

One Year Ago Today  
First and Third Army pincer narrows to 10 miles around Germans. Forts and Liberators batter supply line. British shoot up ELAS rearguards near Athens.

# 12,000 Manila GIs Mass, Boo Slowdown; Senator Hits Army's 'Bad Management'

## Patterson No. 1 Foe, Angry Soldiers Cry

MANILA, Jan. 7 (INS).—Twelve thousand GIs, angered by a slow-down in demobilization, tonight booed a statement issued by their commander, branded Secretary of War Robert Patterson their "No. 1 Enemy" and called for an avalanche of political pressure on Congress to "get us home."

In a demonstration termed "unique in military annals anywhere," irate servicemen massed in and around the Philippine legislative building and the City Hall.

Military police, acting on the orders of Lt. Gen. W. D. Styer, the U.S. Army commander in the Philippines, made no effort to disperse the noisy but orderly mob.

A mass meeting convened promptly at 6 PM in defiance of Gen. Styer's radio appeal for a cessation of the demonstrations which began yesterday with a protest march on the commander's headquarters.

Gen. Styer, in appealing for a halt to the demonstrations, warned that mob action by American soldiers was setting a "bad example" for the Filipinos.

Bearing freshly painted placards of protest, the servicemen stood shoulder to shoulder or sat within the collapsed legislative walls under which probably 300 American soldiers and at least 1,200 Japanese lie entombed.

They stood and sang the national anthem, and then listened to Gen. Styer's statement read by a GI over a public address system.

Throughout his plea, in which he sought to justify the War Department's position that for the next six months overseas troop requirements will surpass replacements, Gen. Styer's words were continually heckled.

Military police said all demonstrations had been orderly, and even good-natured.

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Demonstrating GIs carried placards with such slogans as:

"Yamashita and Patterson — Both Don't Know."

"We Are Tired of False Promises, Double-Talk and Double-Crossing."

"We Want Ike."

"Heaven Can Wait—We Can't."

"Forty-Eight Is Much Too Late."

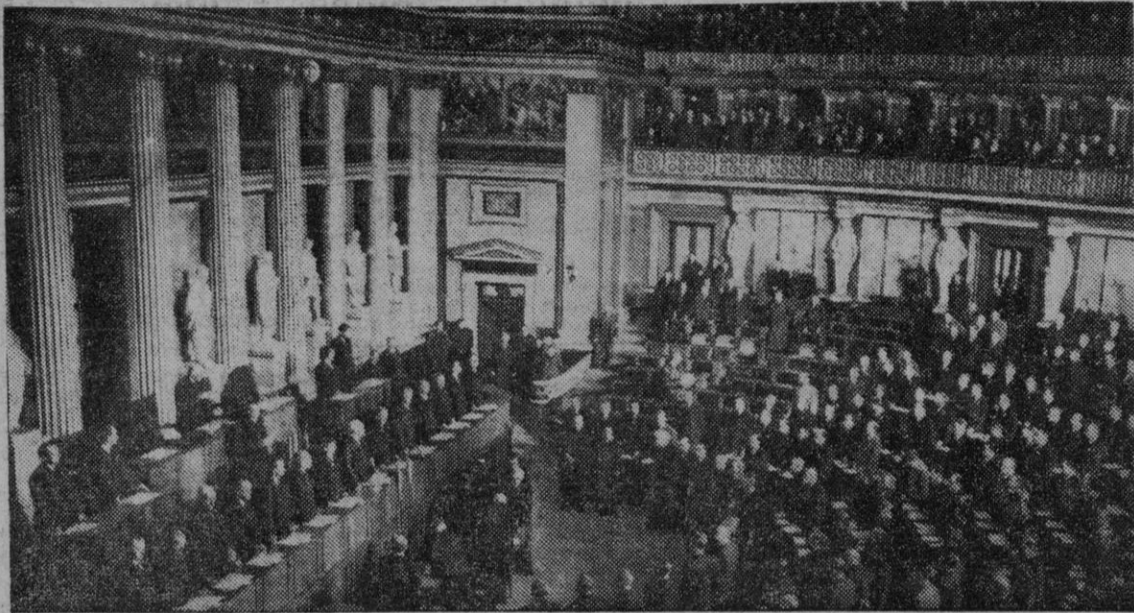
The reference to Yamashita was prompted by the Jap general's statement that he didn't know anything about atrocities in Manila.

Soldier speakers at a "beefs meeting" counselled men against excesses and said they hoped to put their case before a Congressional sub-committee scheduled to visit Manila.

They also said they wanted to place their protests before Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, who had been scheduled to reach Manila today from Tokyo, but Gen. Styer told a GI committee that Patterson sent word he had decided to bypass Manila.

Styer told GI committeemen that (Continued on Page 8, Col. 4)

### Parliament of New Austrian Republic Convenes



This is the first meeting of the new parliament elected under the second Austrian Republic. The hall is one of the few rooms not damaged when retreating Germans fired the building.

## U.S., Allies Recognize Austria Renner Regime

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (ANS).—The U.S. formally recognized the Government of Austria today and expressed hope that the first nation engulfed by Nazi Germany soon would achieve democracy and complete independence.

Russia, Great Britain and France joined this country in granting recognition to the Vienna regime headed by Chancellor Leopold Figl and President Karl Renner. The gesture, however, does not affect the authority of the Allied council which will continue to carry out "Allied objectives" in Austria.

A simultaneous announcement issued by the four Allied powers said that "eliminating Nazi influences and institutions in Austria and assisting in the reconstruction of democratic life" would continue to be the goal of military government.

Troops May Be Cut  
However, it was added that "a large-scale reduction may be made in the number of occupation troops of the four states (the U.S., Russia, Britain and France) and Austria may progressively acquire the status of an independent state."

The U.S. recognition announcement included the text of a message from President Truman to Dr. Renner. It said: "I wish to extend to you my sincere congratulations on your election as President of the Austrian Republic and my best wishes in your task of completing the liberation of Austria and the revival of"

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## Guards Tell Of Lichfield Censorship

By Art White  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Two former Tenth Reinforcement Depot prison guards testified at the Lichfield trial today that they tried in vain to inform relatives in the U.S. of brutal treatment at Lichfield Guardhouse. Their letters were always intercepted by censoring officers, they said.

Pfc Philip A. Damon, Pittsfield, Mass., a guard, said he wrote his father in November "because I thought the people at home should do something about the rotten conditions at Lichfield."

He said he was called before a Capt. Allen, CO of the guard pool detachment, who warned him the letter was "a breach of security, because it cast discredit on the U.S. Army."

Told Not to Write Again

Damon said Capt. Allen declared: "What goes on at Lichfield is supposed to remain here." He said he was warned not to write home again about conditions there.

The witness told the court his letter was concerned solely with brutal treatment he had seen meted out to prisoners and did not involve security.

S/Sgt. Joseph M. Milner, Pierz, Minn., testified that a letter he wrote to a friend in the U.S., describing brutal treatment he had witnessed, was cut to pieces by the censoring officer.

One Sentence Left

He said all that remained of the letter, which his girl friend returned to him, was one-and-one-half inches containing the introductory sentence.

He declared the original letter was concerned only with bad conditions at the Tenth Depot. He said he did not know who censored the letter.

Earlier, describing how he saw a paratrooper made to run around the guardhouse "more than 50 times" until he was exhausted, Damon told the court that "the stock phrase" used by Lichfield guards when talking to prisoners was, "Your soul may belong to God, but your body is mine." There were other similar "stock phrases," the witness said.

Japan GIs' Morals Lashed

CHICAGO, Jan. 7 (INS).—Capt. Harold Ogara, Catholic Army chaplain on terminal leave after 25 months in the Pacific, said today that American morals in Japan were so low that "they even lowered standards of the Geisha girls."

## Electric Strike Set for Jan. 15

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (ANS).—The United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO) today called on 200,000 workers from coast to coast to strike Jan. 15 in plants of General Electric, Westinghouse and General Motors.

Thus by Jan. 15 more than 1,000,000 members of the three big CIO unions—the Electric, Steel and Automobile workers—are scheduled to be on strike.

All three unions seek \$2-a-day raises, or about 30 per cent increase.

At the same time union locals in five communications companies announced they would confer today on whether members will handle Western Union's international communications if that company's New York offices go on strike as planned tomorrow.

The President's appointment yesterday of an emergency panel to study the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad deadlock with the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen averted a strike scheduled for 6 P.M.

## GIs Get Permanent Waves, Manicures at PX Barber Shops

Fifteen hundred GIs have received permanent waves during the last two months in Paris, according to an International News Service survey of the three PX barber and beauty shops maintained here by the Army.

Bored with waiting to be shipped home, tough sergeants and burly privates have decided to let that Army soupbowl haircut grow out into luxurious curly tresses. The boys are also going in for dye jobs. About 600 soldiers a month suddenly become blonds or red heads.

The sight of a big GI, hairnet tied under his chin to hold his finger wave in place, waxing his new permanent in the hot blast of the hairdrier, has become so commonplace that none of the other

GI customers who drop in for the more classic shave and haircut make any comments.

When GI Joe gets his permanent he receives the full treatment, the same as a GI Jane, and he has to pay the same price, with no refunds for his shorter hair.

Manicures have become part of the accepted routine of the barber shops with 40 percent of the soldiers asking for colorless nail-polish.

Sgt. Sam Crandall, of Salt Lake City, GI manager of the PX barber shop, declared, "These guys are so bored with waiting to get home they'll try anything. We even have some fellows who've come in for their second permanent but don't fool yourself, they're plenty tough."

## Johnson Assails Delay, Raps 'Scattered Army'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (INS).—Sen. Edwin Johnson (D-Colo.) assailing the slowdown of demobilization, accused the Army of "bad management" and criticized its farflung deployment of troops. The ranking member of the Senate Military Affairs Committee added that he believed the Army's appropriations should be cut.

"The slowdown is a result of bad management," said Sen. Johnson. "It grows from a badly conceived idea that the U.S. must have its Army scattered all over the world. I want to know how many soldiers we have in Australia, New Guinea, India, Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia, England, Ireland, Canada and a few hundred other places and why we have them there."

Sen. Chapman Revercomb (R-W. Va.) called for speedier reduction of occupation forces and no slowing down of the return of veterans. About 360,000 men have volunteered since September, said

Revercomb, and the whole Army could be put on a volunteer basis in a few months.

Sen. Elbert D. Thomas (D-Utah) Military Affairs Committee Chairman, predicted the situation soon will adjust itself. "Voluntary enlistments are increasing and needs are decreasing," he said. "We are making good progress."

Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) declared: "It seems to me that voluntary enlistments plus inductions should be ample to meet the needs of the armed forces. The demobilization job must be speeded up rather than slowed down."

## Civilian Help Lack at Camps Holds Low-Pointers in States

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (INS).—The War Department disclosed today that lack of civilian workers in Army separation centers was holding up low-point soldiers who otherwise could be sent overseas as replacements.

A spokesman said that local appeals for civilian help for separation centers and civil service offices in the various commands had met with little response.

It had been announced previously that 20,000 civilians were "urgently needed" to replace high-point military personnel working in separation centers prior to release from active service.

The War Department now plans

a nationwide civilian recruiting campaign to circumvent "too drastic" a decline in civilian personnel.

Statistics revealed that civilian employment in War Department branches throughout the U.S. declined 50,452 in November, almost twice the monthly average rate for the 1944-1945 fiscal year.



**But Wasn't It Chilly?**

For the past six months I have been trying to get a pair of 32-33 OD pants; the supply sergeant always tells me that that size is exhausted.

I am exhausted too. I have been sweating out my ship home and I



have been sweating out a pair of pants. It looks like I'll have to go home naked because the lack of pants will never stop me. — Pfc James E. Kuhn, C Btry, 187th FA Bn.

Editor's note: Above letter was referred to Theater Chief Quartermaster who replied that the soldier has been redeployed to the States and therefore it is impossible to take any corrective action on his behalf.

**Can Be Compensated**

While fighting with the 26th Div. I suffered shrapnel wounds from a German shell and lost my left eye. Later this eye was replaced with a plastic one and I was made LA. We were told that at the end of the war we would be the first ones sent home.

I have only 50 points but I feel that I have sacrificed just as much as that General's son who got out with 38 points or the 41-point football star who was released.

I talked to an officer about what compensation I could get when I get out. He answered that none could be expected as I was only partially disabled.

Nothing can be done about my eye, but I don't see why I should be overlooked under redeployment and for compensation too.—T/5 E. S. Coale, 3618 QM Trk. Co.

Editor's note: This letter was referred to JA, TSFET (Main) who replied that this soldier's case was appealing but no redeployment directive or WD policy is found whereby a disability from combat wounds can be a basis for redeployment unless it is sufficiently disabling for discharge.

The soldier will be entitled to a pension for loss of an eye due to combat wounds, on his honorable discharge. He can refer to Veterans Regulation No. 1 (a); Supplement II, Military Laws, Section 1140; Sec. X, Bulletin 24, WD, 20 December '44. At the time of his separation from the service he should make sure that a claim is prepared for his signature and is submitted to the Veterans Administration.

**Puzzled at 'Phony' CIB**

Since my hospitalization for trench foot last winter and subsequent reassignment to ASCZ Third Army, I have seen many things that puzzled, angered and sickened me by turns, but this latest is about the lowest yet.

In this headquarters is a major whose only infantry experience was gained in an IRTC in the States and whose total combat time consist of a few days during the Battle of the Bulge when he was on detached service to an engineer GS regiment that was on DS to a cavalry outfit. Now, this major is sporting a Combat Infantryman's Badge.

A lot of good men died and a lot more went through hell to give the Combat Infantryman's Badge the prestige it now carries, and I detest seeing it cheapened by anyone wearing it without earning it.—Sgt. William Stein, G-4 Third Army.

**Feel Ceremony Futile**

A group of men from the 90th Inf. and the 10th Armd. Divs., were recently assembled in Metz, France, to "participate in ceremonies relative to the battle of Metz."

My group of 11 ex-90th men traveled a round trip of 800 miles to attend, only to be sandwiched between a group of French Boy and Girl Scouts.

Our presence was never acknowledged nor did a man from either combat outfit participate in any sense. The colors of our old outfits were not there. We remember the sweat, blood, mud and toil we suffered in the Metz area and don't recall seeing the Corps MP who was decorated working there with us.

Why were we brought there? Why didn't combat troops even have a representation in the group receiving awards?

We were not even given good places as spectators. We wonder if anyone can justify the treatment of the infantrymen and tankers who were "elected" to go to Metz for the ceremony.—11 Ex-90th Div. Doughs.

**Spaatz Linked In Pa. Race For Governor**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—Gen. Carl Spaatz became famous in 1929 for commanding the "Question Mark" to a new endurance flight record. Now he's a question mark in Pennsylvania politics.

Four of the state's top Democratic officials visited the 54-year-old chief of Army's Strategic Air Forces yesterday at his Alexandria, Va., home. Afterward, although political leaders were non-committal, Spaatz told a reporter they had "casually" discussed Pennsylvania's coming gubernatorial campaign.

He added: "No decision was reached on that."

The one-time Boyerstown (Pa.) boy typesetter frequently has been mentioned as a possible Democratic candidate to succeed Republican Governor Edward Martin, retired Army major general, who cannot succeed himself.

Spaatz generally is regarded here as heir apparent to Gen. H. H. Arnold if and when the latter resigns as Army Air Forces chief. Informed Army sources say Arnold may resign "very shortly"—perhaps this month.

**Airpower May Be Sole Weapon of Next War: Arnold**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—Gen. H. H. Arnold, Commanding General of the U.S. Air Force, today said airpower "may be the only weapon used should there be another war" and offered a three-point program for maintenance of American air strength.

In a radio address, Arnold said: "Overwhelming air power at the disposal of the International Security Council is the present way to peace."

The air chief defined the three phases of his program as follows:

- 1—Maintenance of a "striking air force that the aggressor knows can take off against him on a notice of minutes." This force should consist of 3,900 planes and about 400,000 men.
- 2—"Constant and driving research that must never end."
- 3—"The need of an air-minded people to support it."

**Palermo Police Outpost Attacked by Outlaws**

PALERMO, Jan. 7 (AP).—Nearly 100 outlaws armed with automatic weapons and hand grenades attacked a carabinieri outpost at Pioppo on the outskirts of Palermo, according to a Palermo dispatch to the Rome newspaper Giornale Del Mattino today.

This is the third such attack in a fortnight. One of the police was wounded and one of the attackers is believed to have been wounded, the report said.

**Peace, Brother**

**By Jerry Callahan**



"Shall I wrap it, or will you drink it here?"

**Snow in the Southland**



It's usually warm in Atlanta but the Georgia capital did not escape the fury of a big storm which recently swept the Atlantic seaboard. A light snow blanketed the city and Sgt. Virginia Romero of the Marines clears it from an automobile.

**Brothers, Back From the Wars, Renew Battle on Corporations**

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP).—Back from the wars, the Gilbert brothers are readying plans for renewal of a 13-year battle they have waged against certain large American corporations.

They are Lewis D., 38, who calls himself "No. 1 minority stockholder of the U.S.," and John J., 31.

Lewis spent three and a half years with the Army and served as a corporal and chaplain's assistant in the Solomon and Marshall Islands. John, a private who was an MP in Egypt for a while, has been back in civilian life for almost a year.

Armed with their own proxies as well as those mailed in from other minority stockholders all over the country, the brothers will try to attend 76 annual meetings in 1946—a sizable increase from 46 in 1937 and only a handful in 1933, their initial year in this activity.

Whenever it is physically possible, the Gilberts will represent—free—any small investor who asks them to speak up on his behalf. They claim to make no solicitation of funds but have acknowledged the receipt of donations "for postage and stationery expenses." Nothing higher than \$2 is accepted, they say.

**British Admiral a Baron**

TOKYO, Jan. 7 (AP).—King George has conferred a barony on Adm. Sir Bruce Fraser, commander of the British Pacific Fleet, a British aide announced yesterday.

**Japan GIs to Get U.S. Phone Calls Starting Jan. 10**

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (ANS).—Beginning Thursday, GIs in Japan may call up the home folks by radio telephone. The price—a special rate of \$12 for three minutes.

American Telephone and Telegraph, announcing resumption on that date of radio telephone service to Japan, said that initially all calls must originate in Japan and will be limited to military and naval personnel.

Radio telephone service will begin between the U.S., Frankfurt and Munich on Thursday also.

**3 Million Francs Stolen From Marseille Consol**

MARSEILLE, Jan. 7 (UP).—Numerous blank passports and nearly 3,000,000 francs were stolen on New Year's Day from the villa of Uruguayan Consul Ernesto Kuhlental, police disclosed today.

Police said Mme. Jeanne Shille, 23-year-old Alsatian maid of the Consul, disappeared on the day of the robbery in the company of a friend who was implicated recently in hiding German prisoners of war.

**Ex-GI Admits Killing Woman Police Assert**

DETROIT, Jan. 7 (AP).—Chief of Detectives Paul Wencel announced last night that 19-year-old Pvt. Walter J. Blattert of the Michigan State Troops, a Third Army veteran, had admitted killing attractive Mrs. Gladys Marsden, a tavern acquaintance.

The nearly nude body of Mrs. Marsden, 40-year-old divorcee and employee of the Army Ordnance office here, was found early last Sunday morning in a schoolyard not far from the tavern she had left in the company of a young uniformed man. She had been strangled.

**Brought in by Brother**

Wencel said Blattert, who was wounded overseas, was brought to police headquarters by his brother, Charles, 30, and told of parting from a girl at the tavern and making the acquaintance of Mrs. Marsden.

Blattert, Wencel said, told this story:

"I was broke that night (Saturday). I picked up a girl on a street car and went to the bar."

"We had some drinks but I didn't have much money. My girl got mad when I began paying attention to Mrs. Marsden and she left."

**Got "Pretty Drunk"**

Blattert's story, Wencel said, went on to tell of his leaving the tavern with Mrs. Marsden after having become "pretty drunk."

"She told me where she lived. When we got to the school she started to argue. She was drunk too. That was when I hit her."

"I hit her maybe five or six times. Once I remember backing her up against a brick wall. She was too drunk to fight very hard. When I saw she was out, I took \$9 from her purse and took her watch and compact."

**Woman Not Raped**

"When I left her she rose on one elbow and made a little noise in her throat."

Medical examiners determined that Mrs. Marsden had not been raped. A school janitor found the bruised body the next morning clad only in shoes and stockings and a slip, which had been drawn over her head. A blow had broken her jaw.

**Little White House In Georgia to Be Memorial to FDR**

ATLANTA, Jan. 7 (ANS).—The little White House at Warm Springs, "second home" to Franklin D. Roosevelt, will be preserved as a memorial to the late President. Gov. Ellis Arnall announced yesterday.

Arnall said he and Basil O'Connor, president of the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation, had worked out preliminary details covering transfer of the property to the State of Georgia.

A condition of the memorial agreement, Arnall said, is that a separate entrance be provided so that tourists will not interfere with the treatment of infantile paralysis patients at the foundation.

**G.I. BILLBOARD**

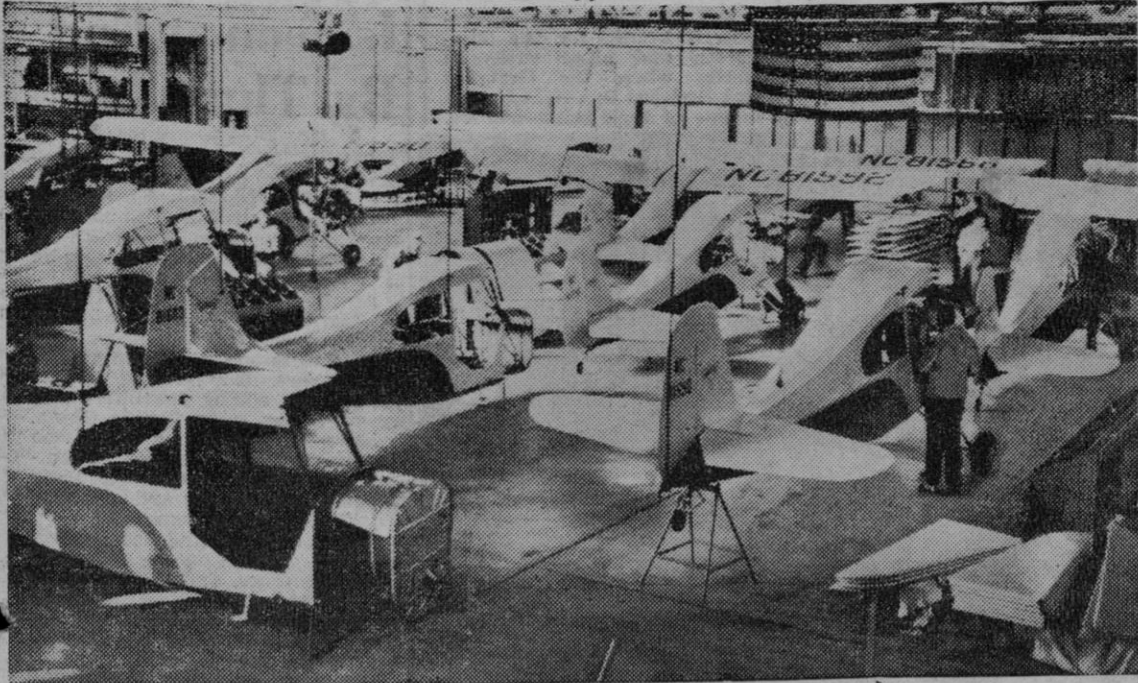
**Paris Area**  
**MOVIES TODAY**  
 MARGINAN—"You Came Along." Robert Cummings, continuous 1400-2300. Métro Marbeuf.  
 ENSA PARIS—"Diamond Horseshoe." Betty Grable, Dick Haymes, Métro Marbeuf.  
 OLYMPIA—Midnight show, same as Marginan, Métro Madeleine.  
**STAGE SHOWS**  
 ENSA - MARGINY—"French Ballet," Ballet International, French Folk Dances, Bohemian Feast, France 1900.  
 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.  
**MISCELLANEOUS**  
 PX BARBER SHOPS—12 Rue de Seze (opposite Rainbow Corner), weekdays 0800-2000, Sundays 0900-1700, with beauty parlor, 146 Champs-Elysées, 0900-1900 weekdays only, with beauty parlor, 48 Avenue Kléber, 0900-1900 weekdays only, no beauty parlor.  
 COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Métro Anvers.  
 LE PRADO CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Métro Ternes or Etoile.  
 ARMORIAL CLUB—Officers and guests only. 14 Rue Magellan, Métro George V.  
 OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment RIC 64-41. Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Métro Bourse.

**Marseille**  
 CAPITOLE—"Love Letters," Jennifer Jones, Joseph Cotten.  
**Metz**  
 SCALA—"Anchors Aweigh," Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra.  
 ROYAL—"Lost Weekend," Ray Milland, Jane Wyman.

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Pleasure Planes Roll Off the Assembly Lines



This is the final assembly department of the Aeronca Aircraft Corp. in Middletown, Ohio. Each day 20 light, personal planes roll off the mechanized conveyor.

The American Scene

VA Speeds Plane, Portable Lung To Get Paralyzed Vet to Florida

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—A paralyzed Army veteran lay in an iron lung at Vernon, Tex., yesterday, while a military plane sped to carry him across half the continent to a veterans' hospital.

Ex-soldier William N. Adams will be flown to the Veterans Administration's newly designated "nerve" center at Bay Pines, Fla., and the Army was hustling a portable respirator and a hospital plane to Texas for the trip.

Administration officials said in a statement that Adams, discharged last October after serving since January, 1941, suffered a postwar injury which partially severed the spinal cord at the fifth cervical vertebrae, leaving him completely paralyzed. The cause was unknown.

Notified of the accident, Veterans Administration officials arranged with the Surgeon General's office for a hospital plane to fly from Topeka, Kan. Saturday night to Cincinnati to pick up the portable respirator.

A regular respirator was on its way from Atlanta to Bay Pines by truck to receive Adams, officials said.

U.S. Woman on Bail as PW Aide

NASHVILLE, Jan. 7 (AP).—The 37-year-old wife of a Mississippi planter was freed yesterday under a \$2,000 bond after her arrest on a charge of aiding a German prisoner of war to escape and accompanying him from Mississippi to Tennessee.

FBI agents identified the woman as Mrs. Edith Rogers, who waived a removal hearing before a U.S. commissioner and posted a bond for appearance in the Federal court at Clarksdale, Miss., May 6.

The prisoner of war was listed by the Army as Helmut von der Aue, 26, a former corporal in the German Army.

Housing Chief Promises Red Tape Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—The new housing expediter, Wilson Wyatt Jr., today promised to cut any Federal red tape which prevents shelter-starved Americans from obtaining reasonably priced dwellings.

Wyatt announced he would call upon individual cities and towns shortly to prepare for "immediate prompt and effective action," adding that "no miracles" can be worked from Washington.

Emphasis will be on houses of low cost, he said, with full consideration to be given to rental housing, "for this is the particular interest of the veteran—and preference must be given to him."

50 Pairs of Loaded Dice Woman Who Denied Self Is Good Reason, Says Cop

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 7 (ANS).—Detective Walter Coe has obtained a warrant against Kenneth Franklin, 60, "being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself."

Coe said he thought that was a suitable charge against anyone caught "with 50 pairs of loaded dice and less than \$15 in his possession."

3 Join Blind Woman in Suicide

READING, Pa., Jan. 7 (UP).—The despondency of Mrs. Margaret Yiengst, a housewife, that she was going blind led her two sisters and her husband to join her in a suicide pact.

She was to have decided whether to enter a hospital for an operation, but she chose death.

About 2 AM Saturday, according to the coroner, they gathered in the kitchen, took sleeping tablets, drank some gin, opened the gas jets in the oven and lay down on the floor to die.

When a third sister and a neighbor broke down the apartment door eight hours later, the four bodies were found in a row on the floor, the head of each on a cushion.

Stark Asserts He Left Action Up to Kimmel

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (ANS).—Adm. Harold R. Stark said yesterday that he left all responsibility for movements of the Pacific Fleet up to Adm. Husband E. Kimmel, its commander, after ordering a "defensive deployment" Nov. 27, 1941.

As Chief of Naval Operations, Stark said, he made no check on how Kimmel was carrying out that order.

"In the Navy," Stark told the Congressional Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee, "an officer gives an order and expects a subordinate to carry it out."

Kimmel Next Witness

Concluding his week-long testimony, Stark contended that Kimmel had received "adequate information," and should have been on guard when the Japanese struck Dec. 7, 1941.

Kimmel will be the first witness to appear before the committee when it reconvenes Jan. 15.

Recent testimony has shown that Naval air reconnaissance was made on the morning of the Japanese surprise attack, but the planes scouted an area south of Hawaii, while the attackers were coming in from the north.

Secret Report Revealed

The disclosure of the scouting was made when a secret report from the late Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox to President Roosevelt was introduced before the committee.

Another admiral, H. K. Hewitt, revealed that Adm. Kimmel and Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, then Army commander in Hawaii, had vetoed the idea of unity of command in Hawaii in 1941.

Hewitt said in a report that Adm. Stark had proposed a combined operating center in Hawaii for use of Army and Navy staffs in case of an emergency. Kimmel and Short, however, opposed the idea.

Scrap Over Control

The two commanders fell out over the question of control over Wake and Midway Islands, Hewitt also said. When the Army agreed to station planes and Army personnel on the islands, Short demanded that he be allowed to command them.

"Over my dead body—the Army should exercise no command over Navy bases," Hewitt said Kimmel replied.

The result of the dispute was that Marine planes were sent to Wake and Midway, and the Navy remained in control.

Appeal in Paper Brings Return of GI's AWOL Dog

SEDALIA, Mo., Jan. 7 (AP).—Sgt. Don Karbon's dog, 66, companion of his soldiering days from Australia to Japan before becoming a statewide "AWOL," is being returned to its master's home in Hyattsville, Md.

Karbon, in a letter published today in the Sedalia Democrat, said the canine trooper was missing after his troop train had stopped here. "She answers to the name of 66," wrote the sergeant.

"An Australian sheep dog, she's been with me in Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. You and your city could do a fine deed if you would find her for me."

A few minutes after the paper was on the streets, Louis Wheeler, depot baggageman, reported he had been caring for 66 since he found her pacing the station platform after departure of the train. The dog is completing the interrupted trip east by express.

Directors Named For Vet TB Unit

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—Dr. John B. Barnwell of the University of Michigan has been appointed director of the Veterans' Administration Tuberculosis Service, with Col. Roy A. Wolford of Washington as associate director.

Last week the Veterans' Administration started a new program for the examination and care of tubercular veterans, of whom there now are approximately 100,000. The purpose is to prolong the good effects of hospital treatment after a veteran leaves a tubercular institution and to discover at an early stage any relapses.

Dr. Barnwell had worked extensively on tubercular treatments combining medicine and surgery.

'Kitty' Cheatham Dies; Famed for Song Recitals

GREENWICH, Conn., Jan. 7 (AP).—Catharine Smiley Cheatham, 81, internationally-known professional reciter and interpreter of childhood songs and literature, died Saturday after a short illness.

Known professionally as Kitty Cheatham, she appeared before many American and European audiences during a long career of recitals in which she placed special emphasis on works of American composers.

24 Lose Lives, 150 Hurt in Texas Twister

PALESTINE, Tex., Jan. 7 (ANS).

—The death of an Appleby woman last night brought the known death toll of the East Texas tornadoes to 24. The twisters, which lashed four counties, injured 150 others, many seriously.

The first official estimate of damage came from Cawson, which reported losses of approximately \$300,000, according to the Lufkin News. Thirty homes there were demolished and 75 other buildings were damaged.

There were still no estimates from Palestine, Nacogdoches, Shiloh, St. Paul and Lufkin, which also were hard-hit by the tornadoes.

21 Bodies Identified

The International News Service reported that bodies of 21 persons had been identified. The known dead, according to INS:

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morrison and two children, Charles and Homer; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ray and daughter, Mary; Richard Lipscomb, Mary and Merle Auxum, Teague Wylie, Ward Nixon and C. E. Hendrick, all of the Palestine area.

Mrs. Ed Smith, Mrs. Willie Dunn and Coy Dunn all of the Cawson area; Mrs. Oran Fore, Bonnie Reagan, Martha Aldridge and Eugene Scroggins, all of Nacogdoches, and Mrs. R.W. Till of Appleby.

Torrential Rains

The tornadoes, accompanied by torrential rains which left deposits as high as five inches in some localities, occurred early Friday evening.

Telephone and power lines were torn down, and at Decatur a Ft. Worth-Denver freight train was derailed, injuring seven persons.

Rep. LaFollette Seeks Willis' Seat in Senate

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 7 (AP).—Rep. Charles LaFollette (R-Ind.) has announced his candidacy for the Senate seat held by Senior Sen. Raymond Willis, (R-Ind.).

Willis, now 70, has stated he will seek renomination for a second Senate term at the 1946 GOP state convention next June.

LaFollette, 47, who is serving his second House term, said that he was a Senatorial candidate on the basis of a House speech last month in which he urged that the Republican party become the nation's radical party.

Congress Probes 'Blue Discharges'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—Abuses in connection with so-called "blue" discharges which have "deprived thousands of discharged soldiers of their rights" under the GI Bill have been under investigation for several months by a subcommittee of the House Military Affairs Committee, it was revealed yesterday.

While benefits of the GI Bill of Rights are applicable to all ex-service personnel discharged under "other than dishonorable" conditions, committee sources said, it has not worked out that way in actual practice. A full report of the Committee findings will go to Congress later this month.

As an example of what was called "the carelessness with which the Army has issued these discharges," a committee member said 32 percent of all "blue" discharges examined on review were changed to honorable discharges.

"There have been many cases in which blue discharges have been given to men suffering from mental disorders," the source said, adding that "a man whose discharge results from the fact that he is not mentally suitable should not be made to suffer the onus" of a discharge which is neither honorable nor dishonorable.

While only a court-martial can order a dishonorable discharge, it

was said that "blue" discharges are issued by boards of officers without judicial proceedings, but subject to review. They are generally issued to men found "incompatible" but make no reference to the character of the man discharged.

The name of the "in-between" discharge springs from the fact that it is issued on blue paper, while the honorable is on white paper and the dishonorable on yellow.

Spokesmen said that a second report the Committee is working on will deal with courts-martial and will sharply criticize the Army's administration of justice.

Too Good to Keep



This attractive picture of Alma Kaye, musical-comedy star, was made for use on St. Valentine's Day—but we just couldn't wait that long to publish it. The "cameraman" was Adelaide Leavy of New York.

# Poland to Protect Rights of Jews; Rejects Czechs' Territorial Claim

WARSAW, Jan. 7 (AP).—Polish Premier Osobka-Morawski has told the National Council of the Homeland (parliament) that the Polish government was affording every right and protection to the Jews and that any anti-Semitic activity would be severely punished.

In a discussion of Poland's internal affairs, the Premier asserted that the government gave its solid backing to the immigration of Jews to Palestine and other countries. He added, however, that the Jews should not resort to "chaotic and illegal" attempts to get out of the country, for this often "gives bad results."

### Situation Improved

"There were cases where Jews were murdered," Osobka-Morawski declared. "Those responsible will be severely punished. The situation in respect to Jews has improved lately."

The Premier asserted that out of a pre-war total of 3,200,000 Jews, only 80,000 still are left in Poland.

Despite the government's assurances of protection, Jews are continuing to leave Poland by thousands. They are pouring into the American occupation zone of Germany.

### One Incident

There is not, however, any evidence of widespread anti-Semitic activity in Poland and there has been no known incident of a mass attack upon Jews since a mob burned a synagogue last August. Two Polish militiamen were sentenced to death for participation in that incident.

Under Polish law, Jews are accorded equal rights with other citizens. At least three Jews hold high government posts.

Meanwhile, it has been disclosed that a new Polish note to Czechoslovakia has reaffirmed Poland's desire to settle issues peacefully, but has rejected Czech suggestions that territorial questions be barred from the negotiations.

### Bone of Contention

The chief bone of contention between the two countries is the Teschen area at the southeast of the highly industrialized Silesian region. The Poles claim the area is "historically and ethnically Polish," while the Czechs maintain it contains the most important Czech coal fields and industries.

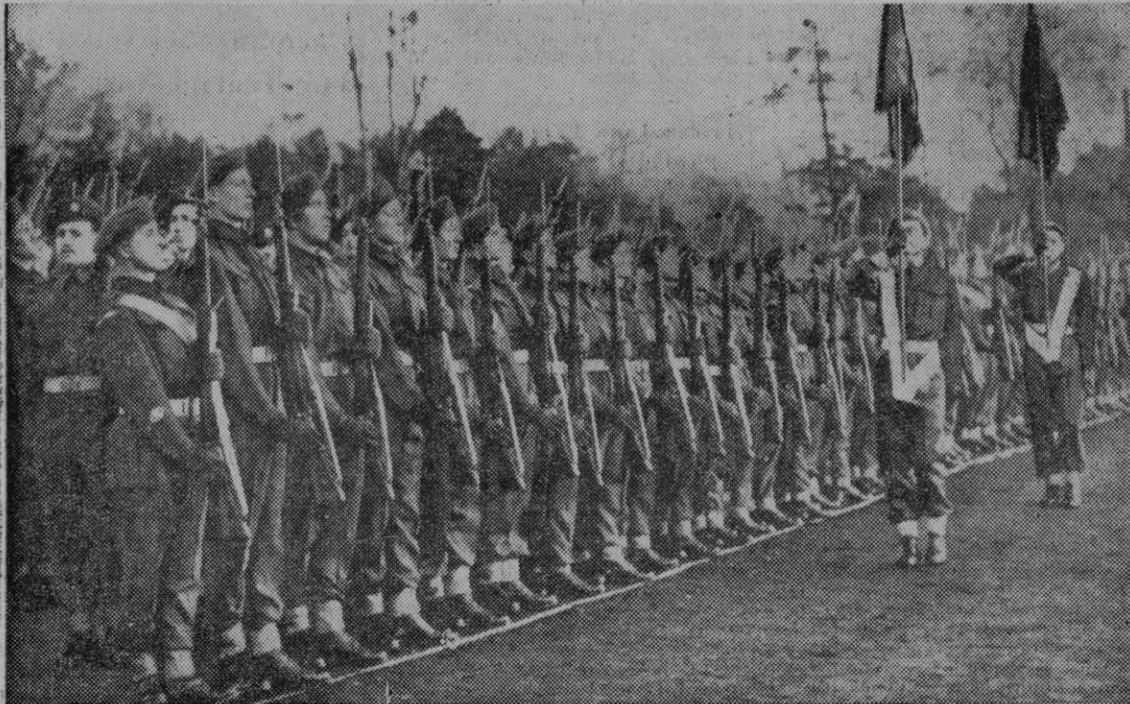
The Polish parliament has unanimously ratified the agreement with Russia establishing Poland's new eastern frontier, and has also approved the United Nations Charter and the Bretton Woods monetary agreement and a repatriation agreement with Czechoslovakia.

### Polish General Rejects Rule of Warsaw Government

ROME, Jan. 7 (AP).—Gen. Wladyslaw Anders, commander of the Second Polish Corps, declared here yesterday that "neither I nor the troops of my command recognize the Warsaw government, because it was not chosen freely by the Polish people."

"We want the Russian troops and police to get out of Poland," he declared. "We want free elections. We paid enough in blood and misery for the privilege of free elections."

### British Colors, Hidden from Japs, Returned to Troops



New colors are presented to the Second Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment of British troops in Singapore, and colors which were hidden from the Japanese during the war are returned. This is the first trooping of the colors held by the British Army since the end of the war.

### Reich Marches

...But this time the procession is headed for the Tiergarten and other parks in Berlin where the Germans seek firewood in a fight for life in one of their worst winters.



# China's Strife Is Seen at End By Thursday

CHUNGKING, Jan. 7 (AP).—The cease-fire order halting China's civil strife will be issued before the beginning of the Unity Conference on Thursday, Gen. Chou En-lai, chief of the Communist delegation here, predicted yesterday.

At the same time, Gen. George C. Marshall, U.S. Ambassador to China, announced that he and delegates from both sides had agreed, after a three-hour meeting, on procedure for ending hostilities and restoring communications in China.

Marshall, Gen. Chang Chun, who represented the Chinese government, and Chou emerged from their first meeting smiling and said they would meet again tomorrow.

The Nationalists and Communists are both considering the text of a cease-fire order, and if they agree on the wording, it will be submitted to Marshall for approval, Dr. Lo Lung Chi, spokesman for China's Democratic League, said.

The proposed order would not apply to Manchuria, he added, since it is not considered a zone of hostilities.

(According to a Moscow radio broadcast heard in London yesterday, Chiang Ching Kuo, Chiang Kai-shek's son and personal representative, left Moscow by air Saturday after a mission of undisclosed nature. The younger Chiang, it was said, was received by Stalin.)

# Berlin to Get Food Increase

BERLIN, Jan. 7 (AP).—Part of Berlin will receive a temporary increase in food rations during the winter to provide security against the rise of epidemics, the Berlin District Military Government announced yesterday.

The increase will affect a total of over 1,000,000 residents in the lowest rations category, including 337,000 Berliners in the American Zone, and will be effective during the next three months, it was said.

Meanwhile, dispatches from Sweden said that a Swedish Red Cross and "Save the Children" expedition is leaving for Germany tomorrow to start food distribution among 50,000 German children daily in the Berlin, Hamburg and Ruhr areas. It is hoped that the number of children may later be increased to 100,000.

A sharp decline in the rate of new cases of venereal disease among the German citizens of Berlin was reported yesterday by the Military Government Health Office.

In the last week only 400 new cases of gonorrhea were reported, compared with 648 during the previous week. Syphilis cases were 69, against a previous 148.

The greatest decrease was reported in the American sector where penicillin is being used to combat VD. New cases of gonorrhea dropped to 124, which was 127 under the previous week.

A city-wide total of 173 new typhoid cases, as compared with 340 the previous week, marked a drop in the rate of this disease for the eighth consecutive week.

Meanwhile, the typhoid immunization program for Berlin's 3,000,000 residents is nearing completion, health officers said.

### Eight Belgians to Be Shot

BRUSSELS, Jan. 7 (AP).—Eight Belgian directors, commentators and speakers of the former Radio Brussels, the German-controlled broadcasting station during the occupation, have been sentenced to death by a Brussels court-martial. They will be shot.

### Army Animals Return To Plow—In France

NICE, Jan. 7.—A hundred U.S. Army pack animals, veterans of the Maritime Alps campaign, have just returned to the plow and the rustic life. Sold to French farmers in a two-day session at the Auvare Barracks here, with French soldiers acting as auctioneers, the military mules and horses brought from 11,000 to 33,000 francs apiece.

### 2 Seized at Lyons With Penicillin in Black-Market Drive

French police in Lyons yesterday arrested two persons in a drive to stamp out a growing penicillin black market, the United Press reported. Those arrested were described as "men named Gerber and Chaumeil, both notorious traffickers in wines and penicillin," with 71 large bottles of the drug in their possession.

With the depletion of U.S. Army supply sources for other items, illegal peddlers found penicillin fast becoming the most profitable in black-market operations because thousands of French, who are plagued with disease and malnutrition, believe the drug cures ailments like magic.

### Reds Announce Success in Silkworm Breeding

MOSCOW, Jan. 7 (UP).—Successful experiments in silkworm breeding in the Leningrad area with the possibility of development of the silk industry in the cold northern climate was announced today in the Soviet agriculture newspaper.

The paper said the cultivation of the silkworm, which feeds on birch rather than mulberry leaves, produces a high quality of silk.

# Brothers, Ex-Marine and Ex-GI, Aid Deployment as Seamen

By Phil Jacobs  
Stars and Stripes Special Writer

LE HAVRE, Jan. 7.—When the Maritime Victory nosed into harbor this afternoon, she had as members of her crew two ex-servicemen who shipped aboard the trooper to aid in redeployment of buddies still in uniform.

James Scholze, 20-year-old ex-Marine with 33 months of Pacific service, and his brother Ferdinand, 26, a former GI of the 482nd Maintenance Co., returned home to Pittsburgh in November, but found they became too restless in the peace and quiet of Pittsburgh's smoke.

When a call was put out for merchant seamen to man ships needed to redeploy troops stranded in the ETO, the brothers decided

to sign up. James got a job as engine-room wiper and his brother was given an assignment in the kitchen as assistant butcher.

The brothers were undecided on future plans. Both said they "like the States too much to stay over here for long."

The Maritime Victory will sail tomorrow morning with 1,500 members of the 84th Inf. Div.

### 1,700 Troops Scheduled To Leave Marseille Today

MARSEILLE, Jan. 7.—After a three-day cessation of redeployment through this port, three Liberty ships were scheduled to sail today with almost 1,700 homeward-bound troops. The number of men at Calais Staging Area today was 14,075.



# Anti-Regime Mob Riots At Egyptian's Funeral

CAIRO, Jan. 7 (AP).—Demonstrations against the Nokroschi government broke out today at the funeral of Sen. Amin Osman Pasha, former Finance Minister of Egypt. Osman died from bullet wounds inflicted by a young assassin Saturday night.

Thousands of students and workers joined in the demonstration, shouting "down with Nokroschi Pasha, the criminal," and demanding a "revolt."

# Haifa Hit Again; Cops Wire Off Holy City Area

JERUSALEM, Jan. 7 (UP).—Another leaflet bomb exploded harmlessly in the center of Haifa last night and police searches followed, but there were no arrests.

The entire Russian compound in Jerusalem, which houses the police headquarters and all important government offices, is being inclosed by four-foot barbed wire fences for security reasons.

### Consult With Arabs

(A British Foreign Office spokesman in London said that the British were consulting with the Palestinian Arab leaders in an effort to continue Jewish immigration into Palestine at the rate of 1,500 a month, according to AP.)

(The informant recalled that Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin told Commons in November that efforts would be made to keep immigration at the present rate until the new Anglo-American investigating committee has made its report.)

### Probe Demanded

(The Hebrew National Committee of Liberation in Washington yesterday demanded a full investigation into the policies of the British administration in Palestine, an AP dispatch said.)

(The committee made public a memorandum it had filed with the Anglo-American inquiry committee, which begins its hearings today, which said the Liberation Group is the "temporary National Hebrew authority speaking for and representing the interests of the Hebrew nation.")

# Argentina Axis Called Menace

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (UP).—"Powerful and dangerous Axis elements" in Argentina still menace democracy in the Americas, Spruille Braden, Assistant Secretary of State, said in a radio broadcast on Inter-American affairs last night.

Axis forces in the Western Hemisphere used Argentina as a base of operations during the war, Braden declared, and these same elements still constitute a danger to all the countries in this part of the world.

"Nothing has been done against the most powerful—and therefore the most dangerous—Axis elements" the former U.S. Ambassador to Argentina asserted. The present Argentine rulers remain in power, he added, because "they have the police, important segments of the Army and armed action groups" as well as a "typically National Socialist program, not excluding the old formula of bread and circuses for the millions."

### Girl Violinist Gets Ovation

LONDON, Jan. 7 (Reuter).—An ovation was given last night to 13-year-old Blanchette Tarjus, a French girl who made her debut playing Mendelssohn's violin concerto with the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

# All Rockettes Make It to Train For Le Havre and Boat to U.S.

The here again, gone again Rockettes finally started their homeward journey yesterday. Their departure ended a New Year's mix-up in which 22 troupe members failed to take a scheduled train, but this time all got aboard safely.

After six months of performing for GIs in the ETO, they took a train at Gare St-Lazare at noon for Le Havre where they will sail for the U.S. on the USAT George Washington tomorrow.

Known as the Radio City Music Hall Revue, the USO troupe totals 45, including 16 Rockettes and 12 ballet dancers.

New Year's morning 22 troupers

The demonstrators later carried their protests to the Presidency building where they hurled stones, while the Cabinet was meeting.

One policeman was injured and about ten demonstrators were arrested before club-wielding police intervened.

Meanwhile, police arrested a 20-year-old son of a government official as a suspect. Later reports said his brother was also arrested.

(The UP said eye-witnesses to the murder last night had identified the murder suspect from a police lineup of fifteen men. Police reported, also, that bullets similar to those in the victim's body were discovered in the suspect's house.)

# Belgian Body May Dissolve

BRUSSELS, Jan. 7 (AP).—Dissolution of the Belgian Parliament may be decided upon within 48 hours, according to well-informed government circles today.

The reason given is that bills involving expenses of over 100,000,000 francs should be passed as soon as possible by the new chambers.

If a dissolution of Parliament is accepted by the prince regent this week, the general elections, which are scheduled for April, will take place within 40 days.

# Soldier Held In Reich Killing

BERLIN, Jan. 7 (AP).—An American soldier was arrested for killing a German man after a street argument on Saturday, the provost marshal's office announced yesterday.

This was the eighth fatal shooting in the American sector of the city in the last fortnight, and the fifth known to involve an American.

Agents who carried out the arrest quoted witnesses who said that the soldier, who had apparently been drinking, became involved in an argument with the German while they were standing in a trolley line. The soldier was accompanied by a German girl, who declared that the soldier threw away a small-caliber pistol after the shooting.

# Yugoslav Archbishop Called Quisling Friend

BELGRADE, Jan. 7 (AP).—Dr. Alojzije Stepinetz, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Zagreb, was accused by Yugoslav papers yesterday of sympathizing with the "Ustashi" terrorist organization which aided the Germans during the occupation. Doctor Stepinetz is the highest Roman Church dignitary in Yugoslavia.

Roman priests have been under attack for allegedly being not unfriendly to Yugoslavia's Quisling groups.

(A bulletin for the press was issued by Monsignor Pueci, in Vatican City, Saturday, alleging that 615 priests have been killed in Yugoslavia.)

failed to catch the train for the port after a round of year-end parties, including one given by Brig. Gen. J. J. O'Hare, TSFET deputy chief of staff. An Army officer at Chatou, USO-Camp Shows headquarters, was quoted as saying that the girls "were on their own." The girls reported that a colonel, unnamed, had told them they did not have to take the train, because their ship was delayed.

Subsequently, the other 23 troupe members who made the train on New Year's Day were returned to Paris, because there was a lack of housing facilities for them at the port, so yesterday all got off together.

# 6,000 Replacements Due in Le Havre Today

LE HAVRE, Jan. 7.—Six thousand replacement troops are expected to arrive at this port today aboard the Army transport George Washington, it was disclosed today.

Six other redeployment vessels, five of them Victory ships, are also scheduled to reach port today.

The George Washington can carry 6,384 redeployees on its return run to the States while the other ships have a capacity of about 1,500 each.

# Cabinet Issue In Romania Near Solution

BUCHAREST, Jan. 7 (UP).—The end of a deadlock over inclusion of opposition members in the Romanian government appeared to be in sight as the Big Three commission met in Bucharest last night to discuss new lists of candidates for cabinet posts presented by opposition parties.

The National Liberals' list contained four names, including that of Constantin Bratianu, who was previously rejected by the commission. The Peasant Party presented 18 names, comprising the entire membership of its national executive committee because, it was explained, the party "did not wish to run the risk of proposing only three or four names and getting them rejected."

According to the government's view, opposition candidates to be included in the broadened cabinet should have "representative qualifications and be able to guarantee co-operation with the government." Obviously referring to Bratianu, Premier Petr Groza declared that no candidate could be considered "suitable" who is involved in the forthcoming trials of "Fascist hoodlums."

He said the same objection applied to any delegate who "presented himself for enlistment in the war against the Allies."

The Premier refused to name a date for the elections, which he said would be held as soon as possible after clarification of the Romanian citizenship of certain groups of the population and "purification" of Fascist elements.

# Iran Reports Counter-Revolt

TEHERAN, Jan. 7 (AP).—An Iranian general staff officer said yesterday that Army intelligence officers arriving here reported "counter-revolutionary activity" in the insurgent-held Azerbaijan province.

Reports, he said, indicated that fighting had broken out between "Partisans and Nationalists" round the towns of Mianeh, Maragheh and Malik Kandi, all south of the provincial capital of Tabriz.

The officer said "Nationalists" had battled to within six miles of Maragheh and "were in the outskirts of Mianeh."

Meanwhile, the Teheran Russian Embassy continued to deny foreign newsmen entrance to the battle area. Premier Ibrahim Hakimi and members of the Cabinet held secret sessions, but declined to comment on British and American proposals that Iran invite a Big Three committee for a survey of the Iranian problem.

# Crown Jewels Returned to Austria

VIENNA, Jan. 7 (AP).—Gen. Mark Clark, commanding officer of American troops in Austria, yesterday announced at the opening ceremony of the newly-organized Austro-American society that the crown jewels of the Holy Roman Empire had been returned to Austria from Germany.

The jewels, including the ceremonial crowns of the Holy Roman Empire, were taken by the Nazis shortly after the Austrian Anschluss in 1938.

### Hohenzollern Relics Found

HERFORD, Germany, Jan. 7 (AP).—The heirlooms of the Hohenzollern family have been discovered by officers of the Allied Control Commission.

The treasure, the commission said, includes what is believed to be the crown worn by the late Kaiser Wilhelm and snuff boxes belonging to Frederick the Great. It was found in the crypt of a country church near Minden.

# GI Inspects Inscription on Jap Tomb



This American soldier examines an inscription on the tomb of a Japanese in Tokyo. The epitaph: "Killed in Action."

# U.S. Zone Social Democrats Refuse Communist Merger

By Joe Harvey  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Jan. 7.—Social Democrats in the U.S. occupation zone yesterday, at a meeting here, refused to support Social Democrats of the Russian occupation zone who last week at Berlin adopted a resolution advocating merger of the party with German Communists.

U.S. zone Social Democrats instead voted endorsement of the resolution adopted Friday by British zone Social Democrats which had declared that fusion with the Communists was not practical. Dr. Kurt Schumacher, Chairman of the U.S. zone Social Democratic party, asserting that the Berlin resolution was due to "peculiar conditions" in the Russian zone, told yesterday's meeting that "Social Democrats in the western zone do not regard the Berlin resolution as binding. They will not merge with the Communists, whom they regard as the representatives of a foreign imperial power."

Schumacher declared Social Democrats would work to maintain the existence of Germany as a nation and to safeguard the respect of the world for Germany. A fusion of the Social Democrats with the Communists, he asserted, would mean further disintegration for Germany.

# Reich Council To Hear Clay

STUTTGART, Jan. 7.—Gen. Lucius D. Clay, deputy U.S. Military Governor, will address the opening session of the January meeting of the German Laenderrat here tomorrow.

One of the principal items to be taken under consideration by the council is the German draft of a uniform denazification law. The move for a new uniform law was taken shortly after the council was formed in October.

During the December meeting Dr. Karl Geiler, Minister President of Greater Hesse, warned that if the present system were continued a situation would develop similar to that when the Nazis first came into power.

Geiler argued that persons who joined the party in 1933 should not necessarily be treated so severely as those who joined in 1933. The NSDAP (Nazi party) was a lawful political party and many persons were misled into believing its aims were quite different from those which later developed, he said.

Hoegner, Minister President of Bavaria, disagreed, contending that those who joined the party in 1933 were political speculators and equally guilty with the others. He argued the Nazis actually showed their hand from 1933 onward. The Laenderrat is defined officially as a body to co-ordinate all matters of German administration affecting more than one land in the U.S. Zone.

### Trains Link Prague, Paris

PRAGUE, Jan. 7 (AP).—Direct passenger train connections between Prague and Paris and Prague and Rome will be restored tomorrow. There will be three trains a week. Daily train service will be started between Prague and Vienna.

# First Russian Ship Since War Docks in UK

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 7 (UP).—The 10,000-ton Vyacheslav Molotov, first Russian passenger ship to arrive in Britain since the war began, docked here yesterday.

The Molotov, which is the flagship of the Soviet merchant fleet in the Baltic, has accommodations for 500 passengers. It is the first of several Russian ships destined to resume regular service between the USSR and Britain.

# Germans Get Curfew For Tearing Down Flag

HERFORD, Germany, Jan. 7 (AP).—A curfew from sunset to dawn was imposed yesterday for four days by Allied Military authorities at the village of Luenden, in Schleswig-Holstein Province, when the British flag was torn down from a building occupied by British troops.

# Ticker Makes Love Flicker

## Gloria Says Hubby Was Market Fan

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (ANS).—Life with millionaire William M. Davey was complicated by his moving a double bed and a stock market ticker into her bedroom, Gloria Swanson, silent screen star, revealed in her separation proceedings.

The actress testified she married husband No. 5 on Jan. 29, 1945, and soon afterward he moved his own double bed into her apartment near her own twin beds and then installed the market ticker. She said that after they were

separated last April, Davey sent his butler to her home and the double bed and ticker went back to his apartment.

He would telephone her to ask "How's the cat?" Miss Swanson testified. When she replied "Okay," he invariably hung up.

Another frequent telephone query from Davey was: "Is the thermometer working?" she added. He would then hang up.

Davey, a prominent yachtsman, has filed a counter-suit for annulment.

# Undefeated Wyoming Five Leads Nation

## Late Irish Rally Nips DePaul, 43-42; Cornell Drubs Lions For Sixth-In-Row

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP).—Wyoming, Notre Dame and Cornell surged to the fore of the National Collegiate basketball picture last week as Kentucky dropped out of the unbeaten ranks and DePaul lost its third straight.

Wyoming, making a triumphant sweep on its eastern tour, trounced St. Joseph's of Philadelphia, Long Island and Washington of St. Louis to run its winning streak to nine straight and take over the country's No. 1 spot on the basis of won and lost percentages.

Notre Dame won its seventh straight with a thrilling uphill 43-42 triumph over DePaul. Bill Hasset's long shot from the center of the floor a second before the final gun was fired won the game. DePaul were beaten previously by Illinois and Minnesota after winning eight straight, led by 15 points at 35-20 in the second half before the Irish rallied.

Cornell's veteran team chalked up its sixth in a row by trouncing Columbia for the second time, 66-43. Kentucky's seven-game streak was shattered by the unpredictable Temple Owls who turned in a stunning 53-45 triumph on New Year's night.

### 15 in Select Class

The week's developments left 15 major quintets unbeaten: Wyoming, 9-0; Indiana, 8-0; Iowa, 7-0; Notre Dame, 7-0; West Virginia, 7-0; Cornell, 6-0; Baldwin-Wallace, 6-0; Yale, 5-0; Tulane, 5-0; Northwestern, 5-0; Holy Cross, 3-0; Georgia, 3-0; Gettysburg, 3-0; Georgia Tech, 3-0, and Navy 2-0.

### 13 Once-Beaten

Thirteen teams are in the once-beaten group as follows: Kansas, 9-1; Kentucky, 8-1; North Carolina, 8-1; Oklahoma Aggies, 7-1; New York Univ., 7-1; Rutgers, 7-1; Tennessee, 6-1; Ohio State, 6-1; Toledo, 6-1; Rhode Island State, 5-1; Colgate, 5-1; Muhlenberg, 5-1, and Detroit, 4-1.

Twice-defeated major quintets include Bowling Green, 13-2; Pepperdine of Los Angeles, 11-2; Manhattan, 8-2; Arkansas, 7-2; Minnesota, 7-2; CCNY, 7-2; Michigan, 6-2; St. John's of Brooklyn, 6-2, and Temple, 5-2.

DePaul at 8-3, and Louisville at 11-3 are close up.

### How Conferences Shape Up

This is how the various conferences are going:

**Eastern Intercollegiate**—Cornell on top with 3-0. The Big Red seems a cinch to oust Penn as champions.

**Big Ten**—Ohio State leading at 3-0 but Indiana, 2-0, and Minnesota and Iowa, each 1-0, also are unbeaten.

**Big Six**—Nebraska currently on top but Kansas, yet to open its league season, is favored to cop the title.

**Southeast**—Kentucky and Tennessee favored but Georgia and Georgia Tech currently leading.

**Southern**—North Carolina favored to retain the championship although Duke is the current leader.

**Southwest**—Arkansas and Rice tied for the top at 2-0.

**Big Seven**—Wyoming a big favorite.

**Missouri Valley**—League play opens this week with the Oklahoma Aggies a standout.

**Pacific Coast (North)**—Oregon State and Washington tied at 2-0.

**Pacific Coast (South)**—California and Southern California tied at 2-0.

## NHL Standings

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	14	7	3	31	80	61
Chicago	14	8	3	31	110	88
Detroit	11	8	5	27	74	66
Boston	10	7	6	26	81	77
Toronto	7	17	3	17	71	100
New York	6	15	4	16	66	90

### Hockey at a Glance

By Associated Press  
**Sunday's Scores**  
**National League**  
 New York 4, Boston 2  
 Detroit 3, Chicago 2  
**American League**  
 Buffalo 6, Hershey 1  
 Indianapolis 9, Cleveland 0  
 Pittsburgh 8, Providence 6  
 St. Louis 7, New Haven 5

### U.S. League

Fort Worth 3, Minneapolis 2  
 Omaha 3, St. Paul 1  
 Tulsa 6, Kansas City 6 (tie)  
**Eastern League**  
 New York 5, Philadelphia 3  
 Baltimore 4, Washington 0

## Nelson's 212 Leads Field

### Two Strokes Ahead of Sammy Sneed

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7 (AP).—Tournament-favorite Byron Nelson met and matched all challenges on a wind-swept course yesterday to retain his lead at the end of the third round of the 72-hole Los Angeles Open Golf Tournament. His one-over par 72 for the Riviera Course gave him a 54-hole total of 212—two strokes ahead of his closest rivals.

Pressing Nelson for the lead position were defending champion Sam Sneed, of Hot Springs, Va., and Jim Ferrier, of Chicago, each with 214 for the three rounds. Sneed called a stroke on himself when he double-putted his ball on the ninth green, otherwise he would have been in second place as the field turned into the last lap. The incident was not observed by the official scorer.

Ben Hogan, from Hershey, Pa., held down fourth place with 216; Jim Demaret, Houston, Tex., posted a 217, and Harold McSpaden, Sanford, Me., rested in the 218-stroke bracket after a comeback from a disastrous morning nine. He took a 41 on the par 35 stretch, but bounced back with a 34, two under, to remain in the fairly close-up competition.

Nelson retained his favored place, which he took over after Saturday's second round by hitting the first nine in even par and tacking up an incoming 37 one over. He barely missed a 12-foot putt on the last green, but made a par four anyhow.

The top 21 scores: (222 and under).

Byron Nelson, Toledo, 140-72-212	Sam Sneed, Hot Springs, Va., 141-73-214
Jim Ferrier, Chicago, Ill., 141-73-214	Tony Penna, Dayton, O., 145-72-217
Jim Demaret, Houston, Tex., 143-74-217	H. McSpaden, Sanford, Me., 143-75-218
H. Barron, White Plains, N.Y., 145-73-218	J. Harrison, Little Rock, Ark., 146-72-219
J. Kirkwood Jr., Los Angeles, 144-75-219	Al Zimmerman, Portland, Ore., 143-76-219
Sam Byrd, Detroit, 145-74-219	Dick Metz, Arkansas City, Ark., 146-74-220
Barney Clark, Los Ang., Denv., 145-75-219	C. Congdon, Tacoma, Wash., 149-72-221
Harry Todd, Fort Worth, Tex., 144-77-221	C. Harper, Portsmouth, Va., 147-74-221
Harry Bassler, Los Angeles, 150-71-221	J. Gage, San Bernard., Calif., 146-76-222
X-R. Sleppy, Inglewood, Calif., 146-76-222	

— Denotes Amateur

### Pirate Pitchers Out

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 7 (ANS).—Five more Pittsburgh Pirates, just released from the armed forces, will be available for the 1946 season. They are Pitchers Bob Klingle, Jack Hallett, and Oadis Swiggart, and Infielders Elbie Fletcher and Jimmy Cullinane.

### Former Champ on Receiving End



Cecil Hudson, L.A., shoots a left which glances off his opponent, Fritzie Zivic, former world's champ, in a ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden. The much-improved Negro-battler took the verdict unanimously.

### Able Aggies

By Pap



## Alfy, \$7.80, Scores Impressively At Caliente

AGUA CALIENTE, Mex., Jan. 7 (AP).—With ex-serviceman jockey Ted Malear in the irons, Fred O'Brien's Alfy scored an impressive two-and-a-half-length triumph yesterday in the featured Enero Handicap at a mile and one sixteenth.

The Gold Star Stables' Flitterverse was second by two lengths over the favored Out O'War. Time for the route, run over an off track, was 1:49 and Alfy returned \$7.80, \$4.00, and \$2.40. Flitterverse called for \$4.80 and \$2.60 with Out O'War paying \$2.20 to show.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 7 (AP).—Height O'Land, ridden by jockey Victor Bovine of New York, yesterday captured the \$2,500 mile and a sixteenth feature race at Hipodromos de Las Americas. Cold Sober finished second and Lovely Spy third. The winner, owned by the Mexico Stables, paid \$5.

## Tony Zale In First Start

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 7 (AP).—Ex-sailor Tony Zale of Gary, Ind., world's middleweight boxing champion, will make his first ring start since February, 1942, in a 10-round heavyweight bout with Bobby Giles, Buffalo, N.Y., here tomorrow night. Released from the Navy in October, Zale arrived Saturday from Chicago where he said he has been in training for almost three months. Zale lost a 12-round decision to Billy Conn in his last start.

### Baker Up for Discharge

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7 (AP).—Johnny Baker, who coached the strong Fourth Air Force football team the past season, will report to McClellan Field, Sacramento, Wednesday for his discharge from the Air Corps.

## Standlee Signed by 'Frisco; AL Football Meeting Ends

CHICAGO, Jan. 7 (AP).—Tony Morabito, owner of the San Francisco franchise in the All-American Football Conference, last night announced he had signed Norman Standlee, fullback for the Chicago Bears before he entered the Army.

Morabito said he had received confirmation by wire and later talked to the former Stanford and Rose Bowl star by telephone.

He previously had signed Frankie Albert, quarterback with Standlee on Stanford's famous 1940 Rose Bowl team.

Standlee, in the Army Engineers, had been stationed in India but now is in Los Angeles. George Halas owner-coach of the Bears, said the announcement came as a surprise to him.

"I talked to Norm last week and he told me of an offer of the San Francisco club. I told him I would top any offer the new team made. It is regrettable he did not call me back as he had promised," Halas said.

Halas added that Standlee had said he was interested in the San Francisco offer because his home is on the West Coast.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7 (AP).—The All-American Conference closed its meeting here with schedule-making the one important item of business remaining before its season opens next September.

Plans to draw up schedules for the first season of the new circuit were held up and dates for the 14-game cards of each of the eight teams—each will play every other club twice on a home-and-home basis—probably will not be announced until after the April meetings in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Commissioner Jim Crowley said postponement was urged because several teams have only a certain number of dates available in the stadiums where they play.

Crowley said each owner would present his problems, such as weather conditions to be encountered and open dates, and would draw up a schedule to be presented to the owners and coaches for their approval, probably at the April 10-12 meeting in San Francisco.

A second meeting is planned at Los Angeles for April 15-17 and the schedule is expected to be approved by that time.

The league discarded its former plan of North and South Divisions in favor of East and West Divisions.

## Conn Knows Tough Job Ahead, Trains Grimly For Louis Battle

By Walter Ebel

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Jan. 7.—Billy Conn knows what kind of a job lies ahead. He also seems to know how to prepare for it.

Each morning finds him starting out early on a hike up the side of Hot Springs mountain. He finishes off with hot baths.

When the weather is fair, Conn drives over to Oaklawn Park and runs round the mile-long track.

This intensive routine is part of Conn's training for his battle next summer with Joe Louis.

One thing that pleases Conn's supporters is the seriousness which he shows in everything he does. Conn is determined to be in perfect trim for that championship fight, and he is going about the training in a grim way.

Conn yesterday heard from some of his former Army buddies who are now bedded down in the giant

Army-Navy hospital near by. A number of the GIs in the hospital were with Billy in Europe. Others had seen him box in camps throughout the European Theater.

Lt. Alfred Shamrock, in charge of the Athletic program at the hospital, said it is a great morale booster when Billy visits the boys.

## Chanor All-Star Five Beats Normandy, 64-34

The undefeated Chanor Base All-Stars racked up their tenth victory of the year when they blasted Normandy Base, 64-34, in a game played at Brussels on Sunday night.

Ed Klinker, former Kalamazoo College star, maintained his 18-point average by dropping 18 counters through the hoop for Chanor while Teammate Paul Shields, one-time Indiana University luminary, accounted for 11.

Next Sunday, the Columbia Red Cross will invade Brussels to meet the Chanor passers.

### Chicago Cardinals Sign Bulger

CHICAGO, Jan. 7 (ANS).—The Chicago Cardinals today announced that veteran tackle Chet Bulger had signed his 1946 contract. The Cards now have fullbacks Pat Harder of Wisconsin and Doug Renzel of Marquette and guard Ralph Fife of Pittsburgh as well as Bulger in the fold for next season.



# Retailers Help Vets Get Start In Business

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (ANS).—More than 500,000 veterans planning to enter business for themselves can now look to the American Retail Federation for assistance in getting a start.

At present, one of three retail business ventures falls within the first year and only one out of five survives as long as ten years. To reduce the mortality rate of enterprises started by veterans, the federation offers this program:

- 1—A community survey is made of public efforts to assist veterans.
  - 2—A general meeting of interested groups is then called, including civic and veterans organizations, and a steering committee is organized.
  - 3—The committee selects two or three retailers from each business and trade in the community to serve as advisers and consultants to veterans.
- "Our aim is attained when a good retailer, a banker and someone representing community interest sit down in the spirit of helpfulness to give the veteran who wants to be a retailer information about the problems he will face and how to meet them," said Walter Morrow, federation president.

# Murder Stories Turn Girl, 14, to Crime—Briefly

DENTON, Tex., Jan. 7 (AP).—A 14-year-old girl, four feet, 11 inches tall, who found out that ideas borrowed from mystery stories sometimes misfire, faced charges of juvenile delinquency here today.

The followings is her story, according to Deputy Sheriff Sam Gentry:

Deciding to leave her farm home last Wednesday, she took along a pistol and knife, purchased perfume, a diary and a couple of mystery stories.

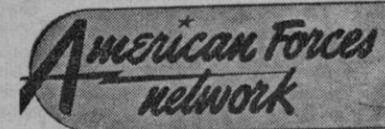
She traveled by train to Ft. Worth and several other cities and when she reached here, she hailed the cab of E. L. Howard, 24-year-old 190-pound war veteran.

In the car she pointed both knife and pistol at Howard and ordered him to drive her out of Texas.

At a small town south of Madill, Okla., the girl made a fatal error. She decided she wanted some candy and sent Howard into the store to buy some. Taking advantage of the situation, he explained his predicament to the storekeeper, returned to the car and drove on.

The police, tipped by the storekeeper, stopped the taxi shortly thereafter. Taken in to custody, the girl explained she got the idea from one of the murder mysteries she read.

**Fuel Pays for Opera Tickets**  
HERFORD, Germany, Jan. 7 (AP).—Germans in the Baltic port of Kiel who wish to attend the opera must pay their way in with a pound of wood or peat to heat the theater during the performance.



Time	TODAY
1200-News	1900-Barry Wood
1205-Off the Record	1930-Fibber McGee
1300-At your Service	2000-Showtime
1305-Sports Review	2030-Bob Hope
1315-Remember	2100-News
1330-Asked for It	2105-Here's Music
1400-Love Song	2130-Playhouse
1430-Inform. Hour	2200-Mail Call
1500-News	2230-Tommy Dorsey
1505-Beaucoup Music	2300-Navy Report
1600-Symphony Hour	2315-AFN Bandstand
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	
TOMORROW	
0600-News	1430-Info. Hour
0615-Morning Report	1500-News
0715-Village Bara	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-Navy Report	1845-Magic Carpet
0945-String Serenade	1900-Waltz Time
1000-8 to Bar Ranch	1930-Joan Davis
1030-Here's Horace	2000-Kay Kyser
1045-Easy Does It	2030-Jack Carson
1100-Jack Kirkwood	2100-News
1115-Across the Board	2105-Midnight Paris
1130-At Ease	2130-Playhouse
1145-Melody Roundup	2200-Hall of Fame
1200-News	2230-Frank Sinatra
1205-Off the Record	2300-What's the Deal
1300-Help Wanted	2315-Spotlight Bands
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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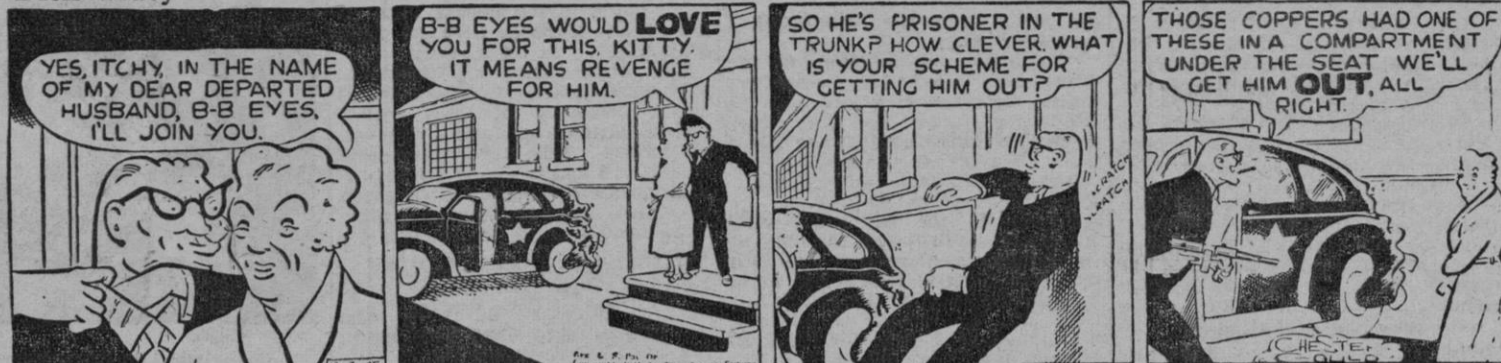
## Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features



## Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.



## Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



## Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate



## Joe Palooka

By Courtesy of McNaught Syndicate, Inc.



## Iran Denies Red Report Of Trouble in Yezd

TEHERAN, Jan. 7 (AP).—Headquarters of the Iranian Army and National Gendarmerie last night denied reports of disturbances in the province of Yezd. Such disturbances had been reported by the Soviet Tass agency.

A general staff officer said: "If there is ever any trouble in Iran outside the Russian-occupied areas, Yezd would be the last place it would occur."

Leaders of the majority and "Good Will" parties in the Mejlis (Parliament) also denied the reports vehemently.

## Naval Base Returned

TEHERAN, Jan. 7 (AP).—British occupation forces yesterday handed back the naval base of Khorramshahr to Iranian authorities.

## Finnish Bank Heated By Billions of Marks

HELSINKI, Jan. 7 (AP).—Billions of Finnish marks have been shoveled into Bank of Finland furnaces as a substitute for scarce fuel wood, since the government recalled all currency on New Year's Day as an anti-inflation measure.

Officials said the marks were unsuitable as raw material for the new paper money issue and were valueless except to heat the building.

## Czechs Start 40-Hour Week

PRAGUE, Jan. 7 (AP).—The five-day 40-hours week started today in all except the most vital Czechoslovak industries.

## Clothing-Ration Cards Valid Until Jan. 15

FRANKFURT, Jan. 7.—Clothing-ration cards held by officers and civilians will be valid until Jan. 15, it was announced today.

The cards, which were to have expired Dec. 31, will be honored at all quartermaster sales stores for all items not already purchased on the 1945 ration card. New ration cards are being distributed.

## Cannes Casino Closed

CANNES, Jan. 7.—The Palm Beach Casino here, which was attended by about 18,000 officers and their guests during the three months it was operated by the Army, has been closed. The Casino, which contains the largest gambling hall in France, will be open to civilians next summer.

## Shipping News

Marseille			
Scheduled Departures			
Ship	Load	Tentative Sailing	
		Date	
John Brown Liberty	550	Jan. 7	
E. Rutledge Liberty	550	Jan. 7	
Samuel Adams Lib.	550	Jan. 7	
In Port			
F.A.C. Muhlberg L	533	Unknown	
W. Wilkins, cargo...	120	Jan. 10	
Le Havre			
Departures			
Ship	Load	Date	
Tufts Victory.....	1,519	Jan. 7	
G. Adolphus Vict....	1,528	Jan. 7	
B. T. Washington L.	638	Jan. 7	
C. H. M. Jones Lib.	34 men	Jan. 7	
	136 dogs		
In Port			
Ship	Load	Due to Sail	
		Date	
Stevens Victory.....	530	Jan. 8	
Zanesville Victory...	1,516	Jan. 8	
USAT Borinquas....	1,539	Jan. 8	
Maritime Victory....	1,500	Jan. 8	
USAT Washington...	6,348	Jan. 9	

# U.S. Envoys Expected to Oppose Atom Pact

## Reims GIs Wire Kicks To Congress, U.S. Press

REIMS, Jan. 7.—Cables of protest to the U.S. Senate and American newspapers over the lack of replacements for occupation duty were sent today by more than 200 GIs in Quartermaster and Signal units here who raised \$523.71 to pay for the messages.

In a cable sent to Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D-Col.), "Continued Selective Service" was called for to "provide the answer to an effective and willing police force."

Charging that "the men in the European Theater now have been imprisoned here by a lackadaisical government," the cable said that "bitter resentment" had been aroused over the "discharge of low-point men in the U.S. as non-essential when men in the European Theater cannot leave for lack of replacements."

### Why Not Full Quotas?

In another cable to columnist Drew Pearson, it was asked why "draft boards throughout the nation have not been able to fill their quotas."

The cable said that "thousands of men of draft age were deferred during the war due to the fact that they were essential to war-time industries. These men are no longer essential because the respective in-

dustries in which they were engaged no longer exist.

"Could they not be taken into the Army and used for occupation duties, as close-out troops, and in the other duties that the Army deems necessary here in the European Theater?" it was asked by 289 signees of the cable, all with point scores ranging from 45 to 60.

Signatures for the cables—and 250 francs each—were collected at the consolidated mess of the 64th Quartermaster at Reims last night by four members of the 3160th Sig Serv. Bn., T/3 George O. Jackson, T/4 James W. Dobbs, T/4 Clark R. Hynum and S/Sgt. James R. Leighton.

Calling themselves "only a few of the thousands of bitter American citizens remaining in Europe because they have been forgotten... by those who depended upon us to do our jobs," the signees blamed their retention in the ETO on a "lack of foresight on the part of their duly elected representatives."

## Delegates Fear Disclosure of Bomb Secrets

LONDON, Jan. 7 (UP).—It is doubtful that the American delegation to the UNO meeting will support the Moscow resolution on the atom bomb in its present form, it has been learned here on high authority.

The opposition feels that the vagueness of the resolution would allow disclosure of vital atomic secrets without adequate inspection or control. Whether Britain and Russia will join in giving assurances that no atom secrets will be given to other countries without providing safeguards seemed to be the big question.

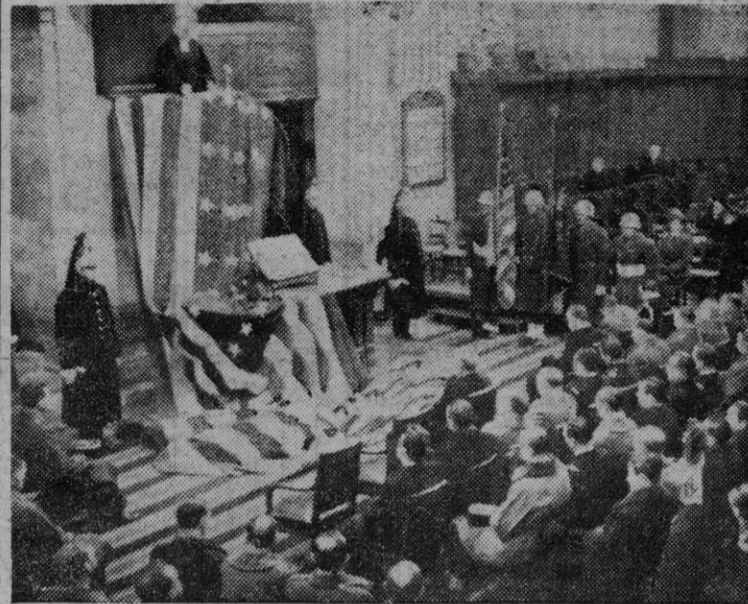
The issue will be threshed out upon the arrival of James F. Byrnes, Secretary of State, who was scheduled to leave Washington for the UNO Assembly today.

Byrnes, Soviet Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov and Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, worked out the Moscow plan on the atomic problem and presumably would be the first to take up any questions arising here in that connection.

Byrnes, who has already committed his government to support the resolution, may now face the prospect that his own delegation will force him to advocate amendments. Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich.), one of the American delegates, was extremely critical of the Moscow atomic energy resolution immediately after it was announced.

Aides said that Byrnes was confident the UNO would get off to a good start and that the agreement reached at the Moscow Conference can be expanded to cover more troublesome questions.

## Memorial Service Held for Patton in Paris



Honoring the late Gen. George S. Patton Jr., memorial services were conducted recently in the Temple de l'Oratoire in Paris.

## Charges U.S. Officer Examined Manila GIs' Cable Protests

MANILA, Jan. 7 (ANS).—A Radio Corporation of America official charged here today that hundreds of soldier telegrams to Congress protesting the demobilization slow-down had been examined here by a uniformed man representing himself as a U.S. Army officer.

Earl Baumgardner, Manila manager for RCA, made the statement shortly after several thousand GIs demonstrated outside the office of Lt. Gen. W. D. Styer, Commander of Army forces in the Western Pacific. The demonstration followed announcement of the slow-down.

Baumgardner said a Filipino night supervisor was on duty early today when a man wearing an officer's uniform entered the office and demanded to see the files.

The action, Baumgardner said,

was in violation of the civil and criminal codes. He added that he had called the matter to the attention of Gen. Styer.

"You can be certain that the examination of the cable office files was without the knowledge or approval of Gen. Styer," Lt. Col. A. R. Hurd, public relations officer, declared.

"No statement can be made until an investigation is completed to determine whether any investigator of this command is guilty."

## Marines Return 100,000 to U.S.

HONOLULU, Jan. 7 (AP).—More than 100,000 Marines have been returned to the U.S. in a demobilization program that is three months ahead of schedule, the Fleet Marine Force has announced. This number is more than half of those who were overseas on VJ-Day.

## 188,750 Become Eligible Under New Navy System

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP).—Approximately 18,750 additional officers and 170,000 enlisted personnel will become eligible for separation from the Navy as a result of new progressive reductions in point scores through March 2, the Navy said today.

## 15 Italians Reported Slain

ROME, Jan. 7 (AP).—A Pola dispatch to Rome's L'Epoca yesterday said 15 Italians were slain at Orserz, about 30 miles north of Pola, by "Tito agents." The dispatch gave no date for the incident and said the motive was not known.

## Lack of Personnel Cancels Flights

ROME, Jan. 7 (AP).—All passenger flights by Mediterranean Air Transport Service have been canceled because of a lack of skilled flight maintenance personnel, it was announced yesterday.

The announcement said redeployment had caused such a shortage of skilled maintenance men that continuance of operations would be unsafe. Resumption of the service will depend on the numbers and quality of replacements arriving from the U.S.

Air Transport Command passenger flights through Rome to Paris, Cairo and Casablanca are not affected by the order. Mail flights will also continue.

## Ex-GI Flies to UK To Visit Ailing Son

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Stephen Buchko, 27-year-old ex-GI of Nutley, N.J., yesterday flew the Atlantic to see his ten-month-old son, who is ill in a British hospital with bronchial pneumonia.

Two days ago his wife, who lives at Abbey Hulton, Stoke, called on the transatlantic phone to tell him that their baby had been taken to the hospital.

"Right," said ex-Pvt. Buchko, now a government clerk in New Jersey. "I'll be over on the first plane I can get."

The State Department gave him priority, and Buchko landed in England last night.

There was no definite word on the condition of their child,

## They'll Try the Japanese Small Fry



Officer-members of the military commission which will try the first batch of lesser Japanese war criminal suspects in Tokyo are, left to right, Col. John H. Ball of Williamsport, Pa.; Col. Joseph Fraser of Walnut, Ia.; Col. Charles C. Blanchard of Amarillo, Tex.; Col. William B. Yancey of Harrisonburg, Va.; Col. John J. O'Brien of Seattle; Col. Michael Buckley, Jr.; of San Jose, Calif.; Col. Clarence C. Clendennen of New York and Col. John C. Diller of San Antonio, Tex.

## SSer Cites Nazi Aim: 30 Million Slavs' Death

By Allen Dreyfuss  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NUREMBERG, Jan. 7.—The Nazis' avowed aim when they launched their attack on Russia was to wipe out 30,000,000 people of the Slavic races, Erich von dem Bach-Zelewski, former Waffen SS general and chief of the Nazi "anti-partisan" units, told the war crimes court today.

The German high command could not help but be fully aware of the brutal methods used, the 46-year-old witness told the court as he described with almost drawing-room casualness how the ruthless extermination policy was cloaked as "anti-partisan" activity.

Zelewski said the "elimination plan" was known to Heinrich Himmler, who set the goal of 30,000,000 victims in verbal orders.

Earlier, an affidavit by Ernst Rode, former member of Himmler's personal command staff, was read to the court. The affidavit told how the disguised anti-partisan warfare, involving military leaders, attempted systematically to annihilate "Jewry and Slavism."

Direction of this type of activity lay practically always in the hands of the Army, said the affidavit, which implicated five defendants—Alfred Jodl, Erich Raeder, Karl Doenitz, Wilhelm Keitel and Hermann Goering.

The refusal of at least one Wehrmacht general, Panzer Troop Gen. Lemelsen, to go with the tide was cited in the case of Lemelsen withholding orders to his subordinate commands for "ruthless anti-partisan measures on the grounds of personal unacceptability."

A Keitel order, in effect condoning the mistreatment of civilians in occupied territories by members of the Wehrmacht, was read to the tribunal. "With regard to offenses committed by members of the Wehrmacht and its employees, prosecution is not obligatory even where the deed is at the same time a military crime or offense," Keitel directed.

The ultimate justification for whitewashing acts of his soldiers followed in the next paragraph of Keitel's order: "When judging such offenses, it must be borne in mind, whatever the circumstances, that the collapse of Germany in 1918, the subsequent sufferings of the German people and the fight against National Socialism, which cost the blood of innumerable supporters of the movement, were caused primarily by Bolshevik influence, and that no German has forgotten this fact."

## Austria...

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an independent and democratic state. "I can assure you that the people of the U.S. will wish to assist Austria in this endeavor."

The U.S. formally recognized Hitler's conquest of Austria, since no Austrian government-in-exile ever was established. However, today's recognition was the first granted any Austrian regime since the Anschluss of 1938.

## 12,000 GIs Boo Delay

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Army forces in the Western Pacific had been reduced to around 335,000 men from its 600,000 strength of Oct. 1. He estimated it would be cut to about 100,000 within three months.

The general told committee members he would arrange a meeting if the men desired it with a Senate subcommittee due in about a week to investigate military surpluses and postwar bases in the Pacific.

Gen. Styer earlier declined an invitation to address the GI meeting, but said he would make a statement through press and radio.

"No matter how good your intentions are," he told the committee, "I am afraid some hotheads will cause trouble and somebody will get hurt."

## Denies GI Charge

In his own radio address, Styer, appealing for cessation of demonstrations, denied a GI charge that high-point men are being held in the Pacific as a "pressure group" to force Congress to pass compulsory military training.

Members of the GI committee were T/4 Harold Schiffrin of Rochester, N. Y., T/4 Sheldon Newberger of Chicago, T/5 Herbert Levine, Jr., of New York City, S/Sgt. William Kennedy of Newport, N. H., and S/Sgt. Ira Gollobin of New York City.

"We don't blame the Army Forces of the Western Pacific, we blame the War Department," said Kennedy, who was chairman of tonight's mass meeting.

A pamphlet, typical of several that appeared, called upon the soldiers to write to their families "telling them about the situation out here and urging them to write to their Congressmen requesting them to put pressure on the War Department to release us."

"According to a War Department spokesman," the pamphlet continued, "demobilization is proceeding at alarming rapidity."

"Alarming from whose point of view? Alarming to generals and colonels who want to go on playing war and who do not want to go back to being captains and majors? Alarming to business men who stand to make money having their investments rebuilt at Army expense? Alarming to the State Department, which wants an Army to back its imperialism in the Far East?"

One outfit announced it was collecting money from its members to buy advertising in newspapers at home.