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RUSSIA JOINS WAR ON JAPPS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (AP).—Russia has declared war on Japan, the White House announced tonight at the same time the announcement came over the Moscow Radio.

President Truman issued the momentous statement to a hurriedly summoned press conference. The President said that he had only a simple statement to make but it was so important that he could not delay it.

Then, with a broad smile, the President declared: "Russia has declared war on Japan. That is all."

City of 318,000 Dead, Japanese Radio Cries

GUAM, Aug. 8.—Hiroshima was "completely destroyed" in one atomic clap of doom, anguished Tokyo broadcasts reported today, and practically every living thing in the city, whose population of 318,000 approximated that of Louisville, Ky., was seared to death.

Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, under whose over-all command the bomb-carrying Superfortress operated, announced on the basis of reconnaissance that 4.1 square miles, 60 percent of the built-up area of the city, was instantaneously obliterated and the rest of Hiroshima was damaged.

But Japanese broadcasts, wailing that "this atrocious bomb" violated international law, gave terrible details that the recon photographs could not show—"a city of ruins . . . the destructive power of the bomb is indescribable . . . the dead are simply uncountable . . . it is not possible to distinguish the men from the women . . . those outdoors were burned to death and those indoors were killed by indescribable pressure and heat . . . every living being outside simply vanished into the air because of the heat."

Spaatz served notice that more planes were ready to fly against the Japanese with atomic bombs, and leaflets have been prepared warning them of their fate unless they surrender. Just the same, preparations for the projected invasion went ahead.

Regular Blitz Goes Into 3d Straight Day

Meanwhile, Superfortresses kept up their blitz with regular bombloads for a third straight day. Some 225 Superforts, escorted by 140 Thunderbolts from Okinawa, rained 1,500 tons of demolition bombs on Yawata, the "Pittsburgh" of Japan on northern Kyushu and one of the cities on the

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Allies to Sever Austro-Reich Tie Completely

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (AP).—The Big Three and France today proclaimed their determination to separate Austria completely from Germany.

Simultaneously, the four powers announced the structure of machinery to accomplish this purpose.

Pending ultimate independence under a "freely elected" government, the joint statement said that Austria and its capital, Vienna, would be split into four zones of military occupation. Each zone will have a military commissioner exercising supreme authority.

Continue as Allied Control

For the country as a whole, the four will constitute an Allied council. The provisional government director, Karl Renner, will be allowed to continue under Allied supervision. The agreements were worked out by the European Advisory Commission last month.

The zones for the country are:
American—The province of Salzburg and part of the province of Upper Austria on the right bank of the Danube.

Russian—The province of Lower Austria, except Vienna, the province of Burgenland and part of Upper Austria on the left bank of the Danube.

French—The provinces of Tyrol and Vorarlberg.

British—Carinthia and Styria, except Burgenland.

Tentatively Set in June

The occupation zones were tentatively set late in June when U.S., British and French representatives conferred with the Russians in Vienna. Allied troops took over these zones a fortnight ago and the joint occupation of Vienna began on July 28.

American troops in Austria are under the command of Gen. Mark W. Clark

(The Russian declaration of war upon Japan came 125 days after the Soviet Union had denounced her neutrality pact with the Japanese, an act which was regarded at the time as a final step toward Russia's entry into the Pacific war and which precipitated the fall of the Koiso cabinet in Tokyo.)

The disclosure that the Soviet Union had at last thrown her enormous strength alongside the U.S. and Britain and against the enemy in the Pacific had not been unexpected. When it would come, however, had been a matter of conjecture for months.

Official Washington at once took this development along with unleashing of the atomic bomb against Japan as a sure sign that Japan could not long continue to resist.

Mr. Truman sat behind his desk for a minute until 30 or more correspondents gathered around him. Then he arose, flanked by Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and Adm. William Leahy.

Mr. Truman explained that he had had no intention of holding a press conference but this matter was so important

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Text of Jap Broadcast to U.S. Detailing Horror of Hiroshima

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Here is the text of an English-language Tokyo broadcast today monitored by the Federal Communications Commission:

With the gradual restoration of order following the disastrous ruin that struck the city of Hiroshima in the wake of the enemy's new-type bomb on Monday morning, the authorities are still unable to obtain a definite checkup on the extent of the casualties sustained by the civilian population.

Medical relief agencies that were rushed from the neighboring districts were unable to distinguish, much less identify, the dead from the injured.

The impact of the bomb was so terrific that practically all living things, human and animal, were literally seared to death by the tremendous heat and pressure engendered by the blast. All of the dead and injured were burned beyond recognition.

With houses and buildings crushed, including the emergency medical facilities, the authorities are having their hands full in giving every available relief possible under the circumstances.

The effect of the bomb was widespread. Those outdoors were burned to death while those indoors were killed by the indescribable pressure and heat.

THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Quick Like a Snail

On 17 June I forwarded an application for emergency furlough for a Pfc in my battery. It was documented with a telegram from the American Red Cross dated 14 May, and a report of home conditions from the American Red Cross dated 6 June, both attesting that the soldier's father is seriously ill, and that he is needed at home. My division (the 69th) is in Class IV, so I know this man is not needed here, at this time. In fact, he is almost certain to get a furlough to the U.S. in the next few months, before going to the CBI as a replacement.

I wonder if you could tell me what kind of cable Mrs. Stevens used. Perhaps I could get this man home a little sooner.—F.A. Btry. Clerk.

I received a cablegram about seven weeks ago informing me of the serious illness of my mother. I tried every way I could to get a furlough or a transfer to the States but I was informed that all emergency furloughs were canceled due to the redeployment program and the shipping shortage. In the meantime my mother has died and I can never see her again.—Disgusted.

I received a telegram through my battalion that my wife is in need of a serious operation. She suffers from a bone disease and has been an invalid for many years. From the time I married her till the time I came into the Army in February, 1943, she was in fairly good health... but she has been failing ever since.

The climax was in June of 1944 when she fell from her specially built chair. She has been in bed practically all the time and getting weaker by the day.

Then I received the telegram from the Worcester, Mass. Red Cross urging me to apply for a furlough to the States as my wife was in need of this operation, and the doctor didn't want to operate till I got there, as my wife may die from the operation and she feels my being there would help her to pull through.

I applied for a transfer to the States as the Army gives furloughs on rare occasions. That was April 23, 1945. But what my battalion personnel knew about applying for a transfer, you could put in your eye and not feel it. My paper went out and then back again so many times—back for this or that, that I have lost count. Finally the big day arrived and the final paper that the Army or SHAEF wanted was sent through the necessary channels toward its final destination. That was June 21, and that is the last I have heard of my papers. I changed outfits on the 2nd of July.—Pfc W. C.

In mid-May I received a cablegram from the Red Cross stating that my father was seriously ill and wasn't expected to live another month. I immediately made application for emergency furlough and I'm still waiting for approval.—Disgusted.

A bitch in two parts,

Part I

A recent telegram to a major from his wife: Come home at once. Stop. Need your help and comfort. Stop. Just shot man. Stop. Presto, it's done. In a couple of days he's at home consoling his wife.

Such efficiency of the powers that be in cutting the Army red tape and stuff and such is highly commendable, don't you think?

Part II

A two month-old telegram to a 91-point sergeant: Come home at once. Stop. Your wife disappeared on the 9th of May. Stop. Mrs.—is taking care of the children until you can make other arrangements. Stop. Red Cross agrees to help feed the children for three weeks. Stop. Presto, you've guessed it. It isn't done.—Sgt. P. G. Mofat, 7 AAA Gp.

You see, I, too, have a complicated home problem. I have two children, Ronnie, four and Patricia, two, and on June 21st I received a cable telling me my wife was seriously ill and undergoing a major operation. A few days later my CO received a wire from the Red Cross saying my wife had a slim chance of surviving the operation and if she did survive it, she would be hospitalized from months... My presence at home was recommended. On June 26th my CO had me fill out compassionate leave papers (thru channels) and to date I

have received no reply to them... —Pfc A. L. Breen, Engr. Regt.

In April, 1945, a report came through the Red Cross that my mother, who had been operated upon at a hospital for cancer of the intestines, was shortly expected to die and that my presence at home was required. I initiated a request for an emergency furlough through channels and to this very day I have received no response.

I went to see everybody who would give me an interview. I spoke to all grades of officers, the Chaplains, the Red Cross and they all gave me the same run around. Their answer was always the same: "Wait for an answer through channels." I am still waiting.—An Unhappy GI.

I received three radiograms from the Red Cross informing me that my father was dying of cancer and only had a few months to live. I made application twice for an emergency furlough. Both came back marked disapproved.

This was in March, 1945, and today I received word that my father had passed away. I sincerely wish that something will be done about this condition so that, in the future, men in need can go to their loved ones regardless of their rank.—Pfc. W. E. P.—99 points.

Was turned down on an emergency furlough in December but was not informed of it till late in May.—Pvt. F. V. M.

Approximately two weeks ago I received a radiogram from the Red Cross stating that my father was seriously ill and was not expected to live and requested my presence there.

My company commander took the radiogram at once to the regiment. I was called to the regiment to fill out an application which had to be approved by higher echelon before the furlough could be granted. One week and a half has elapsed and I have not been notified whether my furlough has been approved or disapproved.

Now that the ETO is not an active theater it is my opinion that a much more efficient and effective method of granting emergency furloughs could be put into operation.—Pfc. J. N. C., Inf.

I have had the papers sent in for an emergency furlough... Request at present is supposed to be in the "channels"... 36 days, in fact. Why does it take so long?—Jack Neff, Ord. Co.

(Today's B-Bag presents a cross section of a monthly average of 100 letters on this subject.—Ed.)

More Time for Love

Why not give those of us who are married to girls over here daily overnight passes expiring an hour before we're due work in the morning?—Pfc N. Raske.

Nylon Flak Jacket



A "nylon armor" jacket has been developed by the Navy for its airmen in the Pacific to replace the cumbersome metal protector previously worn by fliers. The new garment permits freedom of movement with maximum protection against flak fragments.

Nazi Criminals To Be Shifted

LONDON, Aug. 8 (AP).—Several top Nazis were slated today for early transfer from Mondorf, Luxembourg, to Nuremberg, where they will lose their PW status and be held as civil criminals for the forthcoming Nuremberg war crimes trials.

Among those who have been held at Mondorf are Hermann Goering, Alfred Rosenberg, Joachim von Ribbentrop, Franz von Papen, Robert Ley, Julius Streicher and Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel.

The total to be tried collectively probably will number between 25 and 50, according to a source close to Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson, chief U.S. war crimes prosecutor.

I.G. Farben Chief Seized After 3-Month Search

HOECHST, Germany, Aug. 8.—After evading the American dragnet for three months, Dr. Karl Krauch, chairman of the I. G. Farben company, has been picked up in Heidelberg by U.S. intelligence officers.

Sweatin' It Out

By Mauldin



"YOU must know somebody in Washington. My Junior can't come home, and he's been gone for months."

The American Scene:

Responsibility Inherited With Bomb Is Stressed

By Philip H. Bucknell

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—As the smoke and dust clear away from the ruins of Hiroshima and the war potential of the awesome atomic bomb is grasped, newspapers begin to dwell on the responsibility the Anglo-American Allies have in their hands.

The New York Herald Tribune points out that "it is an announcement more fateful for human history than the whole war itself. Victory or defeat of armies, the rise or fall of the empires are all alike, in any long perspective only the ripples on the surface of history; but the practical unlocking of the inconceivable energy of the atom would stir history itself to its deepest depths." In the same editorial, the paper adds: "It is as if we had put our hands on the levers of a power too strange, too terrible, too unpredictable in all its possible consequences for any rejoicing over the immediate consequences of its employment."

Its effects upon the Pacific war make inevitable speculation on how long the Japs can last. Already writers are saying the end may come within months, weeks or even days.

The Boston Post, on this subject, says: "Now comes the atomic bomb which has been released on the doomed country and whose effects at this writing are not known. But from the official statement as to its power we may well entertain the belief that even the fanaticism of the Jap military cannot hold out long before this new onslaught."

The Philadelphia Inquirer also predicts the same speedy doom for the Japs and points out that in spite of the beating Germany took there is something left for the Germans to go on with. "If the suicidal policy of the Japanese warlords is maintained their empire will end up with nothing. Momentarily, they have the means of averting that awful doom. The terrible weapon is here. The alternative, surrender on our terms, is yet available."

The New York Daily Mirror, pointing out that a new force has been loosed in the world for good or evil, says: "This \$2,000,000,000 scientific gamble in which we have won, as President Truman said, should impress upon us the imperative need to keep America, never just abreast, but always ahead in the scientific research for both peace and war."

The Philadelphia Record puts it the way most people feel. "We feel somewhat as Wellington did when he reviewed the large contingent of raw recruits which had just arrived to help fight Napoleon. Looking them over and shaking his head, Wellington observed: 'I don't know what they'll do to the enemy but they certainly frightened me.' Even though we do know what this atomic bomb will do to the enemy—it certainly frightens us."

A Scripps-Howard paper, the New York World-Telegram, soberly summing up the potentialities of the atomic bomb, observes: "From here out there is only one safe way for us and the world. Civilization could not survive another war of bigger atomic and rocket bombs. Either man's progress in harnessing constructive forces of world security and peace will outrank his genius for destruction, or the lights will not go on again next time. Either we make the United Nations organization work and work progressively better—or else. Scientists have liberated an unbelievable force. Statesmen must use it for good instead of evil."

The New York Times, which devotes three separate editorials to the subject, finds a lesson for mankind: "With the horrible prospect of utter annihilation opened by the atomic bomb it is hard to imagine how the people of any nation on earth can possibly want another war."

"But can mankind grow up quickly enough to win the race between civilization and disaster? Or will new would-be conquerors arise who will see in the atomic bomb merely the certain means for the instant realization of their dreams?"

"Will they whisper to their own people or the few whom they chose to take into their confidence that they will be perfectly safe and the new war will be over immediately if only they get in the first blow? Will they, by suppression, the concentration camp, torture and the firing squad be able to drag their people into a war regardless of how their people feel about it? These are the possibilities that mankind must now forever prevent."

Mr. Truman, who returned yesterday, is expected to help answer some of the thoughts and questions. When he started his return voyage, the nation waited for a fuller account of the Potsdam communique but that now seems, and perhaps is, from a different world. While the President has been crossing the Atlantic, a new world has been aborning.



Paris Area

MOVIES TODAY

MARIGNAN—"Swing Out Sister," with Arthur Treacher and Rod Cameron. Metro Marbeuf.

ENSA-PARIS—"The Fighting Guardsman," with Anita Louise and John Loder. Metro Marbeuf.

OLYMPIA—"Same as Marignan. Midnite show only 11:30. Metro Madeleine.

VERSAILLES CYRANO—"Escape in the Desert," with Jeanne Sullivan and Zachary Scott.

STAGE SHOWS

MADELINE—"No T.O. For Love," Musical comedy. Metro Madeleine.

OLYMPIA—"Summer Follies," variety. Metro Madeleine.

EMPIRE—"Potpourri," variety. Metro Etolle.

ENSA MARIGNY—"The Case of the Frightened Lady," with Gordon Harker and Catherine Lacey. Metro Clemenceau.

MISCELLANEOUS

EIFFEL TOWER CLUB—Open 2000 hours to 0200 hours. Bring civilian date. EMs only. Metro Trocadero.

PAVILLON ARC CLUB—Dance, hostesses, 2000 to 2300 hours.

SEINE SECTION PX, 112 Rue Provence—Gift shop for officers and EMs on leave. Metro Havre-Caumartin.

TROCADERO—Concert by Ninth AP Band, 8 PM. Metro Trocadero.

Rheims Area

MOVIES

PARAMOUNT, Rue Thillols—1400, 1830 and 2030 hours. "The Great John L.," with Gregory McClure and Linda Darnell.

MODERNE, Rue Barbatre—1830 and 2015 hours. "Penthouse Rhythm," with Cary Grant and Lois Collier.

MISCELLANEOUS

PARO POMMERY—"Circus International." Performances every night, 2000 hours. Matinees, Wed., Sat., Sun., 1500 hours.

INDOOR SWIM POOL, Rue Talleyrand.

STAGE SHOWS
MUNICIPAL, Place Myron-Herrick—"Sons of Fun." All-U.S. cast, 2900lb Inf. Band, 2000 hours.

Nancy

CAMEO—"Woman in the Window," Edward G. Robinson, Joan Bennett.

EMPIRE—"Royal Scandal," with Talulah Bankhead and Anne Baxter.

Dijon

DARCY—"Pillow to Post," with Ida Lupino and Sidney Greenstreet.

Toul

PATHE—"Without Love," with Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn.

Soissons

CASINO—"Tarzan and the Amazons," with Johnny Weissmuller.

OASINO ARC CLUB—Opens 0930 daily. TRIPLE "S" CLUB—Ice cream, cokes. Opens 1430 hours.

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Georgia OKs Streamlined Constitution

ALTANTA, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Georgia has voted itself a new constitution and 38-year-old Gov. Ellis Arnall has chalked up another victory over red-gaullied Gene Talmadge.

Talmadge, long dominant figure in Georgia politics whom Arnall defeated for the governorship three years ago, led the opposition to the charter which the voters approved yesterday.

Arnall, whose administration has seen repeal of the poll tax, reduction of the voting age to 18 and penal and budgetary reform, said before the election the vote would be a "vote of confidence."

As he watched returns come in from lackadaisical voting which indicated a better than two-to-one majority Arnall commented: "Georgia is on the move."

The "streamlined" 25,000-word document replaces the present constitution adopted in 1877 and amended 301 times.

It sets up a merit system for state employees, is intended to preserve budgetary and prison reforms and to provide "home rule" or local self-government for counties.

Although the poll tax is repealed as a voting requirement, the new document makes no mention of primary elections.

Its framers said this was expressly done in an attempt to get around the Supreme Court decision in the Texas case holding that Negroes can vote in white Democratic primaries. The new constitution has the effect of permitting political parties to make their own rules without state control.

Only 4 Vet Suits Over Job Claims

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Selective Service reported yesterday that although 2,250,000 men and women already had been released from military service, there were only four cases involving re-employment claims pending in Federal courts.

Three involve questions of temporary employment and the fourth is a matter of seniority.

The report added that 28 other cases were in the hands of U.S. attorneys, who will attempt adjustment before court action is instituted.

Nearly 7,000 Aliens To Be Deported by U.S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Nearly 7,000 aliens are scheduled for deportation from the U.S., a subcommittee of the House Committee on Immigration was told here today.

Edward J. Shaughnessy, special assistant commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said that 4,188 of those awaiting deportation have been convicted of crimes. The others, he said, include 144 who are being deported for subversive activities, 1,261 physical defectives who should not have been admitted originally and 400 who are subject to deportation for immorality.

Urges Congress Study Anti-Peace Draft Move

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Rep. Leshe C. Arends (R-Ill.) declared today that Congress should give careful study to the Republican proposal for American leadership in a move to abolish compulsory military training throughout the world.

He said that House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin had displayed profound statesmanship when he submitted to the House a few weeks ago his resolution calling on the U.S. to seek worldwide abolition of compulsory training before adopting it herself.

Illegitimate Babies Bring \$1,000 in 'Black Market'

DENVER, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Judge Philip B. Gilliam of Juvenile Court reported yesterday that a "black market in babies" was flourishing in the area, with unscrupulous quacks and midwives getting as high as \$1,000 each for illegitimate infants.

Gilliam charged that instead of being placed for adoption in suit-

Same Cheese, Different Wrappings



Actress Martha Vickers demonstrates different methods of presenting cheese in wartime packaging covering a half-century of pinup progress. The modern pinup girl (left) would have shocked grandpappy who thought the 1898 number (right) was pretty daring back in Spanish War Days. Miss Vickers portrays both types in the film "The Time, the Place and the Girl."

2 German Destroyers Steam Into Boston Harbor--But Why?

BOSTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—With the German swastika streaming out beneath the American flag, two German destroyers manned by volunteer German crews under American supervision steamed into Boston harbor yesterday but the reason for their arrival was mysterious.

A Navy spokesman said they were the first of Hitler's navy, aside from submarines, to come to this country.

The vessels came from Europe and refueled at the Azores. Beyond that information, Naval officials professed to have no knowledge of

their sailing port or why they came.

One Navy officer "guessed" the vessels were brought here for "experimental" purposes—possibly by agreement with Russia and Great Britain.

He doubted that they would be used by the American Navy because of their short range.

The ships were the Z-39 and T-35.

The Navy spokesman said the German crews would be kept under surveillance, but would not be interned. Eventually they will be returned to Germany.

Pittsburgh Steel Czar Hits Rate Favoritism

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 8 (ANS).—This city may lose its top position in steel production to war-born Western mills, Ernest T. Weir, chairman of the National Steel Corp., warned today.

Declaring that Pittsburgh had no objection to competition on "even terms," Weir protested alleged favoritism by the government and freight rates which, he said, handicapped this district's producers.

Study Plan to Make U.S. HQ for United Nations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—A plan to set up an international zone in this country to serve as headquarters for various United Nations organizations is being studied by government officials, it was learned today.

The proposed zone, a sort of district of Columbia on a world scale, would be the center of the international monetary fund and bank, peace and food organizations and any other bodies set up by the United Nations.

Woodrum to Retire

ROANOKE, Va., Aug. 8 (ANS).—Rep. Clifton A. Woodrum (D-Va.), who has represented the Sixth Congressional District since 1922, announced today he will retire on or before the expiration of his present term in January, 1947.

Soldier Held Negligent In Fatal Car Accident

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 8 (ANS).—Kissing is "innocent enough, but it is a dangerous practice to indulge in when one is operating a car," Coroner Theodore Steiber said today when he held that a Stamford soldier was guilty of simple negligence in an automobile fatality in Greenwich.

The coroner said the soldier, Stanley F. Hordeski, was kissing a girl when the car he was driving struck and killed Caroline Dureuky, 50, Portchester, N.Y., July 15.

Better Civilian Gas Due, Even If Not More

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—The quality of civilian gasoline is going to improve.

The Petroleum Administration for war said today that 150,000 barrels of regular fuel daily would be converted into premium grade. This is about double the amount of high-grade fuel now available, but the quantity of civilian gasoline available will remain the same.

Al Smith Economic Post Goes to Jim Farley

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Former Postmaster General James A. Farley yesterday was appointed chairman of the New York City Committee for Economic Development, a post formerly held by the late Alfred E. Smith.

Farley said he hoped the committee's goal of 290,000 new post-war jobs in non-manufacturing firms would be realized.

She's Typical Nurse

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 8 (ANS).—First Lt. Anna M. Spillman, the first woman ashore at the Anzio beachhead in Italy has been chosen as the typical representative of the Army Nurse Corps.

She was selected by a panel including novelist Fannie Hurst, opera star Gladys Swarthout and Dean Mildred Thompson of Vassar College.

Plant Yields Spuds And Tomatoes to Boot

CHARLESTON, W.Va., Aug. 8 (ANS).—A combination potato-tomato plant with tomatoes at the top and potatoes at the bottom was displayed here today by Earl Painter, who said he had been able to grow four others like it.

The plant resembles a potato vine but has tomatoes hanging from its stems.

More Civilian Meat Expected

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—The Agriculture Department said today that civilians might expect slightly more meat this fall.

Heavy demand is expected to hold meat prices near present high levels through early 1946, a survey said.

Army and other government purchases are expected to take most of the seasonal increase this fall and winter.

Production during the fall and winter is likely to be about the same as for the corresponding season last year, but below the peak reached in the same period in 1943. The announcement forecast slightly greater production in the late spring and summer of 1946 than during the same months this year.

13 Known Dead In Elevator Blast

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Aug. 8 (ANS).—The total known dead in an explosion that wrecked a two-million-bushe grain-storage elevator yesterday remained at 13 today.

It was believed that most if not all the workmen trapped in the elevator, a part of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Ltd., had been accounted for. All the identified dead were from Port Arthur.

The blast, caused by spontaneous combustion, virtually leveled the \$1,250,000 structure.

Personnel

DENVER, Aug. 8 (ANS).—The name of the new school at Buckley Field is the Army Air Forces Command Applied Personnel Management Indocrination Institute. It teaches Army personnel how to manage other Army personnel.

1st Italian PWs Leaving U.S. For Homeland

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (UP).—The first group of Italian service unit members selected for repatriation to Italy on the basis of loyalty to the U.S. and family needs starts the homeward journey tonight, the Second Service Command announced today.

Twenty-five officers and 250 enlisted men from Army posts throughout the command area will leave Staten Island for Hampton Roads, Va., where they will join other groups from different parts of the country for the trip to Europe.

U.S. officers made the selections after consultations with Italian officers in the units. Previously, smaller groups of overage and sick men had been repatriated.

(The Associated Press reported that 500 Italian PWs would be repatriated monthly during the next three months and that the size of the groups going home would be increased in the autumn when service units are no longer needed in agricultural work.)

'Love' Doctor Pleads Guilty

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Dr. Wendell White, 35, who was accused by a pretty young wife of offering "love treatments" at \$10 apiece, today pleaded guilty to battery and was ordered to appear Aug. 15 for sentence.

The Glendale doctor waived preliminary hearing and changed the innocent plea which he had entered.

Mrs. Sidnie Leonard, whose soldier husband is in the Pacific area, told police the doctor offered her "a little loving" at \$10 a treatment.

"All I wanted," she said, "was a physical checkup. When I wouldn't sit on his knee he slapped me, called me dirty names and kicked me in the stomach. Then he raised his fee to \$50."

Police said they found the office a shambles.

After a struggle, she said, she got free by writing a \$25 check.

Radio Freeze to Melt

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—The war-time freeze on construction of new radio stations will be lifted in 60 days, the Federal Communications Commission announced today.

At 104, This Wolf Still Howls for Blondes



Blonde Vivian Nelson, of Chicago, enjoys the line handed her by H. Ellsworth Bennett, of Philadelphia, who declared he's 104 years old and the father of 11 children. The centenarian-plus says he has been traveling to Chicago in search of beautiful blondes since 1871 but hasn't found one yet. Bennett says 20-year-olds are his specialty.

Army to Fly 1,900 Home to Ease RR Crisis

By Robert J. Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Nineteen hundred Army railroad men, eligible for discharge on points or age, will be flown home in August to help relieve the critical railroad manpower shortage, Maj. Gen. Frank S. Ross, chief of the Theater Transportation Corps, announced yesterday.

Only 400 were scheduled to be returned home this month, but to help meet the needs of U.S. railroads, an additional 1,500 men have been pulled out of fall quotas and added to the August shipment.

The Transportation Corps disclosed also that 10,000 more railroad men will be sent home in September, October, November and December. How many of these men will be available, to the railroads, officials said, will depend on their individual qualifications for discharge and upon War Department policy as to the duties to which they shall be assigned if ineligible to get out of the Army.

Army railroad men remaining here will either work on the 26,000 miles of railroad in the ETO or be transferred to the Pacific.

The Transportation Corps estimated that 50 percent of the 34,000 military railway service men in Europe had civilian railroading experience.

During June and July, 1,550 high-score and over-age men in Army railroad units were returned to the U.S.

French Taxes Eased for GIs

A plan for granting tax refunds to American servicemen and women on articles purchased in French civilian stores to be sent home was announced yesterday by Theater Service Forces.

The refund plan, a measure intended to help the soldier cope with the rate of exchange between the franc and the dollar, works this way:

A soldier buying an article in a store pays the full cost, including tax, and asks the shopkeeper for a bill, which indicates separately the basic price and the taxes.

The soldier then takes the article and the bill to a Red Cross wrapping center. The Red Cross wraps and mails the package and then refunds to the soldier the amount of the taxes. The Red Cross will be reimbursed later by the French government.

At present, the only Red Cross wrapping center is in the American Express Building, 11 Rue Scribe, but other centers will be opened soon. A refund need not be made in the same city in which a purchase is made. A soldier, for instance, could buy an article in Rheims, bring it to Paris and have it wrapped and the tax refunded at the Red Cross wrapping center. He would be required, however, to present the bill of sale to the Red Cross.

Tokyo Crash Reunites Pair

ABOARD AN ESCORT CARRIER NEAR JAPAN, Aug. 8 (ANS).—A crash landing near the mouth of Tokyo Bay reunited Wallace Stachowicz with a Niagara Falls (N.Y.), high school classmate.

The 19-year-old aviation radio-man, his pilot and another crewman were shot down by ack-ack.

Two hours later they were rescued from a life raft by a submarine. One of the first men Stachowicz saw aboard the sub was Robert Darin. They used to double date in high school.

Stachowicz was one of the 13 Americans shot down within sight of Fujiyama and rescued by the same submarine.

Jap Suicide Pilot Gives Navy a Helping Hand

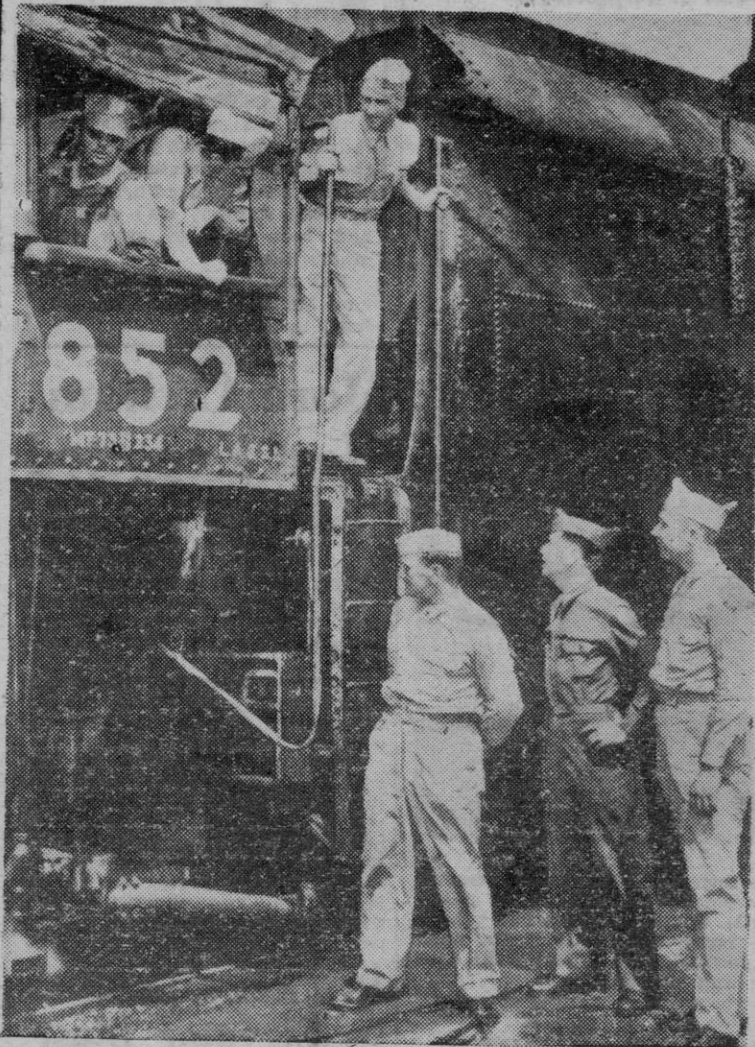
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8 (ANS).

—A Japanese suicide pilot has saved Navy demolition crews a job. The suicide pilot put his explosive-laden plane into a dive off Okinawa and sank a landing ship which had been abandoned two days previously when it hit a mine. It had been stripped of all valuable material.

British 9th Army Dissolved

BEIRUT, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The British Ninth Army went out of existence today. Commanded by Lt. Gen. Sir W. G. Holmes, the Ninth figured in the recent Franco-Syrian crisis.

They'll Be Working on the Railroad



Union Pacific fireman Paul Levia shows five ETO vets at Los Angeles the type of engine they will be operating to help ease the transportation crisis in the U.S. The five GIs are the first of 4,100 to be furloughed by the Army to relieve the railroads' shortage of experienced hands. Left to right: Fireman Pfc Bill Melvin, Terre Haute, Ind.; T/4 Gaines Pettigrew, Abbeville, N.C.; Pfc E. E. Clark, Detroit; Pvt. Charles Kennedy, Ft. Worth, and T/4 William Rimmert, Chicago.

GIs Touring Switzerland Find Real Buy—Phone Calls to U.S.

By Thom Yates

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BIEL, Switzerland, Aug. 8.—Watches, cameras and souvenirs are not the only things GIs touring Switzerland are buying with their \$35 spending allowance—they also are buying Transatlantic telephone calls back to the States.

Little publicity was given to the fact the calls could be made from Switzerland, but one furloughing soldier found out about it and the idea has spread like wildfire among the first groups to visit the country under the Army's organized tour program.

A three-minute conversation across the ocean is so comparatively inexpensive that most of the uniformed tourists find they can afford both the telephone call and a fairly good watch on their allowance of 150 Swiss francs.

One T/4 telephoned his wife in Yonkers, N.Y., from this watch-making town at a cost of approximately \$14.20 for a three-and-a-half-minute conversation. Another GI talked to his home in Indianapolis for exactly three minutes for even less.

The toll charge includes not only the price of the actual call, but a preparatory call as well, which means that as soon as the GI places his reservation the Swiss operator notifies the number in the U.S. that it can expect to talk to Switzerland at such-and-such a time.

GIs usually make reservations a few days in advance, but the whole thing can be done in 12 to 16 hours. The majority of calls go through between midnight and 4 AM, Swiss time, so that it will be late afternoon or early evening when the person in the U.S. hears the phone ring.

British Villagers Aid GI Serving Rape Term

SCRANTON, Pa., Aug. 8 (AP).—A former Army private, who contended he was wrongly accused of rape while serving in England, is to be given a new hearing as a result of appeals by residents of the English town where he was stationed.

The ex-soldier is Donald Hicks of Kingston, N.Y., now serving a 25-year sentence in the Federal penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa. He contends that the woman he was accused of attacking was "a person of ill repute." The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals scheduled a new hearing for Aug. 21 after receiving a petition from Corby, Lincolnshire, signed with 1,675 names.

No Thorns for Navy In Tokyo Rose's Spiel

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS).—Tokyo Rose, seductive-voiced Japanese girl propagandist, won a citation from the U.S. Navy today for "meritorious service contributing greatly to the morale" of American troops in the Pacific.

As a further tribute to the ability of Tokyo Rose to "bring laughter and entertainment to our men and women," the Navy granted her permission to broadcast "soon" a description of Adm. Halsey riding the Japanese Emperor's white horse through the streets of Tokyo.

British, Soviet Troops to Quit Iran 'At Once'

TEHERAN, Aug. 8 (AP).—The Iranian Foreign Ministry announced today that the Big Three had decided at Potsdam that "British and Russian forces should be withdrawn from the Teheran territory at once."

The Foreign Ministry said it had been informed by the British Embassy of the decision.

Early in the war the press in Teheran hinted that Russia was about to invade Iran to control her rich oil fields. When Germany invaded the Soviet Union in June, 1941, the security of the entire Near East hinged on Iran, according to diplomatic sources here.

Later, British and Soviet forces entered parts of Iran, stating then that their occupation was for the duration only and was not to be considered as a threat to Iranian integrity. The country became an important United Nations supply base.

American troops have been leaving Iran since July 31, when the Persian Gulf Command's work was declared "successfully completed." By Sept. 1, only a small U.S. Army staff will remain for liquidation of Army assets.

Iran's Announcement Confirmed in London

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—A British Foreign Ministry spokesman today confirmed the Iran Foreign Ministry's announcement that British and Soviet forces in Teheran were to be withdrawn.

The spokesman said that the agreement was reached in principle at the Potsdam Conference, but certain details, including the date of withdrawal, have still to be fixed.

UNRRA Chief Asks New Levy

LONDON, Aug. 8 (AP).—Director General Herbert H. Lehman today recommended a new levy of \$1,516,906,150 upon the United Nations—exclusive of Russia's request for \$700,000,000—at the plenary session of UNRRA's third major international conference.

Lehman emphasized that UNRRA "is not a super state" and that "it has neither the authority nor the inclination to infringe in the slightest degree upon the sovereignty of any country."

But, at the same time, he sternly cautioned governments receiving UNRRA aid that it is "they who must collect and distribute their own resources, stamp out black markets and hold prices to reasonable levels."

Warning that the winter ahead may be "one of the grimmest in history," Lehman told the delegates of 43 nations that unless contributing countries supplemented their aid, "the name of the United Nations will be a mockery in the eyes of Europe this winter."

15,000 in Reich Jails Released

By Tom Hoge

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Aug. 8.—Nearly 15,000 "unjustly sentenced" Germans have been freed from prisons by American authorities, John J. Raymond, of Ann Arbor, Mich., USFET prisons officer, said today.

In the 40 prisons operated by Military Government in the American zone, only 6,000 of the original 21,000 inmates remain.

In reviewing the cases of the prisoners, Americans found the Nazis had sentenced defendants to terms legally authorized for their crimes but not to begin until the war ended.

More Plants to Produce New Bombs Being Built

OAK RIDGE, Tenn., Aug. 8 (ANS).—More plants for production of atomic bombs are under construction in this fantastic city whose populace has just learned of their part in creating the greatest destructive force known to man, it was revealed today.

'Lili Marlene' Now a Twist In GI Redeployment Blues

ROME, Aug. 8 (AP).—High-point men in the Mediterranean Theater, who sometimes must wait a month or more for a ship headed for the U.S., have given "Lili Marlene" a new twist.

To the song that was "liberated" from the Germans by the British in North Africa and then "adopted" by all Allied armies, point-heavy GIs here have added a set of "redeployment lyrics." Still

plaintive but no longer sentimental, the new version is this:

"Please, Mr. Truman, won't you send us home?"

"We have captured Napoli and liberated Rome."

"Now that we've whipped the master race, we know you have the shipping space."

"So why not send us home? Let the boys back home see Rome."

The up-to-date lyrics have made "Lili Marlene" a hit all over again in Italy.

Allies Aided By Pétain AF, Jurors Told

By Richard Lewis
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A secret air force with hidden air strips and a clandestine pilot's school near Toulouse were created by the Vichy government of Marshal Henri-Philippe Pétain and held in readiness to join the Allies when the time was ripe, Gen. Jean Bergeret, the Vichy Air Minister testified yesterday in the marshal's treason trial.

By the spring of 1942, Bergeret said, air and ground crews for 980 planes were deployed in unoccupied France and North Africa. As a result, he said, 27 air force groups were able to join Allied forces in Africa at the end of 1942.

Asked why airfields in Syria were yielded to the Nazis, Bergeret said that the Syrian theater commander acted without his knowledge.

Bergeret also testified that he knew in October, 1942, of Allied plans to invade North Africa the following month. He went to Africa, he said, to counsel collaboration with the Allies, but confusion among the officers and "political bureaucrats" led to French opposition to his proposal. This opposition, he said, was broken down by the marshal himself in his radio broadcast protesting the German entry into the unoccupied zone of France.

Presiding Judge Pierre Mongibeaux then read to the court a telegram, which Pétain sent to the governor general of French West Africa about the same time. This wire instructed the governor to resist Allied invasion.

Bergeret, meanwhile, is being held by the provisional government while collaboration charges are being prepared against him.

Pétain's Trial Costs 200,000 Francs a Day

Paris newspapers have complained that Marshal Henri-Philippe Pétain is costing France 200,000 francs a day in fees for judges, prosecutors, court attendants and guards.

The two doctors attending him during the trial for his life, meanwhile, said Pétain was keeping an even temper and maintained his health. He retires about 11:30 PM and rises before 8 AM and never discusses his trial with his attendants.

Vatican Has PWs—Nazis Who Sought Refuge From Allies

VATICAN CITY, Aug. 8 (AP).—There's a PW "cage" behind the walls of the Vatican and it holds the Germans. They hope to get out soon and return to Germany.

Following the Allied advance on Rome, the six Germans—five soldiers and one officer—sought refuge at the Papal See after escaping from an Allied prisoner inclosure and were placed in the custody of the Vatican's famous Swiss Guard. They do not work, but receive simple rations and exercise under the supervision of guards.

The only other German enjoying Vatican hospitality is Baron Ernst von Weizhacker, former German Ambassador to the Holy See.

All are awaiting Allied permission to return to Germany.

Tito Insists Monarchy Is Not for Yugoslavia

BELGRADE, Aug. 8 (UP).—The virtual death knell of Yugoslavia's monarchy was sounded today by Marshal Tito in a 25-minute oration before the final session of a National Liberation Front conference.

Tito declared that the monarchy was incompatible with the democratic Yugoslavia being planned, and asserted that the country's Liberation Committee felt it was entitled to fight for a republic. The fact that agents of King Peter had "committed acts in the name of the King to which Peter had not protested" was reason enough to prevent the young monarch's return to the throne, he argued.

Down to Last \$5,000,000

MIAMI, Aug. 8 (ANS).—A bank official appearing before the Dade County equalization board to ask reduction in assessment on the island estate of the late William K. Vanderbilt declared today that "only \$5,000,000" remained to Mrs. Vanderbilt out of the one-time \$35,000,000 fortune.



U.S. Sets Up Food Bank in Reich Zone

By Pat Mitchell
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Aug. 8.—Germans in the American zone will be hungry this winter but will not starve, Col. O. W. Hermann, USFET food and agriculture expert said today.

"While wheat crop prospects are good," he said, "other measures have been taken to insure that Germans will not starve."

Those measures were:

1—Importation from the U.S. and Canada of 210,000 tons of wheat monthly for June, July and August and 96,250 tons of wheat for September to provide for an emergency food bank.

2—Strict rationing.

3—Future planning which provides for increases in the direct consumption of crops such as bread grains and potatoes. This means that corn and potatoes won't be fed to hogs, but eaten directly without going through the caloric depreciation of the hog cycle. Pasture land will be used for potatoes and wheat.

4—Fats and fish products will be brought into the American zone proper from Bremen.

The American, British and French zones, according to official G-5 bulletins, "are about 60 to 70 percent self-sufficient. The population shift, disruption of transportation and lack of spring planting has added to the difficulties," Hermann said.

Hermann explained that the long-range food plan would attempt to make the American sector self-sufficient.

In an effort to bring the urgency of the situation to the Germans, Gen. Eisenhower placed upon German shoulders the responsibility of their self-sufficiency in a radio address on Aug. 6. He told Germans to help on the farms, cut their own firewood because there would be no housing heat, and repair their buildings.

New Plane 'Brain' Does All But Land

An electric "brain" that enables pilots to bring their planes to, within a foot of the runway without touching the controls has been perfected by Air Technical Service Command headquarters in Europe. Housed in a telephone-box-size container, the invention combines the work of an automatic pilot and instrument-landing system. It guides the plane, compensating for wind currents and air pockets. Control of the pilot is necessary only for bringing wheels in contact with the ground.

Jap Score for Month Against 7th AF Is 'O'

OKINAWA, Aug. 8 (ANS)—Brig. Gen. Thomas D. White, of Springfield, Ill., commanding the Seventh Air Force, announced today that in its first month of operation from Okinawa it had lost no planes to enemy aircraft.

Weather is the biggest menace he said. Twenty-four aircraft were lost, but none to enemy aerial opposition.

Jap Admiral Killed

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8 (ANS)—Japanese broadcasts today belatedly disclosed the death last April of Vice-Adm. Seiichi Ito while leading naval suicide squadrons against the American fleet at Okinawa.

Mama Says No, But British Law OKs Marriage for U.S. Sailor

By Sid Schapiro
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Aug. 8.—That love will find a way proved to be more than a romantic bromide yesterday.

It set a precedent in British law when Carl Mazzola, of Detroit, 20-year-old boatswain's mate, second class, on shore duty in the UK, and his 20-year-old blonde fiancée, Julia Daphne Pope, a Londoner, were given permission to get married by a West London court magistrate after the sailor's parents refused to give their consent.

The young couple met in December, 1943, became engaged on the girl's 19th birthday, July 19, 1944, and applied at the Registrar's Office last Thursday for a license to wed. No success. Minors need

parents' consent to get married. He immediately called his parents and two days later received a stern refusal. So Carl and Julia appealed to British law. They showed the magistrate the reply and earlier correspondence.

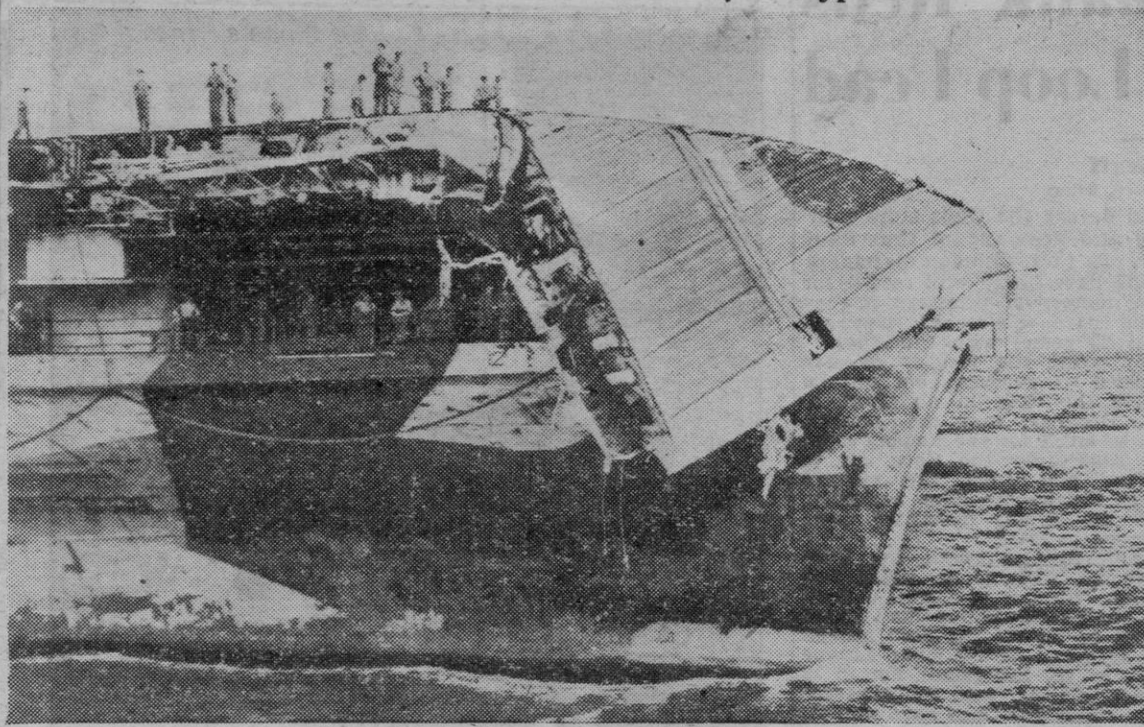
"I cannot understand their attitude," said Julia. "Carl's mother was ever so sweet to me in her letters."

After a talk with the couple, the magistrate told them they could go ahead with their marriage.

In well-chosen words, Carl, who was a Chicago bellhop before donning bellbottoms, cabled his parents of the magistrate's decision.

The couple will be married Saturday at St. Mary's Church, in Chelsea.

Hornet Sports a Bruised Beak After Typhoon



Her flight deck folded down by a tidal wave whipped up by a typhoon, the U.S. carrier Hornet's crew surveys the damage to the U.S. 3rd Fleet carrier after the storm in the South China Sea.

Says Nazi PWs Live Better At Belsen Than 'Ex'-Inmates

FRANKFURT, Aug. 8 (AP)—An American official of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration charged today that German PWs were living better at the former Bergen-Belsen concentration camp than some of the survivors of horrors there, who are still at the site awaiting avacuation as displaced persons.

The official, who had just returned from an inspection tour of deportation camps in the British zone and who asked that his name be withheld, also asserted that SS troopers were hiding at the camp by posing as DPs, although many had been arrested after being detected by their torture victims.

Eight former Nazi agents, he said, had been uncovered by American UNRRA authorities who were arranging for the evacuation of displaced persons to Sweden.

Other statements made by the official:

In the Bergen-Belsen camp, German prisoners occupied the best blocks of barracks, while 7,000 Jews—all DPs—were moved to older buildings.

The Polish camp leader at Valterdingen was making life miserable for Jews by leading anti-Semitic activities, and that at a camp at Fitzlahr DPs were sleeping two in one bed in the stables of a former German cavalry school.

Fifty young girls at Brunswick had pleaded with him to have them transferred because many had been raped by deportees living there.

Former concentration camp guards were among those hiding out in DP camps. They usually carried forged papers and sought refuge in transit camps to escape detection. One, who was caught recently, had a bag containing 10 pounds of human gold teeth and toothplates, and was identified as having worked at the crematorium at Belsen.

Classes Open for GIs At University of Dijon

American soldiers have begun studying the French language at the University of Dijon.

Classes have also opened at the University of Grenoble and will open at the University of Besançon Monday.

Insist U.S. Keep All Isles

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 8 (UP)—Seven members of four House committees returned home yesterday from a month's tour of Pacific islands with a unanimous recommendation that the U.S. control all Japanese-mandated islands taken by American forces.

Rep. Ed Isaac (D-Calif.) is chairman of the joint group, representing the Naval Affairs, Merchant Marine, Fisheries and Appropriations Committees.

The committee said it would urge purchase of French Caledonia and Rep. Ellis E. Patterson (D-Calif.) contended the U.S. could acquire it by canceling some of the debt owed this nation by the French.

Tempelhof Field Is Being Restored

BERLIN, Aug. 8.—Complete rehabilitation of the famous Tempelhof Field, Berlin's chief airport, is under way by engineer and service units of the Ninth Air Force.

For all its other modernization, Tempelhof has only grass runways, and these, with administration and maintenance buildings, sustained severe damage in Allied raids. The 852nd Engr. Aviation Bn. under Lt. Col. Arlon G. Hazen, of Stillwater, Tex., and the 301st Troop Carrier Squadron, commanded by Capt. Robert G. Dean, of Detroit, are among units repairing the field.

Asks Clemency for GI Who Raped Fraulein

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS)—Sen. G. Wayland Brooks (R-Ill.) has asked Gen. Eisenhower to obtain clemency for a 23-year-old Illinois private sentenced to death on a charge of raping a German girl.

The soldier, Pvt. Alfred Brinley, of St. Louis, Ill., is now imprisoned in Germany.

Brooks' office said today the Senator had telegraphed Eisenhower requesting reconsideration or commutation of Brinley's sentence. His action followed numerous pleas from residents and city officials of the private's home town.

Navy School to Move

CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (ANS)—The Primary Flight Instructors' School at the U.S. Naval Air Station, New Orleans, will be moved to the Glenview (Ill.) Air Station headquarters of the Naval Air Primary Training Command about Oct. 1, Ninth Naval District officials reported today. The New Orleans station will be used as the Navy separation center.

GIs Intensify Luzon Mop-Up

BAGUIO, The Philippines, Aug. 8 (ANS)—American and Filipino troops intensified their mop-up battle with the strong Japanese garrison defending the northwest approach to the Agno River valley of northern Luzon Island yesterday, and for the third day gains were measured in yards.

A sizable Japanese force is fighting along a ridge 55 miles north of Baguio.

Since Aug. 4 the attackers slowly have been cleaning out pillboxes, entrenchments and caves against stiff opposition. The action now is being fought in heavy rains and thick mud. American artillery along Highway 11 is providing close support but the attackers nevertheless were held to a 500-yard gain the first day and only a slight advance the next.

Legion Seeks Vet Job Quota

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS)—The American Legion, looking toward an earlier VJ-Day as a result of the atomic bomb, called on employers yesterday to set aside a definite quota of jobs for veterans.

The legion indicated it would urge faster reconversion and an immediate step-up in production of civilian goods.

The agency's National Employment Committee directed its 13,900 local posts to survey local employment prospects and to pledge employers to set aside jobs for veterans in the same ratio as that of the local population to the local enlistments.

Nimitz' Dog in the Doghouse

GUAM, Aug. 8 (ANS)—Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' pet Schnauzer Mac is in the doghouse again. Makapa, to give him his full name, is back after his second AWOL in recent weeks. This time he was gone a week and was found consorting with Marines. He's now on TD with a war-dog platoon until he recovers from eczema contracted in his latest foray into the jungle.

Phony Japanese Hospital Ship, Filthy, Jammed, Taken to Port

AN ALLIED PACIFIC PORT, Aug. 8 (ANS)—An American prize crew brought a stinking, crowded Japanese "hospital ship" into port yesterday with Red Crosses towering above it like giant crucifixes and its holds bulging with weapons of war and ammunition under Red Cross labels.

The ship was brought here as a prize of war and as evidence against the Japanese. A small unarmed inspection party boarded it in the Banda Sea and found war contraband in violation of international law.

The 1,638 Japs aboard constituted the war's biggest Jap prisoner haul. The ship, the 1,700-ton Tachibana Maru, undoubtedly was one of the filthiest to fall into American hands.

An American medical officer estimated that three-fourths of the men listed as patients "could be

Halsey Fleet Again on Prowl, Japan Warned

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (ANS). The Navy told the Japanese yesterday that Admiral William F. Halsey's Third Fleet was again off their homeland and would soon "let loose more and more destruction on coastal installations."

Explaining a week's silence from Halsey's fleet, a news review read on the Navy Hour radio program said it had been avoiding a typhoon.

The fleet's vast supply train enables it to remain at sea for an indefinite period, and the absence of naval or air opposition permits it to range the Japanese coast virtually at will.

Meanwhile, a new carrier plane strike at Wake Island, former U.S. base, was announced by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz in Guam. Navy planes also strafed enemy shipping along the China coast, the communiqué said.

Faster Fighter Need Is Cited

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (ANS)—Vice-Adm. Marc A. Mitscher declared today that recent Navy carrier operations against Japan "clearly indicate that we need a faster fighter" because of improved enemy models.

The former commander of Task Force 58, who is soon to become deputy chief of naval operations for air, spoke to workers at the Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corp. plant.

Mitscher said: "Our newer planes are better, but so are theirs, even though the ratio of enemy planes shot down has risen from about three in the early days of Guadalcanal to about ten now for every one of ours lost."

Chinese Recapture Air Base, Port City

CHUNGKING, Aug. 8.—Chinese troops, driving from two directions on the south China port of Canton, have captured Tanchuk, former U.S. air base, and the smaller port city of Yeungkong, the high command announced today.

The 14th AF base at Tanchuk, less than an hour's flying time from Hong Kong and the huge White Cloud airdrome at Canton, had barely been completed last September when the Japanese captured it in the opening phases of their fall drive. Chinese forces already are pushing toward their next objectives, Tengyun and Wuchow.

The occupation of Yeungkong cleared a 200-mile stretch of the Chinese coast between Luchow peninsula and Hong Kong Bay and virtually isolated Japanese troops on the peninsula.

Warn Black-Market Meat Holds Disease Threat

Large quantities of meat which is being sold in the black market are spoiled and unfit for human consumption, the French Ministry of Food warned yesterday in reporting on recent black-market raids.

The ministry said that large numbers of illegally slaughtered animals are infected with tuberculosis.

Raids on central Paris markets during the last few days resulted in the arrest of 20 persons and the issuance of more than 100 summonses.

returned to combat after brief fresh air treatment." He said no battle wounded were among them, that comparatively few were bandaged, and that examination of some of the men showed they were suffering from non-incapacitating ulcers.

Of the 1,562 "patients" aboard, more than 1,100 were listed as having malaria or beriberi.

When they were removed for an internment stockade most of them trotted down the gangplank, many grinning broadly. Only two needed ambulance care, and only a few obviously were ill.

The ship had been observed operating in the Indies area for a long time. It was removing men from the Kai Islands in the Banda Sea to Soerabaja, Java, when two destroyers overhauled it.

The ship was indescribably filthy. For example, there was only one toilet aboard for the 1,638 men.

Cubs Can Thank Reds For National Loop Lead

By Gene Graff

Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

There was a time the Reds could defeat the Cubs simply by tossing their gloves on the diamond and announcing that Paul Derringer would be the day's pitcher. In fact, Chicago managers

Minor League Leaders Race For Playoffs

By J. Taylor Spink

Sporting News

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 8.—Although post-season baseball classics, including the World Series, must await final okay by the ODT, there are no barriers to the Shaughnessy playoffs. As a consequence, plans already are under way for the annual games between first division clubs of the American Association and International Leagues.

Both leagues end their seasons Sept. 9. The pennants are decided by the standings at the end of the regular schedule, but representatives in inter-league play come from among winners of the playoffs.

Barring an unlikely upset, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Louisville and St. Paul will battle it out in the American Association, with the Indians and Brewers in a fight right to the finish line for the pennant. Louisville looks snug in third place, but St. Paul is being pursued closely by Toledo, Columbus and Minneapolis for fourth place.

Montreal continues to make a romp of the International League fracas. The Royals promise to clinch the flag earlier than it has been done in recent years. The Toronto Maple Leafs, however, have turned the battle for second place into a four-way scrap as Jersey City tumbled from second to fourth. Baltimore and Newark also are dueling for the runner-up spot.

Should Newark fail to land a first division spot, it would be the first time since the playoffs were inaugurated that the Bears would not be represented. Montreal's success is due in large measure to Syracuse, which blew 14 straight to the Royals before bouncing back for three wins.

The Pacific Coast League is the last minor league to wind up its season, closing Sept. 23. Six clubs must decide which of four will finish in the first division and participate in the playoffs. Portland and Seattle cannot be headed, but Sacramento, running third, is being closely followed by San Francisco, and Oakland, with San Diego having an outside chance.

Jim Jeffries Plays Kind Host To Youthful Boxing Aspirants

BURBANK, Cal., Aug. 8.—Jim Jeffries, the grand old man of the prize ring is a great admirer of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, but he doesn't believe they are developing boxers of championship ability.

Jim admits he isn't developing any, either, but he believes the amateur bouts he presents at "Jeffries Barn" every Thursday night may go a long way in helping the boys becoming gentlemen.

Jeffries, now 70, is the oldest living former heavyweight champion. He spends most of his time at the small arena which once was

Robinson Sparks Yankee Recovery

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Praises have been sung about Army and Navy discharges helping big league clubs, but one fellow who has been overlooked entirely is Aaron Robinson, recently of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Robbie lost little time getting into shape and winning a job as the Yankees' first string catcher. His work behind the plate has given the New Yorkers a late season lift, and of the nine games he has caught, seven have been victories.

Seldom has he been shaken off when giving signals because Yankee hurlers have become wise to the fact that Robbie is a smart receiver. Only one homer has been clouted off Yank pitching while Robinson worked shop. That was by Eddie Lake of the Red Sox.

would have flirted with records for any number of pennants if they could have sidetracked their annual 22 games with Cincinnati. For years the Wrigley dynasty dangled its chewing gum torture before the Reds in an effort to lure Derringer from the Ontoans, not so much for the helping hand he could offer the Cubs out to unseat him from the villain's chair. Finally the Reds weakened, and the Bruins purchased their nemesis in 1943.

If revenge is sweet, the Cubs have no shortage of sugar this season. Without co-operation from the Redlegs, the Windy City athletes would be far off the pace instead of heading the National League roost by six full games. For in 18 games this year with Bill McKechnie's pupils, the Cubs have won 17, failing to make it a grand slam only when Ed Heusser stopped them last week, 2-1.

Last year, a typical Cincinnati-Chicago season, the Reds captured 13 of their 22 contests. Based on a similar pace this season, the Reds would be within three and a half games of the Cubs—and the Cubs would be in third place—instead of being buried in the seventh spot, 19 1/2 games out of the lead.

Claude Passeau was the only Chicago pitcher to hold a winning average over the Reds in 1944, stopping them four times in as many tries. This year every Tom, Dick and Harry on Charlie Grimm's mound staff is fattening his average at the expense of the Reds.

Derringer Proves Worth

Although Derringer, too, has been setting down his former mates with regularity his contribution has been chiefly a "negative" one. The mere fact he isn't on the opposite fence any more, in itself, is sufficient to delight the Cubs.

The big right-hander, who has won 219 games during his major league career, boasts a winning average against only three clubs—the Braves, Phillies and Cubs. His widest mark of superiority was fashioned against Chicago, with 39 victories and 24 defeats. By the same token, he always had bumpy traveling against the Cardinals and Giants.

If the Cubs win the National League pennant this season—and only a few skeptics doubt that they will—the Reds should be voted a share of the World Series swag. And Derringer doesn't have to win another game to earn his salary. Just having him out of the Cincinnati lineup has been comforting to the Cubs.

a barn on his cattle ranch in Burbank.

Kids from the Los Angeles area have found a welcome there. A few have gone on to careers inside the ropes—Henry Armstrong got his start in the barn—after learning the rudiments of boxing there. And all profited from Jim's kindly philosophy and advice.

Boys who box in amateur bouts at the barn are schooled in the Jeffries code of good conduct as well as in his famous ring strategy. Old Jim stands for no rough stuff—in the ring or out.

"I always tell the boys it doesn't pay to be a tough guy," Jeffries said. "No matter how tough or big a man may feel, there's always somebody a little tougher and a little bigger."

Jim explained that no boy ever in hurt in the barn bouts. If there is a mismatch—the bout is stopped. And if a bloodthirsty fan utters the old familiar cry of "kill him," he is instructed to keep silent. If that fails the lusty one is escorted promptly from the arena.

Jeffries can't see any great fighters in the immediate future, either in the service or out of it. He's held this viewpoint for some time and insists that Jim Corbett, in his prime could have beaten any heavyweight from Jess Willard to Joe Louis.

Bums Farm Schultz

BROOKLYN, Aug. 8.—Howie Schultz, gangling Dodger first baseman, has been optioned to the Dodgers' Montreal farm club, it was announced by Secretary Harold Parrott.

Com Z Sprinters Prep for ETO Championships



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

Fleet T-5 Howard Mamala of Hammond, Ind., (left) is Com Z's hope in the 100-meter event when the ETO track and field championships get under way tomorrow at Nuremberg, Germany. Favored in the 200-meter race is Charlie Edwards (right) of Oise Base.

GI Thinclads Limber Up For ETO Track Tourney

By Ed Brown

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NUREMBERG, Aug. 8.—There's a clink of spikes and smell of liniment in the air at this once-great Nazi sports center as American GIs prepare for the ETO track and field championships, to be held at Soldiers Field here Friday and Saturday.

Blind Gobs Outrow GIs

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 8.—Two crews of blind sailors stroked their way to victory yesterday over a pair of sightless soldier shells on the Schuylkill River. The double win gave the veterans of Philadelphia Naval Hospital the edge over GIs from Valley Forge General Hospital in a series of contests.

The first Navy crew was stroked by Marine Cpl. Tom McQuade, of Buffalo, and won by half a length. The second crew was also led by a Marine corporal, Len Houston of Richmond, Va., whose six chucked up a three-length victory.

The Army ran into trouble in the second event when Pfc Eddie Polinski, of Chicago, and T Sgt. Curtis Vice, of Amewell La., snapped their oars shortly after the start.

During the races, a blind Navy veteran yelled from the sidelines, "You're way ahead, Navy, keep it up." Then, turning to a spectator he asked, "They are, aren't they?"

WAC Swimmers Reach Brussels

Special to The Stars and Stripes

BRUSSELS, Aug. 8.—Gal swimmers from the Continent and UK began pouring into this Belgian city today to prepare for the WAC swimming championships of the ETO, which commence Friday at the Allied Forces Pool. Eliminations will be conducted Friday and Saturday, with the finals concluding the affair Sunday.

Each WAC detachment has been permitted to enter a nine-girl team, with contestants limited to participation in three events.

This marks the inauguration of the ETO sports program for Wacs.

Christman Beated By Allie Reynolds

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 8.—Third Baseman Mark Christman of the Browns suffered a concussion of the brain in last night's game with the Indians when he was hit on the head by a fast ball thrown by Allie Reynolds.

Christman was removed to St. John's Hospital, where it was reported he was in serious condition.

Cochet Plans 'Comeback'

Expressing hope that next summer will see him playing again at Wimbledon and Forest Hills, Henri Cochet said here yesterday that international open tournaments are the shots in the arm needed for post-war tennis.

The colorful one-time conqueror of such American stars as Bill Tilden and Francis Hunter, still is playing good tennis, despite his 43 years.

"I can't repeat the form I showed in the United States, naturally because of my age," said the French stylist, who rose to his greatest heights as a Davis Cupper, "but my game is still good and my legs and wind are strong. I think that after the war there will be open tennis tournaments as in golf, which will help the game and fellows like me."

Cochet, who regained his amateur standing when the war threw France's sports world into a jumble, last appeared at Forest Hills in 1932, when he was beaten by Ellsworth Vines. Two years later he toured America as a pro with Bill Tilden.

Arcaro Loses Appendix

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Eddie Arcaro, veteran riding star who booted Hoop Junior home first in the Kentucky Derby, today underwent an appendectomy at Physicians Hospital. Arcaro reported ill at Belmont yesterday and was rushed to the hospital.

Oise, Delta Win Ball Titles

Special to The Stars and Stripes

RHEIMS, France, Aug. 8.—The Com Z baseball championship was captured by the 607th Ord Bn., representing Oise Section, which won over the 192nd Gen. Hosp. of UK Base, 3-2, at the Oise HQ Command athletic field last night.

Oise scored first in the third inning when Palmero drove a single to right field to drive in two runs, and again in the seventh when Wilsonovich drove a single to center field to push around the third run. UK tallied twice in the fifth and threatened again in the eighth when they loaded the bases with one out. A foul fly outside the third base line and a strikeout by Pitcher Kean retired the side.

Kean, pitching for Oise, allowed five hits and had nine strikeouts. Macon led the victors in hitting with three for three.

In the preliminaries, Aug. 5, Oise defeated Chanor Base 1, 8-1; AAC eliminated Chanor Base 2, 10-4; UK downed Delta Base 7-2, and Seine Section eliminated Bremen Port, 10-4. In the semifinals, UK defeated Seine, 9-2, and Oise smothered AAC, 13-0.

By Joe Diehl

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

MARSEILLE, Aug. 8.—Demonstrating their superiority early, the 734th Engineers, standard-bearers of Delta Base Section, carried off the Com Z softball championship by whipping the 519th Port Battalion of Chanor Base 7-1, in the final round at Municipal Stadium.

A crowd of 4,000 saw the DBS ten notch three runs in the third and add a cluster of four in the fourth inning. Pitcher Howard R. Tyson of Corpus Christi, Texas, fanned five and parted with only two hits, one in the fifth and one in the seventh. Both the nits off Tyson were of the scratch variety.

Pitcher Dave Bolton of the 519th, who had recorded two victories in the tournament previously, blew up in the third, when the champions connected for two hits and as many walks for three runs. It was Tyson who put himself in the lead. After Bill Fox, Allentown, Pa., opened the third with a double, Tyson connected for a one-baser to score him.

Four safeties and two bases on balls accounted for the Engineers' four runs in the fourth.



HOW THEY STAND.

American League
No games scheduled Tuesday

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	54	41	.568	—
Washington	54	42	.563	—
New York	50	43	.538	3 1/2
Chicago	56	47	.515	5
Cleveland	48	48	.500	6 1/2
Boston	48	49	.495	7
St. Louis	45	49	.479	8 1/2
Philadelphia	32	62	.340	21 1/2

Washington at Chicago
Philadelphia at St. Louis
New York at Cleveland
Boston at Detroit

National League
No games scheduled Tuesday

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	63	34	.649	—
St. Louis	59	42	.584	6
Brooklyn	55	43	.561	8 1/2
New York	54	47	.535	11
Pittsburgh	51	50	.505	14
Boston	46	55	.455	19
Cincinnati	43	53	.448	19 1/2
Philadelphia	26	73	.263	38

Chicago at Boston
St. Louis at New York
Cincinnati at Brooklyn
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia

Minor League Results

International League

Buffalo 7-15, Baltimore 2-5
Montreal 7, Jersey City 6
Newark 4, Rochester 3
Toronto 4-4, Syracuse 1-3

Team	W	L	Pct
Montreal	72	36	.667
Baltimore	56	49	.533
Newark	56	49	.533
Jersey City	55	42	.514
Toronto	54	52	.509
Syracuse	46	59	.438
Rochester	45	61	.425
Buffalo	39	65	.375

American Association

Milwaukee 6-1, Toledo 0-7
Columbus 4-2, Kansas City 3-9
Louisville 1-5, St. Paul 0-3
Indianapolis 7, Minneapolis 1

Team	W	L	Pct
Indianapolis	70	43	.619
Milwaukee	69	46	.600
Louisville	67	50	.573
St. Paul	53	57	.482
Toledo	33	61	.346
Columbus	31	65	.324
Minneapolis	19	64	.231
Kansas City	12	68	.152

Eastern League

Wilkes-Barre 5-5, Williamsport 3-6
Elmira 2-3, Scranton 0-1
Binghamton 4-5, Albany 1-8
Utica 3-11, Hartford 1-4

Team	W	L	Pct
Utica	58	38	.604
Wilkes-Barre	55	44	.559
Albany	45	55	.450
Hartford	49	47	.510
Scranton	45	48	.484
Elmira	45	51	.469
Williamsport	38	41	.314
Binghamton	11	58	.114

Pacific Coast League

Oakland 8, San Francisco 4
Los Angeles 11, Hollywood 2
San Diego 5, Sacramento 3
Others not scheduled

Team	W	L	Pct
Portland	82	46	.641
Seattle	74	54	.578
Sacramento	63	63	.500
Oakland	65	66	.498
S. Francisco	64	67	.487
San Diego	61	72	.461
Los Angeles	55	75	.423
Hollywood	52	78	.397

Southern Association

Little Rock 10, Memphis 2
Mobile 8, New Orleans 2
Others not scheduled

Team	W	L	Pct
Atlanta	69	36	.657
Chattanooga	64	40	.615
N. Orleans	62	42	.598
Mobile	54	44	.552
Memphis	45	58	.438
Birmingham	40	64	.385
Nashville	39	64	.379
Little Rock	36	66	.351

Veach, Tiger Star In Cobb Era, Dies

DETROIT, Aug. 8.—Bob Veach, former Detroit outfield star, died yesterday after a long illness. Veach, who came to the Tigers in 1912, played alongside Ty Cobb. He compiled a lifetime batting mark of .331 in 14 years of major league ball, 12 of them with Detroit. He also played with the Red Sox, Senators and Yankees.

Margie Osborne Wins Delaware Tennis Title

WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 8.—Margaret Osborne sprang one of the season's top tennis upsets yesterday when she won the Delaware Grass Court title from National Champion Pauline Betz, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5. The women's final had been carried over from Monday when rain canceled the program.

AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK

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1224 Mc LE HAVRE
1223 Mc DIEPHEM
1227 Mc NANCY

Time TODAY

1200-News	1900-U.S. News
1205-Off the Record	1905-Fred Waring
1301-Highlights	1930-Music Hall
1305-AAF Exposition	2001-Ignorance Pays
1315-Remember	2030-Russell Bennett
1330-You Asked for It	2100-News
1430-Surprise Package	2130-ETO Hit Parade
1500-News	2130-Village Store
1505-Beaucoup Music	2201-To Romance
1601-Symphony Hour	2230-AFN Playhouse
1655-Highlights	2300-Pacific News
1701-Duffie Bag	2305-Soldier, Song
1800-News	2315-War Dept.
1810-Sports	2330-One Night Stand
1815-Supper Club	2400-News
1830-Personal Album	0015-Mid'n't in Paris
1845-Spotlight Bands	0200-Final Edition

TOMORROW

6600-Headlines	0915-AFN Bandstand
6601-Morning Report	0945-Winged Strings
6700-News	1001-Morning After
6705-Highlights	1030-Fun in French
6710-Morning Report	1035-Merely Music
6800-News	1100-U.S. News
6815-Johnny Mercer	1105-Canada Swing Show
6830-GI Jive	1130-At Ease
6845-Lazy Man's Reveille	1145-Melody Roundup
6900-War Dept.	

Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp



Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

By Milton Caniff



Gasoline Alley

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.

By King



Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.

By Chester Gould



Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate

By Chic Young



Joe Palooka

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By Ham Fisher



Truman Returns, Confers at Once With Cabinet

They Harnessed the Atom's Power



Maj. Gen. Leslie Richard Groves, commander in charge of the U.S. atomic bomb project, studies a map of the Japanese home islands, now threatened with oblivion by the Allies' newest weapon.



Harvard's president, Dr. James B. Conant, left, and Dr. Carl T. Compton, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, are among those named by the War Dept. in connection with atomic bomb research.

Reds Join U.S., Britain, Declare War on Japan

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that he felt it could not wait. Then he made his simple single sentence of the Russian declaration.

Mr. Truman had virtually completed drafting a 30-minute report to the nation on the results of the Big Three meeting at Potsdam, and the White House had said that no press conference would be held until after the President had told the country by radio about the Potsdam meeting. All circumstances in connection with the timing of the President's forthcoming talk indicated that the Russian declaration of war had not been anticipated at this time.

Army to Retain 7,000,000 Despite Atom-Bomb Success

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Though the government is confident that the atomic bomb will shorten the war, the Army will maintain its force of seven million men. And Selective Service officials hold out little hope for any relaxation of draft policies toward able-bodied men between 18 and 30.

The Army intends taking no chances. It is going ahead on the theory that seven million men may prove the irreducible minimum needed to defeat Japan. And the atomic bomb is not changing its plans for redeploying the vast army to invade the enemy's home islands and force unconditional surrender.

The theory is that it is better to be safe than sorry. Whatever the atomic bomb achieves in speeding Japan's defeat, it will save that many more American lives, but, pending evidence to the contrary, the Army is proceeding on the premise it will be necessary to invade before the fanatical enemy yields.

Congressional discussion recently brought out an Army estimate of three million men needed in the Pacific with four million more in supply and other forces to guarantee invasion success with minimum loss.

Draft officials made their stand known today in their monthly report to the House Military Affairs Committee. They asserted that factors beyond their control were making it necessary and would continue to make it necessary to continue the induction of large numbers of men in the 18-30 group now deferred as essential workers or farmers.

For Einstein, Bomb Is Elementary Stuff

SARANAC LAKE, N.Y., Aug. 8 (ANS).—Prof. Albert Einstein, 66-year-old master physicist, will not discuss the atomic bomb because of political and military reasons, but he thoroughly understands how it works, his secretary said today.

Cable Service Adds New Messages—Both Kinds

Three new cablegram messages have been added to the list of standard Expeditionary Forces Message texts, Col. S. G. Schwartz, Theater Postal Officer, announced yesterday.

Two of them are for the lucky: No. 357. "Expect to be home soon; don't write further."

No. 358. "Will contact you on arrival."

The third is for the unlucky: No. 359. "Plans to return home changed. Letter follows."

Bomb Believed Topic, U.S. to Hear President

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Amid wide speculation over the atomic bomb's effect on Japanese surrender prospects, President Truman returned today from Potsdam and conferred immediately with the Cabinet.

The session lasted an hour. Cabinet members declined to comment as they emerged from the White House, but it seemed certain that the atomic bomb and its possibilities were a chief topic of discussion, along with the Big Three meetings.

At the same time, enemy broadcasts reported that Premier Kantaro Suzuki had called the Japanese Cabinet into extraordinary session following the atomic bomb's devastation of Hiroshima and leaflet showers promising more atomic blows.

A new Japanese peace feeler also was broadcast.

Plea by Religious Leader
A commentator identified by the Tokyo radio as Toyohika Kagaka, a noted religious leader, declared that "if America's policy as well as that of Japan goes back to the spirit of Washington and Lincoln, there is sufficient ground for America and Japan to be reconciled—to give freedom to China, liberate the Philippines, cut the iron chain in India and give independence to Indo-China."

The commentator went on to deplore the "horrible cruelty" of the "indiscriminate bombing of Japanese cities" compared with "Japan's careful and thoughtful methods in air raids on Shanghai and Nanking."

After the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Truman went to work putting the final touches on the report to the nation for delivery between 10 and 10:30 PM tomorrow (4 to 4:30 AM Friday Paris time).

The Cruiser Augusta, carrying Mr. Truman and his party from Europe, docked at Newport News at 4:45 PM yesterday. A half hour later the Presidential party entrained for Washington.

Problems Await President

Awaiting Mr. Truman's return to the White House were a number of pressing domestic and international problems. Topping the domestic list were reconversion matters. Members of the Senate War Investigating Committee, which he formerly headed, hope to see Mr. Truman this week to advocate a one-man rule of war mobilization and reconversion.

Mr. Truman also will be asked to put his support behind the committee's demands that the Army discharge experienced coal miners and railroad workers. Another problem concerns Congressional demands that the size of the Army be reduced from 7,000,000 to 3,000,000.

French Vote Set for Oct. 21

The French Cabinet yesterday approved the provisional government's election plan and announced that France's first general election since the war and a popular referendum on a new constitution would be held Oct. 21.

Voters will name their representatives to a national assembly. They will also decide by referendum whether they want the assembly to draft a new constitution or whether they prefer to resurrect the Constitution of 1875, which was abrogated by the Vichy government in 1940.

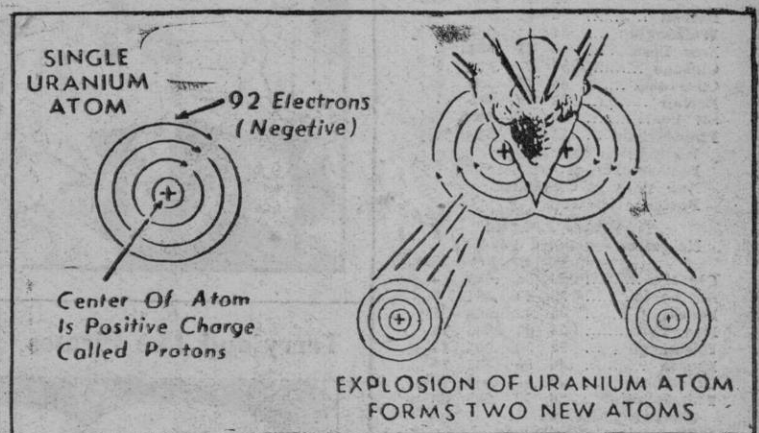
Stalin and Soong Resume Parley

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Russo-Chinese talks, interrupted last month by the Potsdam Big Three conference, were resumed last night when Premier Stalin received Chinese Premier T. V. Soong for further conversations, Moscow radio announced today.

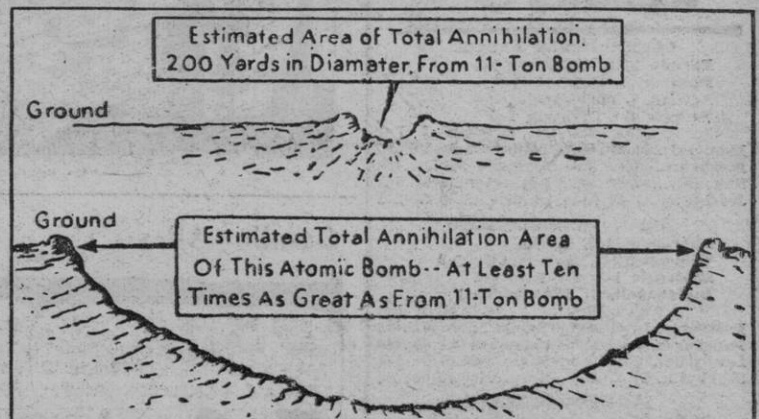
Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov and Wong Shih-chieh, China's new Foreign Minister, were present at the talks.

U.S. Ambassador Averell Harriman, British Ambassador Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr and French Ambassador Gen. Georges Catroux were among the party which welcomed the Chinese delegation on their arrival yesterday by plane from Chungking.

Microscopic Atom Packs Mighty Wallop



The atom—smallest particle of matter which retains all of the properties of the element in which it is contained—is a storehouse of tremendous energy—By splitting the atom of Uranium, scientists have been able to release this power to harness it for use against the Japs. In this sketch, the Uranium atom is split apart to release its energy. Its component parts, attracted by magnetic force, reassemble as new atoms.



Here is a comparison of the size of the craters made by the 11-ton British "Grand Slam" bomb and the new atomic bomb. Concussion waves sent out by the atomic bomb's terrific explosive force obliterate buildings for hundreds of yards beyond the edges of the crater area.

Hiroshima, City of 318,000, Killed by Bomb, Japan Cries

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list of those warned. Other B29s mined waters around four important port cities on Honshu and Korea, and an additional 50 struck an aircraft plant near Tokyo. More than 300 Far East Air Forces bombers and fighters from Okinawa attacked industrial and transportation targets on Kyushu.

A fourth major raid was made shortly before midnight when 100 Superfortresses rained incendiaries upon the "death list" city of Fukuyama, on the southern tip of northern Hokkaido Island.

The atomic bomb was dropped over the center of Hiroshima at 9:15 AM Monday (Japanese time) as the city's streets and buildings stood out clearly in bright sunshine. Col. Paul W. Tibbets Jr., of Miami, pilot of the Marianas-based Superfortress, apparently had been restricted to no particular target—he said he picked Hiroshima because it was clear there.

The launching plane was at least ten miles away when the almost-supernatural explosion came—an effect so awful and tremendous that the crew as one man exclaimed: "My God!"

A flare bright as the sun dazzled the airmen despite their smoked glasses. Photos later indicated that heat comparable to that of some stellar body had been created.

Soon concussions slapped the sides of the giant bomber. A gigantic column of smoke, black and dusty at its base but whitening at its top, mushroomed 40,000 feet, seven and a half miles, up into the stratosphere and continued boiling up for three or four minutes.

The crew of another Superfortress on reconnaissance 170 miles away saw the flare of the explosion and the column of smoke.

Tibbets and Navy Capt. William S. Parsons, of Santa Fe, N.M., ordnance expert, described the explosions as "tremendous and awe-inspiring."

"It was 9:15 when we dropped our bomb and we turned the plane broadside to get the best view," said Parsons. "Then we made as much distance from the ball of fire as we could."

"We had braced ourselves when the bomb was gone for the shock and Tibbets said, 'close flak,' and it was just like that—a close burst of anti-aircraft fire. The crew said 'My God' and couldn't believe what had happened."

"A mountain of smoke was going up in a mushroom with the stem coming down. At the top was a white smoke, but up to 1,000 feet from the ground there was swirling, boiling dust. Soon afterward small fires sprang up on the edge of the town, but the town was entirely obscured. We stayed around two or three minutes and by that time the smoke had risen to 40,000 feet. As we watched, the top of the white cloud broke off and another soon formed."

Four hours afterward nothing

could be seen where Hiroshima had been but dust and smoke. When reconnaissance finally became possible, photos revealed that the wrecked heart of the city had been obliterated as thoroughly as if a giant bulldozer had swept the buildings away. A raging conflagration was overwhelming the rest of the city.

An expert at Spaatz' headquarters explained that there was no way to compare the fire of the atomic bomb with the blazes caused by orthodox demolition bombs, which look like smoke pots burning throughout a city.

Spaatz waved aside all questions as to how the bomb was carried, dropped and detonated, from what altitude it was launched, and how big it was. The Associated Press reported, however, that the bomb was small enough to be carried by any American fighter plane.

Spaatz termed the new bomb the "most revolutionary development in the history of the world" and said if he had had it in Europe "it would have shortened the war six to eight months."

Tibbets had undergone special training for his mission. As he stepped from the plane upon his return Spaatz awarded him the Distinguished Service Cross.