

Congress Pushes Quick Vote on Terminal Pay for EM

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—The War Department prepared to tackle the stiff job of paying terminal leave allowance to millions of enlisted men today as prospects mounted that an election-conscious Congress would authorize the outlay.

For months the House Military Affairs Committee had been sitting on the bill to authorize payment, but late yesterday 218 House members affixed signatures to a peti-

tion which forced the issue to the floor for debate. The measure is due for consideration May 13.

Rep. Dwight L. Rogers (D.-Fla.), author of the bill, predicted prompt passage by both houses.

The bill would give GIs terminal leave pay on the same basis as officers, except that enlisted men would receive their money in a lump sum. It would provide for leave pay, on a retroactive basis from September, 1940, the

start of Selective Service inductions.

The amount of terminal pay would be figured on the basis of 30 days of leave a year, and payment would be made for a maximum of 120 days, Rogers said he would amend the bill to give discharged servicemen a year in which to apply for terminal pay.

The American Legion is reported to be behind the drive for the Rogers bill. This veterans group recently denounced the armed forces' policy of giving terminal leave pay

only to commissioned officers as part of a "caste system" which was creating "dissent and dissatisfaction among servicemen."

The War Department estimated several months of bookkeeping would be necessary to compile GI records for payment. Rep. Robert Sikes (D.-Fla.), chairman of the military affairs subcommittee, which recommended a pay leave bill similar to Rogers' proposal, said the War Department estimated the proposal would cost the Army about \$2,000,000,000.

One Year Ago Today

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House Extends Hamstrung OPA

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)

—The House voted overwhelmingly yesterday to continue the Office of Price Administration for nine months and thereby gave President Truman one of the worst legislative defeats he has had since entering the White House. Vote on the amendment-ridden bill was 355 to 42.

The bill goes to the Senate today, where the White House said the President hoped for "much better results."

Administration chiefs expressed confidence that the Senate will treat OPA far more gently than the House, but trouble was stacking up for them just the same.

Their guarded optimism was tempered by the fact that even if the Senate rolls up a thumping majority for continued price control without major changes, its decision will have to be compromised with the contrary action of the House on many key provisions.

Uproarious Night Session

The rebellious House, in an uproarious night session, hammered the daylight out of the important phases of the President's stabilization program, pasting the price control act with restrictions and directing that subsidy payments stop.

As a result of almost wholesale amending by the House, the bill's major clauses now call for scrapping the government food subsidies, repeal of the low-cost clothing production program, establishment of a "cost plus" plan to insure a profit for manufacturers and handlers of certain items, and an amendment to prohibit OPA from interfering with normal profit on "reconversion items" such as automobiles, refrigerators and radios.

Bowles Deplores Measure

Economic Stabilizer Chester B. Bowles deplored the House measure as the beginning of "a joyride toward economic disaster." OPA chief Paul Porter said that if the House action was sustained in the Senate, it "amounts to repeal of price control."

Porter said the bill that the House passed yesterday would require elimination immediately after July 1 of price ceilings on at least 50 per cent of all commodities which make up the cost of living, including coal, shoes, textiles, clothing, meat, milk and all dairy products except butter.

Only rent control survived last night's House rebellion unscathed as the chamber beat back all efforts to revise rent ceilings.

Civilians May Wear Patches, Service Ribbons, USFET Rules

FRANKFURT, April 19—Civilians entitled to decorations for service medals, service ribbons, and overseas service bars, earned up to the time of their discharge from the U. S. Army, may wear them on their uniform, USFET Headquarters announced today.

In addition, civilians who are former members of the U. S. Army also may wear the shoulder patch of the military unit with which they served overseas in World War II. The patches are to be worn on the

right shoulder of the civilian uniform provided no other patch, as of a civilian agency, is worn there.

The new regulations also give civilians permission to wear the uniform overcoat or raincoat over civilian dress and permits them to wear the summer uniform while off duty, from May 15 to Sept. 30.

UNRRA personnel may wear U. S. Army enlisted men's overcoats and uniforms of other than U. S. Army origin for the life of the garment. British civilian volunteers may continue to wear the existing BCV insignia in lieu of the U. S.

Mihailovitch Awaits Trial in Manacles

Draja Mihailovitch, Chetnik leader accused of aiding the Nazis, is shown manacled in a cell immediately after his capture by forces of Marshal Tito in a Bosnian mountain cave. He is awaiting trial on a charge of treason.



6 GI Prisoners Escape Stockade In Paris, Using Wooden Pistol

The Stars and Stripes Bureau PARIS, April 19—With the aid of a dummy pistol, fashioned of wood and painted black, six American soldiers, two of them charged with murder, broke out of the Paris Detention Barracks late Sunday night, it was revealed today.

One of the prisoners, Pvt. Edgar D. Jordan, of Chicago, was shot by a prison guard and recaptured immediately. A search for the other

five is being made through the extensive Paris network of known black-market hotels and areas.

Jordan, who was being held in the Place d'Italie slaying of an unarmed mail courier in February, started the break when he used his fake pistol to disarm his guard. He had obtained permission to leave his solitary-confinement cell on the pretense of having to go to the latrine. The guard was forced to release two other prisoners.

The trio thereupon walked through the cell block, found three more volunteers for the escape, and promptly disarmed another guard, who had come rushing up on hearing the commotion. The six escapees, sharing the guard's helmets, brassards, weapons and OD's fled through the main gate after overpowering and trussing up the gate guards.

About 50 yards away, they were observed by another gate guard, who ordered them to halt. A burst of gunfire was the answer. In the ensuing exchange, Jordan was hit and captured.

Bergman Gets Remarque Role

HOLLYWOOD, April 19 (AP)—Ingrid Bergman has been signed to play the role of Joan in the screen version of Erich Remarque's novel "Arch of Triumph."

World Food Peril Alarms Truman

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—"The world food situation is blacker than it has been painted," President Truman said yesterday and revealed he had asked Herbert Hoover to return immediately to the U. S.

But today the President, after talking by telephone with Mr. Hoover in Cairo agreed that Mr. Hoover should complete his famine survey abroad before returning to the U. S.

In Washington the President had told 300 members of the American Association of Newspaper Editors that he wanted Mr. Hoover to return promptly to present his findings "forcibly and dramatically." He asked editors for their cooperation to increase the food relief for Europe.

Editors' Tour Urged

The President said he wished the editors would go to the starvation areas of Europe and Asia to see for themselves how bad conditions really are.

Denis Fitzgerald, Mr. Hoover's adviser, declared President Truman's message to Mr. Hoover was intended to give the honorary chairman of the Famine Emergency Commission an opportunity to report directly to the American people if he so desired.

Mr. Hoover decided his radio speech would be sufficient and elected to continue his inspection tour of India and China. In a speech broadcast on all major U. S. radio networks tonight, he declared that 150,000,000 people between the Russian frontier and the English channel, mostly the lower income groups, must have overseas supplies during the next four months if widespread famine is to be prevented.

Hoover Outlines Program

Mr. Hoover outlined a six-point program which he explained constituted his own personal views. If his proposals were adopted, he said the United States would be furnishing to famine areas about 44 per cent of the total; Canada about 20 per cent; the United Kingdom about 10 per cent; Australia about 10 per cent; the Argentine, through the cooperation of other states, and Russia about 12 per cent.

Mr. Hoover is scheduled to leave Cairo tomorrow en route to Karachi, India.

5-Man Probe Of Spain Gains UNO Support

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—Australia's compromise proposal to the United Nations Security Council for a five-man committee "to investigate and report" today gained support among council delegates as a possible solution of the Spanish question.

The proposal was submitted to the council shortly before adjournment last night for the Easter holidays.

Most delegates were reluctant to commit themselves after the session, but they expressed interest. The

LAKE SUCCESS, L. I., April 19 (INS)—Seven hundred residents of Lake Success will hold a referendum election tomorrow to let 51 United Nations know whether they will be welcome to locate their temporary capital in the village. UNO hopes to take over the Sperry Gyroscope plant for interim office space.

proposal, submitted by Australia's W. R. Hodgson, was conceded by some to have a good chance of being approved.

Before the council resumes discussion of the Spanish question, however, it will resume the Iran case which was interrupted Tuesday after Secretary-General Trygve Lie asserted there were doubts whether the Iran dispute legally could be kept on the agenda. This matter is expected to be the first on the council's calendar when it reconvenes Tuesday.

The way was opened for a new struggle on the Iran matter when the committee of experts on rules

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Lichfield Trial Head Dismissed After Own Request for Fairness

The Stars and Stripes Bureau LONDON, April 19—The most turbulent session of the 12-day-old Lichfield trial ended today after a dozen recesses and dismissal of the president of the court.

Dismissal of the court president, Col. Buhl Moore, came after the

BAD NAUHEIM, April 19 Eight prisoners scheduled to testify at the transplanted Lichfield trials were to arrive from London tonight at this famous pre-war summer resort.

The prisoners will be lodged in a stockade at the edge of the town, a building that formerly was the clubhouse of a rifle range. An officer and 24 men have been detailed to guard the prisoners.

colonel himself had asked that his fitness be challenged because, he explained, he felt that a series of events had occurred that might have influenced, consciously or unconsciously, his vote.

Moore said he had concluded that "neither the defendant nor the government can get full justice" from the court "as it is now constituted."

Under questioning by Maj. Leland Smith, trial judge advocate, who made the challenge, and the defense counsel, Col. Moore said he had reached his opinion as a result of friction between himself and Maj. Benito Gaguine, the law member. Moore asserted he questioned the "ability, adequacy and competency of the law member."

Col. Moore left immediately after his announcement of the court's verdict and the trial continued before the court's remaining six members, four majors and two captains.

Originally the court martial included two colonels, both of whom have been challenged and dismissed, and a third captain, who left after declaring at the outset of the trial that he might be "biased."

The court is hearing testimony on charges that S/Sgt. James M. Jones, of Muskogee, Okla., former Lichfield guard, assaulted prisoners.

New Postwar Weapons Accentuate the 'Sunday Punch'

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP)—The armed services have lifted the curtain of secrecy from their newest rocket weapons, including "Tiny Tim," a king-sized, 10-foot rocket that gives a fighter plane the hitting impact of a heavy cruiser.

They revealed these other rocket weapons, all born in the urgency of war and some so new they had not seen action when Japan surrendered:

A LANDING CRAFT with the punch of five destroyers, able to fire 300 to 500 five-inch rockets a minute with deadly accuracy and entirely with automatic control and reloading.

A "WINDOW" ROCKET fired from ships to confuse enemy radar.

AN AIRBORNE anti-submarine rocket fired backward from a speeding plane in such a way as to make bombs drop straight down on enemy U-boats.

Super-Bazooka Makes Bow

There are also:

A super-bazooka, newest version of the foot soldier's famed tank-buster. It carries double the explosive payload of its predecessor and has an effective range of 700 yards instead of 200 to 300. It was not developed in time to use during the war.

A 60-pound, single-shot rocket launcher for jungle fighting, and an unused 7.2-inch chemical rocket that carried a payload of 20 pounds of gas or other chemical agent. The latter was held in reserve if the enemy had used gas.

The harpoon rocket that carried a wire cable across a river and anchored it there to provide the base for an emergency ferry or bridge.

The new rocket weapons were disclosed in a report by the joint board on scientific information policy for the War and Navy Departments and the Office of Scientific Research and Development.

The United States was caught short on rocket weapons in World War II. When the Japanese struck Pearl Harbor, neither of the armed services had a single rocket in service use, although rockets had been used in warfare by the Chinese as early as 1232 and had been employed with varying success by many nations since that time.

By the war's end, however, American soldiers, sailors and Marines had fired millions of rockets.

"Tiny Tim," a 10-foot, 1,200-pound airborne rocket, was conceived near the end of the war to meet a special need—a "Sunday Punch" against the heavy concrete blockhouses that American forces found in increasing numbers as they neared the Jap homeland.

150 Pounds of TNT

With an armor-piercing nose carrying more than 150 pounds of TNT and with a speed of more than 600 miles an hour, "Tiny Tim" was the answer. It struck its target with the force of a high-explosive, 12-inch shell.

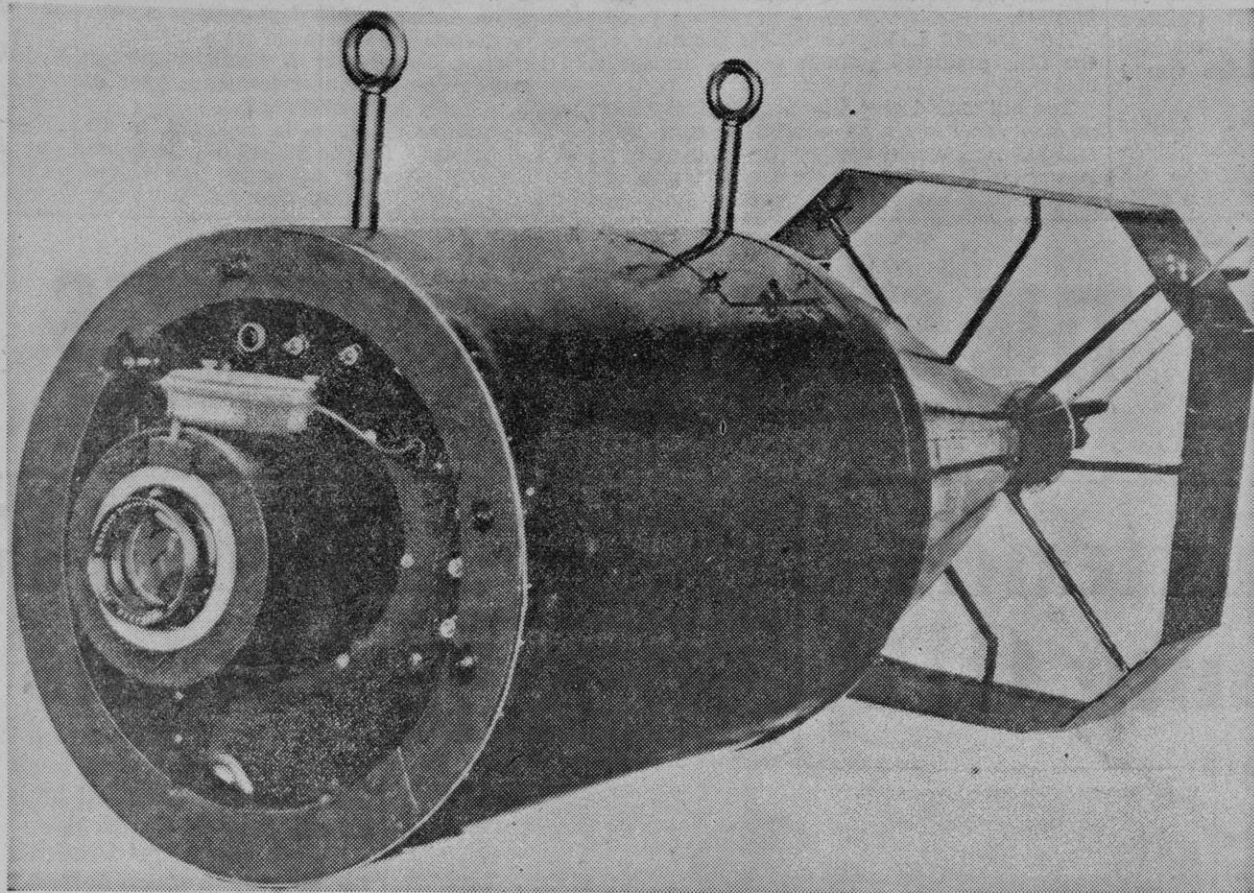
The new rocket was so powerful that at first it blew parts from the planes that tried to launch it. The first answer was a trapeze arrangement that lowered the rocket six feet below the plane just before firing.

But that limited "Tiny Tim" to big planes with bomb bays large enough to handle the trapeze. So the Navy worked out a new launching procedure that let the rocket fall freely a dozen feet before its propelling charge went off.

That did the trick, and just before the war ended a few plane squadrons on Okinawa and on one carrier were loosing the giant rockets on the Japs.

Rocket-equipped ships were used in the late phases of the war against Japan with great effectiveness, but were crude in comparison with the LSM (R), a new craft conceived in November, 1944.

The LSM (R) carried 10 auto-



'SEEING EYE' BOMB, a new U. S. development, sends a television picture of the target, as viewed from the lens in its nose, to the bombardier. The latter then guides the missile by radio impulses.

matic launchers with a combined firepower of 300 to 500 five inch rockets a minute in addition to the normal gun complement of a landing craft. Earlier rocket ships had to load their rockets, move in and point the ship at the target to fire, then retreat to an area of comparative safety to reload.

But the LSM (R) was different. The rocket tubes were loaded, aimed fired and re-loaded automatically from below deck, and could be kept continuously on the target while the ship remained in action.

The first LSM (R) was on its

way across the Pacific when Japan surrendered.

Window rockets to jam enemy radar were used first in the Normandy invasion. High in the air, the rocket head ejects thousands of tiny strips of foil that reflect radar beams of many wavelengths. The result is that the enemy sees a new spot on his radar screen that remains after the true target moves away.

In the early years of the anti-submarine war, planes were spotting plenty of U-boats but the percentage of sure kills was disappointingly low. In many attacks, a plane was

able to fly directly over the submarine but failed to get a hit because bombs had to be dropped short of the target to allow for the forward trajectory imparted by the speed of the plane.

What was needed was a bomb that would drop straight down from a fast-moving plane. The answer was found by putting a backward-firing rocket charge in an ordinary bomb. As the bomb left the plane, the rocket charge cancelled its normal forward velocity. The result was that it dropped vertically to the target directly below.



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Defends Soldiers' Conduct

How about that "Wolves in ODS" letter? Are we pigs or are we soldiers? I am damned proud of the uniform I wear, but it makes me burn to think that some people think it is being disgraced.

Here in Berlin I come in daily contact with hundreds of GIs, and I've yet to see what the sergeant calls "super-charged wolves in ODS." There are a few, I will admit, who show little respect for women. But they are far in the minority.

I agree that the hardest part of the war is being fought now, but haven't we been fighting against the ideal which judges the many by the conduct of a few?

In the same issue of the paper, Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson stated that American soldiers are carrying out the occupation "with dignity and skill."

—Pfc, RAF.

They Don't Ask Too Much

Not wishing to give those two "Aching Wacs" competition, we are also anxious to return to the land of opportunity. We have only 18 months service, but our conditions are not so desperate as to lead us to utter destruction (that of marrying). All we ask is to have some kind gentleman take us out at least five times a week. Ours is a lonely life in the ET.

—Two Lonely Wacs.

If's Cameras They Want

I agree with the need for establishing some plan whereby home-bound personnel could get a camera. I have wanted a camera so badly, and hoped so highly, that I read all the photography magazines available, and putter around the dark room at every opportunity. But still I don't own a camera, though I have been putting my name in the hat since last October.

I read some time ago that there will be plenty of cameras available in July, enough for everyone. By that time many of us will have returned to the States.

—Ambitious Wac.

We oldtimers are going home soon, so our chances of getting a camera are very slim. The newcomers will have plenty of time to get what they want.

—27 Months.

Asks MP Shoulder Patch

It seems that almost every branch of the Army has a separate shoulder patch. We have armored patches, infantry, engineers, air corps, etc. One of the oldest branches of the Army is left out, the MPs. All we have are the crossed pistols. I think we should have a shoulder patch of our own, since, after all, we are helping out over here.

—Pvt., 508th MP Bn.

Criticizes Posters

Today I saw something I think constitutes grounds for a squawk. A poster being put on a bulletin board pictured the white crosses of a typical military cemetery coupled with the words, "Driving Fool" and "Permanent Occupation Army."

I have been here 26 months and have quite a few friends under such a cross. I don't believe they should be used to advertise any campaign.

—S. L. R. 1547th L. S. Co.

New IGL Candidate

I've read about the "In Grade Longest Club." Include me in. Having served in the Regular Army for seven years, four months and five days, and having three honorable discharges with "excellent" character. I had to enlist to make Pfc.

—Bucking.

Big Kick Upstairs

U.S. Jobs Prove Stepping Stones to Big Pay

WASHINGTON, April 19—Government salaries are terrible.

There's no doubt about that. There's nothing in a Federal pay check to attract any person of outstanding ability. But frequently these Federal jobs are stepping stones to bigger and better things.

After taxes, the President of the United States makes only about \$40,000 a year. Leave it there and it sounds like pretty good pay. But take out the expenses of holding the office and any President who comes out at the end of a year with a couple of dollars in his savings account is lucky or just plain penurious.

Members of Congress now get a net of less than \$8,500.

Nevertheless, these underpaid jobs often lead to topnotch paying jobs in industry.

Robert Ramspeck, former congressman from Georgia, and one of the outstanding authorities of our time on civil service, recently wrote an article for a national magazine about why he couldn't afford to continue as a member of Congress.

Ramspeck's article is thoroughly convincing, but the natural question arises: What would he have been making today if he hadn't come to Congress?

As a recognized national authority

on personnel matters, he is worth far more to the aviation industry than that congressional salary. But weren't his years of struggling along on a representative's pay a pretty good stepping stone to his present job?

Henderson Making Money

The same question could be asked in scores of cases. Leon Henderson was an obscure teacher of college economics when he came into the Government. Congressional opposition finally drove him out of the job of first OPA director. Financially, it was a big kick upstairs. In radio, lectures and as adviser to industrial firms Henderson has piled up an income that would make college teachers of economics turn green.

The same is true of Thomas (Tommy the Cork) Corcoran. He too was drummed out of government service into the big money brackets.

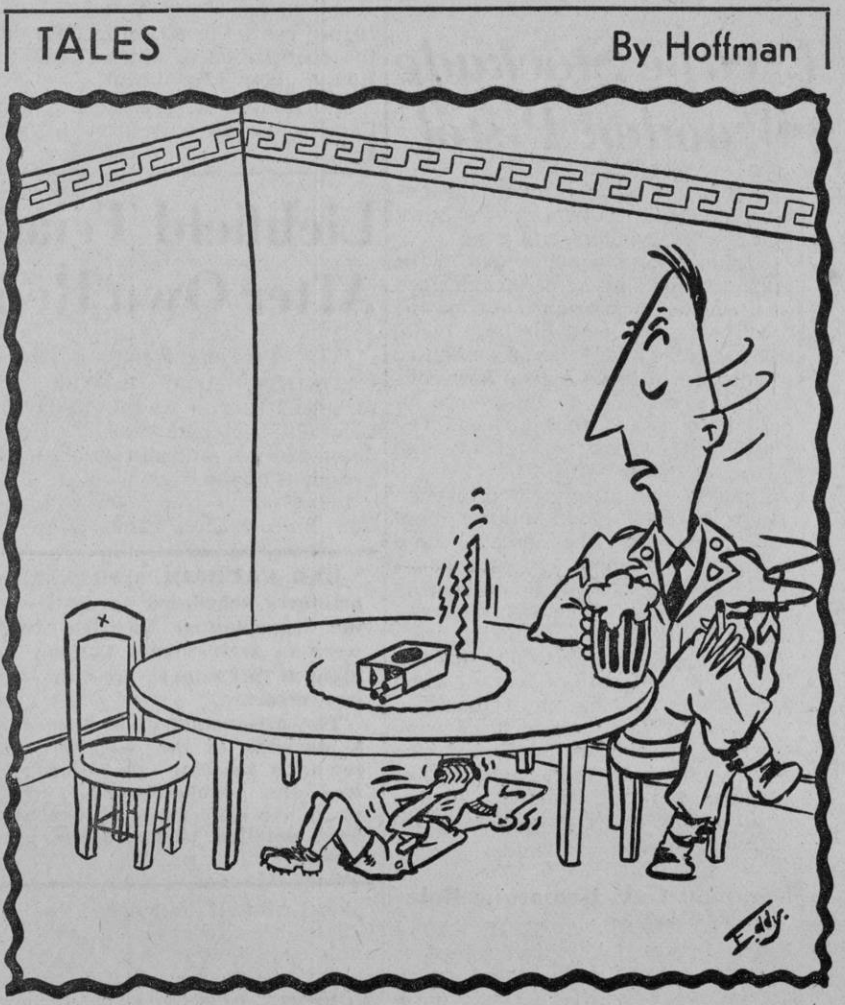
Byron Price, who made one of the war's outstanding government service records as chief of censorship; and Donald M. Nelson, who fought the early battles of war production, have both found the motion picture industry pays off much better.

Trust Company Executive

Daniel W. Bell, who was Undersecretary of the Treasury, finally has gotten into the chips as executive of one of Washington's outstanding trust companies.

Stephen Early's desire to get out of his job as press representative for President Roosevelt dated back several years before his chief's death. He stayed long enough to see President Truman through his first few months, but after that accepted one of many offers.

Senator A. B. "Happy" Chandler's financial step-up to baseball czar; the late Jack Nichols' resignation as a member of Congress from Oklahoma to become an international airlines executive; and the late Harry Hopkins' jump from the White House staff to a far better paying job in the garment industry are additional examples.



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Truman to Get Plea of 3,000 To Save Rapist

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., April 19 (AP)—Petitions asking executive clemency for Earl McFarland, condemned rape-killer, have been signed by more than 3,000 persons, attorney W. N. Albert said today.

He said he would leave for Washington to present the petitions to President Truman, and make a clemency plea for McFarland.

The petitions said that if McFarland were guilty "of which we are not convinced, such guilt came about through circumstantial evidence, sensational news reporting, and his past bad record before entering the U. S. Marines. Because of these circumstances, along with the possibility that the boy is mentally incompetent, we ask for mercy and clemency."

Meanwhile, in Washington the U. S. Court of Appeals affirmed the murder conviction of Joseph D. Medley, 44, who escaped with McFarland from jail. Medley was convicted of first degree murder for the shooting of Mrs. Nancy Boyer in her apartment in March, 1945, after an all-night poker game.

Carrier Task Force Can Withstand Atom Attack, Admiral Says

MIAMI, April 19 (AP)—A carrier task force which will begin large-scale maneuvers off the Virginia capes "could withstand an atomic bomb attack," according to Adm. Jonas H. Ingram, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet.

He declared that the fleet would be greater than any that operated against the Japanese during the war. It will be composed of nearly 60 ships and will have "strong air-striking power."

Ingram declared that the Navy "knows a great deal about the atomic bomb right now. Tests in the Pacific will teach us a lot more, but we are by no means in the dark about atomic bomb implications upon future naval warfare and means of using the bomb as well as protection against it."

TRUMAN TO WITNESS CARRIER MANEUVERS

WASHINGTON, April 19 (INS)—President Truman will witness maneuvers of a Naval aircraft-carrier task force in the Atlantic off the Virginia capes early next week. The White House announced that the President would board the giant aircraft carrier Franklin Roosevelt in Hampton Roads on Monday.

Two Hurt as Plane Dives to Avert Crash

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—Two passengers in an Eastern Airlines plane were injured slightly when the pilot put the ship into a vertical dive to avoid colliding with an unidentified aircraft 6,000 feet above Trenton.

Capt. Joseph Kelly, the pilot, said that the other plane, possibly a Navy plane, had been flying at the wrong altitude under Civil Aeronautics clearance.

Kelly said the combined speeds of the two planes as they neared one another was more than 400 miles an hour.

Stricken French Officer To Fly to U. S. for Care

BANGKOK, April 19 (AP)—French 2/Lt. Pierre Carichopulo, whose arm gradually is withering as a result of a wound suffered during the battle of France, has received priority from the United States Air Transport Command for a flight from Indo-China to the United States for specialized treatment.

Gen. Jacques Leclerc personally appealed to the United States consul at Saigon to arrange priority for the lieutenant. The request was forwarded to the consular authorities in Bangkok, who soon received notification of approval from the New Delhi ATC.

11 Convicted in Yen Deals

TOKYO, April 19 (AP)—Seven Japanese have been convicted of illegal currency transactions with U. S. Army men and fined a total of 75,000 yen. The four soldiers were sentenced to prison terms of up to one year. The Japanese defendants conspired with the Americans to secure United States and Philippine currency in exchange for yen at huge profits to the GIs.



Strapping

A fetching new model of the popular one-strap bathing suit is displayed by Hazel Smith, of Atlanta, shown here on the beach at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Battle Veterans Embark for ET As Pals Return

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—Returning veterans from the troopship Ernie Pyle and 1,465 replacement troops boarding the India Victory, bound for Le Havre and Bremerhaven, mingled on a Staten Island pier.

The replacement troops included veterans of the 1st and 5th Armies and men who had served in the China-Burma-India Theater. The majority of them wore battle decorations. Shoulder patches designating men of the 3rd, 4th, and 9th Armored Divs. were conspicuous. Some men had served in Europe with the 29th, 45th, 70th and 79th Inf. Divs.

Capt. James K. Tanner, one of the replacement troops, said he had reenlisted because it was the "best job I could find offered to me at 35 dollars per week." The captain, a veteran of seven years, had served with the 4th Armored Div.

Lt. Vernon L. Hayden, who served 35 months overseas with the 79th Inf., said he had reenlisted because he was "fed up with conditions in the U. S."

Attack With Hot Poker Gets Girl 5-Year Term

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa, April 19 (AP)—Accused of running a hot stove poker through the arm of a 12-year-old girl, Eleanor Mae Piersdall, 19, pleaded guilty to assault with intent to maim and was sentenced to five years in prison.

The victim was Joyce Buffett, eldest of eight children of Glenn Buffett, a farmer west of Marshalltown, with whom Miss Piersdall testified she had been living and who was the father of her own 10-month-old baby.

New Honolulu-Frisco Record

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19 (AP)—A Constellation clipper arrived from Honolulu in 8 hours and 50 minutes, which Pan-American officials said was a new speed record. The previous record was 9 hours and 9 minutes.

U. S. Ready to Discuss Big Loan to Soviet Union

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—An American note inviting discussion of the billion-dollar loan asked by the Soviet Union has been sent to Moscow, it was disclosed here today.

An informed Government official revealed the move as the United States replied to a Soviet communication, sent about two months ago, asking about topics to be dis-

cussed between the two governments.

This official, who may not be identified, said Washington suggested that talks begin in May, but "certainly" before summer.

Among the subjects to be brought up, it is understood, are Soviet trade pacts with the Balkans to which Washington has objected. It was learned that the United States Government believes the key topics to be examined will include these trade agreements and the Soviet attitude toward the projected United Nations international trade organization.

So far, the Soviet Union has not indicated whether it will join in the trade setup which is dedicated to lowering tariff barriers and promoting trade expansion.

American officials believe the suggested talks can open even before Congress acts on the British loan—that is, about June 1.

Lend-Lease Account

The Soviet Union's lend-lease account is expected to be a part of the projected discussions, the eastern ally having received about \$10,801,131,000 in goods and services out of a total of \$43,950,000,000 accorded to foreign governments.

It is presumed the Russians will send a financial mission similar to the British group headed by Lord Geoffrey Keynes.

Any loan to the Soviet Union as now envisaged would not have to be approved by Congress but would be negotiated through the Export-Import bank.

As a bank transaction, the interest rate it is believed, would be approximately 3 per cent, 1 per cent higher than that for the British loan.

SENATE EXPECTED TO PASS LOAN TO GREAT BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—Administration circles in the Senate predicted that the proposed \$3,750,000,000 loan to Great Britain would pass the Senate by a margin of 12 to 18 votes.

This estimate was based on an informal poll which indicated that Republican senators would split about even.

Administration forces concede that they may have difficulty repelling attempts to amend the bill.

One proposed amendment would substitute an outright gift of \$1,250,000,000 and another would provide for permanent use by the United States of certain British bases in the Atlantic now under temporary lease.

It's More Fun to Be An EM, Colonel Says, Doffing Eagles

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—Samuel T. A. Crawford, 34, swapped his colonel's eagles for a master sergeant's stripes, explaining:

"I prefer to be an enlisted man. It's more fun."

Crawford was assigned to the 355 Eng. Regt., where his older brother is the first sergeant in the same company. The latter has been in the Army for 22 years, and has been an EM throughout.

Samuel, who formerly commanded the 987 F. A. entered the Army in 1941 as a first lieutenant in the reserves.

Women Renew Rioting In Canadian Prison

WINNIPEG, April 19 (AP)—Women prisoners in the Portage La Prairie jail rioted for the second time in 48 hours.

Nineteen ringleaders transferred to the men's section started breaking windows, shouting and singing.

Locked in dormitories on the third floor of the jail and in the basement of the men's section, the women used toilet seats, the only available weapon, to break windows.

McKelway to Wed

LOS ANGELES, April 19 (UP)—Martha Stephenson Kemp, widow of bandleader Harold Kemp, and former wife of actor Victor Mature, will be married April 27 to St. Clair McKelway, screen writer and former newspaperman. McKelway, a native of North Carolina, was on the staff of the old New York World and the New Yorker magazine. He was recently discharged from the Army.

On the American Scene

Doctors, Legislators Clash on Health Bill

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—Doctors and lawmakers yesterday exchanged conflicting opinions about a national health bill including compulsory Government insurance for medical care.

Doctors appearing for thousands of physicians in the American Medical Association told the Senate Labor Committee that the Administration's "Health Bill" would bring socialized medicine and the regimentation of both doctors and patients, would result in inferior medical care, would cost some four billion dollars a year or more and would add 1,500,000 persons to Government payrolls.

It would fail to produce as good

medical care as voluntary prepayment insurance programs which the AMA now has sponsored through a non-profit corporation, it was said.

Lawmakers, including Sens. James E. Murray (D.-Mont.), Claude Pepper (D.-Fla.) and James M. Tunnell (D.-Del.), defended the plan and declared that the Medical Association and its controlling House of Delegates were "far behind the times," that some doctors refused to "treat poor people unless they got 'cash on the barrelhead,'" and that opponents of the program had "misrepresented the facts" by terming it "socialistic and dangerous" and were "spending thousands of dollars" on propaganda against it.

Cupid Fired Duds, War Department Finds

WASHINGTON, April 19 (INS)—Cupid's arrows obviously were duds.

The War Department disclosed that its recent action to induce American servicemen to claim their 8,000 or more war brides and children, now stranded overseas, had had no appreciable effect.

Earlier, the department painstakingly outlined to the soldiers and veterans concerned simplified measures for bringing their war families to America. Letters of request should be made in writing by these men

to the commanding general of the theater where their dependents live to receive transportation for them.

An Army spokesman asserted the applications still were not coming in. He added wryly that "love is even colder than we thought."

The spokesman said that already the bottom of the barrel was being scraped for dependents to fill the passenger lists. Notice was served that unless the numbers increased, some of the 24 bride ships assigned to the operation would be withdrawn.

School 'Salome' Gets Billy Rose Offer

DETROIT, April 19 (INS)—This is no moral for other teen-agers, but 16-year-old Beverly Cort has an offer to appear in a famous New York nightclub because she disobeyed her teacher.

It began in Lincoln High School in suburban Van Dyke where Beverly was to dance as "Salome," wearing an abbreviated costume in a student-sponsored stage show.

Her teacher, Mrs. Stella Koski, forbade the dance unless it was performed in slacks. Beverly changed to her brief costume in the last minute. She was censured by the teacher.

A rumor swept the school that she had been expelled and the students staged a strike.

The "Salome" incident caused a furore in the little community and attracted the attention of the nation's newspapers.

As a result of this publicity, Billy Rose wired Beverly an offer to appear in the famed Diamond Horseshoe in New York. He promised her a two-week contract to perform the Salome ballet in her abbreviated costume.

Beverly will accept if her parents agree.

College, Working Girls to Match Beauty

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 19 (UP)—A beauty contest has been scheduled for May 18 as the result of the acceptance by Billy Rose of a challenge by the Harvard Lampoon to prove, or eat, his words that beautiful girls don't go to college.

The New York showman will pit six of his showgirls against an equal number of "know-girls" to be selected by Lampoon editors from eastern college campuses. A board of seven newspapermen, five from Boston and two from New York, will decide the issue at the Boston-

scheduled contest.

Spokesmen for the Lampoon said that the editors were counting on girls from Smith, Wellesley, and Radcliffe colleges to rally to their cause. If necessary, they said, an elimination contest would be held to determine the collegiate choices.

Each contestant is to appear first in an evening gown, then in a bathing suit. One of the judges for the contest is to be Jack Gaver, the Broadway columnist to whom Rose originally made his statement about the folly of looking for good looks in the college lecture hall.

Tons of Dead Fish Pile on Lake Shore

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—Col. L. W. Green, of the Army's Chemical Warfare Service, left for Brookings, S. D., to investigate the possibility of using "goop" fire bombs to destroy tons of dead fish which were washed up on the banks of Lake Poinsett. Several weeks ago dead fish began washing up on the bank, and local authorities estimate that there now are about 8,000 tons of them.

"Nobody has been able to explain

it for sure," Rep. Karl E. Mundt (R.-S. D.) told a reporter. "They seem to think it mostly suffocation, though, because there was a heavy snowfall on the top of the lake ice late in the winter and it's possible the fish just couldn't get sufficient air."

More dead fish are being washed up every day.

County authorities tried burying them with a bulldozer, Mundt said, but the equipment available was not enough for the job.

'Homesickness' Blamed for GI Divorces

COLUMBUS, April 19 (UP)—Marriages based on "homesickness" and lack of "solid background" were blamed in Domestic Relations Court today for the rise in divorce suits by veterans against overseas brides. A dozen suits have already been filed by Columbus veterans, said Judge Clayton Rose, and "many more are doomed to failure."

The judge proclaimed a "fairly liberal" attitude towards granting decrees. Most of the cases now pending charge gross neglect, based on wives' refusal to join their husbands in the United States. The women affected live in England, Australia and the Netherlands East Indies.

Britain Awaits Cash Cargo on Ocean Queen

LONDON, April 19 (INS)—British shipping experts already are counting the dollars that touring Americans will bring into the country when the Queen Elizabeth makes her first private eastbound trip across the Atlantic in the autumn, with estimates ranging in the million-dollar category.

The estimates are conservative, however, and based on the \$400 limit for each passenger going westward across the Atlantic.

Americans are expected to bring a much larger amount on their eastward journeys and one shipping expert figured that he would be very surprised if the Queen Elizabeth did not "import \$4,000,000 a month as soon as she resumed her regular passenger sailings."

Liner Is Reconditioned

The biggest Cunard liner therefore would bring roughly \$40,000,000 to England before the end of the year.

Reconditioning work is now going on on the Queen Elizabeth at Southampton docks. The firm of Messrs. John Brown, which built the ship on the Clydebank, is handling the general reconditioning, and it is expected that a minimum of \$2,000,000 will be spent on the liner in the next few months.

According to reliable sources, the ship, contrary to many reports, was substantially complete when she sailed on her secret maiden voyage to the United States in 1940. Luxury fittings and furnishings, ordered before the war, were taken out and stored.

Paneling Hidden in Ship

All of the beautiful wooden panels, built into the Queen Elizabeth, remained hidden in the ship throughout the war. They were covered by plain wooden screens which served as the walls against which thousands of temporary bunks were erected to be used by troops.

Commercial firms that held original agreements with the Cunard Line for shops aboard the ship are now discussing the renewal of their agreements.

Carpets, curtains, and many other fittings will be purchased to replace worn equipment on the Queen Elizabeth.

No date has been set as yet for the first private postwar sailing of the biggest luxury liner in the world.

Shaw at 90 Finds Courtesy Costs Too Much of His Time

NEW YORK, April 19 (INS)—The Equity Library Theater wanted to produce one of George Bernard Shaw's plays on a non-profit basis and asked his permission.

Here is the reply from Shaw as revealed today:

"You are presumably within your rights, why bother me about it? It is courteous of you to consult me and I thank you. But your courtesy cost time and I have none to spare at 90."

German Party Spokesman Urges Saar-French Union

LONDON, April 19 (AP)—German radio stations said yesterday that a Christian Socialist Party spokesman in the Saar had demanded economic union with France.

Radio Hamburg said that Peter Zimmer, party executive committee member, urged union with France to avert mass unemployment in the region.

Speaking at a mass meeting in Saarbrücken, said the broadcast, Zimmer suggested immediate resumption of economic relations with France as a step toward Saar parity with the French standard of living.

Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)



As the Tidal Wave Struck Hilo

An unknown victim of the tidal wave which devastated the Hawaiian city of Hilo struggles to reach a point of safety. Effects of the tidal wave, the result of an underwater seismic disturbance, were felt in Chile, the Philippine Islands, Alaska and Australia.

Pilgrims of Many Faiths Crowd Ancient Jerusalem as Easter Nears

England Observes Colorful Rituals

LONDON, April 19 (AP)—Great Britain started its first postwar Easter holiday season yesterday with traditional ceremonies of charity and humility.

In a ritual dating back 261 years to when King James II "washed, wiped and kissed the feet of 52 poor men with wonderful humility," King George VI distributed the "Royal Maundy" gifts of 51 pence—one for each year of his life—to 51 needy men and a like number of women.

Sea Tradition Followed

In the rear of the "Widow's Son Inn" in East London today, a sailor hung a hot cross bun, thus perpetuating a custom started 124 years ago by a widowed licensee, who placed a bun aside for her seafaring son, expected to arrive that Good Friday. The youth never came, but each year since, a sailor has continued the practice.

On Tinsley Green, Sussex, the marbles championship of Great Britain was revived today for the first time since the war, with more than a dozen teams competing for silver medals, challenge cups and an old pewter tankard.

The biggest rail rush since 1939 will take holiday makers to British beaches and resorts.

Furloughs to Greece End As Last U. S. Units Leave

FRANKFURT, April 19—All compassionate leaves and furloughs to Greece, including those of an emergency nature, have been suspended, USFET announced today. No further applications for furloughs or leaves to that country will be accepted.

It was explained that Army Transport Command installations in Greece were closing down, leaving no units to which Army personnel on leave could be attached for rations, quarters and transportation.

China Quisling Gets Death

HONGKONG, April 19 (AP)—A British military court sentenced George Wong, Chinese charged with being Hongkong's leading collaborator, to death. He was convicted of high treason.

She Wins Diet Seat But Loses Husband

TOKYO, April 19 (AP)—Mrs. Michiko Yamazaka, newly elected to the Japanese House of Representatives, has lived up to her campaign character.

On the eve of her election, her husband came home from four years in Borneo with a Borneo wife and two children.

Mrs. Yamazaka, who was elected on promises of "the emancipation of womanhood," divorced her husband.

British Probe Yugoslav Fray

CAIRO, April 19 (AP)—A British military court yesterday began an inquiry into the injury of Maj. Boleslav Ivkovitch, chief of the Yugoslav military mission in the Middle East, who the Yugoslav government contends was beaten savagely by Chetnik followers of Draja Mihailovitch in the UNRRA camp at El Shatt last Sunday.

The court convened after the Yugoslav legation had protested to UNRRA and the British embassy in Cairo.

Officials at the Yugoslav legation said that Ivkovitch had been beaten by Chetnik refugees, whom they described as collaborators with the Germans.

The legation spokesman said Ivkovitch had gone to the camp near Suez to place flowers on the graves of Yugoslav refugees who had died there, and to "investigate vandalism."

"There, in the presence of the camp commander, British army Capt. Hughes, Maj. Ivkovitch was attacked savagely and badly injured about the head," the officials asserted.

Rome Church Looted

ROME, April 19 (AP)—Sacriligious thievery committed on Holy Thursday shocked the parishioners of the Church of Saint John Lateran here. Thieves broke into the sacristy of the church and stole a golden chalice studded with gems.

Visit Gethsemane, Sepulchre, Calvary

JERUSALEM, April 19 (AP)—Easter celebrations filled the dingy cobblestoned streets of the old city of Jerusalem with one of the largest crowds of recent years today.

The increase in pilgrims to the holy places was ascribed to two factors: Easter week of the eastern and western Christian churches coincided this year, and the country-wide strike of Palestinian civil servants has released an estimated 50,000 employes from work.

While the Jews are celebrating Passover, the Muslims are observing Nebi Musa and the Christians are participating in the services of at least a dozen sects, in languages ranging from English, Latin and Greek to almost forgotten tongues of the ancient Egyptians.

Good Friday Pilgrimages

Good Friday services featured pilgrimages along the Via Dolorosa, the path over which Christ was led from Pontius Pilate's palace, now a Roman Catholic convent, to Calvary to be crucified.

The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, in which virtually every modern religion and many ancient ones have a part, is now on the site of Golgotha and the place of Christ's tomb.

The Passion services began last night with services in the Garden of Gethsemane, a few hundred yards from the old city walls, commemorating the final hours of prayer by Christ before his betrayal by the kiss of Judas.

Garmisch Gets AFN Station

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, April 19—A new 50-watt transmitter station serving the Garmisch area will be opened here tomorrow by AFN Munich.

French Donate Aid to 41 Vets At Paris School

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

PARIS, April 19—Thanks to timely financial aid by the French-U. S. A. Committee, 39 recently discharged soldiers and two former Wacs will be able to continue their education at the University of Paris after the coming June term.

Not only will their schooling be extended until June, 1947, but they will also have their transportation paid to the States when they get ready to leave for home.

Wanted to Finish

When the Army decided to terminate its Training Within Civilian Agencies program in March, the students showed a determination to see their way through the June term. Eligible for discharges, they asked USFET headquarters if they could be released in the theater, and the request was granted when it was revealed that French school officials were willing to permit the students to remain, free of charge, until June.

Upon hearing of the plight of the students, the French-U. S. A. Committee, organized to foster good will between the two countries, held a fund drive on their behalf. The campaign proved successful, and the American students were notified of the results.

In addition, several French families, through school channels, have extended invitations to the American students to spend weekends at their homes in the city.

4 Jailed in Vienna Thefts

VIENNA, April 19—Four Viennese youths have been sentenced by a USFA Military Government intermediary court to an indefinite period of confinement at a state institution for stealing nine cartons of rations from an American warehouse, it was announced today at USFA headquarters.

Sermons Mixed With Beer

'Christian Commandos' Pray in Pubs

LONDON, April 19 (INS)—"Christian Commandos," 35 strong, led by the Rev. Wildred Shepherd, of Carlisle, have surprised beer-drinking customers of Plymouth

pubs by their sudden appearances at bars.

Six Methodist ministers were welcomed by "tipplers" at the Plymouth alehouse when they paid a surprise visit.

One of the "Commandos" strapped on a piano accordion and led community singing while another followed with community prayers. Still another minister gave a religious talk.

"We feel that we must bridge the gulf between the people in the public house and the church, and we come as friends," declared the Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton during one of his bar talks.

The "Commandos" have been made to feel very welcome by both beer-drinkers and bartenders.

Some of them have even been treated to lemonade at several of the pubs, and have been asked to come again.

By Milton Caniff

2 Parties Urge May Day Rallies For Austria

By ARTHUR NOYES
Staff Writer

VIENNA, April 19—Socialist and Communist Party leaders in Austria are bringing strong pressure on the Allied Control Council to authorize May Day demonstrations.

The Council was informed yesterday by the Socialists that if the Allied Control Meeting on April 25 does not permit public processions, "meetings will be held indoors."

An editorial in the Socialist Arbeiter-Zeitung argued, "It is painful for the Socialist working class to have to reckon that it is denied a right which is granted without dispute to the working class in all democratic countries and, of course, in the homelands of the occupying powers."

Socialists Want Own Rallies

At the same time, the paper reported that the Socialists would hold their own demonstrations and not join in demonstrations with the Communists or any other faction. If Socialist demonstrations are prohibited, the Arbeiter-Zeitung said, "neither the party as an organization nor individual members will take part in celebrations, no matter who has organized them."

The Communists today urged the Allied Council to grant permission for demonstrations but have also appealed to all Austrian workers to "unite and proclaim our alliance with our class brothers throughout the world."

If the Communists are forced by the Socialist refusal of a joint demonstration to hold their celebration alone, they may cancel all May Day plans. The Communists' strength is less than 10 per cent of the Socialist membership.

Communist Program Outlined

The Communists today outlined a nine-point program for Austria which they want to have presented on May Day. The program asks for the "dismissal of Fascists and bureaucrats hostile to the people; the democratic renewal of the machinery of state; the nationalization of key industries and banks; friendship between workers and farmers; exchange of food and industrial goods; collection of all food supplies and their just planned distribution; conclusion of commercial treaties with neighboring states and above all with the Soviet Union, and conviction of war criminals, saboteurs and black marketeers."

MacArthur Gets DSC For Heroism on Luzon

TOKYO, April 19 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower awarded a second oak leaf cluster to the Distinguished Service Cross to Gen. Douglas MacArthur "for extraordinary heroism in action."

The citation said MacArthur was a "source of inspiration for the men of the 25th Div." on Luzon when "he advanced to within 75 yards of the enemy lines to a point where two men had just been killed and several wounded."

British Army to Run Railroads as Strike Of Palestine Civil Employes Enters 10th Day

JERUSALEM, April 19 (AP)—Military authorities were preparing to operate a skeleton railway service in Palestine today as 50,000 government workers continued their strike for higher wages and better working conditions.

The announcement said the service was "for essential military traffic and for the maintenance of the life of the community."

As the countrywide walkout entered its 10th day today, Arab teachers in state schools joined the idle. Other Jerusalem municipal workers and laborers of the Haifa Refineries, Shell, and Socony-Vacuum organizations were reported to

have delivered an ultimatum to their employers that they would strike unless their wage demands were met today. The threatened strikes involve another 15,000 workers.

Railway strikers assured the general striker's committee that they would not resume work before their demands had been fulfilled. A leading member of the strike committee said: "The strike will not end before you see the white flag on the rooftop of the secretariat."

Soldiers took over the sorting of mail in Jerusalem's central post office, in addition to several other services. There was some tension

outside the post office in the afternoon when several British officials arrived to sell stamps and accept airmail letters while the public was being turned away by pickets.

Meanwhile, essential services were still paralyzed, despite protests of the main using agencies. Banking houses were preparing a joint appeal to the government to "tackle the deadlock energetically."

The entire Jewish-Arab press is supporting the strikers as a symbol of the Arab-Jewish solidarity in this walkout which strikers have said is "not a political move, but is solely to better working conditions."

Changchun Fall To Chinese Reds Seen Imminent

CHUNGKING, April 19 (AP)—Heavy artillery pounding by Chinese Communist forces was expected today to force the slender defense garrison of Central Government troops to yield Changchun, capital city of Manchuria, according to Central Government news dispatches.

It was reported that the defenders retained only two buildings in the city. There has been no radio contact with the besieged capital since yesterday.

Earlier government reports described bitter fighting in Changchun, with outnumbered government forces being driven back to makeshift defenses by artillery fire.

Dispatches from Mukden said Changchun's defenders had suffered heavy casualties when incendiary shells burned out several defense points.

Hotel With U. S. Guests Taken

The dispatches revealed attacking Communist columns were spearheaded by tanks driven and gunned by "officers of a certain country," and asserted it was "obvious that the tanks were furnished by that certain country."

It was reported yesterday that Chinese Communists had captured the Yamoto hotel, managed by a Russian, in which several Americans were lodged. The hotel is across the street from a railroad station taken earlier in the day.

Communists steadily pushed government forces back yesterday, although the government air force continued to drop ammunition for the small Nationalist garrison in the city.

MARSHALL ACTS TO END MANCHURIAN CIVIL WAR

CHUNGKING, April 19 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall yesterday took personal command of efforts to end Manchuria's civil war, racing to a climax in Changchun with prospects of an early Chinese Communist victory.

As Marshall arrived and announced he would plunge at once into truce conversations, Chinese government dispatches admitted the Communists had seized most of the Manchurian capital.



Pakistan Spokesman

Mohamed Ali Jinnah, shrewd president of the All-India Muslim League, right, is greeted by a political aide-de-camp as he arrives at the Viceroy's lodge in New Delhi for a conference with the British cabinet mission. Jinnah is spearheading the Muslim drive for "Pakistan," an independent Muslim state.

Spouse Need NOT Play Games With Wife, Divorce Court Says

LONDON, April 19 (INS)—This may not help things in households where precarious armed truces reign, but a British divorce court has upheld the right of a husband who is expert at bridge and tennis not to have to play with his wife.

Adding this "fifth freedom" to the four laid down in the Atlantic Charter, Justice Jones at the Leeds Assizes ruled that Frederick Ronald Chippindale, 84-year-old lawyer, had not inflicted cruelty on his 32-year-old wife and refused her plea for a divorce.

Instead, he awarded one to the husband instead on the grounds of the wife's misconduct with another man.

Husband 22 Years Older

Mrs. Chippindale gave an imposing recital of facts in her petition. Her husband was 22 years older than she when they married in 1934. The next day, she said, her husband told her he wished they had not got married.

A week or two later they occupied separate rooms. He ignored her by not playing games with her, by not talking to her, by not taking her to theaters and dances.

He even went on his holidays without her and took the car while she had to walk. After their first son was born, Chippindale became a psycho-neurotic and refused to have any music around the house. He would not even talk about the war.

Adding to this last crushing accusation, Mrs. Chippindale played what, in most divorce courts, would be her trump card—he devoted most of his time to tennis and bridge and would not play with her.

Stirs World Controversy

Then, as calmly as if he did not realize he was exiling droves of wives and husbands from the bridge table and tennis court, the judge observed: "It is very difficult for a good tennis player to play with a bad player, or a good bridge player to play with a bad bridge player."

He ruled that there had been no cruelty and dismissed the petition.

In the meantime, Chippindale entered a cross-petition, accusing his wife of misconduct with Dr. Martin Rabi, a Czech medical officer attached to the British forces. The judge granted the husband his decree.

Allies Oppose MacArthur on Food for Japs

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—A first-class political controversy appears to be developing between Gen. Douglas MacArthur's command and the two inter-Allied agencies dealing with Japanese policy and administration.

In Washington, a committee of the Far Eastern Commission scheduled a meeting to discuss the United States decision to send more than 500,000 tons of food to Japan during the first six months of 1946.

Tokyo Council Adjourns

And in Tokyo, the four-nation advisory council, whose Russian and British members voiced objections to some of MacArthur's tactics, adjourned until April 30 without agreeing whether MacArthur should present the requested information in writing, or by sending a spokesman to deliver it orally.

When the Indian, New Zealand and Philippine members of the Far Eastern Commission expressed concern yesterday over American intentions to send food to Japan by MacArthur's request, it marked the second time that body had questioned the policies of the supreme commander.

Previously, the commission expressed apprehension over a plan to hold the Japanese elections April 10.

In bringing up the subject of food, Sir Carl Berendsen, of New Zealand, said he implied no criticism but that when the commission visited Japan they did not find the Japanese short of food.

Doubt Council Jurisdiction

American officials expressed doubt the food question came within the scope of the commission. In any case, they pointed out, the amount shipped to Japan would be only about half the top figure requested by MacArthur.

Although remarks of some of the commission members included praise of MacArthur's administration, there was little doubt that they also reflected the growth of resentment at the supreme commander's policy.

Open clashes among the major Allies over Japanese affairs seemed more likely to occur for the moment in the Tokyo council, rather than in the Washington commission.

Huge Party to Celebrate Princess Elizabeth's Birthday

LONDON, April 19 (INS)—A huge house party will be held at Windsor Castle on Sunday, which is Princess Elizabeth's 20th birthday.

The king, the queen and members of the royal family who now are in Great Britain will take part, as well as a number of young friends of the princess.

Members of the public, for the first time since the war, will be allowed on the east terrace of the castle on Sunday, when the Grenadier Guards will play afternoon music.

London Daily Goes Cuckoo

Newsprint Lack Doesn't Faze British

The Stars and Stripes Bureau LONDON, April 19—The British are like that.

With London newspapers still restricted to four pages for lack of newsprint and with crucial dispatches pouring in from all over the world, the Labor Party's vigorous Daily News Chronicle featured a six-column spread of letters from readers about the cuckoo.

The 12 letters printed, selected from "a heavy correspondence," argued pro and con on whether the cuckoo laid different-colored eggs in the nests of various birds.

Most letters argued against the thesis that the cuckoo could deceive the host bird by camouflage.

One writer, straying off the subject, remarked: "My employers offered a golden sovereign to any of his men who could catch a cuckoo sucking eggs. This I tried to win. I found birds' nests by the dozen and trapped birds for a week. I caught everything but the cuckoo, but they do not eat eggs."

Another reader commented: "I don't think the foster-parents would

worry about the color, provided the size was right. Nature has provided for this, the cuckoo's egg being very small for a bird of its size."

The newspaper rounded off the argument with advice from the "best available expert" that "cuckoo eggs do approximate in color those of the bird in whose nest they are laid," by a process of natural selection.

Moon Mullins

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

By Willard



Flock Tops Giants, 8-1; Cards Belt Bucs, 6-2; Cubs Win

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—The Dodgers, behind the steady pitching of southpaw Vic Lombardi, made their home opening auspicious by walloping the Giants 8-1.

Lombardi, in handing the Giants their first defeat of the new season, allowed six hits and had the New Yorkers shut out until the ninth. Then Buddy Kerr and Mickey Wittek strung together two singles to bring in the Polo Grounders lone run.

The Dodgers batted Harry Feldman off the mound in the third with five successive hits, one a two run triple by Billy Herman, and scored their first five runs. A two run double by rookie Dick Whitman with the bases full preceded Herman's long blow.

Brooklyn scored another run off Jack Brewer in the fourth when Pee Wee Reese followed Ferrell Anderson's single with a triple. In the fifth the youthful Flatbushers pilfered four bases—Pete Reiser stealing second and home, and Gene Hermanski and Carl Furillo each purloining second. Reiser added another stolen base in the seventh.

New York used four hurlers with only Monte Kennedy having any success. The freshman southpaw held the Brooks to one safe blow in three scoreless rounds. Wittek, who drove in the New York run, and Ernie Lombardi, were the only giants to hit Vic Lombardi with any degree of success. Each collected two, Ernie contributing a two bagger.

Walker Cooper, the Giants \$175,000 purchase from the Cardinals, made his first appearance of the season, fanning in a pinch-hit role. Outfielder Eddie Lukon com-

mitted a three-run error that enabled the Cubs to defeat Cincinnati, 4-2, and sweep the three-game series with the Reds.

Redleg Nate Andrews allowed only four hits but one of them coupled with two walks and Lukon's error were enough for the Chicago victory. Lukon's error came in the fourth, after Stan Hack had singled, Phil Cavarretta and Bill Nicholson walked. Marvin Rickert drove a long fly to left center. The outfielder stumbled on the bank near the scoreboard, muffed the fly, and by the time he recovered, three runs had crossed the plate.

The Reds, who outhit Chicago 6-4, scored in the second inning on a pair of singles, and Grady Hatton, freshman third baseman, added another in the third with a drive into the rightfield bleachers.

Two hits and a sacrifice netted the Cubs their fourth marker in the seventh.

At St. Louis, the Cardinals blasted two Pittsburgh relief pitchers in an eight-inning rally and aided by Howie Pollet's five-hit pitching, won 6-2, edging the Pirates.

A walk to Johnny Barrett, and Ralph Kiner's homer, tied the score for the Pirates in the eighth but the Cardinals retaliated with a four run assault on pitchers Nick Strincevich and Al Gerheuser, who relieved Ed Albosta.

Lou Klein's single and a triple by Red Schoendienst broke the 2-2 tie. Bill Cox, Pirate shortstop, trying for a double play, threw wild to first, letting the fourth Redbird run of the inning cross the plate.

Musial got his first homer of the season in the fourth.

Tigers Club Browns, 6-1; Yanks Rip A's; Nats Bow

DETROIT, April 19 (AP)—Banging out a dozen hits off four pitchers, the Tigers clipped the Browns, 6-1, as big Al Benton hurled a steady five-hitter in his first 1946 start. Brownie third baseman Johnny Lucadello spoiled Benton's shutout by swatting his first pitch in the sixth for a homer. Only two other St. Louis runners got as far as second.

The Tigers, meanwhile, put together their best offensive attack of the year in taking the rubber game of the three game opening series.

Eddie Lake, Eddie Mayo, Barney McCosky and Hank Greenberg each connected for a pair of hits.

Greenberg's 400-foot double to center knocked in one run in the first and Mayo's timely single with bases loaded was the highlight of a three-run Detroit outburst in the fourth.

Four Tiger extra base hits—Pat Mullin's triple and doubles by Pinky Higgins, Greenberg and McCosky, each accounted for a run as Detroit hung the loss on righthander Denny Galehouse, who was making his first big league start on the mound since the 1944 World Series.

The Tigers knocked Galehouse out of the box in the fourth when they bunched three hits with a pair of walks for three runs. Stan Ferens, Al Hollingsworth and Al Lamacchia, who followed Galehouse, were not effective.

The Yankees pounded five Philadelphia hurlers for a dozen hits to defeat the Athletics 8-1, and make it two out of three in their opening series at the Quaker City.

Sophomore Allen Gettel held the Mackmen to five hits. He was deprived of a shutout when former Yankee Warren "Buddy" Rosar slammed a home run in the fifth.

The most prodigious Yankee blow was a three-run circuit clout by big Johnny Lindell in the third off Herman Besse. Lindell also doubled off Luther Knerr in the fifth to drive in his fourth run. Jesse Flores, who lasted less than three innings, was charged with the defeat.

War veteran Mickey Harris allowed only six hits as the Red Sox beat the Senators, 3-1, sweeping the opening three-game series in the nation's capitol.

Southpaw Harris' last previous big-league appearance was in 1941, before he joined the armed forces, but he was right at home in his postwar debut before Gen. Eisenhower, who occupied the President's box.

Ted Williams' run-producing triple in the first was the longest hit. Johnny Pesky drove in Boston's other two runs.

Gerry Priddy's sixth-inning single, scoring Jack Sanford, deprived Harris of a shutout.

Ray Scarborough opened for the Senators and was replaced by Sid Hudson in the seventh inning. However, Scarborough was still labelled with the loss. It was the second appearance for Hudson in three days.

Garmisch to Stage Slalom on Grassy Hill

GARMISCH, April 19—A "grass slalom," claimed to be the world's first, will be held at 3rd Army's Garmisch Recreation Center April 21, it was announced here today.

Skiers have been known to point their way downhill to race over straw or pine needles, and jumpers have taken off from crushed ice. But competitive slalom racing on the slope of a grassy hill has never before been attempted in either America or Europe.

St. Paul Tops Brewers, 6-3, In AA Opener

MILWAUKEE, April 19 (AP)—More than 49,000 baseball fans witnessed the opening American Association race, with the largest opening-day crowd at Milwaukee, watching the defending champion Brewers bow to St. Paul, 6-3.

The Brewers took a one-run lead in the first and held it until the fourth, when St. Paul's Eddie Baskinski led off with a homer.

A single by rightfielder Babe Barna scored Fred Rienhardt in the ninth to give Minneapolis a 5-4 edge over Kansas City.

Paul Derringer who was with the Cubs last season, hurled Indianapolis to their 10-4 win over Toledo although he was slammed for 12 hits, one of them a homer by Les Moss, Mudhen catcher.

At Syracuse the Toronto Maple Leafs, behind the seven-hit pitching of Lester McCrabb, downed the Syracuse Chiefs, 7-2, in the lone opener of the International League.

Chet Morgan and Hank Bissatti led the seven-hit attack on the trio of Chief tossers with two blows apiece. Lee Gamble, however, inflicted the most damage as he drove in four runs, three in the opening frame when he blasted a triple with the bases loaded.

Baseball Standings			
American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	3	0	1.000
Cleveland	2	0	1.000
Detroit	2	1	.667
New York	2	1	.667
Philadelphia	1	2	.333
St. Louis	1	2	.333
Chicago	0	2	.000
Washington	0	3	.000
National League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	3	0	1.000
New York	2	1	.667
Brooklyn	2	1	.667
Boston	1	1	.500
Pittsburgh	1	2	.333
Philadelphia	0	2	.000
Cincinnati	0	3	.000



Hustlin' Pete

Pete Reiser gallops into first base in a recent exhibition battle with the Yanks but he was too late. First sacker Nick Etten snared the throw a split second before.

ET Boxing Team Defeats Belgian Champions, 4-3

BRUSSELS, April 19—The All-European Theater boxing team added another victory to their credit as they defeated the national amateur champions of Belgium by taking four of seven bouts, two of them by TKO's here last night. The fighting was of an unusually good variety, bout after bout was saturated with action. Some two thousand well satisfied customers liberally applauded the exhibitions of excellent boxing.

In the first bout of the evening, Jean Sneyers of Belgium won a close decision over ET's Chico Takashima in three rounds of terrific action. Sneyers' unrelenting aggressiveness and foot work was slightly better than the hammer blows of Takashima.

Bout two found ET's Bill Simon of Bronx, N. Y., keep his fine record clean when he decisioned Henri Grun of Belgium. Simon easily warded off the tiger-like style of the Belgian champion.

Louis Van Hoeck, champion of Belgium, lived up to his reputation when he decisioned Adam Autaubo of Oklahoma City.

Herman Porter, of the ET team polished off Reypens, champion of Antwerp, in 45 seconds of the first round. Lightning lefts cleverly followed by stinging rights won him a TKO, early in the opening round.

The fifth fight of the evening saw Roy Thomas ET middleweight, take an undisputed decision from Arthur Acha of Belgium in a slow fight. Two of the three rounds were void

of action. The last round, however, saw the boys let the reserve power go into a flurry of punches that did not cease even when the bell had rung.

The second TKO of the evening came when Eugene Glover, ET light heavyweight from Los Angeles, Calif., poured left after left into the aggressive attack of Vital Lhost of Belgium. After Glover's pounding first round assault, the bout was stopped.

The last bout of the evening saw Declero of Belgium gain a close decision over Benny Rusk. ET heavyweight. This bout was the fastest of the night as the boys exchanged leather steadily during the three rounds.

Bartolo Scores TKO Over Cooper in 4th

ST. LOUIS, April 19 (INS)—NBA featherweight champion Sal Bartolo, of Boston, scored a technical knockout in the fourth round of a non-title bout with Art Cooper, of St. Louis.

Bartolo dropped Cooper for a five count just before the referee stopped the bout to save Cooper from further punishment.

Stymie Captures Johnstown Purse

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' Stymie opened the 1945 campaign with an easy victory in the \$7,500 Johnstown purse at Jamaica.

The 5-year-old one-time plater stepped a mile and one sixteenth in 1:43 1/2, scoring by three lengths over Murlog Farm's Fighting Step to return \$5.90.

William Helis' Olympic Zenith was third.

Cedar Farm's George Case captured the main attraction at the Havre De Grace \$4,500 allowance test for 3-year olds and upward, paying \$12.70. Pentalon Stables Doge

was second and Brookfield, flying the colors of Brookfield Farm, third. The winner stepped six furlongs in 1:11.

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—The threat of a strike of exercise boys and grooms at Jamaica was averted when stable workers and horse trainers reached an agreement concerning payment of awards.

Miss M. J. O'Leary's Santa Vixen was the winner in the mile-and-one-sixteenth allowance race at Tropical Park, with W. J. Huntley's Top

Reward second and M. Shagrin's Darby Dimout third.

C. C. Tanner's Colonel won the feature \$5,000 added Lafayette Stakes feature event at Keeneland. Black Colt outran a field of eight other 2-year-olds and paid \$3.20, \$2.20 and \$2.20.

Rhodelin beat Etnom for place by a neck and paid \$6.60 and \$5.

Etnom paid \$3.80 to show. Mediterranean, the 4-to-5 favorite owned by C. S. Howard, won the \$2,000 San Francisco Bay purse at Bay Meadows.

The horse paid \$3.50, \$2.50 and \$2.20. Foot Free paid \$3.80 and \$2.30 and Realization \$2.40.

Mazur Named To Head ET Grid, Baseball

FRANKFURT, April 19—Maj. Henry "Hank" J. Mazur, outstanding athlete at West Point, 1939-43, picked on several All-American football teams, 1941-42, has been named to the competitive sports branch of the Athletic Division of Theater Special Services where he will head the baseball and football programs, it was announced today.

Maj. Mazur, who captained the 1942 West Point football team, was considered one of the greatest ball players to come out of the military academy, playing tailback on the football eleven and outfield on the baseball nine.

After graduating from the "Point," Maj. Mazur served with the Ninth Air Force as a fighter pilot—flying a P-47 Thunderbolt.

Fighting in seven ET campaigns, the major earned the Distinguished Flying Cross with cluster and the Air Medal with 16 clusters.

Making plans for an extensive summer baseball program that will rival last year's now legendary "GI World Series," Maj. Mazur is looking ahead to another season of good baseball that will culminate in a Theater championship Aug. 25-31.

Pla-Mors Win USHL Crown

KANSAS CITY, April 19 (AP)—The Kansas City Pla-Mors were the new champions of the U. S. Hockey league by virtue of a 6-5 victory over the Tulsa Oilers in an extra-period playoff game.

The victory gave the Pla-Mors four out of the total. Larry Silvestri netted the winning goal with an assist from Tommy Fowler.

Kansas City won the play-offs the hard way after leading the league.

Coach Doc Romme's outfit engaged in five overtime games in the semi final and final post-season games, winning three of them.

For most of the game it looked like the series would go the seven-game limit but Paul Platz's goal from close in deadlocked the teams at 5-all with only 1:43 minutes remaining before the final buzzer sounded to send the game into an extra period.

At Vancouver, the Boston Olympics outclassed the Vancouver Canucks 8-3 here to go a game up in their best-of-seven series for the U. S. amateur hockey championship. The Olympics had taken the first, 9-6 and dropped the second, 9-1.

Boston jammed home four tallies in the first 15 minutes and Vancouver never threatened to overcome the edge. By the close of the opening stanza, the count was 5-1, and the host sextet never could do better than the one goal period.

Minor League Results

- Pacific
 Los Angeles, 6, Sacramento, 4.
 San Diego, 5, Seattle, 1.
 Oakland, 5, San Francisco, 0.
 Portland, 4, Hollywood, 1.
- Texas
 Dallas, 7, Fort Worth, 2.
 Oklahoma City, 7, Tulsa, 5.
 San Antonio, 6, Houston, 0.
 Shreveport, 3, Beaumont, 1.
- South Atlantic
 Columbia, 4, Greenville, 1.
 Macon, 12, Columbus, 6.
 Augusta, 5, Charleston, 1.
 Jacksonville, 5, Savannah, 2.

Ex-Fighters Make Good In Business

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—Broadway, and the Broadways of other cities, have a generous sprinkling of the Marquis of Queensberry in their various night lives.

The prize daffiness boys of the ring, Max Baer and Maxie Rosenbloom, have teamed their screwball talents and now are the stars, at \$4,500 a week, at the new Club 18 on 52nd St.

Bob Olin, to whom Maxie Rosenbloom lost his light-heavyweight title on Nov. 16, 1934, here in New York, now runs a very popular steak house and sports gang hangout on West 53th St.

Tony Canzoneri, one of the toughest little men in ring history, is teamed up with a night club and vaudeville comic, Joey Adams, himself a former amateur boxer, and are in the top cash bracket; they open in one of New York's more popular saloons, La Martinique, in a few days.

Mickey Walker, who fought anyone anytime in almost any weight class, also has been in the restaurant business, turned to painting and a few days ago made his debut as a legitimate theater actor in a drama called "Walk Hard."

Jack Dempsey, of course, is one of the constantly most successful in his new career; his Broadway cafe is a goldmine, and he owns all sorts of other properties—hotels, apartments, real estate of every nature.

Jimmy Goodrich, lightweight champ in the early '20s, now runs a successful night club in Buffalo. Barney Ross, another of the toughest little men of all ring time, has a cocktail lounge in Chicago. Abe Attell, who became featherweight champ in 1908, retired after 365 fights and now owns one of the most successful smaller cafes on Broadway; he also indulges a combination of ham and Shakespeare by reciting, during celebrity nights on night club floors, poetry which he and others have written about the fight game.

Izzy Grove, a welterweight contender in the late '20s, now is a night club master of ceremonies and doing right well at it.

Former middleweight champ Freddie Steele is a very good Hollywood actor. The late Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, one of the ring's real greats, had one of the best-known gymnasiums on Broadway, frequented by the famous of every social and commercial level.

Paris Wacs Gain In Volleyball Meet

VIENNA, April 19—The 334th Sig. Sv. Bn. of Paris and the 3rd Army Wac Det. of Heidelberg advanced into the third round of the European Wac volleyball tourney this afternoon as the championship entered its second day in the Vienna sports arena.

The Paris signal team whipped the Vienna Wac Det., 15-3, 15-12, while the 3rd Army Wacs defeated the USAFE Air Wac team, 15-5, 15-7.

In later games the Air Wac squad topped the USFET Rear entry from Paris, 15-11, 15-4, while the 3rd Army women gained the second round with a win over Co. B of the USFET Wac Det., 15-5, 12-15, 15-13.

Teams must be defeated twice to be eliminated from the tourney.

Sports Council to Plug Inter-Allied Rivalry

FRANKFURT, April 19—The Allied Forces Sports Council, composed of representatives from nine Allied countries, is scheduled to meet on April 25-26. The Council, headed by Col. C. E. Hoy, ET athletic chief, will make arrangements and select definite locations for the inter-Allied athletic events to be held this summer and fall.

Prime objective of the group is to stimulate and encourage athletic competition between military units of the various Allied armies stationed near each other in occupied Germany and other parts of Europe.

Baseball Box Scores American League National League

ST. LOUIS vs DETROIT box score table with columns for ABR, H, R, E.

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Owen Scoffs at Chandler For Suspending 'Jumpers'

MEXICO CITY, April 19 (INS)—Mickey Owen, who jumped from organized baseball to the Mexican league, gave a horse-laugh to baseball commissioner Albert "Happy" Chandler.

The Brooklyn prewar catcher was indifferent to Chandler's recent edict that American players who jump contracts to play in foreign leagues will be automatically suspended.

Said Owen: "He had to do it in order to scare some other boys from coming to Mexico. I am here, have no complaints and plan to stay. The Mexican league is perhaps the most democratic in the world because they pool 75 per cent of the gate for a common fund."

"What the league needs most now is modern parks, and Jorge Pasquel, the league president, is planning to build them."

Owen, who jumped to the Mexican league, back to the States and south of the border again within a matter of a few days, predicted that many other American players will come to Mexico. He explained: "There is a surplus of players in the big leagues and they are favoring younger players. There may be good 30-year-old players in the majors now faced with going to the minors or to Mexico. Considering the minors pay \$300 or \$400 or at the most \$1,000 a month, there is every chance that they will come to Mexico with the hope of bettering themselves."

Baseball Union Starts in Boston

BOSTON, April 19 (INS)—A move to enlist major and minor league baseball players into a union was made today by Robert Murphy, former examiner for the National Labor Relations Board.

Murphy registered the "American Baseball Guild" as a labor organization in the city records and declared its purpose was "to right injustices of professional baseball and give a square deal to players."

According to Murphy, the Guild platform seeks: "Freedom of baseball contracts, arbitration of salary disputes, provisions for security and insurance and the players' rights to receive a percentage of their sales price."

The director said several major and minor league players joined the union. He said Federal law banned him from identifying them or the clubs they play for.

This is the third attempt to organize professional ball players. An attempt to organize a brotherhood in the 1890's failed.

8th Army Plans Sports Program

YOKOHAMA, April 19 (AP)—Eighth Army today announced an all-out sports program, which will be climaxed by two track and field meets this summer and a "little World Series" in Sept.

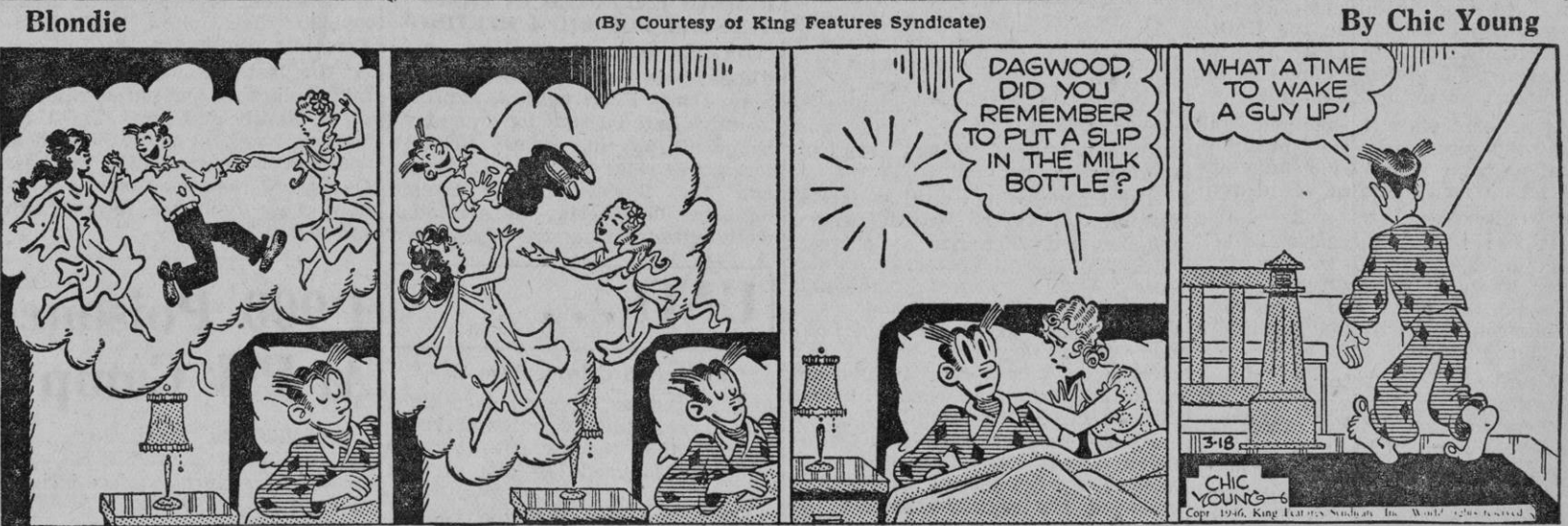
Two baseball leagues will operate during the summer, with the southern winner meeting the northern champion in the series. Teams playing in the northern division of "American League of Japan," include 8th Army special troops, 5th Air Force, Marine air group, U. S. Navy at Yokosuka, 11th Airborne Div., 1st Cav. Div. and Yokohama Base.

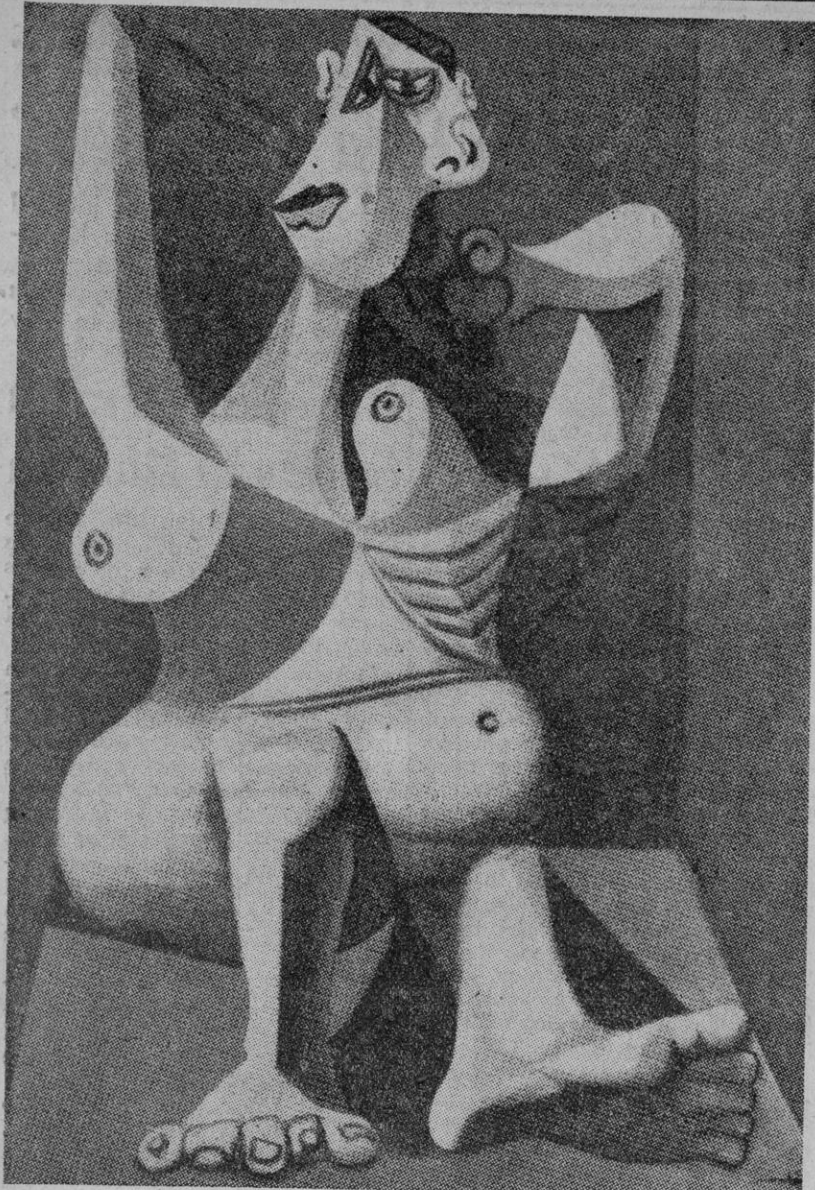
Southern division includes teams from the 24th and 25th Divisions, 1st Corps and Marines at Nagasaki.

Robinson Makes Debut With Big Day at Plate

JERSEY CITY, April 19 (AP)—Jackie Robinson became the first Negro to break into organized baseball, and celebrated by compiling an .800 batting average, in his first game. He contributed a three-run homer and three singles in five times at bat as Montreal clubbed Jersey City, 14-12.

Stepping into class Triple A ball from the Kansas City Monarchs of the Negro American league, the speedy Montreal second baseman also stole two bases, scored four runs and drove home four tallies.





A Picasso painting . . . 'right-wingers' think it's immoral

U.S. Expected To Warn Iran On Censorship

WASHINGTON, April 19 (AP)—The United States may register a strong protest with the Iranian government over the imposition of news censorship.

Since it represents a possible extension of Soviet influence in Iran, it is expected by diplomats here to strengthen resistance in the United Nations Security Council to the Russian demand for removal of the Iranian case from the agenda.

American experts pointed out that the recent free flow of information from Iran had a favorable effect on Iran's side in her dispute with Russia.

It was argued, therefore, that it was unreasonable to assume that the Iranians themselves would alienate the press and jeopardize public confidence by inaugurating a rigid censorship.

Meanwhile, in Teheran, Prince Mozaffa Firouz, Iranian government spokesman, denied that censorship had been imposed in Iran.

He said that the ministry of posts and telegraph recently had suppressed dispatches to the Times of London from the Times correspondent in Teheran "in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 of the international posts and telegraph convention."

(Article 26 of that convention reserves to the participating governments "the right to stop transmission of any private telegrams which may prove dangerous to the security of the state or contrary to the laws of the country, public order or decency.")

Nationwide Railroad Strike Of 200,000 Again Threatens

NEW YORK, April 19 (AP)—The threat of a nationwide railroad strike darkened the labor picture today.

The threatened strike, involving more than 200,000 engineers and trainmen, originally was called for March 11 but was postponed pending study of union demands for wage increases. It now is barred by terms of the Railway Labor Act until May 18.

Threat of the walkout hinged on the acceptance or rejection of the Government fact-finding board's recommendations for a 16-cent hourly wage hike, with certain changes in working conditions. In past disputes, most such proposals have led to settlements without strikes.

The two unions involved, the brotherhoods of locomotive engineers

Picasso Foes Begin 'Crusade' As Fans Sneer

LONDON, April 19 (UP)—The right wing in British art girded its loins today for a crusade to save a sorely afflicted world from the "immoralities" of Pablo Picasso.

In darkly secret sessions, leaders of the newly named British League for the Rescue of Art met during the last week to plan a campaign which would sweep all that is Picassoesque into the world's wastebaskets and guide the generation of postwar art-lovers back to the rock-ribbed tradition which holds that one should paint things to look more or less rational.

The league, which until yesterday was known as the British League for Sanity in Art, had a field day during the recent Picasso exhibition here. Members wrote indignant letters to The Times of London and told meetings in Bloomsbury, London's equivalent of New York's Greenwich Village, that Picasso not only did not make sense, he was also downright "indecent."

Picasso lovers replied with appropriate sneers and charged that Bloomsbury art lacked vitality and reflected the mental anemia of British painters, who subsist on "tea and weak beer." Picasso and his disciples, they intimated, drew inspiration from souls lubricated with more vital liquids.

Smarting under this lash, the league went "underground" and prepared for a great uprising. Leader and founder, Frank Emmanuel said secrecy was necessary because, "We don't want to give away our plans to our enemies—the people who are running this extreme modern art."

and trainmen, will meet next Wednesday at Cleveland to study the report.

The board's recommendations for 16-cent boosts were the same awarded April 3 by two arbitration boards to 1,250,000 railroad workers represented by 18 other brotherhoods.

Meanwhile, resumption of soft coal strike negotiations, stalemated for more than a week after John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, AFL, walked out of a conference with operators, was the major problem for Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwelienbach.

Soft coal management representatives left Washington telling the labor secretary they would return immediately on his call that it would be "possible to negotiate a contract."

GI Rackets Die in Paris, But Profiteers Live High

PARIS, April 19 (UP)—The great GI black market in Paris is dead today and some of the old bigtime operators now are also dead or behind bars.

But others are free men, still living here on large incomes from Paris cafes, apartment houses and brothels. Every week the Criminal Investigation Division of the American Army captures an average of six AWOL soldiers who have been living on the black market for more than a year. Often these captures are bloody gun battles in which the AWOL, more often than the CID, winds up loser.

Other GI racketeers have taken honorable discharges here, married French girls, and settled down as civilians to operate their ill-gotten business openly and legally. They live in their plush apartments and drive enormous convertible cars to

the Riviera for vacations from leisure.

One of these is a former New Yorker who lives in the fashionable Paris suburb of Auteuil. He is 33 years old and married to a pretty, practical French girl. Before leaving the Army, this ex-soldier said, he sent so much money back to the States one way or another that he had lost track of the total. But he knows it runs into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

When the currency control book was introduced, limiting each soldier to sending home only his monthly pay, this operator soon found ways to beat it. He immediately got two control books from two commands. This was hardly enough to satisfy his need. He bought famous perfumes by the half-gallon bottle and sent it home,

via the Army post office and duty free. Through a GI friend in Germany he wired home a daily \$200 worth of flowers.

The perfume sold in the States for a good profit and he previously had arranged with a New York florist to deliver money instead of flowers to his brother for a 10 per cent cut. The florist billed the cable company in dollars.

This worked well until the cable company decided it could not continue to receive pay in marks or francs, and pay out such large amounts in dollars to florists. The whole flowers-sending operation was abandoned.

But sometimes he does lose, as much as 40,000 francs on one race without batting an eye.

The other operators, according to this former serviceman, "just didn't play the angles." They remained AWOL until they were considered deserters. As the supply of Army material dwindled, they were forced into ordinary black market deals in competition with expert French traders. Failing at this, they became in desperation ordinary stickup men.

2,500 Discharged in France

Charges against the successful black-marketeers can be brought by the Army in a United States court, but Army authorities know of no case in which this has been done. The CID men and administrative officers who knew about this racketeering have gone home long ago.

Of the 2,500 soldiers discharged in France, 266 of them, like the race fan, became full civilians. Neither the Army nor the embassy here knows exactly what 205 of these Americans are doing in France. Some are in business with "relatives." Some are waiting for their French wives to get passage to the States. Others admit they are "just traveling around." Thirty-nine former soldiers stayed over to study, and 23 to work for American newspapers.

All of the other discharges have gone back into the Army as civilians. They still are subject to military regulations. But those few who already have established businesses here, now have greater freedom to keep an eye on them.

Trade in Small Items

The most practical trading is still done in small valuable articles such as money and cigarette-lighter flints, available for very little in the States. Flints are semiprecious stones in Paris. Although the legal price for a flint is less than one franc, they are obtainable only through a black market syndicate for eight francs.

Some members of the Merchant Marine have made as much as a million and a half francs in one trip to France by bringing a cigar box full of flints, or some 215,000.

Foreign money still finds buyers everywhere. Dollar bills bring two and three times their legal value in francs. Pounds sterling are purchased for 800 francs, or just below double the legal price. American express travelers checks also find buyers at 200 to 220 francs, about halfway between the legal and black market price for paper money.

Soldiers on their way to Germany from the States can make five times their money at legal rates by buying francs, and then converting them into occupation marks at five francs apiece instead of the pegged price of 11.91. The whole transaction can be accomplished in one operation near the Place de la Madeleine.

Anglo-Russian Clash Expected At Paris Talks

LONDON, April 19 (UP)—Diplomatic observers here today predicted that the highlight of the Big Four foreign ministers' council, which opens in Paris next week, would be a stubborn fight by Great Britain to prevent the Soviet Union from becoming a Mediterranean power.

It is expected that the Soviet Union's foreign minister, Vyacheslav M. Molotov, will again demand one of three concessions from his conference table colleagues as the price of Russian agreement to speedy conclusion of peace treaties, namely: SOLE Russian mandate over Italian Tripolitania.

A RUSSIAN naval base in the Dodecanese Islands.

REVISAL of the pact controlling the Dardanelles which would in fact place these vital straits under Russian control.

BYRNES EXPECTED IN PARIS TUESDAY FOR BIG 4 MEETING

PARIS, April 19 (UP)—The Quai d'Orsay said today that Secretary of State James F. Byrnes was expected to arrive here Tuesday for Thursday's Big Four meeting, while Britain's foreign secretary, Ernest L. Bevin, and the Soviet Union's foreign minister, Vyacheslav M. Molotov, were expected to arrive Wednesday.

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and procedure reported last night that it was split, with the majority holding that the council had full authority to keep the case on the agenda.

Indications are that the council will accept the committee's majority opinion, and then vote to keep the question on the agenda until May 6.

The council is expected to come back to the Spanish case Wednesday, or Thursday at the latest. During the two-day debate on the Spanish problem, all delegates but Hafez Pasha, of Egypt, expressed their views and four supported the Polish resolution. The United States and China have reserved decision.

The stands taken were: for the resolution, the Soviet Union, France, Poland and Mexico; against, Britain, Brazil and the Netherlands.

BRITISH RECEIVE FRANCO BID FOR FACTORY TOUR

LONDON, April 19 (AP)—A British foreign office spokesman said yesterday the British government had received an invitation from the government of Generalissimo Francisco Franco to inspect the Spanish factories which Polish officials had charged were making atom bombs. No reply has been sent to Madrid, the spokesman added.

Soldier Killed, Another Shot In Tokyo Black Market Raid

TOKYO, April 19 (AP)—One soldier was killed, a second wounded and four captured in the breakup of a local black market ring, the Tokyo edition of *The Stars and Stripes* reported.

The Army newspaper attributed its information to Capt. Michael F. Frisch, chief of the CID in Tokyo.

League Dies, Ending a Peace Experiment

GENEVA, April 19 (AP)—The League of Nations, first major peace experiment of the 20th century, came to an end yesterday.

Delegates from 34 nations voted in favor of a resolution which said that "From the day following the close of the present session of the assembly, the League of Nations shall cease to exist except for the sole purpose of the liquidating of its affairs."

According to United Press, Norway's C. J. Hambro, president of the League for six years, stated at the concluding session:

"We owe the United Nations all of our loyalties and all of our duties. What lessons we learned we bring to the new edifice of international cooperation."

Dignity and Hope

Paul Boncour, former president of the French Chamber of Deputies and member of the French delegation to the United Nations San Francisco conference, said:

"The last meeting of the League takes place in an atmosphere of great dignity and hope. The United Nations takes up again the principle whereon this organization was based. Our work and our archives will help those who are reconstructing the world."

1,900 Poisoned At PW Camp

FRANKFURT, April 19 —About 1,900 prisoners of war in Stalag 13, located near Nurnberg, are seriously ill from food poisoning, USFET announced today.

Early reports were that bread containing arsenic had been found and was believed to be the cause of the poisoning.

The Provost Marshal and officers of the CIC are now engaged in making an investigation. Efforts are under way to determine the extent to which the bread might have become available to civilians.

In accordance with normal procedures, bread is secured in that area from a local German bakery by contract.

200 Arrested as Jap Uprisings Spread Death, Terror in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 19 (AP)—Terrorist outbreaks, believed to be organized by former Japanese army officers, are causing concern in Brazil, where 300,000 Japanese maintain the customs of their homeland in secluded, Oriental surroundings.

The uprisings, led by fanatical Japanese youths, have led to 200 arrests, including former officers.

Investigating two assassinations and a "murder list" of prominent "collaborationists" and "traitors," police have found firearms, propaganda films, Japanese flags and secret symbols of the weird organization called the Shendo Remmei to preserve Shinto beliefs and linked with the Black Dragon society.

They discovered within the society the existence of Nakaku Akaku Sei-Dan, a "suicide" platoon of 40 young men, pledged to kill or die for Japan. An auxiliary of girls, pledged to assist the terrorist band, also was discovered.

The terrorists were financed by members of the Shendo Society. They would infiltrate into a community where a "traitor" lived, kill him and leave the yellow cape of their order near the body.

The Shendo Society's records indicated it had 100,000 members who paid dues of 20 cents a month. This number coincides with the wartime estimate of Brazilian military authorities of the approximate strength of a Japanese army that could be formed here.