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All areas in U.S. Zone—Cloudy with snow showers; rain showers in south and east. Colder.

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## Mutiny Off, Strike On In Bombay

BOMBAY, Feb. 23 (AP)—The violent demonstrations, looting and terror of yesterday's mutiny flared up again today when 300,000 workers went on strike after hearing of the surrender of the mutinous ratings of the Royal Indian Navy.

The British general headquarters announced officially today that the men had surrendered unconditionally.

New trouble developed in mid-morning when crowds of demonstrators began looting banks and shops. On Elphinstone Road, one of the trouble centers in yesterday's disturbances, police opened fire on the demonstrators. Bursts of gunfire were heard repeatedly.

Steps to be taken by British authorities against the surrendered mutinees have not been announced as yet. A reliable source said that British boarding parties would take possession of the vessels later today.

### GANDHI ASKS NONVIOLENCE

Mohandas K. Gandhi issued a statement urging the people to stop the "thoughtless orgy of violence" now going on in India. He said the mutiny in the navy and what is going on today are not nonviolent actions in any sense of the term.

Officially announced casualties the past 24 hours are 63 dead and 777 injured.

Reports from Karache said order had been restored there following two days of disturbances in which six sailors of the Royal Indian Navy were killed and 33 wounded according to official figures.

Approximately 300 members of the crew of the sloop Hindustan, who surrendered Friday after an exchange of fire with field guns and mortars on the shore, are under arrest.

(The White House has received an apology from the India Welfare League for the burning of an American flag during the Bombay disorders.)

### Mutiny of Native Troops In Java Is Spreading

BATAVIA, Feb. 23 (UP)—The mutiny of Dutch native troops at Manado is spreading throughout Minahasa. However, owing to the poor communications, information is limited to official sources, which are reluctant to disclose the full details of the mutiny.

Reports from Dutch naval sources stated that disturbances had broken out aboard a Dutch destroyer.

## Secret Weapon of Nazis Is Called a Super-Freezer

HOUSTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A secret German weapon which would freeze everything within a radius of five miles was described here by Dr. J. W. Behnken, of Chicago.

Dr. Behnken, president of the Missouri Synod, told a Lutheran gathering that had it not been for the intervention of the church, Hitler might have come into possession of a weapon potentially as terrible as the atom bomb.

"The man who invented the weapon was persuaded by a fellow churchman not to release its dread-



**CRASH LANDING:** This Navy trainer plane crashed into a house in Seattle, recently, but the pilot and two women in the house escaped without serious injury. The front porch of the house was shorn off and the roof damaged. —Press Association Photo

## U.S. Mediator Predicts Quick End to GM Strike

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A Federal labor disputes mediator announced tonight that possible settlement of the 94-day-old General Motors strike in Detroit was expected within a matter of hours.

He added that it would be a definite "yes" or "no" as a result of latest negotiations between management and union officials.

On the other hand, the International Executive Board of the United Automobile Workers (CIO) said yesterday that settlement of the strike was not immediately in sight.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, said the nation's coal miners expected their problems settled on the merits of questions affecting the coal industry and not on President Truman's new wage-price policy.

The mine workers policy committee meets March 11 to discuss contract demands.

### N. Y. STAGGERS HOURS

Walkouts also loomed in transportation and utilities industries. Latest developments:

- 1—New York police planned staggered hours for city workers to offset a threatened transit strike.
- 2—Mayor David L. Lawrence, in Pittsburgh, called on business and labor to stave off a power strike.
- 3—Striking Detroit dairy workers left one million persons unable to buy milk.
- 4—More than 25,000 CIO steel workers in the Columbia Steel Co. plant at Pittsburg, Calif., quit over a reassignment dispute.

## Yamashita Hanged As War Criminal

MANILA, Feb. 23 (UP)—Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, the Tiger of Malaya, was hanged yesterday, it has officially announced in Manila.

His last words were a blessing on the Japanese emperor and a hope that there would be peace for Japan. Then a hood was placed over his head, the trap was sprung and he died.

Col. Seiichi Ohta and other unidentified Japanese war criminals were hanged at the same time.

The execution took place at the U. S. military detention center at Los Banos, 50 miles south of Manila.

Yamashita, stripped of his uniform, was wearing U. S. Army khaki shirt and trousers and a green cap.

## Miner Finds Shaft Exit; Hope Rises

HERFORD, Feb. 23 (UP)—New efforts to reach the 440 miners trapped in a mine at Unna, near Dortmund, are going ahead at full speed today as a result of the escape of one of the "doomed" men.

The ragged, half-dead miner, 32-year-old Enio Gronar, found his own way out of the mine and emerged late last night from a shaft a short distance away from the main shaft. The authorities who only a few hours earlier had given up all hope and had started sealing up the mine with cement immediately started probing the other shaft, hoping to be able to reach the men.

Tons of cement had been poured sorrowfully into the mine to seal off the whole disaster area. Within a few hours, gangs of rescue workers were taking the cement out again.

It now seems probable in the face of this latest development that the trapped miners who were not killed by the explosion that was the cause of the disaster may still be alive. There appears to be a passage through which air can reach them.

The man who may have saved over 400 lives brings the total already out to 60.

Gronar, a pit electrician, probably lived through one of the world's

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## Stalin Boasts Of Red Power

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (AP)—The continued training of the Red Army was stressed by both Generalissimo Joseph Stalin and Marshal Gregori Zhukov today while all Russia celebrated the army's 28th anniversary.

Stalin's order of the day charged the Red Army with making "the boundaries of our country unattainable for enemies" as well as guarding the peaceful creative labor of the Soviet people and reliably securing the state interests of the Soviet Union.

He added, "The Red Army is obliged not only to catch up with the development in military affairs but to surpass it" and he asserted also the need for "strengthening the economic and military might of the Soviet state."

Zhukov in a long article in the Red Star said that the "colossal military experience" gained by the Red Army in the course of tremendous battles would "have an enormous effect on the development of contemporary military science."

Stalin called upon the people of Russia to surpass wartime levels of production and consolidate the military strength of the Soviet.

He declared that "the task today is to strengthen the position we have won and move forward to create conditions for fresh, powerful developments of national economy. We must, in the shortest possible time, heal the wounds of war, achieve the prewar level of production and rapidly surpass it, and still further consolidate the military and economic might of the Soviet State," he said.

### 4 Philippine Soldiers Killed

MANILA, Feb. 23 (AP)—Four Philippine Army soldiers were killed in a clash with 400 peasants, 60 miles north of Manila, Philippine authorities announced.

## Full Ships To Speed Deploying

By ROBERT MARSHALL  
Staff Correspondent

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23—Victory ships will be loaded to capacity as an emergency measure to clear the clogged redeployment pipeline and return the program to the timetable set up in January, Brig. Gen. George S. Eyster, USFET redeployment chief, announced today.

War Department authorization has been received to load 1,500 men on each vessel until the current backlog is moved. Only 1,000 men have been shipped on each Victory during the last month.

Eyster revealed that a combination of factors had virtually brought redeployment from the ETO to a standstill during February. Approximately 22,000 men were affected, he estimated. Some were held in ports and staging areas when expected shipping did not arrive for them and others were held in Category IV units, awaiting movement to ports.

### HELD UP 30 DAYS

Some of these delayed troops, including a group of 2,000 in Bremerhaven, were held up as long as 30 days.

Eyster gave his assurance, however, that the congestion would soon be remedied and that redeployment soon would return to schedule.

"Of the 85,000 men to be redeployed in February," he declared, "all but 8,000 will leave the theater by the end of the month. The remaining 8,000 will depart the first week in March."

Among the factors causing the

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## Ban Protestor Kin Attacked

LACKAWANNA, N. Y., Feb. 23 (AP)—Although members of his family approve the stand of a former soldier, Carlton D. Weyand, in protesting the Army directive forbidding American civilians to marry German girls, they are receiving messages denouncing it.

Weyand, 30, now employed as a civilian in Frankfurt said he wants to marry Ann Marie Nor, a German.

His father, William G. Weyand, said he received three disapproving telegrams. One, signed "An American," said: "You should be ashamed of yourself for your son's wanting to marry a Nazi." Another asked: "Aren't you proud of yourself?" The third said "You should be ashamed of yourself, the Nazis killed our sons."

The veteran's sister, Mrs. Dorothy McConnel, said she received a "few phone calls" expressing similar disapproval.

## Stealing U.S. Supplies To Bring Death Penalty

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23 (AP)—The U. S. Military Government, taking drastic measures to halt the increase in banditry and train robberies, today ordered the death sentence for any German found guilty of stealing American supplies.



## The B Bag . . . Letters to the Editor

Address all letters to: B Bag Editor, The Stars and Stripes, APO 757, U. S. Army. Limit letters to 200 words.

### All 3-Year Men Leave by April 15

If three-year men are to start leaving the ETO by mid-April and two-and-one-half-year men by April 30, how is it possible that so many in the former class can be on their way home or discharged in the two-week period between April 15 and 30?

Also, why can other theaters hope to start sending their two-and-one-half-year men home at the end of February, while ETO shipments lag until spring? Isn't it true that men who have these periods of service will see half a year more service before they're discharged if the plan is worked out according to ETO interpretation?

—T-5 L. K., 144th Sig. Co.

Editor's Note: The above letter was referred to G3 USFET, which replied:

The mid-April date is the estimated date on which the last man with three years service will have cleared the theater. This in no way means or implies that men in this category must wait until that date to sail, but that the last man will have cleared the theater by that time. Similarly, the dates as announced do not mean men with two and one-half years of service must wait until after April 15 for shipment to the U. S. In reality, many men with two and one-half years service will sail before April 15. The April 30 deadline simply means the last man with that amount of service will be aboard a ship bound for the U. S.

There is, as you can see, no two-week period during which all the two-and-one-half year men will be shipped. If you complete two and one-half years service by April 30 you needn't worry. You will be homeward bound by that date.

It has been pointed out many times that the average point score and length of service in the ETO are higher than in the Pacific. For that reason, and because of commitments in the liberated countries which other theaters do not have, there is a slight lag behind other theaters. This lag, however, is temporary in nature. In means that the European Theater must adhere closely to War Department criteria than other theaters which may discharge men slightly ahead of the required time limit.

It is definitely not true that men with three years service will complete three and one-half years service before they are discharged, and that two-and-one-half year men will complete three years. A man should be discharged in the U. S. within 30 days of the time he boards ship in this theater. In many cases it will be less. Take, as an example, the man who completes two and one-half years service in April. He will board ship by the end of April and should be out of the Army before the end of May, approximately a month from the time he completes the required service.

Under the point system a man overseas got twice as much credit as a man in the States. Why shouldn't this same principle be upheld in length of service discharges?

Soon men in the States will be getting out on 24 months of service. We have no objection to this, but why not count every two months overseas as the equivalent of three months in the States or work out a plan along similar lines?

It is simple justice that the man overseas should receive greater consideration.

—15 Signatures, Third Sp. Sv. Co.

### Belgian Family Tends Grave of Fallen GI

A mother in New York who lost a son in combat wrote to this office saying that a Belgian family was providing flowers for the grave of her son who is buried in Henri Chapelle Cemetery near Antwerp.

She asked that the Red Cross send a letter of appreciation to this family, thanking them for their kindness on behalf of a departed American soldier.

We received this letter in reply: "We are in receipt of your letter thanking us for providing flowers for Sgt. Babcock's grave. We think we are not entitled to any thanks because we shall never be able to express our gratitude to the American soldiers for all they have done for us. We were so happy to welcome them and counted it an honor to entertain them and to make them feel that our home was theirs.

"When they left Belgium to fight in Germany, we worried about their welfare as we would have about our own children. We invited them to come back as they would have to their own home. We had the pleasure of welcoming many a group of those soldiers, and we cannot tell you how grateful we were to them.

"We never had the pleasure of welcoming Sgt. Babcock in our home, but we do know that he stayed with another Belgian family, who may be able to give his poor mother some information. We will do everything in our power to find this family. Meanwhile, we are trying to assuage Mrs. Babcock's sorrow by writing to her often and sending her some souvenirs from Belgium.

"With gratitude and great admiration toward the American people, we remain . . . A Belgian Family."

—Orville Strader, Field Director, ARC.

### Another War Movie Criticized

We have just returned from the movies at which the widely advertised "A Walk in the Sun" was featured. Being old "combat" men we do not have to see another "training film" especially since we are sweating out a ship.

We have seen many war pictures that were damn good, but Hollywood really hit bottom in this production. The technical adviser probably never left the comforts of his well-heated office. There were so many things wrong with it, we can't begin to name them without crowding the comic strips out of The Stars and Stripes.

—Three 290th Engineers

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## Latin America Battles With Adjustments

By LAWRENCE STUNTZ

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—The first months of peace find most Latin American countries still struggling with the peoples of postwar adjustments afflicting the rest of the world.

Argentina is in the throes of a bitter political struggle prefacing her elections scheduled for today. Economically, her debt has doubled in the past three years, taxes are rising, and, although there is a clamoring market for her main export—meat, production of the commodity is low because cattle raisers, lured by high prices, depleted Argentine herds.

Internationally, she is at swords points with her two neighbors, Uruguay, the nearest, and the U. S., the biggest. She is under strong pressure to give up Nazis who took refuge in the country.

### MINING SLUMP IN PERU

There is a mining slump in Peru, which country also tries to assimilate a leftist government after years of conservative rule. Ecuador's financial troubles will be mitigated by the U. S. loan given in return for continued use of the Galapagos Naval Base.

A presidential election in Colombia is due this summer, while the country's coffee growers hope to sell coffee in quantities to Europe once more. Mexico faces presidential elections in July against the background of an economic depression caused by a reduction in foreign markets for her oil and a mining slump.

The interim Venezuelan government, established after the recent revolt, probably will hold elections soon. The country as an important oil producer can expect decreased revenues as other producing countries come back into the market. Brazil's considerable inflation should decrease as more imported goods become available, while constitutional normality reigns once more after a bloodless revolt overthrown strongman Getulio Vargas.

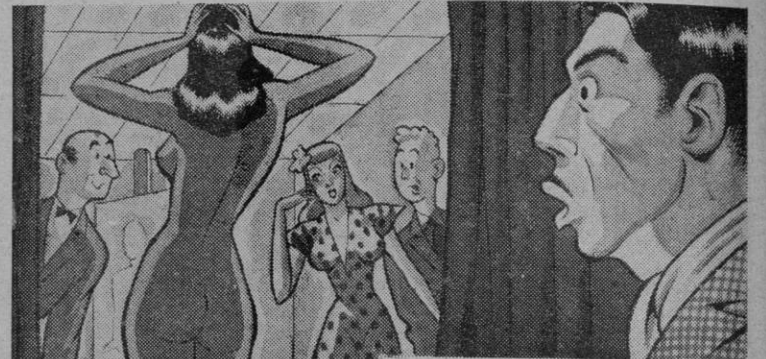
## Hollywood's Social Whirl

### 'Mona' Shocked Party Hounds Until a Celebrant Socked Her

HOLLYWOOD (UP)—Here on a terrace overlooking the garbage cans of the super-elegant Trocadero nightclub is the modernistic battle ground where "Mona" got hers. "Mona" lives in the mansion of artist John Decker, and when she gets bashed up at one of his famous brawls—which is pretty often—it saddens him and his pal, Errol Flynn.

"Mona", in case you're beginning to wonder, is a department store dummy complete with all the feminine "equipment," and Decker has her standing plump naked for all his guests to see.

"It shocks the hell out of some of them," he grinned gleefully, "especially when it's a little dark in here." And when guests have



imbibed a little too freely of Decker's liquid supply, they've been known to offer the lady a drink.

"The day Flynn and I bought her," Decker said, "we dropped her in the back seat and drove through Hollywood. The people raised their eyebrows and said, 'they're at it again.'"

"Mona" shared the honors with screen heavy Jack Larue at the latest Decker shindig. Larue got a brain concussion, Diana Barry-

more beat up Lawrence (Dillinger) Tierney and her cousin, Sammy Colt, tipped "Mona" over, chipping her face and breaking her arm. "I painted her face back on," Decker sighed, "but now she looks like a tired lady of ill-repute. I've ordered another. Were we drunk? Of course, it was a very nice party."

Decker is all a Bohemian artist should be, and as a painter he's bigtime stuff. He gets anything from 500 dollars up for canvases. He's the lad who made history by painting W. C. Field as Queen Victoria with a Johnny Walker whisky ad in the background.

One of the late John Barrymore's best friends, Decker was with the actor when he died and hurriedly sketched a death portrait before the hospital staff could stop him. It's a pretty morbid thing, but four or five people have already offered him 10,000 dollars for it.

There's a lot of Barrymore in Decker himself. He wears rakish hats, dashing suede overcoats and an enormous carved ivory ring. He has shaggy hair, a neat little mustache and a nose that's been broken five times—the result, he says, of some of the better parties.

The subjects of his portraits aren't always flattered, but the smart ones know better than to say so out loud.

"One lady refused to admit she looked like I painted her," he related, "so I took the portrait home, painted out her clothes, put in nude limbs and rigged her up as a target in a shooting gallery. It's a great success at my parties."

## Official Bulletin

This official bulletin column is published in conformity with letter AG 000.76 GAP-AGO HQ USFET 22 Sept. 1945, subject: "Official Bulletin Column in The Stars and Stripes," to insure rapid and complete dissemination of official announcements to all USFET personnel.

Will the following named officers, recent arrivals from the States, report their unit assignments and APO to the Adjutant General, Military Procurement Branch, Hq. USFET, APO 757. This information is required in connection with your application for commission in the Regular Army. Immediate contact should be made by TWX, letter, or telephone Frankfurt 32290 or 33754:

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—AG Procurement Branch.

## Subs That Go Under Ice Will Study Arctic Weather

WASHINGTON (UP)—Submarines capable of penetrating ice floes to obtain weather data and other information on unexplored Arctic areas are being considered by the Navy.

Large underwater "houseboats," outfitted with completely retractable conning towers, were proposed. The smooth topsides of the submarines would allow them to cruise underneath the Arctic ice.

The retractable conning towers as proposed would have special heating devices enabling them to melt holes through the ice when extending. Crews could then make weather observations and obtain other data about ice formations, sea currents and unexplored Arctic regions.

The use of submarines in the Arctic would supplement weather observations and other information on the unexplored areas which will be obtained by a squadron of 12 Army B29s.

Chief reason for the interest in the Arctic weather stems from the fact that the weather on the North American Continent originates in areas northwest of Alaska.

Long range bombers and future aviation developments are transforming Arctic waste areas into new world crossroads and possibly the new front line of U. S. defense, said Army Air Force officers.

## Poll Shows Women Want to Keep Jobs

WASHINGTON (INS)—A survey by the Labor Department's Women's Bureau revealed that this year's woman was wearing dungarees and carrying a dinner pail. The survey indicated no mass return to home and family is in sight for married women, while single women expect to brighten up the labor market for some time to come.

Statistics based on interviews and case histories of more than 13,000 of the nation's 18 million wartime women workers in 10 widely separated industrial areas, show that 75 per cent of the women plan to go on working indefinitely.

Answers and percentages in all areas were so impressively parallel that the survey is believed to be a good cross-section of the employment plans of the wartime women workers.

Of the 75 per cent of women workers who planned to continue to work, 84 per cent said they had to work to support themselves and in many cases their dependents.

### One Jeep From Two?

The majority of Army vehicles in the ETO are in need of repairs. This could be done if the parts were made available.

Fields of surplus vehicles grow larger as units go home and turn in their vehicles. Why not make much needed parts available by stripping these vehicles?

—GI Driver, APO 162

### Furlough 47 Days Late

Just a line to let you know that I expect to leave for the States tomorrow. That will be 47 days from the time the adjutant general in Washington approved my emergency furlough.

—T-3 Yael Friedlander



# Balt Expulsion Rumor Denied By McNarney

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23 (UP)—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney emphatically denied yesterday that U.S. military authorities were planning to send the Balts in the U.S. Zone back to their homes.

The forcible deportation of Balts to the countries from which they came had never been considered, McNarney stated, adding there was no intention of it except in the cases of war criminals, and those who, while under U. S. Army care, have been convicted of criminal acts.

"If and when any individual Balt or any United Nations national has been proved to have been a Nazi collaborator, he will be denied United Nations displaced persons treatment, and will be promptly discharged," McNarney declared.

In United Nations displaced persons centers in the American Zone there are some 75,000 Balts, most of whom are from Germany and were deported to do forced labor.



—Press Association Photo

**INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT:** While several American soldiers smile approval, American Red Cross workers Betty Umstad of Haddon Heights, N.J., pours a cup of hot cocoa for a Russian soldier guarding the entrance to the Russian-occupied zone in Korea.



# France to Ease Tourist Visas

By a Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Feb. 23—The French government soon will relax visa restrictions to revive its once-thriving foreign tourist trade, it was predicted today by the ministry of public works and transport.

Although no date was given when the restriction would be officially eased, there were indications that the first tourist visas will be issued between Easter and July to take advantage of the summer vacations.

Militating against any early relaxation of restrictions, however, is the critical shortage of food, housing and transportation in France. Due to rapid evacuation of France by the American Army, however, the housing problem has been partially solved through derequisitioning of hotels formerly occupied by Americans.

Initial effort in reviving the tourist trade, officials indicated, would stress bringing persons already in France to the popular resorts. Several hotels now are open for civilian patronage on the Riviera and at Biarritz and St. Jean-de-Luz.

First consideration, it was indicated, would be given to residents of adjoining countries, such as Belgium and Luxembourg, who could travel to France by auto, thus causing less strain on existing public transportation facilities.

# Russian Monasteries Relieved of Taxes

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (UP)—The government of RFSR (Soviet Russia Proper), biggest of the 16 constituent republics of the USSR, passed a decree today relieving monasteries from taxes on buildings and lands.

Other Soviet republics are expected to pass similar decrees. The Moscow patriarchate revealed today there are now 89 monasteries and convents open in the country.

# Tito Packed South Austria With Henchmen, British Say

By ARTHUR NOYES, Staff Correspondent

VIENNA, Feb. 23—Evidence that the present Yugoslavian government has packed the Austrian province of Carinthia with pro-Tito Slovenes under the guise of sneaking anti-Communists into the British Zone of Austria was indicated this week when a check showed that many members of the present Slovene organization in southern Austria are recent arrivals from Yugoslavia, according to a British intelligence source in Klagenfurt.

For the past several months British guards at the Rosenbach tunnel and at other points along the Austro-Yugoslavian border have allowed what they supposed to be anti-Tito refugees to cross into the British Occupation Zone of Austria.

The British action in officially

# Bevin to Make 5 Anglo-Polish Radio Appeal

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A British Foreign Office spokesman said yesterday that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin would appeal by radio to Polish soldiers in Italy and Britain to return to Poland when Britain and Poland can agree on conditions for their return.

No date has been set for the speech, pending the outcome of direct negotiations in Warsaw which have been resumed after a week-long interruption.

The spokesman said that if the expected Anglo-Polish agreement were reached, Bevin would assure the Polish soldiers of fair treatment.

A statement calling on the Polish troops to return and help rebuild their homeland with a promise that the provisional government would not discriminate against them was reported by the Polish Embassy tentatively to have been reached a month ago.

But after agreeing on the next, the two governments continued talks on demobilization details, particularly concerning Gen. Wladyslaw Anders' II Corps which is part of the British Eight Army in Italy.

Poland, complaining of British slowness in repatriation of Anders' troops, broke off the talks a week ago and said that from then on the troops would be treated as individual repatriation cases and not as a special group.

# Peron Accuses Braden of Huge Extortion Plot

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 23 (INS)—Presidential candidate Juan Peron published a "Blue and White Book" charging that former U.S. Ambassador Spruille Braden was engaged in large-scale espionage and graft in Argentina during World War II.

Braden, now assistant secretary of state, was accused of attempting to extort 6,000,000 pesos from Fritz Mandl, Austrian munitions manufacturer.

The Argentine "strong man" charged that Mandl was promised that his name would be removed from the American blacklist in return.

A score of pro-democratic Argentines suffered severe mauling in the immediate vicinity of the U. S. Embassy last night when they were attacked by Peron followers.

The Peronistas apparently had the full backing of Buenos Aires policemen when they sought to break up a demonstration in behalf of Dr. Jose Tamborini, Democratic Union candidate.

# Spain Tries 37 Socialists

ALCALA HENARES, Spain, Feb. 23 (AP)—The trial by court martial of 37 persons charged with organizing clandestine activities of a Socialist party opened today in this small village near Madrid, the location of one of the major political prisons.

The military prosecutor already has asked the death penalty for eight of the defendants, including Francisco del Toro Cuevo who was a deputy of the 1936 cortes.

Since Spain's state of war has not been lifted since the end of the civil war, all trials of political prisoners come before a military court.

The trial, attended by 200 spectators in a heavily-guarded building, opened with the prosecuting officer reading an indictment against the defendants who, he declared, admitted the activities but denied the constituted a crime.

# Pope Fails to Name Secretary of State

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 23 (AP)—New cardinals were informed by the Pope today of congregation to which they have been assigned.

The Pope did not appoint a secretary of state, but assigned to cardinals to the congregation of extraordinary ecclesiastic affairs which is connected directly with the secretariat of state.

There had been recurrent speculation that the Pontiff would name his old friend, Francis Joseph Cardinal Spellman of New York, as secretary of state.

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# 300 Italian Brides Thirsting For Wine, Hubbies Reach NY

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP)—Seldom have New York's docks witnessed wilder scenes of happy reunion than those enacted yesterday when the Army transport Algonquin disembarked 300 Italian war brides and their 82 children. As soon as they stepped ashore the wives rushed to a bar one million forming but happy.

He voiced his "grave concern" over the figures. The head of the Veterans' Affairs department said that the unemployment rate for three times greater than that of the general population. He called for clarification of the issue while the unemployability was sought by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber's Manufacturing Co. told the Veterans' Affairs department that Federal courts have made decisions on the rights of veterans in a job regardless of who employed them. He said that many employers give preference in new employment to veterans. Commissioner Arthur Fleming said he would go to veterans in Government payrolls will decline steadily.

# 2 Soldiers and Wives Arrive on Troopship

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP)—Two soldiers with war brides were among 5,972 veterans who arrived aboard the transport George Washington after a record run from Le Havre in seven days 23 hours.

The two couples were Pfc Lorne Munroe, Winnipeg, Man., with his bride, the former Jane Gilbert, Portland, Ore., USO-Camp Shows entertainer, and Pfc Paul McClinock, Dickerson Run, Pa., and his wife, former Wac Pfc Margaret Thuon, Tarrytown, N. Y.

# Red Reporter Denied Admittance to U.S. Zone

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (AP)—Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, commander of the United States Zone in Southern Korea, has denied a Tass correspondent permission to visit the United States Zone until Russian commanders permit American newspapermen to visit the Russian Zone in Northern Korea, an authoritative source said today.

# Senator Wants Dads Home, Raps Dependency Plan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (INS)—Sen. Chapman Revercomb (R-W.V.) revealed yesterday that he would press for his bill to compel the Government to release fathers of dependent children to their homes. Revercomb said that his action would be taken up with the Senate Military Affairs Committee Tuesday.

He declared the release of drafted fathers was practical and is "an efficient way of relieving the services owe to the children's families." At the same time, Revercomb said: "This proposal to take families of children to their fathers overseas is absurd. It would be taking them into areas where the housing situation would be uncertain. The best answer as to bring the fathers home to the children."

# ASF Personnel in UK To Total 15 by July 1

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP)—Army Service Forces personnel in Britain will consist of 15 men by July 1, Col. William D. Buchanan, commanding officer of Depot G4, announced today.

The Army's huge supply depot at Thacham, Berks, is scheduled to close down by April 1.

Buchanan said that ASF personnel will be reduced to 4,200 by March 1; 3,000 by April 1; 1,800 by May 1; 600 by June 1; and 15 by July 1.

A very few low point men will be transferred to the continent, Buchanan said, while the bulk of the men will go home.

# Weather Outlook

USAF Weather Service

North and west—cloudy with snow showers, temperature 28-36. South and east—cloudy with snow and rain showers, temperature 30-38. Berlin and Bremen—same as north and west.

Future outlook—continued snow showers and colder.



# French Recovery Depends on 3 Billion U.S. Loan

## Blum Mission Must Hurdle Four Barriers

By GERSHON FISHBAIN  
Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Feb. 23—Leon Blum, French ambassador extraordinary, will leave for Washington Tuesday with the hopes of a new, revitalized France resting squarely on his ability to negotiate a 3-billion-dollar loan from a U. S. which has yet to indicate its official attitude toward the interim Socialist government.

The success of the mission will determine in large measure how far France can expect to go in her new "austerity" drive toward economic recovery. The national modernization plan headed by Jean Monnet, charged with the responsibility of drafting a three-year plan to revitalize French industry, is depending for its life blood on the U. S. loan.

### TO NEGOTIATE BROAD ASPECTS

Blum will concern himself in Washington with only the broad aspects of French requirements, according to unofficial announcements, and will leave the details of the financing to technical members of the Monnet group.

The veteran intellect of the Socialist Party, who refused all requests to join in an official capacity the new government headed by Felix Gouin, will have basically the problem of convincing the American Government that the present French administration is exerting every possible effort to create a sound investment for U. S. capital.

### WAR DEBTS UNPAID

Observers here feel that the Blum mission, if successful, must hurdle four outstanding barriers. They are:

1—The debts of World War I have not yet been paid off and Americans may fear that they will once again be the victims of "ungrateful Europeans."

2—The problems of American reconversion within the U. S. have wrought far-reaching social and economic changes which may create an unfavorable attitude toward risking capital in a nation whose economic is just beginning to take shape.

3—Congress has not yet ratified the 4-billion-dollar loan to Great Britain, which was arrived at only after four months of tug of war negotiations by the London experts, who admittedly had much more to offer in investment possibilities than the French.

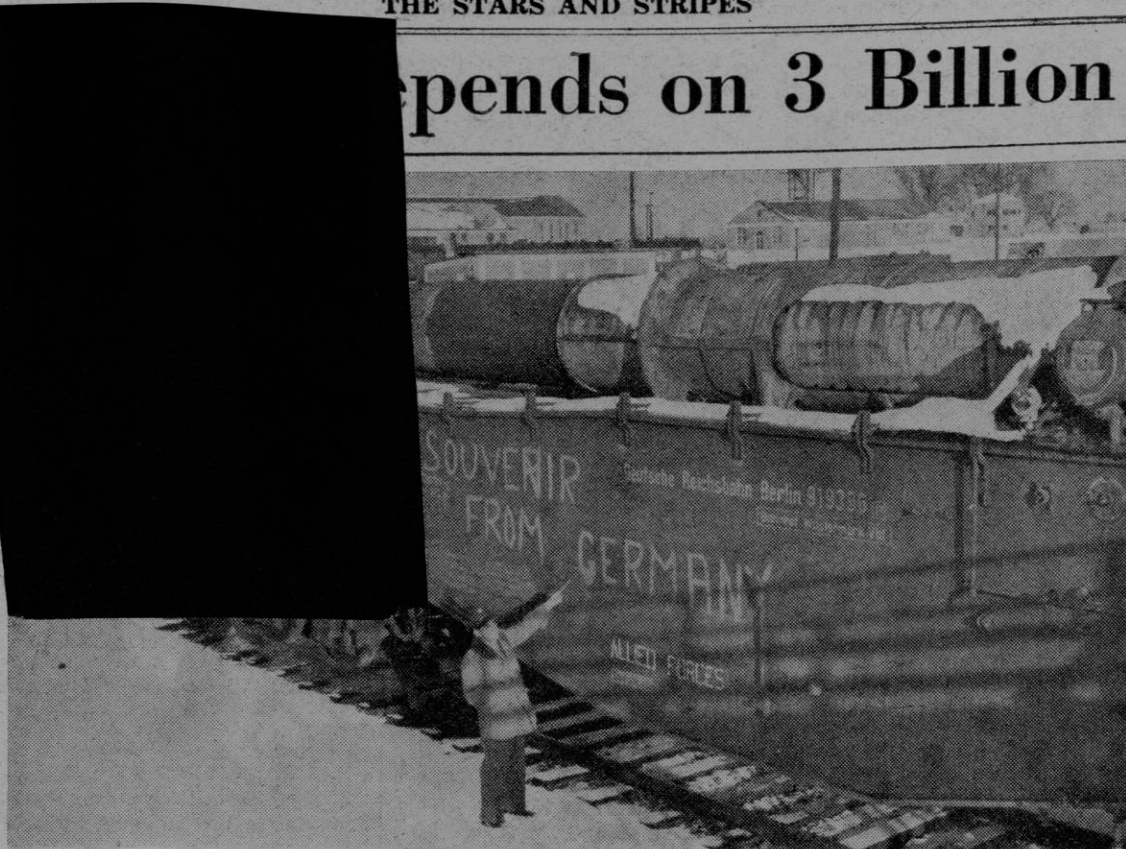
### FEAR MOSCOW DICTATION

4—The present political situation in France, dominated by leftwing interests, with the possibility ever present that the foreign policy in Paris may yet be dictated in Moscow.

The success of the mission undoubtedly will depend on whether the Truman Administration regards France as sufficiently stable to act as a buffer between Britain and Russia. Blum, on the other hand, will call to the attention of Washington officials France's desperate financial plight and that France needs the loan money to meet her obligations under the Bretton Woods international monetary agreement, as well as to reconstruct her own economy.

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BRUSSELS, Feb. 23—Jose Streef, chief of the political services of the pro-German movement and commentator on the German-controlled Brussels radio during the occupation, was shot by a firing squad at the Brussels military barracks.



**SOUVENIR FROM GERMANY:** This giant Krupp-made 28-centimeter K5-E gun, which can fire a rocket-assisted projectile more than 50 miles, has arrived in the U. S. from Germany for study by Army ordnance experts. The railroad car carrying the huge weapon, labeled "Souvenir from Germany," is shown at the Army proving grounds in Aberdeen, Md. The gun will be placed on display.

## EATS Squadron Boasts Its Share Of Jones Boys

WIESBADEN, Feb. 23—When it comes to processing new arrivals, the Jones boys have it sewed up at Hq. Sq. of the European Air Transport Service here.

Newcomers report first to the first sergeant, William Jones, of Washington, D. C., who passes them on to the adjutant, 1-Lt. James H. Jones of Vista, Calif.

The supply officer dealing out equipment is 1-Lt. Robert B. Jones of Frankston, Tex., and duty assignments are made by the personnel officer 1-Lt. Grafton B. Jones, of Kansas City.

If the newcomer draws kitchen duty, he discovers the first cook is Sgt. Willard T. Jones, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and if he goes out on the flight line, the first pilot is—you guessed it—Lt. Col. Paul A. J. Jones of, Goree, Tex.

## Division Commanders Can Cut Dependency Discharge Orders

By A. J. DE MIO, Staff Correspondent

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23—It is not generally known that dependency discharge petitions flooding the War Relocation Authority in Washington, could have been processed in the ETO. An official at the ETO said today that papers filed through channels within the soldier's own organization could be cleared "within two weeks," whereas the same process has on occasions taken as long as "two to five months in Washington."

WOJG J. J. Censner, acting assistant adjutant general at USFET, said a division commander here in the ETO can issue the necessary orders returning an enlisted man to the States for a hardship or dependency discharge.

But, under a new Army regulation, only the Adjutant General's Office in Washington can give an application final disapproval.

Should the division commander consider the GI's petition unwarranted, it must be forwarded direct to the Adjutant General's Office in Washington.

## New Lead Reported on Bormann

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

CONSTANCE, Switzerland, Feb. 23 (AP)—The fate of Hitler's missing deputy, Martin Bormann, was wrapped deeper in mystery today as German civilians in the French-controlled mountains reported they recently saw the Nazi fugitive.

The Germans reported seeing him in this Swiss border town where he allegedly has a mistress.

Bormann supposedly was killed beside a panzer vehicle attempting to escape from doomed Berlin, but investigations by Intelligence officers of the three Western Allied powers still are open. They have received reports that Bormann had been seen brazenly riding a motorbike from Bregenz Wald, mountainous frontier corner of Germany, to Constance to visit his girl friend.

Other Germans said they saw Bormann board a bus several weeks ago at the Black Forest winter sports haven of Titisee, "coming" down from the wild snow country surrounding the nearby village Schulse where the Bormann family Chalet is situated.

The Bormann villa now is used as a dormitory for 12 French women military government workers.



Martin Bormann

The Germans in the French zone seem to have a curious respect for him. Many of his pictures were found by French forces when they took over the Black Forest area and some still hang on the walls of out-of-the-way chalets and guest houses.

There also are reports that Bormann had his own intelligence system organized among many Ger-

man civilians who pledged themselves for his protection.

Another report is that he is served by a number of crack SS troops who, according to unsubstantiated rumors, are living throughout the Black Forest region, still uniformed and equipped.

These troops are said to be giving French occupational troops no trouble and still believe there will be a time when they can emerge from their lairs as a trained fighting machine and march against the Russians.

French and Germans alike discount a recent report that Bormann landed in South America from a U-boat and one officer even suggested that Bormann was in a position to plant such a story himself.

Those who give credence to Bormann rumors believe he is traveling under at least five aliases but usually as a Swiss businessman and has papers which permit him to skip around the Swiss, Austrian and German frontiers.

He also is said to have a large amount of Swiss and French francs, American dollars, English pounds and millions of German marks at his disposal.

## Red Merger Move Opposed By Socialists

BERLIN, Feb. 23 (UP)—Kurt Schumacher, western Germany Social Democrat leader, today sent Berlin leaders an ultimatum demanding that they abandon the proposal for merger with the Communists or suffer an immediate party split.

After a two-day visit here to ascertain if Berliners were "prepared to keep the independent Social Democratic Party for Germany or alternatively dissolve," Schumacher said he had found that Berliners had already made up their minds not to attend the party congress called for April.

"We won't come," he quoted them as saying. "Individualists might attend the congress, but we will not have a mandate speak for western Germany."

## PX Announces Job Openings

HOECHST, Feb. 23—The Army Exchange Service, Hq. TSFET, in the administration building of IG Farben here, has jobs for discharged military personnel with salaries ranging from 2,772 dollars to 6,000 dollars, according to Lt. Col. Alvin H. Lutz, acting chief, Army Exchange Service.

The jobs are open for personnel with qualifications of senior and junior accountants and auditors, accounting and general clerks, warehousemen, and persons with merchandising experience, preferably former area chain store supervisors or managers.

## 1,000 Civilian Jobs Available at USAFE

WIESBADEN, Feb. 23—Approximately 1,000 well-paying civilian jobs in USAFE are still available for soldiers eligible for discharge, was announced today.

The vacancies include clerks, stenographers, technicians and positions as administrative officials at salaries from 2,000 dollars to 6,000 dollars a year plus an overseas allowance of 25 per cent and overtime.

For further details write to Civilian Personnel Office, USAFE, APO 633.

## Police Investigate London Arson Plot

LONDON, Feb. 23 (UP)—An attempt to set what might have been London's greatest postwar fire is being investigated by Scotland Yard. The evidence of an arson attempt was found Wednesday on the seventh floor of the U. S. Army Special Service Section offices in the John Lewis store building.

A store messenger discovered the floor of the office strewn with thousands of feet of movie film and fire extinguishers smashed and emptied. The manner in which the film and other inflammable articles were strewn indicated an arson attempt. Scotland Yard removed the film for examination.

## Seek to Aid German Children

BERLIN, Feb. 23 (AP)—The Swedish Red Cross will seek permission of the Allied Kommandatura to aid German children in all four occupation zones of Berlin, it was reported here yesterday. The Swedes already are authorized to aid children of 3 to 6 years in the British sector.



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The Vet Front

# FBI Chief Debunks Theory Vets Need 'Reorienting'

AMERICA—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has objected to putting the soldier "in the same class with an Army dog which has to unlearn his war habits before he can safely be sent home to women and children." Suggestions that the current increase in crime is attributable in a large degree to veterans of World War II were dismissed by the nation's number one crime expert. "The fact that a man handled a gun a few years doesn't make him a killer the rest of his life," he said. "It may take months or even years of hard work to lick the present increase in crime, but if the people get behind a long-range program, we shall get results," he stated. There has been too much talk about the need for reorienting" and "psychoanalyzing" veterans, said Hoover. "A GI is likely to be a better man when he comes home than when he left." "The veteran is America's opportunity," concluded the FBI chief. "If the country provides him with a home and a job, he will be a healthy and wholesome influence on American life for years to come."

Better Men for America

Harvey Natchees, Ute Indian, has laid aside his highly-decorated Army uniform for the overalls of a Utah chicken rancher, but he isn't happy. He is puzzled about those rewards for the first Yank to enter Berlin. Natchees, a reconnaissance jeep driver for the Third Armd. Div., was the

first officially authorized Yank to enter the German capitol. "I am not seeking something I am not entitled to," he declared, "but when I was in Germany I understood a reward had been posted to be paid to the first Yank entering Berlin." He has heard nothing more about the offer.

Former Sgt. Al Schmid, Marine Corps hero blinded by enemy action at Guadalcanal, is slated as Democratic candidate for the Pennsylvania Senate from Philadelphia's eighth district.

Schmid, wearer of the Navy Cross, was credited with killing 200 Japanese in repelling an enemy attack in August, 1942.

Announcement of his candidacy was made by Congressman William J. Green, who was elected himself in 1944 while serving in the Army as a private.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley told the American Legion's national employment committee that more than one million former soldiers are unemployed and voiced his "grave concern" over the rapidly rising figures. The head of the Veterans Administration said that the unemployment rate for veterans is nearly three times greater than that for civilians. Meanwhile clarification of the issue of job seniority rights for veterans was sought by R. D. Siverson, of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. The head of the Chambers Manufacturing Co. told the Legion conference that Federal courts have split evenly in four decisions on the rights of veterans to reinstatement in a job regardless of who must be fired. Siverson said that many employers are giving veterans preference in new employment. Civil Service Commissioner Arthur Fleming said that preference will go to veterans in Government

hiring, but he warned that Federal payrolls will decline steadily during the next 18 months.

A new co-operative airlines company begun by veteran fliers of World War II has petitioned the Civil Aeronautics Administration to establish freight and passenger routes to principal cities in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia. The enterprise now has 115 members, all former Air Force fliers. But,

discharged servivemen who have ideas of starting small airlines of their own should think twice "before going off the deep end," says Capt. Eddie V. Rickenbacker, "because they won't be able to compete with large firms." Rickenbacker told newsmen: "the veteran service pilot will have a much more secure berth if he associates himself with a big airline."

Definition of a "brass hat" by Brig. Gen. Kenneth C. Royall, Undersecretary of War, who gave it to the chamber of commerce in Wilson, N. C.:

"A brass hat is an officer at least one rank higher than you whom you don't like and who doesn't like you."

Ex-Marine Sgt. William G. Harrell, Congressional Medal of Honor winner who lost both hands on Iwo Jima, married his Navy nurse in Mare Island Naval Base chapel. Harrell met and fell in love with his bride Miss Lorenz Anderson, of Vallejo, Calif., while recovering from wounds last May. Another veteran's bride, Rita Brankley Casciara, 17, formerly

of Nottingham, England, reached the U. S. by plane with her husband, Dominick, 22. Casciara, former paratrooper and European war veteran, said he flew to England because during the war when he asked permission to marry Rita her father said, "Come see me after the war's over." Casciara did, the father said yes, and the couple was married.

The Veterans Administration plans to polish up its inspection system to prevent exploitation of the veteran in training on the job. H. V. Stirling, director of rehabilitation and education, said he aims to have a training officer in the field for each 75 veterans and that enough are on hand now to meet the present need. Officials, however, are concerned that the fast-rising number of veterans joining the program may lead to abuses. Already 44,232 business establishments have been approved. "A great many veterans have been led to believe that if they get a job they will get 65 or 90 dollars monthly subsistence under the GI Bill," Stirling said. "The job in itself, however, is not a course of training as meant by the law." States have authority to designate employers for training veterans on the job, but it is the Government's responsibility to see he actually pursues a course of training.

Training On Job Checked



DOLLING UP: Chicago triplets, Judy, left; Joan, center, and Jean Marzella, will soon celebrate their fifth birthday anniversary, and they are getting permanent waves in preparation for the event. At the top they ponder the prospect for their first permanent; center, they wonder what is happening, and at the bottom, they show their joy at the results.

—Wide World Photo

# Ford Sought 55 Pct. Price Raise in July

DETROIT, Feb. 23 (AP)—Henry Ford II, president of the Ford Motor Co. asserted the Ford company had sought OPA approval of a 55 per cent increase in the price of Ford cars in the period between the fall of Germany and the surrender of Japan.

Ford's statement came a few hours after OPA Chief Chester Bowles said that the Ford company "in July, 1945 made formal application, to the OPA for a 55 per cent increase above the 1942 Ford ceiling prices."

Bowles termed the Ford request "outrageous."

Ford asserted the ceiling prices had been requested while the country was still at war with Japan, and resulted from limited production fixed by the War Production Board. Ford said that limited production had forced the FOB sales price of the "most popular" Ford model to 1,388.20 dollars, or 55 per cent more than the last peacetime selling price of 895 dollars.

"We immediately filed application on prices under OPA's wartime general maximum price regulation. This action had nothing whatever to do with peacetime price ceilings.

"May I add that I question the propriety of a Government official calling outrageous the action taken in strict accordance with a wartime Government regulation," Ford concluded.

# Innkeeper Slays Vet for Refusing To Wed Daughter

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 23 (INS)—Police arrested Frank Crocetti, 51, after a chase through two counties for the alleged killing of a young war veteran because the former soldier refused to marry the tavern keeper's daughter.

The dead man, John L. McMillen, Jr., 29, had re-enlisted in the Army and was to have reported for induction yesterday.

The shooting occurred following an argument as to whether McMillen would marry Crocetti's 21-year-old daughter, Fay.

# CMH Award Given Hero of Bastogne

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—S-Sgt. Archer T. Gammon of Chatham, Va., who single-handedly killed nine Germans and forced a Tiger Royal tank to withdraw before he was killed by a direct hit from the tank's 88MM gun, has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The War Department said the nation's highest military award will be presented to his father, Walter Gammon of Danville, Va. The action occurred Jan. 11, 1945, during the battle for Bastogne.

# Retired General Offers Plan To End Army 'Caste System'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A retired general who lashed out at the Army's "medieval caste system" came up with his own program to close the social gap between officers and enlisted men.

H. C. Holdridge, who took off his brigadier general's uniform a year ago, after 27 years as an officer, submitted his proposals to the House Military Affairs Committee at its request.

High on his 10-point list were these two suggestions:

1—Class all military personnel simply as "soldiers" with titles retained "for purposes of identification" only.

2—Put officers and men in identical uniforms, leaving insignia of rank as the sole means of telling them apart.

Holdridge, a West Pointer, who directed his blast at the Army earlier this week, appeared before the committee to oppose compulsory military training in peacetime.

## TWO CLASSES RESULT

In his statement today, Holdridge declared that existing distinctions between officers and men result in two classes in the Army—"a superior and an inferior."

Other points in his program: Command and authority to be

based "on a position of responsibility, not merely on rank."

Elimination of economic distinctions between officers and enlisted men through revision of Army pay schedules and equalization of allowances.

Requirement that all personnel not residing in private homes live in the same barracks and eat in the same quarters. "Such differentiation" as might be permitted would be based on the degree of responsibility for efficient management of quarters and messes.

## WOULD REVISE SCHOOLS

Abandonment of "all segregation between officers and enlisted men in places of amusement in public."

Provision for a "clear channel of promotion from bottom to top, so that any man entering as a recruit might achieve top rank, according to his abilities."

Revision of the Army school system by providing a progressive course of training for varying levels of responsibility. West Point would be reconstituted as a graduate school.

Creation of a "new system of military justice apart from the hierarchy of command to eliminate open and covert pressures, with experienced, permanent judges with qualified counsel for accused and with juries drawn from levels of military personnel."

# House Passes Measure Aimed to Curb Petrillo

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (INS)—The House passed a bill aimed at James Caesar Petrillo, president of the American Federation of musicians, and designed to curb his alleged coercive activities against the broadcasting industry.

The House bill outlaws certain types of strikes and boycotts in broadcasting and record manufacturing industries.

# Hore-Belisha Visits Church

MIAMI BEACH, Feb. 23 (AP)—Winston Churchill entertained dinner Leslie Hore-Belisha, former British war minister in the Chamberlain cabinet, who is vacationing here after a tour of Central South America.



# 508th Cops USFET Playoffs, 48-47

## Holmes Raps 3118th's Hopes With Goal in Last 5 Seconds

By JACK DONOVAN, Staff Correspondent

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23—Ralph Holmes climaxed a rough, fast game by dropping in the winning basket with five seconds remaining to give the 508th PIR a heart-breaking, 48 to 47, triumph over the 3118th Sig. Sv. Gp., and the finale of a three game series in the USFET playoffs, before a capacity crowd of 800 hysterical fans in the Victory Park gym.

The Signalmen grabbed the lead before the game was four minutes old and were in front all the way except for two brief one-point advantages the Red Devils enjoyed during the free-scoring third period.

A tight loser's defense in the opening period forced the Troopers to fire from long range while the 3118th continually broke through to build up a 18-8 lead.

The Red Devils bounced back in the next two stanzas to shave the Signalmen's lead to 25-22 at the intermission and 37-36 as the fourth quarter got under way.

Cedric Loftis, former Duke varsityman, opened the last period by pushing in a long side shot and Johnny Hartman and Pete Stipanuk followed suit to move the losers six points in front.

### FABIAN CUTS MARGIN

From there on in the two clubs swapped baskets until with 20 seconds remaining and the Troopers on the short end of a 47-44 count, Harry Fabian let fly from near center court to cut the disadvantage to one point and Jimmy Combs missed a chance to tie it up with a free throw after a technical foul.

With the ball still in the Red Devil's possession after the foul, the stage was set for Holmes' game-winning effort that never touched the rim as it slipped through.

The 3118th's Loftis was easily the outstanding player on the floor with his left-handed hook shot and fine defensive play holding the losers together. Although outscored by teammate Stipanuk, who led the scoring parade with 15 points, Loftis dunked in half-dozen goals and two gratis tosses for 14 points.

Everybody hit from the field for the winners except one substitute with Combs' 12 points high. Vern Winters turned in a good back-court game for the 508th. The box score:

508th PIR		3118th Sig.	
	G F F		G F F
Combs f	6 0 4	Williams f	2 0 4
Meyers f	4 0 0	Liehr f	0 1 2
Sheehy f	0 0 0	Hartman f	5 3 0
Holmes c	5 1 2	Honig c	0 0 3
Winters g	2 3 1	Stipanuk g	5 5 3
McVay g	1 0 2	Loftis g	6 2 0
Fabian g	3 2 3		
Totals	21 6 12	Totals	18 11 12

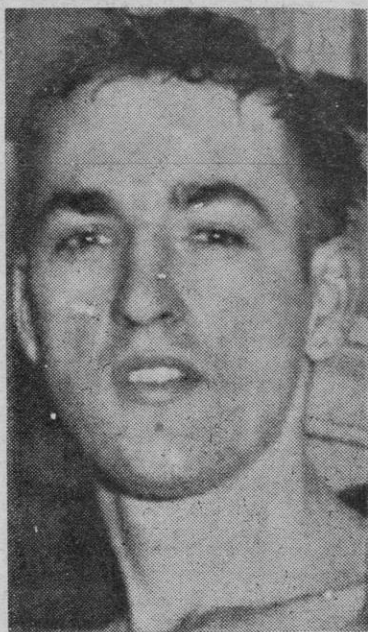
Score at the half: 508th 22, 3118th 25. Free throws missed: Combs, Meyers, Holmes, Hartman, Loftis. Technical foul: Stipanuk. Officials: Bohn and Rennard.

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Ralph Holmes  
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## Strike Perils Anita Derby

ARCADIA, Calif., Feb. 23 (INS)—Rebellious horse owners, trainers and grooms came up with an ultimatum today that pointed toward shutting down the famed Santa Anita track for the remainder of the season.

Far from abandoning their strike threat, which was thought cancelled when the purses were upped 200 dollars, a spokesman for the dissatisfied groups declared that there will be no more racing until the California House Racing Board and Santa Anita officials arbitrate their differences.

Failure to settle these differences will result in the cancellation of today's Washington Day's program with the 25,000-dollar San Gabriel Handicap and tomorrow's 100,000-dollar Derby.

# Cockades, Co. K Unbeaten in Tourney Play

SCHWETZINGEN, Feb. 23—Undeclared 3rd Inf. Regt. Cockades and Co. K, 7th Inf. will oppose undefeated 3rd Division and 204th M.P. Co. respectively in the finals of the 7th Army Class A and B basketball championship here.

Rallying in the final minutes of a hectic see-saw court battle, the

best to e... inv... hird Regt. The box score: Third Div. G F T Posipanka f 5 1 11 Barberian f 4 0 8 Visser f 1 0 2 Mandic c 3 5 11 Murphy g 2 1 5 Duym g 2 1 5 Gibbons g 2 0 4 Oth Totals 21 8 50 Totals 19 8 46 Bormore at the half: Third Regt. 19, 3rd Div. 24. sports, kades nipped the 3rd Division, down 16, yesterday afternoon. he Blue Devils were out in front Schuls at the intermission but Les Chalet en, Al. Wolfe and Ed. Moeller laborated to carry the Cockades as a 44-44 tie with three minutes to women! Gene Vance, former Illinois

## WBS Stars Rout BPC

BREMEN, Feb. 23—The high flying Western Base Section All-Stars swept past the Bremen Port Command Bears, 49-37, last night to win the TSFET Class A tournament and a berth in the ET championships, March 13-17. The All-Stars and Bears fought their way to the finals by disposing of WBS Command and 311th Inf. BPC trounced WBS Command, 68-28 while the All-Stars were rolling up the highest score of the tourney in beating the Infantry, 74-43.

In last night's tilt there was no double about the outcome as the Stars built up a 29-15 halftime lead. Although BPC's Don Weaver was high scorer with 15 points, he was the only man that could hit consistently against the smooth-playing quintet from Paris. The box score:

Bremen Port		All-Stars	
	G F T		G F T
Weaver f	6 3 15	Minor f	2 2 6
Koster f	0 0 0	Edwards f	0 0 0
Moore f	0 0 0	Klinker f	5 0 10
Hughes f	2 0 4	Detinger c	4 0 8
Brown c	1 4 6	Wittig g	5 1 11
Vicar g	0 0 0	Isidore g	6 2 14
Smith g	0 0 0		
Blacnick g	0 1 1		
Hoedeb'r g	3 0 6		
Lifle g	2 1 5		
Steen g	0 0 0		
Totals	14 9 37	Totals	22 5 49

Score at the half: BPC 15, WBS 29.

## Coliseum Grants 5 Dates to L.A. 11

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22 (AP)—The Los Angeles Coliseum commission voted today to grant the Los Angeles club of the All-America Professional Football League five dates in the Coliseum next fall.

The Commission earlier had voted four choice dates in the Coliseum to the Los Angeles Rams of the National Pro Football League.

Dates given the All-Americans in a one-year contract approved by the commission are Sept. 15, Sept. 22, Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and Dec. 14 or 15. The latter date is contingent on a possible playoff game for the Rams in the National League.

## Jimmy Bivins' Wife Claims His Next Purse

CLEVELAND, Feb. 23 (AP)—Heavyweight Jimmy Bivins' purse for the 10-round bout with Joe Walcott here Monday is already tied up.

Common Pleas Judge Julius Kovachy ordered the Cleveland Negro's share of the proceeds turned over to the court after Bivins' wife, Dollree, filed an amended petition asserting the fighter was in arrears in his 350 dollars a-month separate maintenance.



Bob Kurland

## Kurland Hits For 58 Points

STILLWATER, Okla., Feb. 23 (UP)—Bob Kurland, seven-foot center of the Oklahoma A and M basketball team, set a new National Collegiate individual scoring record tonight with 58 points as his teammates trampled helpless St. Louis University, 86-33.

Kurland singled the nets with 25 field goals and eight free throws to break the old record of 53 points in one game set last year in Madison Square Garden by George Mikan, DePaul star.

## Ernie Calverly Breaks Four-Year Scoring Mark

ORONO, Me., Feb. 23 (UP)—A new four-year college basketball scoring record was set tonight by Ernie Calverly, of Rhode Island State, as he led his team to a 82-69 victory over the University of Maine.

Calverly, by netting 20 points, brought his four-year total to 1,747 to wrest national honors from Stanley (Stutz) Modzelewski, a former Rhode Island Stater, who set a mark of 1,730 in 1942.

## Chicago Loses No. 60

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 (AP)—Ohio State's basketball team handed the University of Chicago its 60th straight defeat in Big Ten competition, 53-31 last night.

## Blue Devils Bounce Back Against Heidelberg, 54-36

The 3rd Div. Blue Devils dropped the Heidelberg All-Stars from the Class A section of the 7th Army tourney with an easy 54-36 victory last night.

The winners built up a 26-9 halftime advantage and coasted from there on in. Johnny Mandic poured in 20 points for the Blue Devils while teammate Bobby Almstrom registered 10.

## MPs Oust Co. B From Playoffs, 47-42

After trailing most of the way, the 204th M.P. Co. spurted from behind to nip Co. B, 302nd Sig. Opn. Bn., 47-42, in the Class B game last night and move into the finals.

With 10 minutes left, Bob Phillips and Russ Willard started hitting along with Art Anderson, who scored eight of the winner's last 12 points, to sew up the game.

Gene Ruble, high-scoring Signal center, was the outstanding man on the floor as he hit for 24 points.

## Oma TKOs Gus Lesnevich In 4th Round

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (UP)—Heavyweight Lee Oma spoiled Gus Lesnevich's 31st birthday by scoring a technical knockout over the light-heavyweight champion at the end of the fourth round here last night.

Referee Arthur Donovan ended the fight after Dr. William H. Walker examined Lesnevich's gashed left eyebrow and refused to permit him to come out for the fifth round of the bout which was witnessed by 10,000 fans.

Lesnevich's light-heavyweight title was not at stake because both principals scaled over the 175 pound limit—Oma 189½, Lesnevich 183.

Oma, ranked as the No. 4 world heavyweight contender, spoiled not only Lesnevich's birthday, but also his bid to crash into the heavy-weight contenders circle.

## Ike Williams to Meet Bolanos on April 30

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP)—Promoter Mike Jacobs said Ike Williams must successfully defend his semi-world lightweight championship against Enrique Bolanos in Los Angeles, April 30, if he wants a shot at Bob Montgomery, who owns the other half of the crown, in the Garden on May 17.

Jacobs said the Williams-Montgomery fight signed several weeks ago hinged on the fact that both fighters must still be champions on May 17 as the bout was made in order to clear the dual lightweight title muddle.

## Jeffries Critically Ill

BILBAO, Calif., Feb. 23 (INS)—James J. Jeffries, former heavyweight boxing champion, is critically ill at Burbank hospital.

His left side is totally paralyzed from a stroke he suffered three days ago. However, hope for recovery was held out by his physician, despite the one-time champion's advanced age of 70.

## Hogan Takes Lead In Pensacola Open

PENSACOLA, Fla., Feb. 23 (AP)—Ben Hogan, fired a 6-under par 66 to take a two-stroke lead at the half-way mark of the 7,500-dollar Pensacola Open golf tournament with a 135 total.

In second place with 137 were Clayton Heafner and Freddie Haas Jr., who had 68's.

Willie Goggin, who paced the first round with 66 was far off form and slipped out of the top 20 with a 78, giving him 144.

## Signing Legion Players Out, Says Muddy Ruel

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23 (AP)—Harold D. "Muddy" Ruel, in his first official directive as special assistant baseball commissioner to A.B. Chandler, warned major and minor league clubs against signing American Legion players.

Reminding them that "professional baseball agreed to the regulation not to sign American Legion players," Ruel said the commissioner was "not unmindful of a previous bulletin sent out on the matter" and observance not in accordance with the intent and purpose of the regulation.

## Ohio State Swimmers Win

COLUMBUS, Feb. 23 (AP)—Ohio State's undefeated swimmers all but chased Michigan State's National AAU outdoor champions out of the pool as the Bucks romped to a 63-21 victory. Ohio won every event except the 150-yard backstroke.



# Pictorial Highlights of Current News Events



**SPOTS BEFORE YOUR EYES?** You not only have spots before your eyes, but stripes and checks as well when Louise and Katy Turner and June Gourson stroll along the beach at St. Petersburg, Fla.



**SAW DEFEAT:** Adm. K. Nomura, special envoy to the U. S. the day Pearl Harbor was attacked, said in a recent interview: "I knew that Japan could not possibly make a successful war against the U. S."



**LINKS N.Y. AND PARIS:** Commercial airline service between New York and Paris was established recently when the "Star of Paris" landed at Orly Field after making the trip from the U. S. in 26 hours. Flying time was actually 15 hours and 34 minutes, but several stops were made. The plane carried 36 passengers and a ton of freight, including mail.

—Associated Press Photo



**REFUGEES:** Polish Jewish refugees have been quartered in what was once the headquarters of the disappearing from the Russian zone in Berlin and German high command. Here a group crowds turning up in the American zone. They have been around a cook house shack while a GI stands guard.



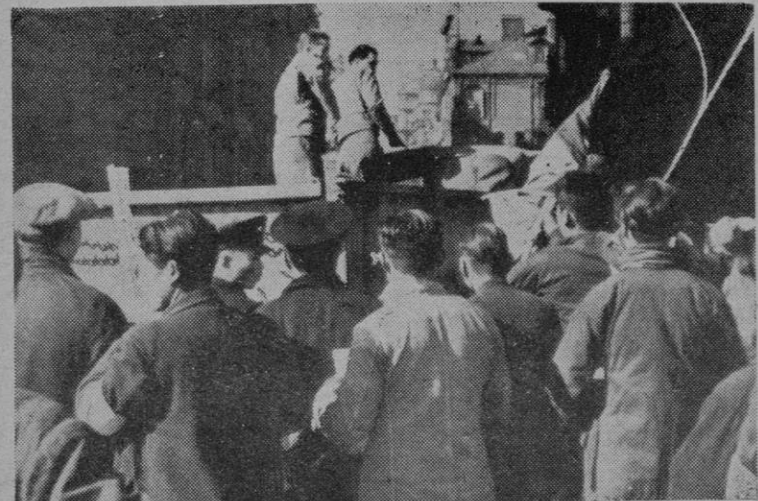
**HIGH HAT:** The newest in Easter bonnets are weatherproof, plastic and transparent. The whimsy this young lady is wearing is a high-crowned sailor in crystallite.

—Acme Photo



**BULLET-PROOF:** Betty Spang of Chicago exhibits a board of plastic body armor used by aviators as flak vests. Bullets fired at close range fail to penetrate the plastic.

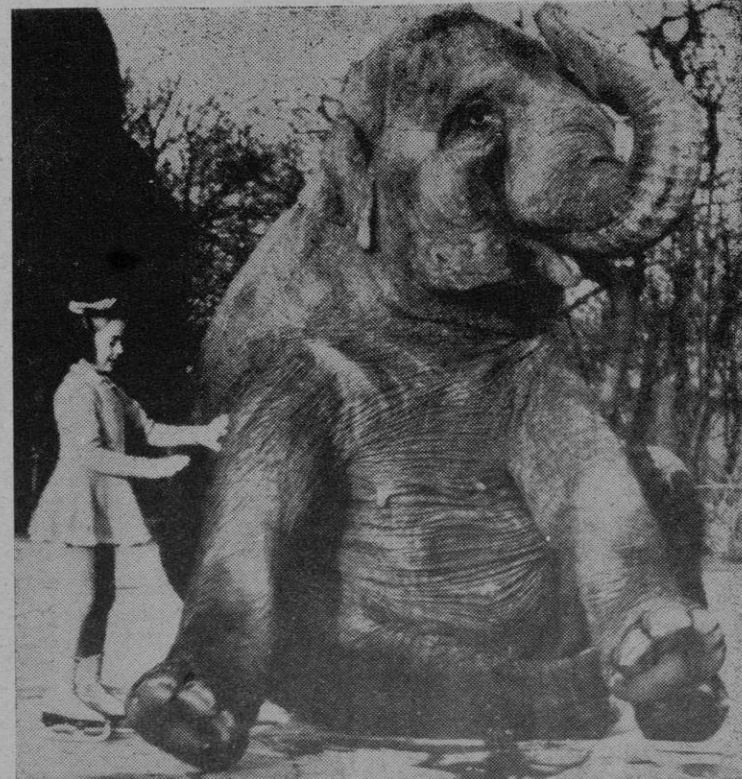
—Acme Photo



**CHINA 'INCIDENT':** Chinese workers attack two American sailors in a truck in Shanghai during a demonstration in which they demanded labor reforms. The picture was made in front of American Navy headquarters, and everyone in a U. S. uniform was beaten, including the photographer. A Chinese at the right wields a bamboo stick.



**TROPHIES:** Cpl. Leon W. Harmon, Long Beach, Calif., arrives in New York City from India wearing a fez and carrying a tomtom. He also takes his first drink of milk in two years.



**HELPLESS IN A BIG WAY:** Bambino, who made an appearance at a Stockholm, Sweden, skating rink for the first time, was a complete "bust" as far as the scheduled performance was concerned, but she put on an unexpected act that provided just as much entertainment for the spectators. The elephant's underpinnings gave away on the ice, and it was only after much patience and pleading by little Brigitte Zalla that she was able to get up again.



# Ribbentrop Seeks Churchill as Witness at Nurnberg

## Goering Asks For 2 Britons And a Swede

NURNBERG, Feb. 23—Joachim von Ribbentrop, former foreign minister of Hitler's Reich, today sought to call Winston Churchill as a witness at the international war crimes trial.

Churchill's name is on the list of witnesses which Ribbentrop's attorney, Martin Horn, prepared for submission to the International Military Tribunal, the United Press reported.

Horn did not give an explanation of why he seeks to call Churchill but, in a list submitted in writing Tuesday, Horn said Churchill could testify that he told Ribbentrop before the war that England would destroy Germany if she became too strong.

### MENTIONED BEFORE

(Churchill's name has been mentioned several times as a possibility on the witnesses sought by Nurnberg defendants, but this was the first time a formal request had been made.)

Counsel for Hermann Goering asked the tribunal to produce Birger Dahlerus, Swedish engineer of Stockholm as a defense witness, according to the Associated Press.

Dahlerus was described as an intermediary between Goering and British leaders in the war crisis seven years ago.

Dr. Otto Stahmer, Goering's lawyer, asserted Dahlerus, prompted by Goering, met with six British political figures at the beginning of August, 1939, in Sweden.

### DICKERS IN LONDON

Stahmer said that later in the same month "he (Dahlerus) negotiated repeatedly in London with Lord Halifax, Alexander Cadogan and other foreign office representatives in order to obtain a peaceful solution of the Polish-German conflict and to avoid war."

Goering's attorney explained that his case depended upon the testimony or interrogation of Dahlerus, Lord Halifax, Luftwaffe Gen. Karl Bodenschatz and Sir George Ogilvie Forbes, who was embassy chancellor in Berlin in 1939.

### Justice Jackson Makes Courtesy Call on Pope

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 23 (UP)—Justice Robert H. Jackson, U. S. prosecutor at the Nurnberg war crimes trial, had a private audience today with Pope Pius XII.



SEATTLE, Feb. 23 (UP)—Officer P. R. Mattingly, first policeman on the scene of a two-car collision, speedily determined which driver was wrong. He brought out his traffic ticket book and turned to the offending driver. It was his wife, but Mattingly issued the ticket anyway, paying the fine himself.



—Press Association Photo  
**SNOWED UNDER:** The railroad station at Hyak, near Seattle, and the houses in the area were partially hidden by the heaviest snowstorm in 20 years. The snow drifted to a depth of 15 feet.

## Hitler's Ex-Friend Putzi Reported on Hunger Strike

LONDON, Feb. 23 (UP)—Letters circulated today to London newspaper offices signed by Ernest F. Sedgwick (Putzi) Hanfstaengl, one-time Hitler confidant, said he had gone on a hunger strike in British internment in an effort to keep the British from deporting him to Germany.

Initial efforts to check authenticity of the letters were fruitless. However, it was learned that Hanfstaengl had visited the American Embassy trying to seek a U. S. visa and had made an effort to get Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt to help him. The letter said Hanfstaengl illegally was being held prisoner at the heavily barbed wired Beltane School prison cottage camp, just outside London.

"Dr. Hanfstaengl, who is in his 60th year, has today, Wednesday, Feb. 20, gone on a hunger strike as protest against British Governments decision to have him deported to Germany," the letter said. The letter said that it had been brought out by way of "underground channels."

The letter added, "deportation at this stage would place him unmercifully in grave danger of life from German underground fanatics."

Meanwhile, the United Press learned that within the last three months Hanfstaengl had gone to the U. S. Embassy under escort of British guard and tried to get a visa. Yesterday a letter also arrived from him.

## Big Purchases Put On Control Book

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23—Major PX purchases henceforth will be deductible from currency control books as a result of a USFET ruling announced today providing that items costing more than 25 dollars must be paid for by postal money order.

The new regulation applies to purchases made at Quartermaster sales stores and other military sources as well as at PXs.

The announcement revealed that a new and revised form of the currency control book is in preparation. The money order payment plan will be used starting immediately pending issuance of the new control book.

**Caballero Improving**  
PARIS, Feb. 23 (UP)—Francisco Largo Caballero, former premier of Republican Spain who is recovering from a leg amputation, was reported in better condition this morning. Doctors said, however, he was highly nervous.

## Seeker of 3 Billion Can't Pay His Rent

PARIS, Feb. 23 (UP) Leon Blum, who will leave for America next week as ambassador extraordinary to seek a 3-billion-dollar loan, has informed the French government he cannot afford to pay full rent for his apartment.

He occupies rooms in the historic Luxembourg Palace where he pays the state rent on the basis of the amount of furniture in the suite. Blum has requested that some of the furniture be removed, "because I am not rich enough to allow such an expensive life."

## Court Is Told Of Secret Ink

HAMILTON FIELD, Feb. 23 (AP)—The court marital trying S-Sgt. Frank Hirt on charges of conspiring to spy heard a woman acquaintance who suspected he was receiving and sending letters written in invisible ink.

Mrs. Georgina Walters of Los Angeles, told of walking in on Hirt in her home while he was apparently dabbling with a letter and baking soda.

"He had a letter before him. It was all wet and there was a milky solution in a small glass," she said. "He tore off a corner of the letter, folded it up and said, 'You didn't see anything, Kittycat.'"

In the spring of 1943, she said, Hirt gave her a letter to mail. It was addressed to "Alfredo Ney, Copacabana, Brazil," she added.

Mrs. Walters said she gave the letter to her husband after reading it.

She said she was able to remember only that it started "Dear Friend," was signed "Harry," and the word "pit" was used somewhere.

## Mine Blast . . .

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greatest mine disasters because he went to get a drink of water. Trapped with 10 other miners directly below the 325-foot-deep main shaft after the first explosion last Wednesday, Gronar left his companions and went to his makeshift workshop in the shaft for a drink.

There the exhausted miner fell asleep and was not awakened until the second series of explosions yesterday.

Unable to reach his comrades, buried by cave-ins following the last explosion, Gronar started to fight his way through the debris and climbed up side supports of the shaft to another level. Tunnel after tunnel he found blocked by fire or debris but finally located an exit and crawled two miles to the pit tunnels, where one of the last rescue parties found him.

## Tibetan Tribes Enslave Yank Fliers, Reports Say

LONDON, Feb. 23 (INS)—American airmen are reported being used as slaves by savage tribesmen of Southeast Tibet.

The London "Evening Standard" reports from Chungking that an American Army search team is leaving there soon to investigate the report that American fliers are being kept as slaves in the Himalayas, and they will travel 1,000 miles into

## France Is Irate Because Spain Executed Hero

PARIS, Feb. 23—The anger of France over the execution of a French Resistance hero and nine others by the Franco government rose today.

The Federation of Postal Employees ordered members to cut postal, telephone and telegraphic communications with Spain from noon today until noon tomorrow.

The French Constituent Assembly last night unanimously, except for the abstention of a rightwing group, condemned the execution of the hero, Christino Garcia, and the nine other Spanish Republicans.

The motion, presented by Deputies Francois de Menthon, Jacques Duclos, Edouard Herriot and Maurice La Croix said that the assembly learned of the execution "with indignant sorrow." It said that Garcia and his companions were shot "in hatred of that liberty which they formerly defended on our soil."

### EMBARRASSING POSITION

Relations with Spain have put the French government in an embarrassing situation. Jose Giral and the majority of his cabinet of the exiled Republican regime have been installed unofficially in France—presumably in preparation for a return to Spain.

On the other hand France still maintains relations with the Franco government and there has been no indication of an imminent breach, except in the step France made previously in inviting discussion with the U. S. and Britain.

## Shows Won't Bar Civilians in Mufti

FRANKFURT, Feb. 23—U. S. civilian personnel will not be barred from Special Service movie houses while wearing civilian clothing, USFET said yesterday.

The GI movies heretofore have been open to personnel in uniform only. USFET said the War Department had made an agreement with motion picture firms that all authorized personnel may attend showings regardless of uniform.

Major commands will be made responsible for seeing that only authorized persons are admitted to theaters. Special Service movies are restricted to personnel who have PX privileges, since the entertainment is paid for from PX profits.

## First Policewoman Soon to Patrol Tokyo

TOKYO, Feb. 23 (INS)—The Imperial Government disclosed today that the first Japanese policewomen in history will soon be patrolling the streets of Tokyo.

The uniforms of the female coppers will be patterned after American lines and will include trousers and sporty overseas caps.