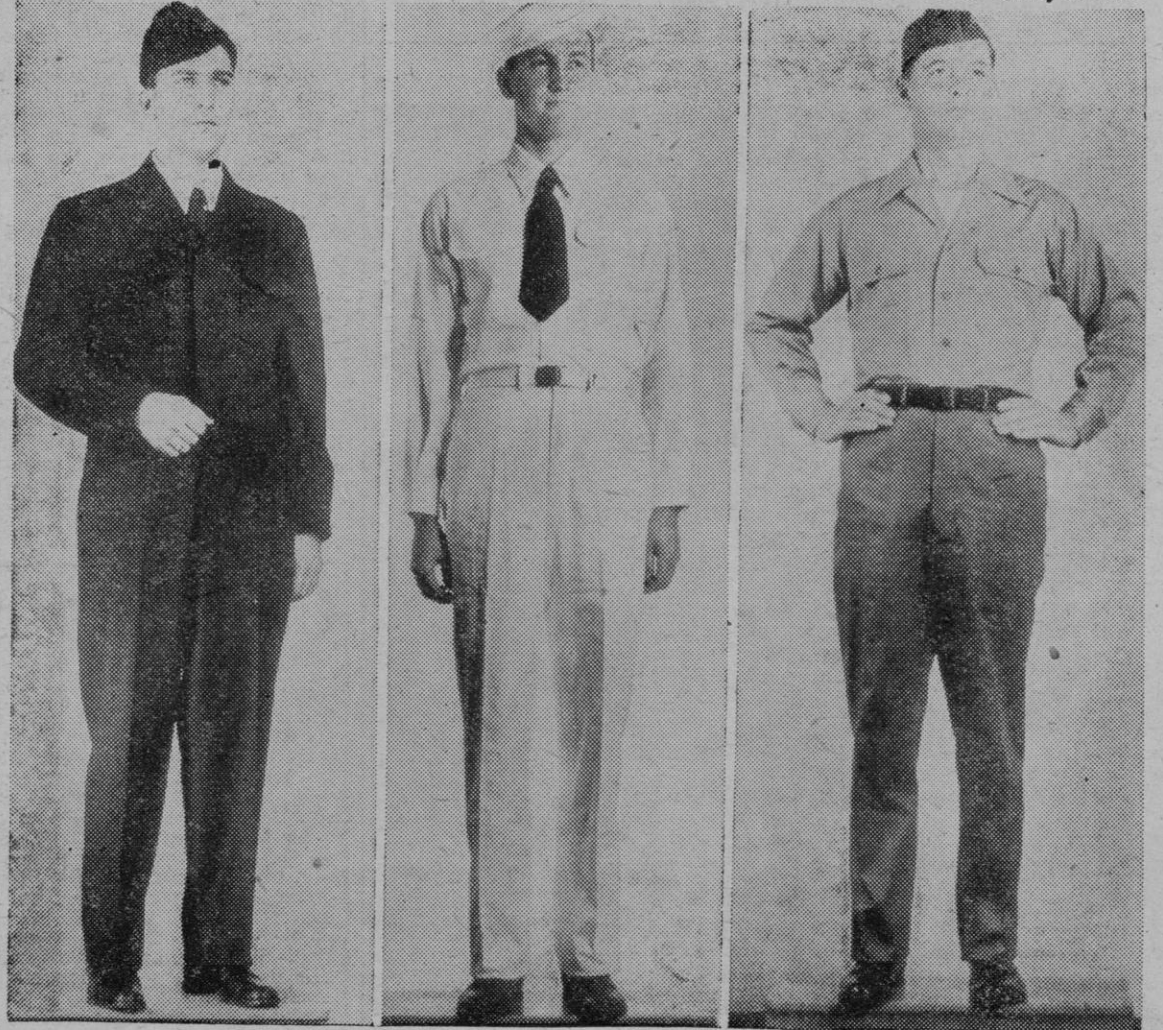
BERLIN, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—A German Advisory Council to make recommendations on all administrative matters has been set up in the British occupation zone, a senior staff officer of the British Control Commission has announced.

The council will represent three main German parties—Social Democrats, Christian Democrats and Communists—and will have its headquarters at Hamburg.

Russians to Execute Two Nazi Bandits

BERLIN, Jan. 13 (AP).—Striking to wipe out banditry in their zone, the Russians have sentenced to death two leaders of a gang captured near Senftenberg, 35 miles north of Dresden, the Red Army newspaper, Taegliche Rundschau reported today from Berlin.

Bell Bottom Trousers Soon May Get the Bell—For These New Uniforms



Winter Dress Uniform Summer Dress Uniform Work Uniform
Bell bottom trousers, the traditional uniform worn by seamen, may fade into oblivion. The U.S. Navy will test the new uniforms, (shown above) over a three-month period, after which major changes will be made.



Give Infantry Divisions Own Armor, Board Asks

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Jan. 13.—If an American infantry division ever again takes the field against an enemy, it will probably be a bigger, faster and harder-hitting unit than those that fought this war.

Thanks to lessons learned in battle under virtually every type of condition and against almost every kind of obstacle, the infantry division of the future will probably have its own armor as an integral part of its organization and its own anti-tank and anti-aircraft artillery protection.

These major changes in division organization are recommended by the Theater General Board as the result of a more than six months' study of European operations.

The board, headed by Maj. Gen. Leven C. Allen, is

expected to complete its evaluation of the American Army's performance in the ETO by the end of the month.

Although the divisions functioned well in this war, the board concluded, they had some structural weaknesses which prevented maximum efficiency.

During the European war, the study points out, infantry divisions habitually had tank and tank destroyer units attached, as well as medium artillery, anti-aircraft artillery and engineer units.

Addition of a large armored unit to the division as an organic part under the same command as the infantry units, it is felt, would assist materially in getting the infantry forward. A large proportion of infantry casualties, the record revealed, were sustained in the assault phase of actions, the phase in which armor would be most useful.

With the addition of integrated tank destroyer, medium artillery, anti-aircraft artillery and engineer

units, the division would gain effectiveness, insuring its ability to conduct independent operations efficiently.

Within the infantry regiment, the board suggests replacing the 105 mm. cannon of the cannon company with a self-propelled howitzer. Concluding that experience had taught that the best anti-tank weapon is another tank, the report advocates substituting a tank unit for the anti-tank company with its 57 mm. guns.

Combat commanders, who served as consultants to the board, believe that infantry weapons should be made lighter and more maneuverable and the automatic rifle kept in the rifle squad in place of the light machine gun.

They also preferred the present 81 mm. mortar to the 4.2 inch weapon for the heavy weapons company.

Other findings favored the enlargement of division artillery units, addition of more 155 mm. howitzers to the division, and making all artillery weapons self-propelled.

Next Stop Golden Gate—Before '48



GIs wait impatiently to board the transport Leonard Wood in Leyte Gulf for that homeward trip to the U.S.

DBS 55-59s Put in Category IV; Others on Orders to Germany

By Joe Mackey
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

MARSEILLE, Jan. 13.—No troop ships left here today, but all remaining Delta Base Section 55 to 59-pointers were being put in Category IV units to which they are supposed to move tomorrow, the Adjutant General redeployment office announced.

The names of men with three-and-one-half years of service, but with fewer than 53 points, were requested from unit commanders in the last few days, but AG officials refused to say whether these men would be put in Category IV units soon.

Meanwhile, DBS men with as high as 54 points were being put on orders to Germany, according to an article in the Delta Stage, DBS newspaper. The article quoted a captain in the DBS Inspector General's office as saying that the idea that men with more than 44 points would not go into the Army of Occupation was false, and said that any man with a score lower than the current discharge score might be assigned to an occupation zone. The name of the captain was not given.

According to the paper, the captain admitted that there was a War Department directive which said that occupation troops should be men with fewer than 45 points when possible, but added that the directive was "open to interpretation."

German Trade Rules Relaxed

LONDON, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—Free trade between the four occupation zones of Germany now is permitted, it is announced by the Allied Control Council.

German manufacturers and business firms may trade without reference to Allied authorities, except for a list of critically short items, such as food, other agricultural products, fuel, and certain essential machinery. Inter-zonal travel restrictions still remain.

Military Government has given permission for Germans in Hanover to establish barter shops for the direct exchange of second-hand goods.

Opera Musicians Back, Fail to Get Pay Boost

The orchestra musicians of the Opera and Opera-Comique in Paris returned to work yesterday following the termination of a three-day strike without gaining their pay increases. A matinee performance of "Fidelio" and the White Ballet of "Castor and Pollux" was given at the Opera, while the Opera-Comique featured "Mignon" in the afternoon and "Mireille" in the evening.

General Strike Threatens Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 13 (UP).—In a blow that threatens to paralyze all business and industry, an executive committee representing Argentine industry, labor, and commerce, voted total closing down of offices, stores and factories until some agreement can be reached between government and employers over President Juan Peron's decree

forcing payment of a bonus and a general wage increase.

The decision of the committee followed the delivery of an ultimatum to the government demanding either a three-month postponement or a modification of the decree. The Cabinet met at midday but gave no answer to the ultimatum, leading most observers to

believe that the situation is heading for a showdown.

A report that troops held barracks at Campo Mayo led to predictions that martial law might be declared.

Minister of the Interior Felipe Urdapilleta denied that the decree was discussed and stated that only "pending questions" were considered.

Inside Story of Reichstag Fire Bared in SA Official's Letter

MUNICH, Jan. 13 (AP).—Ernst Roehm, leader of the SA, personally supervised the burning of the Reichstag on the night of Feb. 27, 1933, it developed from documents made public here today.

With the acquiescence of Goering and Goebbels, and with a picked band of 22 confederates, Roehm, who died a violent death in Hitler's purge 18 months later, carried out operations from the basement of Goering's palace, which was connected with the Reichstag by a tunnel.

Letter Is Evidence

This evidence is contained in a copy of a letter to Field Marshal Von Hindenburg written from Switzerland on July 18, 1933, less than three weeks after the purge, by Ernst Kruse, SA member No. 1, who described himself as Roehm's personal servant.

"I am the last active member of the party who set the Reichstag on fire," Kruse wrote. "For that reason I am meant no longer to be alive and probably, like all my comrades, would have been shot long ago if Chief of Staff Roehm hadn't protected me and kept me in his personal entourage."

The letter is inadmissible as evidence in a war crime trial because the signature is typed. Allied intelligence officers have scoured Europe for Kruse, but have failed, and explain that in the interval of 12 years since the letter was written, the Gestapo had ample time to run him down.

Participants Named

One of the men named by Kruse as participating in the fire was Van Der Lubbe, an ambitious member of Roehm's staff. Roehm ordered him to climb into the Reichstag alone and set fire to the anterooms. The others, headed by Roehm, simultaneously set fire to the main hall.

The blaze, according to Kruse, was a political conspiracy of the Black Mail Communists. Most Allied authorities agree with this view. Kruse said it was planned at the time the SA and the SS were locked in a struggle for power. Goebbels, who wanted the fire as propaganda material against the Communists, ingratiated himself with the SA leaders and professed sympathy for their cause. He did this in order to gain knowledge which he could later use as a club against the SA, Kruse wrote.

As the SS gained ascendancy, Roehm threatened to make public all the facts concerning the Reichstag fire if the SA were liquidated. This stand cost him his life and the lives of every member of the fire party with the exception of Kruse, if the letter is to be believed.

Bust of Ancient Queen Found by GIs in Reich

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—Berlin Radio said today a bust believed to be that of the Egyptian Queen Nefertiti of the 18th dynasty was found by U.S. soldiers in an unused mine in south Germany.

The bust was in the Pergamon Museum in Berlin before the war but later disappeared without trace.

'Oust Mikado' Move Seen by London Times

LONDON, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—The Times of London said yesterday in a leading article that the conviction is "now gaining ground in the U.S. as well as in this country" that retention of the Japanese Emperor in his present position of authority is an obstacle to the emergence of a governmental system which will enable the Japanese people to participate in a plan of international security.

"It may be readily admitted," said The Times, "that the Allies were justified in making the fullest possible use of the imperial authority to secure effective execution of the terms of Japan's surrender. But when once the surrender has been accomplished, the position of the Emperor requires reconsideration along with the position of the entire governing class of Japan."

The Times said it was difficult to see how the present government of Japan could be changed as long as its imperial mainstay stood firm. So long as the source of political authority is the "pleasure" of the Emperor rather than the sovereignty of the people, the position of the governing class will remain as strong as ever, The Times asserted.

3 Nazis Hanged For Killing GIs

FRANKFURT, Jan. 13 (AP).—Three German civilians were hanged yesterday at Heidelberg for the murder of six American airmen, war crimes authorities announced.

Two of the flyers were shot in quarries and the others were tied together and killed in a field.

Simultaneously, war crimes authorities announced the arrest at Borkum Island, near Bremen, of 18 German civilians, soldiers and sailors, accused of forcing seven other airmen into a four-hour "death march."

The indictment against the accused Germans charged that they forced the flyers, who parachuted from a crippled Flying Fortress on Aug. 8, 1944, to walk seven miles to the town of Borkum.

At the town's city hall, it was alleged one of the soldiers fell after he had been beaten and was shot through the head and the remaining six men were later shot to death in the sports center.

German General to Face Dutch War Crimes Trial

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—Gen. Friedrich Christiansen, German commander in Holland during the Nazi occupation, will be brought to The Hague from Hoehenhausen, Germany, tomorrow, for trial as a war criminal, it was reported today.

5,000 Liverpool Chinese To Be Returned Home

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 13 (AP).—Half of Liverpool's Chinese population of 10,000 will be returned to homes in the Far East, an official of the National Chinese Seamen's Union said today.

First of the group to be repatriated were due to leave sometime yesterday. Liverpool had been a base for Chinese seamen employed by the Ministry of War Transport in Allied war operations.

She's Ready for a Swim



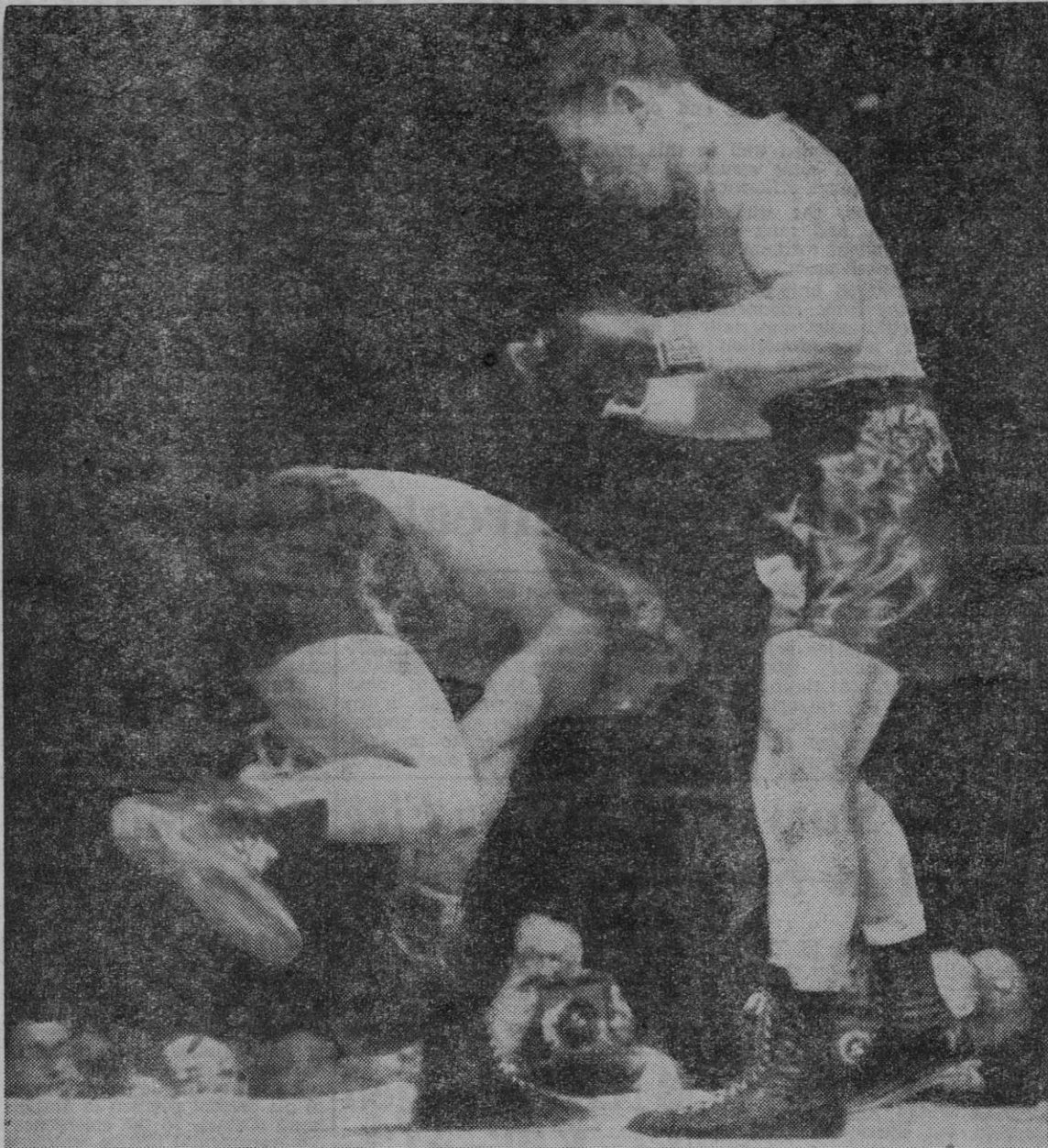
It's a bit early to worry about the seashore, but Betty Reid is ready to get in the swim in her new play suit. Bow-knot bra is trimmed with solid color, or have you noticed?

Shipping News

Marseille Arrivals

Ship	Troop Load	Expected Sailing Date
Felipe de Neve Liberty	550	Jan. 14
In Port		
Ship	Troop Load	Tentative Sailing Date
William Wilkins, cargo	120	Jan. 15

Buzz Saw Turned Slugger Misses a Right



Bouncing Beau Jack (left) takes a terrific swing at the head of Morris Reif in the first round of their fight at the Garden and misses. Switching from his usual buzz-saw tactics to "Sunday punch" slugging, the one-time Georgia shoeshine boy KO's Reif in the fourth round.

Sharkey and Johnston on Louis...

Billy Conn-Brown Bomber Title Get-Together; Strictly the Champ's Show, Say Ring Greats

By Lawton Carver
INS Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Jack Sharkey, one-time world heavyweight champion, said over the phone from Boston:

"I've been reading quite a lot about this bout next June between Joe Louis and Billy Conn for the heavyweight title, and I just want to say a few words on that subject."

Without the slightest urging the ex-champ with the pale-eyed icy stare and a certain first-hand knowledge of Louis' ability went on:

"The fellow reaches over a few times and idly brushes at the fly, then finally gets sore about the whole thing and, plop, lets go with a slap that annihilates the fly. Louis will knock him out just that easy, any time he wants to."

Sharkey still insists he could have defeated Louis in his prime.

"He had to knock me down nine times to get rid of me when I already was washed up and an old man. I wish I could have met him six or seven years sooner."

While thinking about the foregoing conversation, I encountered Jimmy Johnston, a sort of expert on Louis by virtue of the number of men he has sent out in quest of the title held by the Negro. Johnston said:

"All Conn ever had was speed, and all Louis ever did was to knock your head off. Next summer Louis will still have his punch but Conn won't have his speed and that's the story of this fight."

The tough little manager of scores of fighters during his half century around boxing—he is now 70 years old—figures also that Conn is an emotional sort of fighter while Louis is cool, calm and collected at all times.

He added: "Conn will be worrying during the last few days before the fight over his lack of a punch and the loss of his speed because of his long layoff. He will begin to realize that he is going to war without a gun and by the time he gets into the ring he will be fit for the cleaners. I've seen this happen a hundred times in similar cases."

"Louis never has worried about anything and certainly won't start now. He will go into the ring knowing that he and Conn have been away about the same length of time and that he is the master even when Conn is at his best, as he was in their previous bout."

Basketball Results

- Indiana 45, Iowa 39
- Northwestern 60, Michigan 41
- Purdue 53, Wisconsin 49
- Louisiana State 52, Mississippi 23
- Pittsburgh 45, Penn State 38
- St. John's 62, St. Joseph's 33
- DePaul 83, Western Kentucky Tchrs. 43
- Texas Tech. 61, Abilene Christian 32
- Texas U. 46, Texas A & M 42
- Yale 57, Penn U. 41
- Tulane 58, Georgia Tech 45
- Baylor 50, Arkansas 8
- William and Mary 45, Fordham 37
- Kentucky 55, Michigan State 44
- NYU 66, Brooklyn College 33
- Cornell 51, Princeton 40
- Colgate 70, Army 46
- Navy 50, Villanova 31
- Scranton 29, Georgetown 32

Grant Beats Mulloy In Dixie Net Upset

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 13 (AP).—Bitsy Grant, Atlan.'s veteran making a comeback after four years in the Army, pulled another upset yesterday to land in the finals of the Dixie tennis tournament. Grant whipped heavily-favored Gardner Mulloy of Miami, 6-4, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5. The second straight upset victory sent the Georgian into the finals against Top-seeded Billy Talbert of Cincinnati, who won as he pleased from Frank Gurnsey of Orlando, Fla., 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

Olympics, All Fields of Sports Covered by NCAA-AAU Pact

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 13 (ANS).—Two leading amateur sports groups, the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Amateur Athletic Union, entered a formal partnership today covering all fields including the Olympic Games.

Dr. Wilbur C. Smith, NCAA president, reported to the association's annual convention that for the first time two groups had agreed to respect each other's rights, rules and territories. Smith said that NCAA would wield greater power in the selection of the United States Olympic teams—especially for "sports under its sphere."

Meanwhile delegates to the NCAA convention forecast that the nation's colleges would undertake a vigorous program to make and keep America's young men healthy after figures had been cited to show that 40 percent of all men examined for

military service in the United States during World War Two were rejected for mental nervous or physical defects.

"We should take full responsibility and realize that as a nation we were not physically prepared at the time of Pearl Harbor."

The task for the revitalization and prosecution of the program would fall for the most part on the shoulders of the College Physical Education Association, a related NCAA group meeting in conjunction with the NCAA.

CPEA is planning a broad program of physical conditioning to include all types of sports, and students will be encouraged to join the campaign to make them strong, keen-minded Americans. This association installed Dick Harlow of Harvard as its new president succeeding Ray Morrison of Temple.

Cleveland Franchise Transferred to L.A. After NFL Approval

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (AP).—The champion Cleveland Rams of the National Pro Football League yesterday requested and were granted permission to move their franchise to Los Angeles effective immediately.

The request was made at the annual NFL meeting by Dan Reeves, president of the Rams who whipped the Washington Redskins, 15-14, in a championship playoff at Cleveland last month.

"The reason I'm moving to Los Angeles," Reeves explained "is that I believe it will become the greatest professional town in the country." Reeves said he would make an application for the use of the 100,000-seat Los Angeles Coliseum as the Rams' home grounds and expected to have the request before the Coliseum commission in time for the annual meeting on Jan. 15.

Reeves plans to make the shift from Cleveland "as quickly as I can close up the Cleveland setup."

"We'll definitely be in Los Angeles by next fall," he said.

Montreal Tops Hockey Chase, Blasts Rangers

MONTREAL, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Montreal Canadiens blasted five goals home in the second period last night to overwhelm the last-place New York Rangers, 9-3, and take the lead in the National Hockey League as the Chicago Black Hawks were defeated in Boston.

The Canadiens moved into a 2-1 margin in the first period and broke the game wide open in the second with a five-goal spree. Joe Blake and Jimmy Peters led the way with two goals apiece as the Canucks registered six tallies in a row when Bobby Filion whipped one past Ranger goalie Chuck Rayner at the start of the third period.

Redwings Rout Toronto, 9-3

DETROIT, Jan. 13 (AP).—Rolling up a six-goal lead in the first period, the Toronto Maple-Leafs went on to rout the Detroit Redwings, 9-3, here last night before 13,000 fans.

Syl Apps, Billy Taylor and Jackie Hamilton played the leading roles in the triumph with two goals apiece. Apps, outstanding player on the ice during the first two periods, suffered a rib injury in a thumping body check from Redwinger Jack Stewart late in the second stanza and was not able to return to the game. A brief fight between Maple-Leaf goalie Frank McCool and Detroit forward Joe Carbeth spiced the last two minutes of the game.

Bruins Bump 'Hawks

BOSTON, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Boston Bruins bounded from behind to dump the Chicago Black Hawks out of the National Hockey League first place deadlock with the Canadiens here last night, 4-3.

Winger Woody Dumart, playing defense against the then short-handed visitors rapped in the game's winning goal with less than four minutes to play.

Seidler Paces Orly In 31-25 Court Win

After a month's lay-off, the Orly Field basketball team defeated the European Air Transport club of Bovingdon, England, 31-25, in a game played at Magasin Dufayel Saturday night.

Dick Seidler, former Southern Cal dribbler, paced Orly with 18 points while Carl Becker dropped 14 counters through the nets for the England five.

Roy Zimmermann Signs 1946 Philadelphia Contract

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (ANS).—The Philadelphia Eagles announced today that star quarterback Roy Zimmermann had signed for the 1946 season at undisclosed terms.

Zimmermann told the club he had been approached by three teams in the rival All-America Conference before he decided to remain with the Eagles.

The Eagles also announced that halfback Lou Tomasetti, former Bucknell star, who played with Philadelphia in 1941 and '42 before entering the service, had been traded to the Washington Redskins for a player yet to be selected.

Lou Bre Takes \$50,000 Event

ARCADIA, Calif., Jan. 13 (AP).—With jockey Bobby Permane riding expertly, Lou Bre came strongly through the stretch yesterday to capture the \$50,000 San Pasqual Handicap by a nose. Sirde who set the pace throughout the mile and 1/16 tired, and finished second with Bull Reigh, the eight-year-old campaigner, third. Winner's time was 1:42 2/5.

Lou Bre, five-year-old chestnut gelding collected \$41,930 for Charles S. Howard.

Lou Bre was always in the running, but began to turn on heat in the final sixteenth and caught Sirde in his last stride as the photo-finish sign went up.

Lou Bre paid \$57.90, \$16.50 and \$8.70. Sirde \$5.20 and \$4.20 and Bull Reigh \$6.80.

Latest Davis Cup Challengers

MELBOURNE, Jan. 13 (AP).—Czechoslovakia and Ireland are the latest challengers for the Davis Cup tennis championships received by Australia, it was announced today.

Other challenges received were from England, the U.S., the Philippines, New Zealand, Mexico and France.

Bobby Jones Tees Off for March of Dimes



The old golf master, Bobby Jones, smacks one down the fareway in the opening round of a March of Dimes sponsored tourney at Atlanta, Ga. Onlookers are Governor Ellis Arnall of Georgia, Easil O'Connor, president of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, and two child polio victims.

Atomic Rays Said to Ruin Male Potency

LONDON, Jan. 13 (AP).—A British medical expert on male infertility declared today that the development of atomic energy was "fraught with biological danger" because the radioactive forces destroy male potency.

The expert, Dr. Kenneth Walker, declared that radioactive forces were "known to have a profound influence on living tissues" and urged immediate research to protect the male power of fatherhood.

In a letter printed in The Lancet, Walker declared: "The medical profession will have a heavy responsibility to bear if, with full knowledge of the danger ahead, it waits until the industrialists have completed their plans before it starts to investigate their biological consequences."

"Methods have been devised for protecting from injury" those who work with X-rays and radium, but the amounts of those elements handled in hospitals and laboratories is only a few milligrams, he wrote, while "the radioactive material about to be produced by the fission of uranium will be equivalent to thousands of grams."

Czechs Nabbed In Revolt Plot

PRAGUE, Jan. 13 (AP).—Czechoslovak security authorities revealed yesterday that a number of arrests had been made in what they called a plot to overthrow the regime of President Eduard Benes by violence.

The Prague newspaper Svobode Ceskoslovensko, organ of the Czech Army, charged that the opposition which the authorities had crushed was organized in England by Gen. Lef Prchala, who is living there in exile.

The newspaper also alleged that some opposition activities inside Czechoslovakia had originated in Switzerland.

While many anti-Benes adherents are known to have been smuggled into the country recently, there was no indication of what "violence" was planned by the arrested persons.

Prchala, who as a general served the Carpatho-Ukraine and fled after the German occupation, is a known opponent of Benes, his antipathy to the regime being generally attributed to Czechoslovakia's close co-operation with Russia.

U.S. Eases Newsprint For Latin America

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—The U.S. Joint Committee on Export Controls has decided to lift restrictions on newsprint shipments to all Latin-American countries except Argentina, it was reported today.

The action enables Latin-American newsprint consumers to buy on an open market, although there will be no increase in available supplies for some time. Argentina will be able to buy newsprint, but must obtain an export license.

American Forces network

Time	TODAY
1200-News	1900-James Melton
1205-Off the Record	1930-Burns-Allen
1300-Help Wanted	2000-Infom. Please
1305-Sports Review	2030-Robert Lewis
1315-Remember	2100-Nuremberg Trials
1330-6 Kits & a Mess	2106-American Music
1400-Love Song	2130-Playhouse
1430-Information	2200-Music
1500-News	2230-Guy Lombardo
1505-Beaucoup Music	2300-Bull Session
1600-Symphony	2315-Spotlight Bands
1700-Duffie Bag	2330-Merely Music
1800-News	2400-News
1815-Personal Album	0015-Midnight Paris
1830-Supper Club	0200-Sign Off
1845-Magic Carpet	

Time	TOMORROW
0600-News	1430-Infom. Hour
0615-Morning Report	1500-News
0715-Reveille roundup	1505-Beaucoup Music
0730-Fred Waring	1600-Symphony Hour
0800-GI Jive	1700-Duffie Bag
0815-News	1800-News
0830-Repeat Perform	1815-Personal Album
0900-Modern Music	1830-Supper Club
0930-Bull Session	1845-Magic Carpet
0945-String Serenade	1900-Barry Wood
1000-Grand Opry	1930-Fibber McGee
1030-Morn. Interlude	2000-Showtime
1045-Easy Does it	2030-Abbott Costello
1100-Carroll Sings	2100-Nurem Trials
1115-Across the Board	2105-Here's to Music
1130-At Ease	2130-AFN Playhouse
1145-Melody Roundup	2200-Mail Call
1200-News	2230-Fred Allen
1205-Off the Record	2300-Navy Reporter
1300-At your Service	2315-Bandstand
1305-Sports Review	2330-Merely Music
1315-Remember	2400-News
1330-Asked for it	0015-Midnight Paris
1400-Love Song	0200-Sign Off

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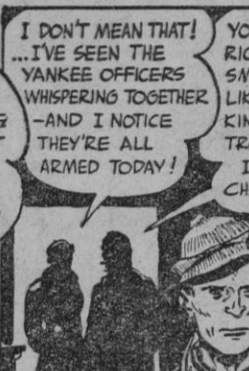
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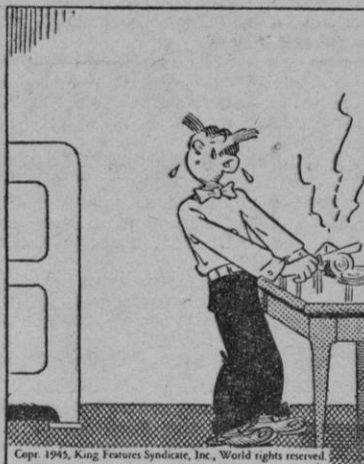
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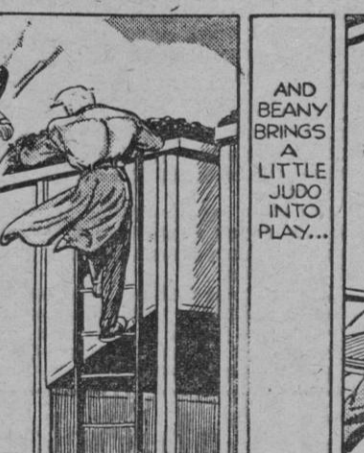
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Poland Charges 16 Officers Plotted Murder Revolution

LONDON, Jan. 13 (Reuter).—Sixteen Polish officers will go on trial in Warsaw this month on charges of conspiring to assassinate members of the government and overthrow Poland's new democratic regime, the newspaper Observer said today in a dispatch from its special correspondent in Warsaw.

The plotters are accused of having acted on instructions of Polish irreconcilable elements abroad. Several of the officers were secretly smuggled into the country, and some dropped by parachute, the correspondent said. They were tracked down and arrested in various parts of Poland.

The accused officers are said to belong to political gangs which have been organizing sabotage and

murder in Poland for some time. Three gangs are reported to be well equipped with arms and money in foreign exchange.

The correspondent said the figure of \$480,000 has been given him as the amount found in hiding places, and that the same source informed him \$300,000 had been smuggled in through Sweden.

It is contended that it was sent into the country by Poles abroad interested in fomenting anti-Russian and anti-government activity

Salvador Women Get Vote

SAN SALVADOR, Jan. 13 (INS).—A government decree today modifying the Salvadorean electoral law gives women the right to vote.

Turk Lives 120 Years, Then Dies of Accident

NICOSIA, Cyprus, Jan. 13 (AP).—Horoz Ali, a Cypriot Turk, died at the age of 120 following injuries sustained accidentally six months ago when he was leaving the village coffee shop.

Army-Navy Air Board To Replace War Units

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (ANS).—A joint Army-Navy aeronautical board has been reorganized and will take over the function previously delegated to temporary war agencies, it was announced yesterday.

Price Curb Fund Voted in Italy to Rip Black Mart

ROME, Jan. 13 (AP).—The Italian Cabinet, in a move to smash the black market, last night allocated a 2,500,000,000 lire loan fund for government workers to enable them to form an organization for the purchase of clothing and staple food at normal prices.

Earlier, the Italian Consultative Assembly rejected a proposed amendment empowering the body to convoke itself instead of being convoked by government order.

Speaking for the government minister, Emilio Lussu said the amendment would cause a "state of anarchy" particularly if the Assembly convoked itself at the time when a government had already resigned.

Suicide of Reich's Medical Dictator Bared

Conti Hanging Kept Secret for Three Months

NUREMBERG, Jan. 13 (AP).—Nazi Germany's medical dictator, Dr. Leonardo Conti, who decreed the "mercy killing" of hundreds of thousands in his lust for "race purity," hanged himself in Nuremberg jail three months ago—a suicide kept secret by U.S. Army authorities with extraordinary measures, it was learned authoritatively today.

Conti garrotted himself with his shirt 20 days before Dr. Robert Ley, Nazi labor boss, took his own life in a nearby cell block. Both were buried mysteriously in the same cemetery. Conti's grave marker erroneously identifying him as "Italian" and adding only his abbreviated name "L. Conti."

Was to be Witness

The stocky SS gruppenfuhrer, who had served directly under Goering Frick and Himmler in a swaggering career as chief of Reich health, was to have been a prosecution witness against Frick in the present war crimes trial.

Dr. Robert M. W. Kempner of Lansdowne, Pa., German-born attorney who prepared the case against Frick said he had never been informed by the American Army internal security guard of the palace of justice regarding the manner of Conti's death. He said he had assumed it was "heart attack or something like that."

Kempner intended to announce in open court when the Frick case was reached, probably tomorrow, that Conti was dead. It would have been the first public hint from any official source of the warped Nazi scientist's fate.

The blond 45-year-old advocate of wholesale euthanasia and "guinea pig" experimentation with human beings left behind a written message to his wife and three children which was never delivered by American jail officials.

Soldier Describes Suicide

An American soldier serving in the jail last October describes how Conti, in a fit of despondency, climbed on a chair, tied a shirt sleeve around his neck, fastened it to one of six metal spikes stuck in the wall around the window of his solitary cell, then slumped off the chair. He had been dead only three or four minutes before his dead was discovered by a guard.

Conti's name appeared for the last time on the roster of the "internee wing" of the jail submitted to a high Army officer by Col. B. C. Andrus, commander of the internal security detachment, on Oct. 6. The corpse of the former Reich health leader was delivered to the laboratory of the American 116th General Hospital for autopsy which was conducted at 1300 hours and showed as a pathological diagnosis that Conti expired from effects of strangulation.

Major Received Body

An American major, according to the laboratory officer, called for the body after dissection and "gave us the impression he was going to turn it over to the Nuremberg burgermeister. But it was the same kind of deal as with Ley."

Conti's career was one of the strangest in history—medicine mixed with fanatical politics and with weird scientific whims. As a college student in 1918 he established the anti-Semitic Kampfbund. He was a rabble-rouser of rightist radicals and early joined Hitler's Nazi movement including the SS and SA.

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they insist on fattening us up like pigs? Please bring more for the folks over here who need it and less for me.")

The Communist newspaper commented, "What the American soldier experienced in France is applicable in increased measure in Hungary, where it is well known that the Hungarian people are undergoing an enormously difficult food crisis."

The article drew sharp attacks from other Budapest dailies and resulted in an apology from the Hungarian Government.

Students Picket Cafeteria

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (INS).—City College students today established a new kind of picket line. Pickets were placed inside the school's cafeteria in a protest against "high prices and poor food."

Calls Tugboat Daddy Too Fond of Waves

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 (INS).—A millionaire tugboat tycoon was accused by his wife in a separation suit today with having two bad habits.

Mrs. Fred B. Dalzell said her 55-year-old husband "played around" a pretty Wave and took a bottle of whisky to bed with him every night. "Sometimes," said Mrs. Dalzell, "he combined the two."

Mrs. Dalzell, who is 35, asked \$3,000 a month alimony and \$35,000 counsel fees.

Mac Approves Vote in Japan Before Mar. 15

TOKYO, Jan. 13 (AP).—Gen. Douglas MacArthur today authorized the Japanese government to hold nationwide elections at any time before March 15.

The order was viewed as designed to introduce new political blood into the Japanese government after the recent purge of ultra-nationalists.

(Meanwhile, five new Japanese Ministers were appointed, International News Service said. Prime Minister Baron Kijuro Shidehara remains at the head of the Cabinet, which was severely hit by MacArthur's Jan. 4 directive barring from public office all Japanese identified with totalitarian and ultra-nationalist policies.)

(The new Cabinet members are Senpachi Soejima, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry; Nose Abe, Minister of Education; Chuze Mitsuchi, Home Minister; Narabashi, Chief Secretary; and Tadaaki Ishiguro, Secretary of the House of Peers, INS said.)

The Australian Department of Information said today that 35,000 Australian, New Zealand, and British Indian troops will arrive in Japan "within the next few weeks," with headquarters in atom-bombed Hiroshima.

6-Man Cabinet To Rule Haiti

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti, Jan. 13 (AP).—A military junta formed a six-man Cabinet to rule Haiti yesterday after four more persons were killed in continued disorders stemming from the ousting of President Elie Lescot.

The death toll since the demonstrations began about a week ago was estimated at 25.

Yesterday light tanks and armored cars were patrolling Port au Prince in an effort to restore order but mobs sacked and fired homes, shops and factories of Lescot's supporters.

The most recent deaths occurred when a crowd broke into a jewelry shop, smashed showcases and looted the place.

The six-man Cabinet was set up after a proposed three-man military Cabinet failed to secure the support of the Liberal Civilian Committee of Public Safety.

GI, Gob Picket Phone Pickets; Vets Stage UAW Protest March

CHARLESTON, W.Va., Jan. 13 (AP).—Until the provost marshal's office took a hand, a GI and a sailor paraded with pickets in front of the Charleston telephone exchange yesterday bearing placards which read: "This Strike Unfair to Returning Servicemen."

The marshal's office sent MPs to inform the two men in uniform they would have to desist or, if they were discharged, change to civilian attire. Four or five civilians wearing lapel discharge buttons promptly took over and continued to march up and down with union pickets.

The two men identified themselves as Pfc James R. Mason and Seaman 1/Cl Hoople Hefferman, both of Charleston. Mason walked with a limp. He said he lost a foot and part of his leg when he stepped on a land mine in Germany.



A mob forms outside the main gate of the Western Electric Company's plant at Kearny, N.J., after a group of non-union men unsuccessfully attempted to crash through the strikers' picket line.

Kaiser-Frazer Wage Contract Sets Standard in Auto Industry UNO Draft For Ike Pushed

DETROIT, Jan. 13 (ANS).—Wage and hour clauses in the first contract between the United Auto Workers (CIO) and the new Kaiser-Frazer Corp. establish a new standard in the motor industry's labor relations, it was indicated with announcement of the contract's details.

The agreement, which will be offered as a model for settling disputes in industry's long-established firms, was hailed by union leaders as "unquestionably the best ever reached with an automotive company."

Henry J. Kaiser, who branched out from his far-flung manufacturing empire to enter the auto field, and Joseph W. Frazer, heads of the new concern, announced that their firm would:

- 1—Base wage scales on prevailing rates at the Ford Motor Co.

River Rouge plant, said to be the highest in the country.

- 2—Meet any increases granted by General Motors when the current GM strike is settled.

- 3—Establish a pool by laying aside \$5 for each car produced by the company during the year—a pool that would be divided among production workers if the worker did not engage in a "wildcat" strike.

- 4—Provide a union checkoff of dues system.

A veterans' clause in the contract was included, which, in the opinion of the company and the union, was "the most favorable" veterans' clause ever drawn.

Packard meanwhile, announced that production of new Clipper models would be resumed tomorrow when 1,000 employees return to work. The workers had been laid off in mid-December during an inventory.

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Pearson and the Russians are reported to favor Simic, but, like the British, French and Chinese, they are not committed to anyone.

Election of the secretary-general probably will be the first issue to test the veto voting system within the Security Council, since the secretary-general must be nominated by the 11-nation Council and elected by the Assembly.

To effect a nomination, the U.S., the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China must agree unanimously and at least two of the small nation members must also vote "yes."

This means that if Russia, for example, should demand acceptance of Simic or the British insist on Eisenhower, there would very likely be a deadlock. Officials hope that can be avoided and plan an intensive effort to produce agreement in the next few days.

Truman, Byrnes Confer By Trans-Ocean Teletype

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (INS).—President Truman and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes "conferred" for 20 minutes on the United Nations meeting last night in what was described as the first Presidential use of the trans-ocean radio teletypewriter.

The unusual "conversation" was said at the White House to have been made through a hook-up with the American Embassy in the British capital.

Messages were "scrambled" for security reasons. This operation was described as a highly-complicated service which translates radio impulses into unintelligible jargon in transmission but automatically unscrambles them on the other end of the line.

GI Gets Death For Killing 2 Japs

TOKYO, Jan. 13 (INS).—A U.S. soldier was sentenced to death today by a general courts martial which found him guilty of fatally stabbing two Japanese citizens, the first death penalty imposed upon a member of the Army of Occupation for a crime against the Japanese.

The soldier's name was withheld pending a review of his sentence by higher authority.

Testimony showed the killings were vicious and unprovoked. Witnesses said the soldier had re-enlisted in the Army and was scheduled to leave for the U.S. the following day when he saw two Japanese walking in a park at Nara, Japan.

According to testimony, the soldier shouted to a GI companion: "Let's get them."

Then he ran to the Japanese men, stabbing them to death. He was caught at the Nagoya Replacement Depot while being processed for shipment.

Paris GIs Hold Second Protest

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sive messes and clubs, reserved sections at places of entertainment and officers' quarters.

- 2—Reform of courts martial boards, with the inclusion of enlisted men.

- 3—Removal of the Inspector General's office from the Army and its organization as a civilian agency.

- 4—Requirement of all officers to serve at least one year as an EM, except in time of war.

Members of the good natured

crowd added their own comments on the redeployment situation, asking:

"Why are we occupying France?"

"How many men here heard a shot fired?" (From a show of hands, it was estimated that more than 75 per cent had, in obvious refutation of a remark attributed to Lt. Gen. J. Lawton Collins that the number of such men overseas was not very great.)

"Why did The Stars and Stripes put the announcement of this meeting at the bottom of page 8 instead of on the front page?"

"Are colonels keeping us in just so they can maintain their swank apartments?"

By using the power of the ballot, Redmond said: "We can send those congressmen who failed to take any decisive action back to private life."

Committee members said that another mass meeting would be held at the same place the Sunday following discussions with Senate members.

5,000 GIs Meet in India, Burma for Demob Protest

CALCUTTA, Jan. 13 (AP).—At a second mass meeting in four days, 5,000 American soldiers in the India-Burma theater today charged that War Department authorities were confusing the issue on demobilization and asserted that non-essential items were being loaded for shipment to the U.S.

A resolution was adopted asking Congress to "stimulate the demobilization of all military personnel and effect the immediate repatriation of all men not absolutely essential to the fulfillment of our overseas responsibilities."

DETROIT, Jan. 13 (INS).—War veteran members of the United Auto Workers (CIO) staged a seven-minute demonstration at the General Motors building yesterday to protest the company's rejection of the Presidential fact-finding board's recommendations for settling the strike wage dispute.

The formation of ex-servicemen and servicemen in uniform, which extended for three blocks, appeared at 11 AM and marched about the building in close order behind a band and color guard of uniformed soldiers.

The union "solidarity song" blared forth from two sound trucks accompanying the parade, and veterans carried placards bearing slogans such as "Heroes Yesterday; Unwanted Today" and "We Fight Today for a Better Tomorrow."