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One Year Ago Today
Battle for Aachen rages, as Germans rush up reinforcements. Riga, capital of Latvia, captured by Reds; Athens reported liberated by partisans.

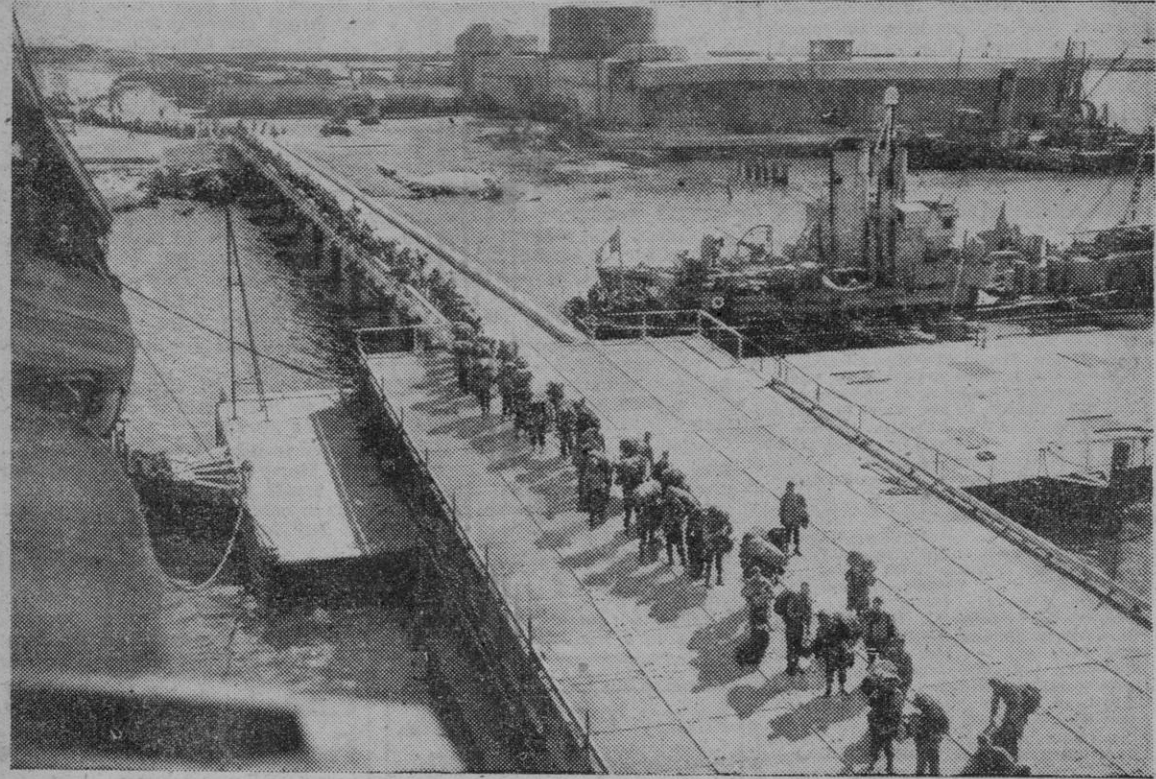
The Weather Today
PARIS: Clear—78
S. FRANCE: Clear—78
DOVER: Partly cloudy—68
GERMANY: Partly cloudy—64

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Ship Transfer to British Snafues Redeployment

There's a Long, Long Trail A winding on—and to—Le Havre's Docks



A double-file of GIs line pontoon piers at Le Havre while waiting to board the troopship for home.

80s Are Delayed; Status of 70s, 60s Is Left Up in Air

By Robert J. Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

The entire redeployment schedule has been plunged into delay and uncertainty by a series of events culminating yesterday in an announcement that the British liners Queen Elizabeth and Aquitania had been withdrawn from American troop service and that the U.S. will transfer to Great Britain a number of smaller vessels in return for continued use of the Queen Mary.

Hours after the announcement, which was made in the House of Commons in London by Alfred J. Barnes, British Minister of War Transport, USFET G3 issued a statement in Paris, which said:

U.S. to Quit Lower Levels Of Occupation

By Richard Lewis
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Oct. 12.—A new chapter in the evolution of U.S. occupation of Germany was opened here today with the announcement that Military Government channels will be reorganized to permit the German people to develop their own free government under U.S. Military Government supervision.

This announcement was made simultaneously here and in Berlin. It presented a picture of U.S.-occupied Germany as governed by Germans elected by Germans, with the U.S. exercising control at the highest level.

To accomplish this change, a period of transition will be necessary at the lower governmental levels, from which the bulk of U.S. personnel will gradually be withdrawn as fast as experience permits, the Military Government statement said.

This statement was made here by Maj. Gen. C. L. Adcock, G-5 CG, a press conference attended by Gen. Eisenhower and Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, Eisenhower's chief of staff.

Eisenhower said he did not believe in the philosophy of troops remaining at the helm of the occupation government indefinitely. Occupation government, he said

That "the shipping loss has definitely delayed the return home of 80-point ETO veterans, previously scheduled to have been cleaned out of Europe by the end of October." The statement added: "Eighty-pointers will be given the highest shipping priority, and it is now hoped that the last group may be on its way during the early part of November."

May Delay 70-Pointers

That "no predictions" could be made on the shipment of men with between 70 and 80 points, who had been scheduled to leave for home by Nov. 30 at the latest.

That "delay in getting men out of the ports will slow down redeployment all the way down the line."

That "staging areas, assembly area camps and reinforcement depots will have to hold back men now in the pipeline."

That "quotas for the release of high-point men from functioning units will also be cut down."

Late Close-Down Seen

That "ultimately, it may mean that installations in Europe will not be closed down on schedule."

That "USFET officials are doubtful of shipping home by the end of this year all except the 707,000 soldiers needed for occupation and closing out of installations."

Barnes, in his announcement in Parliament, said that the 85,000-ton Queen Elizabeth and the 45,000-ton Aquitania henceforth would be used for transporting British forces. His statement was cheered. Explaining that while the Pacific war was in progress it had been decided that the best use of the liners in the "common cause" was in ferrying

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Javanese Fight Japs and Rebel Against Dutch

BATAVIA, Java, Oct. 12 (UP).—Incidents between Dutch troops and Indonesian insurgents increased in the last 24 hours, an official report said today, while fighting between Japanese and Indonesians was reported at Bandung, with casualties to both sides.

Nationalist police at Bandung can no longer control the native population, aroused by insurgent leaders to rebellion against the Netherlands colonial system, it was said.

Many Dutch and Eurasian residents have been reported missing, and it is thought they may have been kidnaped.

A British officer and an Indian officer were attacked and killed today. Indian troops opened fire on the natives, rounding up more than 50 who were armed with rifles and knives. Six natives were wounded in the skirmishes.

Japs Offer Silk for U.S. Oil

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (AP).—The Japanese Government has asked Gen. Douglas MacArthur for permission to import 120,000 tons of oil from the U.S., the Domei news agency reported today. Japan is prepared to give 46,000 tons of raw silk in exchange.

Okinawa Americans' Plight Desperate After Typhoon

PEARL HARBOR, Oct. 12 (AP).—One hundred thousand American on Okinawa are in urgent need of food and shelter in the wake of a 132-mile an hour typhoon which struck Tuesday, killing three American Navy personnel and sinking, damaging or beaching 127 naval vessels.

Ten sailors still are missing and more than 100 American soldiers were injured.

A U.S. fleet, which six months ago took an invasion force of 100,000 to Okinawa, today was rushing aid to an equal number of almost destitute survivors of the vicious storm.

There were fears that Navy casualties might be increased by later reports when heavily-damaged communications are restored. The damage was so great that the east coast was out of touch with the western side of the ten-mile-wide island.

The Okinawa base commander, Brig. Gen. Lawrence Lawson, said that removal of all personnel not needed for a permanent garrison there was "imperative" because of lack of food and shelter. He described the island's appearance as not unlike that immediately after the American conquest when virtually every building was leveled by heavy gunfire.

Her hair had been shorn, she complained, by an irate soldier whose car she had kept too long. "He said this is what they did to girls in France when they disobeyed," Miss Schlum wept. "Then he grabbed me and cropped my hair before I could break away."

Prosecutor Gerald K. O'Brien issued a warrant charging Robert Bolton, 22, at Camp Grant, Ill., with assault. He ordered Detroit detectives to return Bolton for trial. Miss Schlum told O'Brien she

GI Shears Tardy Blonde's Hair; 'That's What We Did in France'

DETROIT, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Pretty 19-year-old Esther Schlum took her long, strawberry-blond tresses to the police station today in a paper sack.

Slightly more than 100,000 American troops will be left in France Dec. 1 instead of the 11,000 previously announced, Theater Service Forces reported yesterday.

The troops will man installations handling redeployment, close out Army holdings and process and store supplies, TSF headquarters revealed.

It was said to be impossible at this time to give an accurate count on the number of troops it would take to close out the Army's operations in France.

Columbus, '45 Model, A Troopship Skipper

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—A Columbia Broadcasting System announcer went on the air this morning, and after reminding millions of New Yorkers that it was Columbus Day, presented an imaginative picture of the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria sailing into the great harbor, and the sort of reception they could expect today.

Five minutes later a listener called the CBS office wanting to know what divisions were arriving on the ships.

GIs' British Wives Stage Protest For Ships to U.S.

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AP).—Shouting, "We want boats," approximately 2,000 British wives of American servicemen stormed U.S.-occupied buildings in London yesterday demanding transportation to America to join their husbands.

U.S. Embassy officials told them they could not join their repatriated husbands "for weeks, months, possibly years," because all travel accommodations were needed for redeployment of troops home.

The irate wives also called on U.S. Army headquarters and British Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee, but were denied audiences.

THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Speedy Redeployment

We have been reading with much interest the articles appearing in the S & S concerning the evacuation of returnees to the United States. But why don't your reporters tell the truth as they see it instead of "covering up"?

We read about the "huge number of men being redeployed," how efficient the reple depots are, etc. Let us give you the facts.

We were ordered to the 19th Reinforcement Depot on September 15. Upon arrival we were billeted in anything from tents to old shacks. Those who arrived the 15th discovered they were "early" since the remainder of the group were not expected for two or three days. Two days were wasted after their arrival before we were assigned to the packets. Then the processing started. This "processing" consisted of about four hours' work, checking clothing, making out certificates, etc., all of which could have been done, before the men left their units, but it was spread over five days. The excuse for this "processing" was to conform to Circular No. 99.

After nine days, we were herded into trucks and taken to the station to await the troop train that would transport us to Antwerp. After a two-hour wait, the train arrived—beaten-up old coaches and 40-and-8s—hardly a window or door in the coaches, and cattle dung or dry powdered cement in the 40-and-8s! All of the accommodations were drafty and cold, with men jammed in like sardines. Sleep was virtually impossible and every car had plenty of holes as we discovered during the heavy rains which prevailed during most of the trip.

At four AM, we were herded out into the pouring rain for a "hot meal," which consisted of cold, hard-boiled eggs, luke-warm coffee, cold oatmeal, an orange, and two raisin-bread sandwiches. After a 26-hour train journey, the train reached Antwerp. There, we were met by a fleet of uncovered 2 1/2-ton trucks and enjoyed a pleasant ride in a pouring rain to Camp Top Hat where 16 men were assigned to each squad tent. Many of the men have colds as a result of the crowding and drenching of the trip but are reluctant to visit the dispensary for fear of being hospitalized and taken off the shipping list. Here we were checked and processed again, which could have been done at our home stations before we started this redeployment merry-go-round.

At each stop we have been told it would be only two or three days, but we were at the 19th Depot for nine days and here at the port some men have been sweating it out for as much as three weeks. We can only speculate on when our turn will come, as there are over 10,000 others here waiting. The best information indicates that the voyage takes from 10 to 13 days. Add these figures to the expected delays in the US plus the travel time of men who live in western states and it adds up to something around two to two and one-half months en route.

Camp Top Hat is an excellent port depot and could easily perform all the functions now being done by the reple depots—at a great saving in time, manpower, and expense. The reple depots are nothing more than an excuse to keep some "empire holder" and his staff on the gravy train. Suggestions? Certainly:

1—Eliminate the reinforcement depots entirely by having the men properly equipped and their records in order, according to Circular 99, before leaving their units.

2—Call personnel forward from units directly to the port areas when it is certain that shipping is available and limit the time at the port, arbitrarily, to seven days.

3—Provide decent rail equipment when men are expected to travel for periods of more than 18 hours. Elimination of the useless hauling of men all over western Europe to and from reple depots should ease the transportation problem.

4—Have an officer from the Inspector General's staff investigate the present system, not by calling on commanding officers, but by being an integral part of a "packet," and the facts will speak for themselves.

We hope that drawing attention to the inept handling of redeployment may be the means of correcting the system so that other men will not have to experience the same blundering "snafu" we have had up to the present time.—(Signed by 5 Lt. Col., 8 Capt., 5 Lt., 2 CWO., —Ed.)

Make It Miserable

Allow me to give you a few facts concerning a Regimental stockade within Third Arm'd. Div.

Prisoners are allowed but two blankets, no mattresses and no coats. They are living in pup tents and are cold and miserable, since the tents leak when it rains. No fires are allowed to heat water though the men are required to shave every day.

All soldiers imprisoned here were garrison prisoners and were quartered in a nearby building but the colonel ordered them moved out to make it as miserable as possible for them." Most of these men were previously quartered in the divisional stockade where they were treated like Americans.

These are a few facts I gleaned while pulling guard here. The prisoners could undoubtedly tell you a lot more but they have been told that they will be prosecuted if they write you.—Guard, Third Armored Div.

This letter, with writer's name deleted, was sent to the CG of the Third Armored Div. for comment. He declined to comment for publication.—Ed.

Taking Us Home Too

Recently I attended a movie at Marseille. Between pictures we were entertained by MPs who combed the audience and requested all Navy and Merchant Marine personnel to leave.

There was no justification for the act since there were vacant seats, and I felt very cheap and helpless as these men filed out. Several members of the RAF were in the audience and were not required to leave. I don't object to that, but can hardly see the logic when men of our own forces are ousted.

To cap it all a colonel and a major walked in, unmolested, with their French lady friends to enjoy the "GI" movie.—Pfc David Browne, 25th SA Bn.

Hands Off AMG

Numerous newspapers and periodicals are making it their business to question and criticize every move made by AMG in Germany. For a time they were beefing long and loud when the fraternization ban was lifted. We, who are on the spot, know that the clamor was unwarranted. Now these critics are riding Gen. Eisenhower and Patton.

It seems to be an effort to replace the Army by a civilian agency and not because it would be better than the AMG but because a lot of civilians who sweated the war out in comfort in Washington seek an opportunity to "see the world" at government expense.

It's up to us veterans to watch their next move and stop it cold so that our kids won't have to come over here for the same reason we did.—A Peace-loving G.I., 817 T.D. Bn.

My Achin' Back

By Larry Reynolds



"But that is the French word for shirt. Now go ahead, ask the lady if your chemise is ready."

Icebreaker



Elsie, the cow, won't have to wait for Hiram, the hired man, to break the ice in her drinking tub this winter. The "Stock-Tank De-Icer," made by GE, electrically heats the water and keeps Elsie's nose warm while she drinks.

AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK

Time	TODAY
1200-News	1930-Saturday Seren.
1215-Off Record	2000-Heard at Home
1300-Sports Parade	2030-GI Journal
1315-Saludos Amigos	2100-News
1330-Gal Saturday	2105-Grand Old Opry
1400-Modern Music	2130-Hit Parade
1430-Let's Go to Town	2200-Fight to Bar
1500-Beaucoup Music	2230-Playhouse
1600-Met. Opera	2300-World This Week
1700-Duffie Bag	2315-Dick Haymes
1800-News	2330-One Night Stand
1815-Yank Bandstand	2400-News
1830-All Star Mixture	0015-Midnight AFN
1900-Alan Young	

Time	TOMORROW
0600-News	1530-Science Magazine
0605-Dictation News	1600-Symphony Hour
0615-Morning Report	1635-Highlights
0730-News	1700-Duffie Bag
0745-Home Hymns	1800-News
0800-Morn'g Melodies	1815-Yank Bandstand
0830-Repeat Perform.	1830-Jerry Wayne
0900-News	1900-Hour of Charm
0905-John C. Thomas	1930-Pass in Review
0930-World this Week	2000-Francia White
0945-Lynn Murray	2030-Spike Jones
1000-Jill's Juke Box	2100-News
1030-Radio Chapel	2105-Here's to Music
1100-World in Music	2130-Comm'd Perfor.
1130-Unit Spotlight	2200-Arthur Hopkins
1145-Sunday Music	2300-State Dept.
1200-World News	2315-WO McNeil
1215-Sunday Serenade	2330-One Night Stand
1230-Concert	2400-News
1300-Football	0015-Midnight Paris
1500-Family Hour	

Short Wave 6.080 Meg

14 Shows Entertained At Camp Lucky Strike

The Stars and Stripes stated on Oct. 3 that only three USO shows had performed at Camp Lucky Strike between June 25 and Sept. 30, 1945.

The Special Service officer of Camp Lucky Strike has pointed out that in addition to three USO shows, there were 11 other Allied civilian and American Red Cross shows during that period.

The American Scene:

Two-Way Gives Way To One-Way One-Way

By George Maskin
The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Girdles—the two-way stretch type which the gals have been waiting for all these years of war—have made their appearance, and the girls are complaining!

They—the girdles—are obsolescent, the ladies say. They stretch both vertically and horizontally, and that gives what one female claims "too much rounding" about the derriere and front.

Newest thing in the girdle department, we understand, is the "one-way one-way." This contraption stretches only vertically before and behind and has a flattening effect. It stretches horizontally over the hips, and thereby offers "construction for anyone who wants real support."

Younger girls who don't need as much support, but just something to keep their stockings up, probably will find the two-way girdle OK—they say. And for their benefit, department stores will continue to stock them.

Vet Group Has First National Convention

BESIDES being Columbus Day, a holiday for most folks, this also was the unveiling day for a new Army radio-controlled plane on an intercity flight. The craft was to fly from Columbus, to Wright Field, Ohio, with every move, including the take-off and landing, operated by radiomen aboard and accompanying the ship.

And in the add plane department Piper Cubs, complete and ready to fly, now are on sale at leading department stores. Take your pick of three types: the Skycycle for one passenger, which sells for \$995; the Cub Special, a two-passenger job, selling at \$2,010, and the Super-Cruiser for three passengers, selling at \$2,905.

QUITE apart from airplanes is the Agriculture Department announcement that cotton production this year will hit an 11-year low. Output will run around 9,700,000 bales against last year's figure, which exceeded twelve million bales.

'Right This Way to Airplane Counter!'

IN Chicago, the newly-organized American Veterans of World War II, known as Amvets, swings optimistically into its first annual national convention today. The group's leaders predict a membership of a million men by next fall, saying the needs and problems of this war's veterans are not served by the older groups.

There's one veteran at St. Paul—21-year-old Sylvester Rangitsch—who really needs some kind of help. Home on furlough, Rangitsch grabbed a pistol and put on "a Wild West" show around the neighborhood, killing a horse. The cops have confiscated the weapon and haven't decided whether they'll take any further action.

AND in Provo, Utah, the government has ordered the closing by Nov. 12 of the \$200,000,000 Geneva Steel Plant, biggest manufacturer of its kind in the West. The huge plant was created for war-time use only to produce steel for West Coast shipments. It was erected inland as a precaution against possible Japanese attacks on the coast.

Philly Thief Repents, Sends Back \$2,000

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Somebody walked off with \$2,000 Samuel Gomel was about to deposit in the bank yesterday.

Last night Gomel said he received a telephone call from a man who said: "I have \$2,000 in \$100 bills. Does it belong to you?"

"Yes," said Gomel.

"What's it worth to you to get it back?"

"Whatever you think it should be," Gomel replied.

Today bank officials notified Gomel the entire sum was returned.

200 Villages Destroyed

ATHENS, Oct. 12 (AP).—More than 200 villages in northern Epirus were wholly or partially destroyed by foreign troops and Albanian terrorists, Greek Press Minister Basil Dendramis reported today.

Enoch Arden Club Ready to Welcome Fifth Vet Member

HOLLISTER, Ida., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Eli Shaw, liberated prisoner of the Japanese, is on his way home to learn that he is the fifth American "Enoch Arden" to emerge from World War II.

Believing Shaw was dead, his pretty wife, Mrs. Vaudis Richards Shaw, was married Dec. 24, 1943, to Navy veteran Clarence Madsen, farm machinery salesman in Ely, Nev.

Mrs. T. A. Richards, of Salt Lake City, mother of the former Salt Lake General Hospital nurse, said her daughter and Shaw eloped in 1941, a few weeks before the Army sent him to the Philippines.

In Hollister, Shaw's sister, Mrs. Glen W. Higginbotham, said she had dispatched a 25-word cable to him following his release from an Osaka prison camp, "but we didn't mention anything about Vaudis. He'll have to find out about that when he comes home," she said.



Paris Area

MOVIES TODAY
MARGINAN—"Where Do We Go From Here." Fred MacMurray, Joan Leslie, Metro Marbeuf.
OLYMPIA—Same as Marginan.
ENSA PARIS—"Murder, He Says." Fred MacMurray, Metro Marbeuf.
EMPIRE—"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn." Peggy Ann Garner, Joan Blondell, Metro Etoile, Ternes.

STAGE SHOWS
ENSA-MARIGNY—"Après la Guerre." Canadian Army Revue, Metro Clemenceau.
OLYMPIA—"Parisian Rhapsody." French variety revue.

MISCELLANEOUS
TOWER EPPREL CLUB—Open 2000 to 0200. Bring civilian date, EMS only. Metro Trocadéro.
ARMORIAL CLUB, 14 Rue Magellan—Officers and guests only. Metro George V.
COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers.
OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment. RIC 64-41. Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Metro Bourse.

Le Havre

SELECT—"Our Vines Have Tender Grapes."
NORMANDY—"Woman in Green."
GANGLANK—"That's the Spirit."

Reims

PARAMOUNT THEATER—"George White Scandals." Jack Haley, Joan Davis. 1400, 1830, 2030.

Verdun

BOX THEATER—"The Falcon in San Francisco."

Brussels

ABC THEATER—All Star Vaudeville Show 1930.
METROPOLE—"Guest Wife." Claudette Colbert, Don Ameche.

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House Passes Bill Reducing Taxes 5 Billion

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP).—A tax cut of \$5,350,000,000 for individuals and businesses in 1946 was overwhelmingly approved yesterday by the House.

Beginning Jan. 1, the measure, if approved by the Senate, would:

1—Guarantee every income-taxpayer a reduction of at least 10 percent, amounting to total individual cuts of \$2,627,000,000.

2—Clip 12,000,000 low-income persons off the income-tax rolls, which listed about 50,000,000 individual taxpayers when the war ended.

3—Lower corporation tax burdens by \$1,888,000,000.

Excise levies on liquor, furs, jewelry, luggage and cosmetics would be reduced effective July 1, thereby saving \$535,000,000 for consumers in the last half of 1946. The \$5 automobile use tax also would be lifted.

The CIO, the Farmers' Union and 13 other organizations launched vigorous attacks on the bill, declaring in letters to each House member that it would "grant huge windfalls to most prosperous corporations" but "permit only meager relief to low and middle income groups."

Atom Defense Is Reported

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—A House Naval Affairs Committee report yesterday hinted that a defense has been developed against the atomic bomb.

The report said: "There are indications that an effective counter measure to atomic bombs has been developed to such an extent that they can be exploded far short of their objective without the necessity of locating their position."

Knowledge of electronics promises ability to detonate atomic bombs at great distances by radio."

At the same time Commerce Secretary Henry A. Wallace, testifying before the Senate Committee on Bills to Establish a National Scientific Research Foundation, said, according to the United Press, that the U.S. would be inviting disaster by encouraging "a policy of secrecy an atom energy."

However, Wallace also said that he didn't include "industrial knowledge of military value" in his recommendation for removal of any "cloak of secrecy" which might prevent "free and reciprocal exchange" of scientific information.

Would Investigate Army Medic Waste

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Sen. Clyde M. Reed (R. Kan.)

told the Senate yesterday that Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson should appoint a board of inquiry to investigate operation of the surgeon general's office since the beginning of the war.

"There is no question about the waste of time and of doctors," Reed said in a speech. "Secretary Patterson owes it to himself and to his department to bring this scandalous situation to an end."

Reed said 13,000 of the 46,000 doctors "should be out of the Army now." He said he was informed that many Army hospitals are overstuffed, while doctors are badly needed at home.

Homeless Pigeons

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—The Commerce Department yesterday offered for sale as surplus property thousands of Army-trained homing pigeons to be sold in lots of five pairs at \$25 a lot.

Brunette Sentenced for Posing As Pregnant to Defraud GIs

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12 (ANS).—A slender, 19-year-old bobby-soxer, who pleaded guilty to an indictment charging her with defrauding servicemen by posing as an expectant mother, drew a five-year jail sentence yesterday.

Rose Marie Moore, wife of an Army sergeant, turned pale and slumped into her seat after sentence was passed.

"The crime to which you admitted you were guilty is one of the most dastardly schemes ever brought to the attention of this court—preying on the mothers of servicemen," said Federal Judge James A. Fee.

Out of This World—Almost



Starry-eyed Jessica Rogers, burlesque headliner, models one of the "Out of the World" costumes she made with her own dainty hands. Jessica had enough cloth left over to make the ribbon for her hair.

Furloughed Ft. Dix 60-Pointers Told to Stay Home Until Nov. 1

FORT DIX, N.J., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Overseas Army veterans and other soldiers now on furlough from Fort Dix who have accumulated 60 points toward discharge, do not have to report back to the center until after Nov. 1, regardless of when their furloughs expire.

Fort Dix authorities said yesterday that furloughs for 60-pointers were extended because of the Army's forthcoming reduction in the point score next month.

At present, a soldier must have 70 points to get out of the Army.

On Nov. 1, all Army veterans with 60 points will become eligible for discharge.

Soldiers with 60 or more points whose 45-day furloughs would be up before that time, ordinarily would be shipped to other camps and then on Nov. 1, when they become eligible, would be sent back to Fort Dix for separation.

To save the extra trip, all those with 60 points now on furlough are being notified to stay home until after Nov. 1, then report for discharge.

Convicted Bigamists Argue in High Court

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Counsel for a "fundamentalist" cult argued before the Supreme Court yesterday that the government had no authority to interfere with their plural marriages.

Six of the cult members were convicted in Salt Lake City on Mann Act charges and three were held guilty of violating the Lindbergh Kidnap Law.

They said they practiced plural, or "celestial" marriage in obeying what they considered to be a mandate from God.

The group appealed from a Federal circuit court decision which upheld their conviction.

High-School Drinking At Washington Is Hit

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—A school board member complained yesterday of excessive drinking at high-school football games here.

Albert Lee declared he would ask the District of Columbia Board of Education to discontinue athletic contests unless the behavior of students improved.

Lee estimated 40 percent of the students, both boys and girls, also smoke and ignore teachers' requests to stop, in compliance with the board's rules.

Doctors Treated for Insanity Certified to Veterans' Agency

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Maj. Gen. Paul Hawley, acting surgeon general of the Veterans' Administration, complained today that its hospitals in the past have been authorized to hire some doctors previously treated for "insanity and alcoholism."

He told the House Veterans' Committee that the veterans' agency, under present procedure, may hire only doctors certified to it by the Civil Service Commission.

"Sixty-one percent of the doctors on civil-service lists have been over

the age of 60," he said. One list they submitted had, as its first choice, a doctor who was 86 years old. Its second choice was a lady physician 76 years old.

"Why, there were even some on the lists who had been committed to institutions for insanity or alcoholism."

Hawley endorsed a bill which would establish an autonomous medical corps within the Veterans' Administration. It would not supplant civil-service doctors now in veterans' hospitals, but would merely supplement them.

Army Exodus Stumps Washington Movers

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).

—The Army figures 15,000 officers and their families will be moving from Washington soon, through transfers or discharges.

So yesterday it called in the moving men of the American Trucking Association.

"It" be one of the biggest moving jobs in history," said a trucking industry man. "And it comes at a time when we are hard pressed to find a single empty truck."

Surplus Sales To Vets Eased

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).

—Arrangements to use the Smaller War Plants Corporation's 110 offices throughout the nation to enable veterans to get prompt information about surplus property, as well as suspending the \$2,500 limit on sales of excess goods to servicemen, were announced yesterday by Surplus Administrator W. Stuart Symington.

The changes contained in a revision of regulations governing surplus property sales to veterans, included the following:

A veteran entering retail business may purchase one initial stock of goods, with the amount limited to what is customarily regarded as appropriate trade procedure.

Veterans may buy automotive or other equipment required for their employment or livelihood.

Veterans may deal directly with disposal agencies after certification by the SWPC, at the lowest price at which property is sold. Veterans may have the SWPC act as their agent.

Disposal agencies may extend unlimited credit to veterans.

Vet Claims to Get 48-Hour Service

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).

—Veterans Administration officials yesterday proposed to give 48-hour service eventually on Veterans' claims.

Brig. Gen. H. B. Lewis, director of co-ordination and planning, told a news conference that such speed would be possible under the reorganization plan announced recently.

Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Veterans Administrator, disclosed that offices for veterans and their families would be extended to small communities throughout the country to assist in the filing of claims and working out of other problems.

Lewis declared, however, that it might be as long as two years before the full benefit will be felt nationally.

Bumper Crops Of Grain Seen

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).

—The nation's farmers are expected to produce the third largest corn crop in history and to smash all records for wheat, oats and rice production.

The Department of Agriculture reported yesterday that on the basis of improved prospects in September the corn yield was expected to be 3,078,000,000 bushels. This was exceeded only by the bumper crops of 1942 and 1944.

In its monthly crop forecast, the department estimated that food-grain production would be the largest on record and that stock feed yields would be the second largest.

Other crops expected to reach peak yields include soy beans, tobacco and peaches.

Crops of potatoes, sugar cane, hay and flax are estimated to be near records, and yields of sweet potatoes and barley were above average.

The report also showed that September milk production was 9,800,000,000 pounds compared with 9,300,000,000 pounds for September, 1944. September egg production was 3,400,000,000, three percent less than a year ago.

Green Pledges More Demands

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 12 (ANS).

—The 65-cent-an-hour wage minimum is only the beginning of what American Labor seeks, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, said yesterday.

Green told 182 delegates to the second annual convention of the International Chemical Workers Union that demands would be pressed and increased.

He also predicted that scientific development, symbolized by the atomic bomb, would mean fewer workers turning out more production.

"This, in turn, should mean a shorter work day and work week," Green said.

The labor leader viewed present industrial strikes as inevitable during the reconversion period.

Guard Battles Woman On Empire State Parapet

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (ANS).—A

64-year-old guard at the Empire State Building yesterday grappled for almost a minute with a 35-year-old woman before he was able to prevent her from jumping off a parapet on the building's 86th floor. The woman was removed to Bellevue Hospital's psychiatric division.

The guard, Charles Campbell, said: "For a moment I thought she would take me over with her."

Disgruntled Drivers Slow Down Fifth Avenue's Double-Deckers



Would-be riders mill alongside double-decker buses on Fifth Ave. in New York as the already-filled vehicles crawl along in a "slow-down" by drivers which climaxed the dispute between the Fifth Ave. Coach Co. and Local 100, CIO Transport Workers' Union, over one-man operation of buses.

Franco Grants More Freedom To Spaniards

MADRID, Oct. 12 (AP).—General Franco and his cabinet early today announced that Spaniards would be given the right of assembly and association and individual liberties and hinted strongly at the early return of the Bourbon monarchy.

In a 500-word official statement, the cabinet announced the first fortnight of March, 1946, for municipal elections promised by Franco. The communique also declared, but without precise explanation, that it was proposed to grant amnesty to political prisoners "guilty of rebellion committed before April 1 1939"—that is, before the end of the civil war.

The announcement, which followed a seven-day cabinet meeting, came symbolically on Columbus Day.

It apparently was designed to strengthen Franco's case for reinstatement of his regime in the eyes of the world and for acceptance of Spain as a member of the United Nations.

The hint of an early return of the monarchy was contained in a proposal to grant Spaniards the right of referendum vote on laws. The pretender Don Juan, has long been reported to be making a plebiscite on the monarchy one of the conditions of his return.

Double Award To OSS Wacs

By Na Deane Walker
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A meritorious service unit plaque, plus a star in lieu of a second plaque, the first such recognition for any WAC organization, has been awarded to the Office of Strategic Services WAC Detachment, with members serving in England, France and Germany, it was announced yesterday by USFET.

Capt. Jane M. Tanner of Westfield, N.J., is officer in charge of the Paris detachment. The ETO group numbers about 85 women. According to the OSS, approximately half the members do clerical work and the others have worked on actual operations, including the planning and execution of projects. For this strategic work, Wacs were selected for their knowledge of languages and customs of enemy-occupied countries. The full story of their participation is still an OSS secret.

The first plaque was awarded the detachment for the period Oct. 1 to Nov. 30, 1944, "for superior performance of exceptionally difficult tasks." For the period Dec. 1, 1944 to May 31, 1945, the organization received a star in lieu of a second plaque "for highly commendable service under strenuous pressure, and achieving unqualified success in the performance of vital duties."

Although several EM detachments have received the dual meritorious service unit plaque award, and at least one other WAC detachment in the ETO has received a single plaque, USFET said the double award to OSS Wacs was a "first."

No Anti-Semitism Here, Says Jewish Director

Dr. Max Gotteschalk, American Jewish representative sent to investigate reports of anti-Semitism in France, announced yesterday he had found virtually none and said he and "the American public had been misled" by inaccurate accounts.

The director of the overseas section of the American Jewish Committee added at a press conference in Paris that a four-week check bore out Pierre Laval's contention that a greater proportion of Jews were saved under the Vichy régime than in other Nazi-occupied countries.

Pfc's 'Millions' Give Pa-in-Law A Laugh—Wife Is Not Amused

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Pfc Harold Ray Phillips' story of inheriting \$74,000,000 drew a hearty laugh today from his father-in-law.

A lot of people were taken in, temporarily at least, when the 32-year-old soldier returned from overseas duty with the 70th Div. and issued a statement through the Camp Kilmer, N.J., public-relations officer "confirming" stories about his fortune. Phillips said it was

\$74,000,000, less various taxes, and was willed by an uncle.

Father-in-law Roy Handy thought it was uproarious. "Yes, Sir, I've known the boy to stretch a point before, but never that far," he said.

Not sharing the humorous viewpoint with her father was Mrs. Blanche Phillips, 25-year-old wife of the soldier. "It isn't funny," she said. "Why, he doesn't even have an uncle."

Phillips does have an uncle, but the uncle isn't a capitalist. He's a farmer in the Missouri Ozarks.

Many Walk Again as Free Men—But Some Will See the Sun No More



Jap guards turn away as British and Australian soldiers stream out of the gate of Camp No. 6 on Formosa after their liberation by U.S. Marines. Some were PWs in the compound for more than three years.

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Awaiting execution in his cell at Camp Stanley in Hongkong, D. W. Waterton scratched this message and calendar on the wall to mark off his last days. It stops on Oct. 29—presumably the day he was killed. Waterton, believed to have been an employee of Cable & Wireless, Ltd., of Hongkong, is said to have been executed by the Japs because he built and used a radio set in the camp.

Acquit German In Flyer Death

HEIDELBERG, Oct. 12.—A Seventh Army military commission convicted one defendant and acquitted the other yesterday in the trial of Wilhelm Dietermann and Andreas Ebling, charged with the slaying of a defenseless American aviator near Buchenau, Germany, in October, 1944.

Dietermann was found guilty and sentenced to die on the gallows. His sentence now goes to higher headquarters for review. Eberling was acquitted.

The prosecution charged that the American, who had parachuted from his plane, was taken to a gravel pit two kilometers from Buchenau and shot to death while his hands were chained.

The commission, Tuesday, sentenced Dominicus Thomas to hang for the slaying of another American aviator who was shot in September, 1944, near Wallendorf, Germany.

The case against Karl Bloch and Karl Neunobel, charged with killing four American aviators in December 1944, near Baltershain, is expected to be completed tomorrow.

Tavern Thief Robs GIs of Victory Spree

KENOSHA, Wis., Oct. 12 (ANS).—For four months Kenosha GIs and sailors home on furlough had tacked dollar bills on the ceiling of a local tavern as their contribution toward a fund to finance a homecoming celebration the day when they donned civvies.

Up to yesterday 135 dollar bills had been tacked up, each inscribed with the name, rank and outfit of the donor.

Yesterday the porter found a broken pane of glass in the front door. He glanced at the ceiling, and instead of 135 dollar bills there were but nine, which were tacked too well for removal.

Process Low-Pointers For Trip to Europe

CAMP SHANKS, N.Y., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Two thousand low-point occupation troops are being processed here for overseas duty. The replacements are part of 5,000 scheduled to arrive here this week from Camp Lee, Va.

An announcement from Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters Wednesday said the Army planned to send 135,000 replacements to Europe by Jan. 31.

Dutch Buy 14 Skymasters

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 12 (INS).—Fourteen Douglas Skymasters have been purchased from the Air Transport Command for the Dutch government by the Royal Dutch Airlines. An airline official said the planes are to be used to resume the Holland-Dutch East Indies route. Six were delivered in September, and the others are to be handed to Dutch authorities by the end of October.

Nazi Will Die For Executions

ROME, Oct. 12 (Reuter).—The death sentence was meted out today to Gen. Anton Dostler by a U.S. military court here for ordering the execution of 15 soldiers from the Office of Strategic Services at La Spezia in March, 1944.

Dostler, commander of the German 75th Corps in Italy at the time of the execution of the Americans, has the right of appeal.

The sentence will be carried out in 30 days.

GI Church Services

PROTESTANT
Sunday Services at American Cathedral, 23 Ave. George V, communion 0700 and 0800, general service 0930, cathedral service 1045, evening service 1900. American Church of Paris, 65 Quai d'Orsay, worship service 1100. Swedish Church, 9 Rue Guyo, Lutheran communion first Sunday each month 1700. St. George's (Anglican), 7 Rue Auguste-Vacquerie, communion service 0830 and 1100, Church of Latter Day Saints, Hotel Louvois 1930. Church of Christ, 27 Rue St. Guillaume 1930. Weekday communion at American Cathedral 0700. Lutheran Service Center, 10 Rue de Duras, services 1100 and 1930.

CATHOLIC
Sunday Mass at St. Joseph's, 50 Ave. Hoche 1000; St. Peter's, 33 Ave. Marceau, 1000; Church of Madeleine, 1800; Chapel, 5 Ave. Kleber, 1130 and 1645. Weekday Mass daily at Chapel 1145 and 1745. Confessions at Majestic Hotel, chaplain section daily; St. Peter's Church, Saturdays 1800 to 1900; St. Joseph's Church, any time daily except 1200-1500. Devotions, Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions at St. Joseph's every Tuesday 1930.

JEWISH
Sunday Rothschild Synagogue, 44 Rue de la Victoire 1030. Weekdays Liberal Synagogue, 24 Rue de Copernic. Friday 1930; Marignan Theater, 23 Ave. des Champs-Elysees, Saturday 1030.

Reims Area
PROTESTANT
Sunday: 0900 Protestant Temple, 13 Bd. Lundy; 1000, Maison de Retraite; 1630,

Typhoid Toll Climbs in U.S. Zone of Berlin

By Joseph B. Fleming
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, Oct. 12.—New cases of typhoid and paratyphoid in the American sector of Berlin jumped last week from the previous week's total of 168 to 217, although roughly 800,000 German civilians—more than 90 percent of the sector's population—have now received the complete anti-typhoid inoculation series.

In the city as a whole there were only four more new cases than in the previous week—950 compared to 946.

Diphtheria cases mounted, too, in the face of another inoculation campaign. Since figures have been released on the spread of the disease, there have been 897 cases—475 of them last week and the rest the week before.

In the American zone new diphtheria cases rose from 131 to 141.

Although typhoid cases decreased by six in the Russian sector, it still led the city with 454 cases. The Russian sector also has the most diphtheria cases—171. But these figures are no reflection on the public health measures in the Russian sector, as the population there far exceeds that of any other sector.

The French sector, which has the lowest population, had the fewest typhoid and diphtheria cases.

U.S. Takes Steps to Prevent Typhus Outbreak in Austria

VIENNA, Oct. 12.—Steps to prevent the outbreak of typhus are being carried out in the American zone of occupation in Austria, it was announced today at Gen. Mark W. Clark's USFA headquarters.

The program includes inoculation of public workers, such as doctors, nurses, social workers, street-car conductors and laundry workers. The bodies and clothing of displaced persons in various camps are "dusted."

The USFA public health office pointed out that the program is preventive. No new cases of the disease have been reported in the American-held zone since mid-July.

Soldier Present At Funeral Service Of Entire Family

MORGANFIELD, Ky., Oct. 12 (ANS).—This October day was a sorrowful one for Pvt. William H. Garrett, 23-year-old soldier who buried the eight members of his family yesterday.

The eight—father, mother and six sisters and brothers—were killed instantly Saturday when a tire blowout sent their car careening into a Greyhound bus near Providence, Ky.

More than 1,500 friends and relatives from his home at Waverly, Morganfield, Sturgis and other small communities crowded into the small cemetery. A simple service was conducted by the Rev. Louis Stanger, pastor of Morganfield Baptist Church.

Garrett, in France when his family was killed, was flown to New York Wednesday night aboard an Air Transport Command plane. He was flown from New York to Sturgis yesterday.

Christian Science, 89 Rue de Vesle; Latter Day Saints (Mormon) Sunday 1400. Sacrament Service, Tuesday 1900. Activity Meeting at the Protestant Temple, Wednesday Christian Science, 89 Rue de Vesle, 2000 hours. Sunday, 2000, Christian Science, 89 Rue de Vesle.

CATHOLIC
Sunday mass: Cathedral, 0900 and 1600. Daily mass: Cathedral, 0700. Novena: Tuesday, 1900. Confessions: Saturday, Cathedral, 1600-1930. Sunday 0800-0900.

JEWISH
Friday: 1900 hours, 49 Rue Clovis. Saturday: 0900, 1945. Ethics class: 1930. 2000. Music class: 2100, Vespers, Sunday: 1030.

Versailles
CATHOLIC
Sunday Mass at Notre-Dame Church, 1530.

PROTESTANT
Sunday services at St. Mark's Church 1645.

Luxembourg
CATHOLIC
Sunday Mass at Cathedral, 0630-0700-0730-0800-0900-0930-1030-1130.

PROTESTANT
Sunday Protestant Temple 1000, song service 1900.

St. Dizier
CATHOLIC
Sunday Mass at College Chapel, English sermon and confessions, 1160.



Dead or Alive, He Buried 'Em, Nazi Admits

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
WIESBADEN, Oct. 12.—Phillip Blum, shaven-headed, bull-necked Nazi, who came to Hadamar Insane Asylum as doorman and later was promoted to chief gravedigger, admitted on cross-examination at the atrocity trial today that he wasn't sure victims had been pronounced dead when he buried them, 20 at a time in common graves. Blum, one of seven defendants on trial for their lives for the operation of a murder mill—one of four such asylums in the Reich—said he thought the victims were dead after he laid them out in the cellar. He admitted he never touched the bodies to determine whether they were still warm. He also admitted under pointed questioning by Col. Leon Jaworski, the prosecutor, that he couldn't tell the difference between death and the comatose condition induced by morphine.

Witness for Defense

Dr Adolf Wehlman, asylum doctor, was supposed to examine all bodies, but in the case of mass shipments of Poles and Russians, who were buried by insane German inmates of the asylum, themselves slated for eventual extermination, the defendant said he didn't know whether the doctor examined the bodies.

Blum, a cousin of the institution's administrator, Alfons Klein, was placed on the stand by the defense to show that he was involved only in the burial of one shipment before he was plucked from the bottom of Germany's manpower barrel and shipped to Metz as a Wehrmacht replacement in August, 1944.

He described how bodies were customarily laid out neatly in rows in the cellar before burial. When 70 Poles and Russians were executed, the cellar became overcrowded and he had to use the floor of the gas chamber.

Gas Chamber Abolished

The Hadamar gas chamber had been used in 1940, but was abolished after complaints were received from Hadamar residents. Its fixtures were sent to Lublin, Poland, and Hadamar switched over to the hypodermic method of mass killing.

The defense put on as a witness for Klein his wife, Margaret, a small stoutish brunette, as a character witness, but the commission ruled that her testimony, that Klein often said he was fed up with killings, was irrelevant.

Irmgard Huber, forty-four-year-old chief nurse, took the stand and declared that all employees had to sign statements to keep the asylum's activities secret on pain of imprisonment in a concentration camp. She said she felt sorry for the victims, and blamed Klein and the doctors.

Big Dog Aided Belsen Guard

LUNEBURG, Oct. 12 (AP).—Juanna Borman, 52-year-old woman guard, took the stand today in the Belsen-Auschwitz war crimes trial to defend herself against accusations that "wherever she went she had a big dog with her trained to go at the throat of a victim at her command."

The guard testified that she was once a nurse in a mental hospital run by a missionary society but left it for a job as an SS employee because the society was "strait-laced," and because she received, "Only pocket money."

She denied that she delighted in setting her vicious dog on prisoners, asserting that the animal was "very obedient" and that "the prisoners used to play with him."

McNarney Goes to U.S., Morgan Gets His Job

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—The White House last night announced a shift in command of the Mediterranean Theater under which British Lt. Gen. W. D. Morgan succeeds Gen. Joseph T. McNarney as Supreme Allied Commander. McNarney was ordered to Washington. Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway will succeed McNarney as commander of U.S. forces in Italy and serve as deputy to Morgan.

Joe Foss Out

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Maj. Joe Foss of Sioux Falls, S.D., credited with being the first flier in World War II to equal Eddie Rickenbacker's World War I record of downing 26 enemy planes, was released from the Marine Corps Wednesday.

'Teen-Age PW's Leave School-Camp for Homeland



Thirteen and 14-year-old ex-soldiers are among this group of young Germans waiting to board a train near Carentan, France, for their return to Germany after release from a PW camp. The prisoners were given de-Nazification courses at the camp school.

Hundreds of youthful ex-PWs released from the camp near Carentan head eastward to their homes in the Reich in open freight cars.

Parri Scores Red Demands

ROME, Oct. 12 (AP).—Feruccio Parri, Italian Prime Minister, yesterday struck out at Russian demands for reparations from Italy, asserting that the present Italian regime cannot be accused of all the sins of Fascism.

The Premier told a press conference that the Russian demand was similar in nature to Italy's requesting the Soviet government for credits due to her by Czarist Russia.

At the same time, Parri renewed his appeal for the scrapping of the armistice terms, declaring that the terms restricted all of Italy's internal life. The Italian government was limited in the field of the Fascist purge, elections, aviation and above all, internal security, he said.

"We cannot increase or equip the police without the approval of the Allies," he added.

Swiss Outlaw Any Gum, Chum?

BERNE, Oct. 12 (AP).—Swiss children must not ask American soldiers for money or chewing gum. The superintendent of city schools, Dr. E. Baertschi, published a notice in the city's official journal that begging chewing gum or money is "unworthy of our country and of our nation's capital." Even some children who could not speak English have carefully memorized the words "chewing gum, chum?"



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Stilwell Favors 'Pickax Club' To Protect Nisei GIs' Rights

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Gen. Joseph W. (Vinegar Joe) Stilwell advocated yesterday the formation of a "Pickax Club" to protect Japanese-American soldiers from "barfly commandos," and said he would be a charter member. Molestation of Nisei soldiers defeats the purposes for which America fought, Stilwell declared. He said Japanese-Americans "bought an awful big hunk of America with their blood."

German Couples Scrapping, And Divorce Rate Is Mounting

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
FRANKFURT, Oct. 12.—What there is left of German homes after bombing is now being broken up by divorces, court records showed here today.

During the last week of September, more than five times as many divorce actions were filed as in any comparable week since 1938. The week brought 261 petitions, compared with an average of 35 a week in 1938, 32 weekly in 1940, 25 weekly in 1942, and 40 weekly in 1944.

The court, handicapped by a shortage of personnel after the purge of the Nazis, has a calendar filled up to the end of the year with divorce cases, which comprise 74 percent of all actions to be heard.

The rising divorce rate is attributed by Military Government authorities to harder living conditions, making for increased friction, political differences, unfaith-

fulness of wives and just plain getting tired of one another. Of course, the present rush of divorces is due also to the fact that divorces were difficult to file during the war when husbands were at the front.

But social service people feel that because of the period of instability following the war, the majority of cases being filed are by wives who are tired of their husbands. The number of wives finding attachments with U.S. soldiers has caused bitterness among the defeated Wehrmacht soldiers, who are resentful of the amorous conquests of the victors.

However, some German ex-soldiers are also filing divorce suits after hearing reports from their neighbors of their wives' behavior. In a few cases the wives are disgusted with the Nazi conception of a husband, which produced nothing in the end but many children and much misery.

Pipeline to Haifa To Tap Arabia Oil

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12 (AP).—H. D. Collier, president of the Standard Oil Co. of California, reported that agreements had been approved which will establish Haifa, Palestine, as the Mediterranean exit to a 1,000-mile 26-inch pipeline from Saudi Arabia and open a new oil supply for Europe.

British authorities have given the project clearance and the agreements will be signed soon with local officials in Palestine and Transjordan, Collier said.

The Standard Oil Co. of California and the Texas Oil Co. have leased more than 200,000 square miles of Saudi Arabia, covering one of the richest oil reserves in the world, Collier said, but added that the subsidiary Arabian-American Co. planned to bring out only about 200,000 barrels daily.

Burglars Cushion Shock of Victims

SHORT HILLS, N.J., Oct. 12 (ANS).—Four men interrupted a bridge game at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Schultz yesterday to loot the house of \$179 in cash and jewelry, and furs valued at \$2,095, but they were "considerate."

They forced the host and hostess, three guests and a maid to lie on the dining room floor during the robbery, but they placed sofa cushions under the heads of the victims.

German Press to Hold 1st Free Talks in 12 Yrs.

FRANKFURT, Oct. 12 (AP).—The first conference of free German publishers and editors in more than 12 years will be held in Marburg, Oct. 20 and 21.

The two-day meeting, called on invitation of Lt. Col. John B. Stanley, commanding officer of the Western Military District Information Command, is expected to settle problems of the newly-licensed press and will be attended by editors and business executives in the United States zone.

This Changing World

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Gen. Douglas MacArthur has ordered the Japanese to convert the Yoyogi parade grounds, where troops of the Imperial Division—Hirohito's own—once strutted, into an airfield for Allied planes.

To Sound Out GIs in Pacific

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—The views of GIs in the Pacific on post-war problems at home will be sought by seven representatives of labor, management and government during a 30-day tour of Pacific bases.

The War Department disclosed plans for the trip today and said particular attention would be paid by the panel to soldier feeling on the labor situation.

A soldier moderator will accompany the group when it leaves Washington by plane today to visit bases ranging from Hickam Field, Honolulu, to Tokyo.

Talks with soldiers in the field are scheduled tentatively in Hawaii, the Marshalls, the Marianas, the Philippines and at Okinawa and Tokyo.

"In addition to benefits resulting from bringing accurate information direct to troops," the Army said, "labor and management will learn something of the feeling of soldiers regarding the current labor crisis."

Post-war job opportunities for veterans also will be discussed.

Theater commanders and joint chiefs of staff approved the plan. Participants include such organizations as the U.S. Employment Service, Veterans' Administration, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers and the CIO and AFL.

'War' on U.S. Trade By Britain Charged

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP).—Senator Wayne L. Morse (R-Ore.) accused Britain today of "following a policy of economic war" against the U.S.

Morse joined a protest from the floor of the Senate by Senator E.H. Moore (R-Okla.) against what Moore described as the "arbitrary action" by the British government regarding American oil interests.

Both Senators requested that any action on Britain's request for a post-war loan should be delayed until Britain had given assurances of fair treatment for American business and industry within the empire.

New Model Helicopter For Russian Freight

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (AP).—Russia has launched the world's first large-scale production of helicopters and plans to use them to serve the country's vast expanses by taking passengers, freight and mail to regions where there are no air-dromes.

Describing the new model Omega Helicopter, the newspaper Pravda said that the machine had two motors, four wheels and a horizontal speed up to 112 miles an hour.

Mangrum Sets Biarritz Pace With His 65

BIARRITZ, Oct. 12.—Cpl. Lloyd Mangrum, ETO pro champ, got an early jump on the field in the Inter-Theater Golf Tournament yesterday as he carded a sizzling three-under-par 65 to take a four-stroke lead over the 134-contestant opening-day field.

Mangrum went out in 34, two under par, and came back in 31 for his 65, which was only one stroke over the course record. His drives were long and gave him complete command over the tricky fairways.

Pfc William Pranipis, Portland, Ore., amateur, registered a surprise 69 with a 37 and a par 32 to take second place, while Lt. Matt Kowal, Philadelphia pro, shot a 70 to tie for third with Storekeeper 1/c John Chambers, Chicago amateur, representing the Navy. Kowal had an eagle-two on the tenth hole.

Running into unexpected difficulty, although a strong pre-tourney choice to be in contention, was Pfc Jim McHale, the ETO amateur kingpin who had a 74. Pfc Jack Munger, Africa-Middle East favorite, also had his troubles and could do no better than a shaky 77.

In the team competition the ETO team of Mangrum, McHale, Kowal and S/Sgt. Rod Munday, California pro, shot an aggregate 280 to lead the Africa-Middle East quartet. Pfc Sgt. W. Robertson, Pfc Abe Weitzel and Cpl. J. Durante, by 21 strokes.

The top individual scores:

Mangrum, 65; Pranipis, 69; Chambers, 70; Kowal, 70; Tom Bolt, 71; Everett Gann, 71; Robert McHendrick, 71; Munday, 71; Ralph Bond, 72; James Gee, 72; Eddy Nowak, 73; Napoleon Chimick, 73; Tommy Miraglio, 73.

Crusador Ace Amazes East

BOSTON, Oct. 12.—After watching his performance last Saturday against Yale, football observers see Holy Cross' Stan Koslowski as one of the nation's best players, perhaps the top star of scores of collegians resuming their gridiron play after serving in the armed forces.

A standout on the Crusador frosh team in 1943, Koslowski last year played with North Carolina Pre-Flight, and with all his experience he is only a sophomore now. He is six feet one and weighs 210 pounds. Many critics already are beating drums for him as a future All-America prospect.

However, most teams have not been so fortunate as Holy Cross in getting their Koslowskis out of service. Until others do, the lucky schools will predominate, just as the Crusaders took Yale largely through Koslowski's efforts. The blond giant plunged almost the length of the field to set a decoy for a scoring end run, passed 41 yards for another touchdown and received a pass for a third. He kicked all the extra points and did the punting, one of his quick ones going 80 yards.

Oise Stars to Meet Bremen II Today

REIMS, Oct. 12.—The Oise All-Star football team, strengthened by men from the Assembly Area Command team by virtue of consolidation of Oise Section and the AAC, will meet the powerful Bremen Port Command eleven here tomorrow in the municipal stadium.

The Oise Red Devils have beaten the Chanor Base section, 7-6, while the Bremen Bears were defeated, 12-0, by Seine Section last week in their only Theater Service Forces League game.

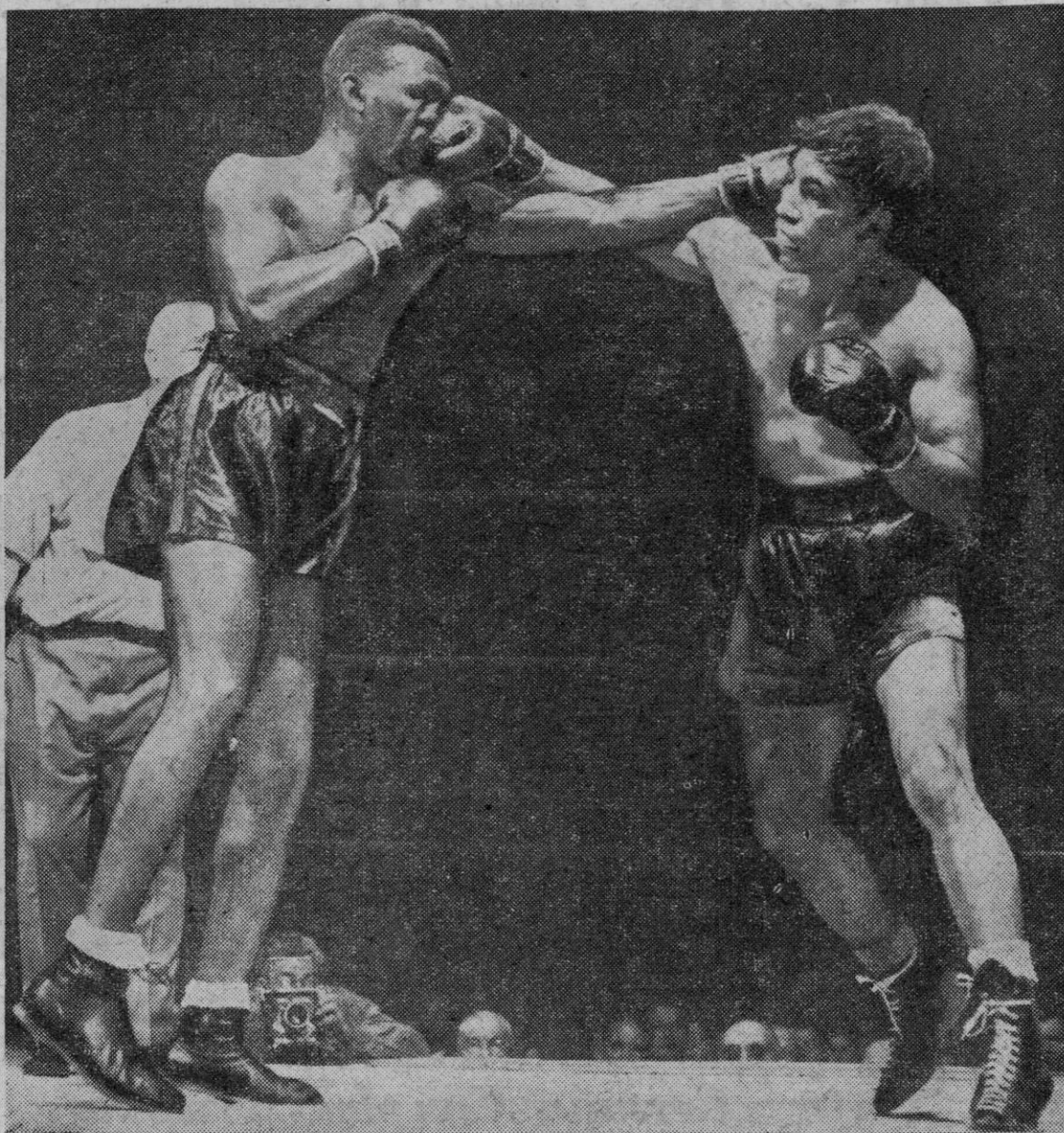
An old feud will be resumed when Granville Harrison, former Detroit Lions wingman, of Oise, and John Lascari, former New York Giant end with Bremen face each other. They first met in the Orange Bowl in 1941, when Harrison was with Mississippi State and Lascari played with Georgetown University. Both men played against each other later on in the National Football League.

Only Five Wins No. 4 With 111-Pt. Avalanche

The undefeated Orly Field basketball team made it four straight last night with a devastating 111-47 victory over the FG Casualty Company of Versailles at the St. Didier Gym.

Billy Meyer took scoring honors with 20 points in a brief stint while Jim Eурden rang the bell with 18.

Californian Gets It on the Button



Albert "Chalky" Wright gets his nose flattened by Humberto Zavala of Mexico, in a bout at Madison Square Garden, Wright won the decision.

Marks Given Beating by Tigers, Cubs As They Smash 21, Equal 18 Others

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Twenty-one records were set and 18 others tied in the World Series between the Tigers and Cubs. A total of 333,457 fans paid to see games, compared to the previous high attendance of 328,051 who attended the Yankee-Cardinals Series in 1926.

Total gate receipts, including \$100,000 for broadcasting rights, reached \$1,592,154, erasing the previous high of \$1,322,328 in the 1940 Series between the Tigers and Reds.

Probably the greatest individual achievement was turned in by Cub pitcher Claude Passeau who blanked the Tigers with only one hit Oct. 5, facing only 28 men. Teammate Stan Hack was the only player to set new records as both batter and fielder. In addition to tying the record of making four hits in one game, he established a record for third basemen by making a total of 12 putouts, breaking the seven-game total of Bobby Byrne of the Pirates in 1909.

In fanning 22 men Hal Newhouser of the Tigers broke the old figure of 20 held by three other hurlers in seven-game Series. Bill Dinnéen

Happy Charges Smear by Foes

VERSAILLES, Ky., Oct. 12.—Happy Chandler, baseball commissioner and U.S. Senator from Kentucky, said today he "obviously" was the victim of an organized smear campaign in an effort to discredit him in baseball.

Chandler discounted reports that there were differences between baseball club owners and himself and that an attempt was made to buy off his contract. He said, "It is obvious there has been a smear campaign worked up against me which has been paid for. I don't know who was behind it and I am not interested, because it didn't get any place. My position is solid."

ATC-Red Devil Tilt Off

The Seine Section Football League game between the ATC eleven and the Ordinance Red Devils scheduled for Buffalo Stadium this afternoon was cancelled yesterday. The ATC unit informed Seine Section athletic officials it could not go through with the game.

of the 1903 Red Sox whiffed 28, but it was an eight-game Series against the Pirates.

George Mullin of the 1909 Tigers, Walter Johnson of the 1924 Senators and George Earnshaw of the 1931 Athletics jointly held the old strikeout mark of 20. Chief Bender of the 1911 A's fanned 20, but the Series that fall went only six games.

The following records are based on a seven-game Series.

Individual Records

Most putouts third baseman one Series—Stan Hack, Cubs, 12.
Most chances accepted outfielder one Series—Andy Pafko, Cubs, 26.
Fewest batters facing pitcher one game—Claude Passeau, Cubs, 28.
Most strikeouts one Series—Hal Newhouser, Tigers, 22.

Club Records

Highest batting average losing club in Series—Cubs, .263.
Most runs losing club one Series—Cubs, 29.
Most walks one club one Series—Tigers, 33.
Most strikeouts one club one Series—Cubs, 48.
Fewest left on base one club, one game—Tigers, 1 (third game against Passeau).

Most left on base both clubs, one game—24 (sixth game).
Most runs batted in both clubs one Series—59 (Tigers 32, Cubs 27).
Most players used one Series one club—Tigers, 26.

Most players used one Series both clubs—51 (Tigers 26, Cubs 25).
Most players used one game one club—Tigers and Cubs, 19.
Most players used one game both clubs—38 (Tigers and Cubs, 19 each).

Most at bats one club one game—48 (Tigers sixth game).
Most at bats both clubs one game—94 (Tigers 48, Cubs 46).
Most pinchhitters used one club one Series—Cubs, 14.
Most pinchhitters used both clubs one Series—25 (Cubs 14, Tigers 11).

Longest game by time—3:28 hours (12-inning sixth game).

Individual Records Tied

Most at bats one game—6 (Eddie Mayo, Rudy York, Roger Cramer, Tigers; Andy Pafko, Cubs, in sixth game).

Most at bats one inning—Roger Cramer, Tigers, 2 (sixth inning of fifth game).

Most runs batted in one Series—Bill Nicholson, Cubs, 8.

Most hits one game—Stan Hack, Cubs, 4.

Players scoring three runners on two-base hits—Paul Richards, Tigers (first inning of seventh game).

Most assists first baseman one Series—Rudy York, Tigers, 8.

Fewest hits pitcher one game—Claude Passeau, Cubs, 1.

Most times at bat as pinchhitter—Frank Secory, Cubs, 5.

Most putouts outfielder one Series—Andy Pafko, 24.

Club Records Tied

Fewest hits one club one game—Tigers, 1.

Most hits both clubs one game—28 (Cubs 15, Tigers 13 in sixth game).

Most runs batted in one club one Series—Tigers, 32.

Fewest sacrifices one club one Series—Tigers, 3.

Most two-base hits one club one Series—Cubs, 16.

Most pitchers used one club one game—Cubs, 6.

Most pitchers used both clubs one game—9 (Cubs, 5, Tigers 4 in sixth game).

Most Series lost—Cubs, 8.

Smythe Urges Enlarged NHL

TORONTO, Oct. 12.—Expansion of the National Hockey League to an eight-team loop may include American Hockey League cities which have been seeking franchises in the larger circuit, it was indicated today.

Maj. Connie Smythe, manager of the champion Toronto Maple Leafs, advocated a change before officials of other league teams here. Smythe said two new teams should be added to the National League because of increased interest and the availability of players now that the war is over.

Of the American League cities which might fit into the enlarged loop, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis and Cleveland all have been outstanding in attendance and probably would get first consideration.

Delta, Chanor Elevens Meet

MARSEILLE Oct. 12.—The Delta Base All-Star eleven will meet Chanor Base tomorrow afternoon at Marseille Municipal Stadium.

Parker Enters Pan-American Semi-Finals

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 12.—Frankie Parker, Bob Falkenburg, Francisco "Pancho" Segura, and Alejo Russell yesterday entered the semi-finals of the Pan-American tennis tournament.

Parker, U.S. champion, won the only straight set victory, defeating Andres Hammersley of Chile, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1, and will meet Russell, who upset the Mexican champion, Armando Vega, 6-8, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

It took Segura five sets to overcome Heraldo of Argentina, 6-4, 4-6, 3-6, 6-4, 8-6. Pancho's semi-finals foe, Falkenburg, defeated Rolando Vega of Mexico, 4-6, 9-7, 6-4, 6-3.

Berta Garcia, Cuban women's titlist, and Carmen Christlieb, Mexican queen, advanced to the doubles semi-finals by defeating Esperanza Belmar de Chavez and Raquel Moch de Martinez of Mexico, 6-2, 6-3. They will meet Mary Arnold and Dorothy Head of Los Angeles. In the other bracket, Patricia Canning Todd of San Francisco and Mary Teran de Weiss of Argentina are pitted against Hilda Heyn and Martha Alvarez of Mexico.

Ex-Platers Vie In Rich Race

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—A pair of ex-platers claimed as juveniles for a total of \$4,000 but whose combined earnings now stand at \$498,055 have a chance tomorrow to lay claim to the 1945 handicap division title.

They are Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' four-year-old chestnut, Stymie, and Mrs. Ed Mulrenan's six-year-old grey, First Fiddle. Handicapper John Campbell makes them split choices at 126 pounds for the \$50,000 added mile and five-furlong Gallant Fox Handicap, richest prize of the Jamaica meeting.

There is a remarkable similarity in the colorful careers of these one-time ugly ducklings who became svelte swans of thoroughbreds.

Both were claimed dirt cheap. Stymie for \$1,500 and First Fiddle for \$2,500. Each has been rigorously campaigned and is now enjoying his best season. Both are stretch runners—sturdy survivors of the depleted handicap division.

Stymie, now in his third year of racing, has earned \$193,670 in 71 starts. First Fiddle, in five seasons, has \$304,385 to show for 74 trips postward.

Fund for Poschner Started in Atlanta

ATLANTA, Oct. 12.—A fund for Lt. George Poschner, former University of Georgia football star who lost both legs in action in France, was started here today with the Atlanta Journal acting as clearing house.

Sports editor Ed Danforth pointed out that the enterprise was launched at the suggestion of Frank Troutman, Atlanta business man, and "the Journal is acting as an agency for tabulating the contributions."

Poschner, a resident of Youngstown, O., is now undergoing treatment at Lawson General Hospital here. In addition to both legs the former All-Southeastern Conference end lost the fingers of his right hand.

Poschner was on the receiving end of Frank Sinkwich's famous passes in college.

Woodcock-Lesnevich Go Sought for New York

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight champion, is being sought as an opponent for Gus Lesnevich, world light-heavyweight titleholder, in a non-title bout at Madison Square Garden in December or January.

Lesnevich drew his discharge from the Coast Guard this week after 44 months of service. Prior to his induction he lost only six of 68 fights, two of them to Billy Conn, then champion of the division.

Red Wings Sell Wares

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Eddie Wares, veteran Detroit Red Wing forward, has been purchased by the Chicago Blackhawks of the National Hockey League. President Bill Tobin of the Hawks announced today. Recently discharged from the Army, Wares was a Red Wing regular for six years prior to his induction.

Today's Top Grid Games

- EAST**
 Army vs. Michigan
 Columbia vs. Yale
 Cornell vs. Princeton
 Navy vs. Penn. State
 Notre Dame vs. Dartmouth
 Penn. vs. North Carolina
 Boston College vs. NYU
 Colgate vs. Lafayette
 Pennsylvania vs. North Carolina
- MIDWEST**
 Ohio State vs. Wisconsin
 Indiana vs. Nebraska
 Purdue vs. Iowa
 Texas vs. Oklahoma
 Michigan State vs. Pittsburgh
 Iowa State vs. Missouri
 Marquette vs. Kansas State
- SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST**
 Alabama vs. South Carolina
 Duke vs. Wake Forest
 Florida vs. Vanderbilt
 Georgia Tech vs. Kentucky
 LSU vs. Texas A. & M.
 Miss. State vs. Detroit
 Tulane vs. Rice
 Arkansas vs. Baylor
 Texas A & M vs. Louisiana State
 Texas Tech vs. Tulsa.
- ROCKY MOUNTAIN**
 Colorado College vs. New Mexico
 Colorado U. vs. Colorado A & M
- FAR WEST**
 California vs. UCLA
 U.S.C. vs. San Diego Naval
 Oregon vs. Oregon State
 Washington St. vs. Washington
 College of Pacific vs. St. Mary's
 Southern California vs. San Diego Naval Training Station

Johnny Lujack to Play With Navy Base Eleven

FORT PIERCE, Fla., Oct. 12.—Johnny Lujack, one of the nation's outstanding backs in 1943 while quarterbacking Notre Dame, reported today at the Naval Amphibious Training Base here and will see action against the Jacksonville Naval Air Station Saturday night. Lujack joined two former Notre Dame teammates, end Jim Flanagan and center Art Statuto.

Berwanger to Coach Intramurals at Chicago

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Football has hired Jay Berwanger, University of Chicago's 1935 All-America half-back, back to his alma mater, but only as a part-time intramural coach. Berwanger recently was discharged from the Navy Air Corps with a lieutenant-commander's ranking. Chicago dropped football as a varsity sport in 1939.

All-America Hackett Quits Ohio State Eleven

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 12.—The collegiate football career of Bill Hackett, Ohio State's 1944 All-America guard, ended today when Coach Carroll Widdoes announced Hackett's physician had advised him not to play again. The decision came after an examination showed Hackett had not recovered fully from injuries suffered in an automobile accident last spring.

To Resume Inverness

TOLEDO, Oct. 12.—The Inverness Invitational golf tournament will be resumed next summer after a lapse since 1942, according to Fred Corcoran, PGA tournament manager, who will announce the date later. The tourney will have \$10,000 prize money.

Badminton Meet Tomorrow

All military personnel are invited to attend a badminton match between selected teams from the French and American Forces Sunday at the Neully courts, 86 Rue Peyronnet. (Metro: Sablons) at 6 P.M.

Bradley on the Mend

GARDEN CITY, N.Y., Oct. 12.—Col. Edward R. Bradley, famous breeder and owner of thoroughbred racehorses, is recuperating here following a heart attack last Saturday.

THE QUESTION BOX

S/Sgt. Louis A. Bertrand—Southern California defeated Duke, 7-3, in the Rose Bowl classic of 1939.

Pfc Christopher Soukas—The world pole vault record is 15 feet 7 3/4 inches, set by Connie Warner in the National Collegiate Relays at Modesto, Calif., May 23, 1942.

Pfc Marshall J. Beau—Here are the results of the 1945 Bowl games, and also the Duke-Navy game of 1944: Cotton Bowl—Okla. A. & M. 34, TCU 0; Rose Bowl—U. S. C. 25, Tennessee 0; Sugar Bowl—Duke 29, Alabama 26; Orange Bowl—Tulsa 26, Georgia Tech. 12; Sun Bowl—Southwestern U. 35, U of Mexico 0; East 7, West 13; South 24, North 7. In 1944, Navy defeated Duke, 7-0.

Cpl. Charles E. Kistler—The original four horsemen were Elmer Layden, Jim Crowley, Don Miller and Harry Stuhldreher.

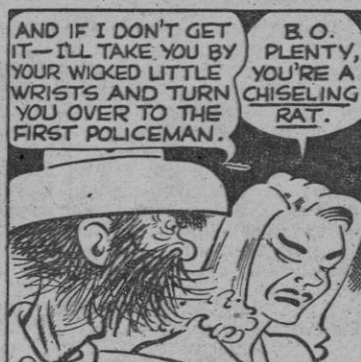
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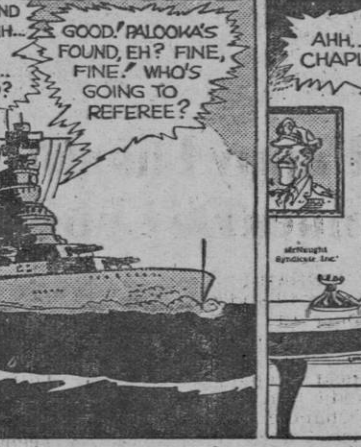
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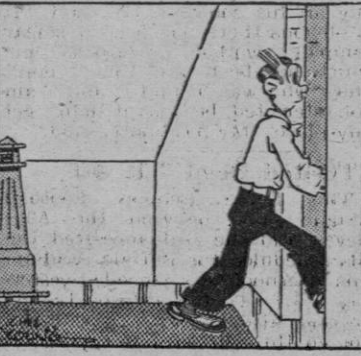
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By Chic Young

Full Accord, Chinese, Reds Say in Report

CHUNGKING, Oct. 12 (UP).—The Chinese Central Government and the Communist Party have reached "complete agreement" on all points, according to the joint report on their six weeks of negotiations released last night.

The report acknowledged Chiang Kai-shek as the leader of all China and urged the "necessary nationalization" of all troops—apparently in reference to the so far independent troops under Communist leadership.

It also stressed the "democratization" of Chinese politics and legalization of all political parties. It left unsettled, however, the method by which troops not now under Chiang's domination will be "nationalized."

Other problems not discussed in specific terms were the future status of governors and officials in Communist-claimed territories and the Communist proposal for participation in surrender proceedings with Japanese in zones held by Communists.

The Central Government took the position that puppet troops must be "carefully disbanded in order not to menace order in certain localities." Communists indicated they were in favor of immediate dissolution of such troops.

Meanwhile, American Army transport planes began ferrying two complete Chinese government armies—an estimated 50,000 troops—into Peiping to take over the Communist-controlled city.

This development, which marks the first direct American intervention in the power struggle between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and the Communists in North China, caused observers here to speculate uneasily on the explosive possibilities of the situation.

Gen. George Stratemeyer, acting commander of U.S. forces in China, refused to comment on the troop movement.

Believe Peron Fled to Safety

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 12 (AP).—Col. Juan Peron, "strong man" ousted from Argentina's government, apparently has fled to refuge in the countryside in face of demands by a group of army officers for his arrest.

President Edelmiro Farrell's regime set next April 7 as the presidential election date in a decree issued shortly after the military group demanded Peron's detention and resignation of the entire Farrell Cabinet.

Political unrest was complicated by both military and civilian pressure on the government.

All Buenos Aires morning newspapers except La Nacion and La Prensa refused to go to press today as a protest against closing one morning newspaper and three evening newspapers yesterday, although the government announced the ban on the four publications had been lifted.

Prague Cheers Like

PRAGUE, Oct. 12 (INS).—Gen. Eisenhower was greeted by thousands of cheering Czechoslovaks as he drove through the streets of Prague yesterday to pay a courtesy call on President Eduard Benes and the Czech government.

A New Trial for Pierre Laval? 'Certainly Not,' Says De Gaulle

By Ernest Leiser
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

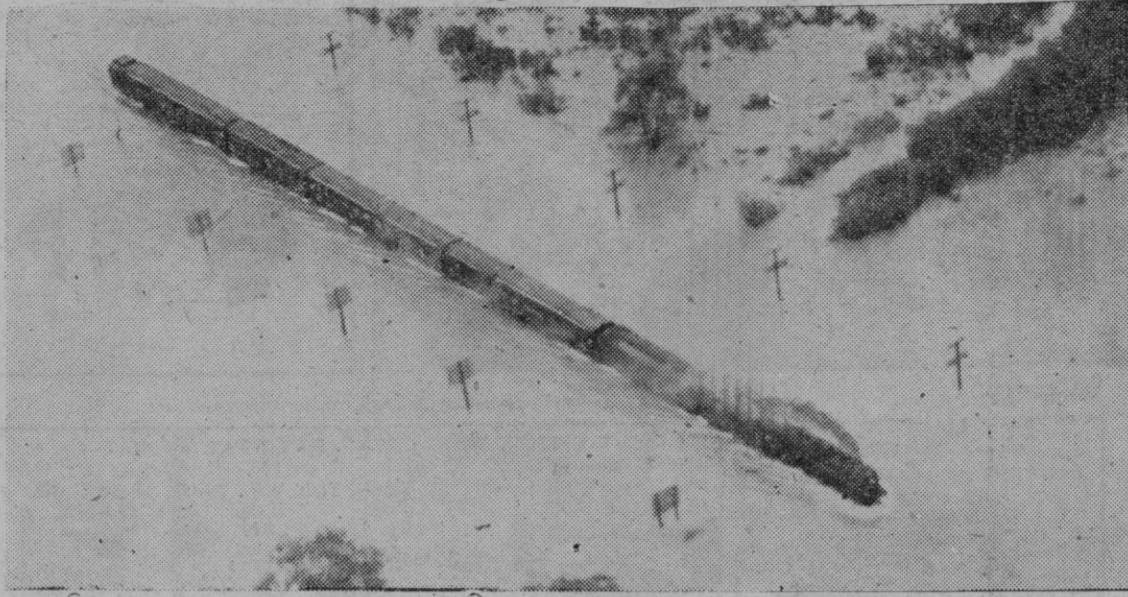
Pierre Laval's last chance at life seemed lost last night.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, back from Brussels, answered with a curt "Certainly not," a question by reporters as to whether the convicted traitor of Vichy would be given a new trial.

However, to another question—whether he would receive Laval's lawyers, who have indicated their intention to ask that he order a retrial—he replied only, "The newspapers will tell you that."

This still left the shadow of an opening wedge for Laval and his determined counsel, Albert Naud, chief of the three-man defense staff, said yesterday that he had "substantial" new evidence that he would present to De Gaulle, if the French government chief granted his plea for an audience.

Hospital Train Steams Along Flooded Trackbed in Mohawk Valley



Moving slowly along the flooded Rome-Utica main line of the New York Central Railroad near Oriskany, N.Y., a hospital train leaves a rippling wake in the overflow of the rain-swollen Mohawk River.

Race Prejudice Hit by Truman

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP).—President Truman sharply criticized racial discrimination in a letter concerning refusal of the Daughters of the American Revolution to grant the use of Constitution Hall to Hazel Scott, Negro musician.

Truman, in a letter to Miss Scott's husband, Negro Rep. Adam Powell (D-N.Y.), said, however, it was impossible for him to interfere in the "management or policy of private enterprises such as the one in question."

The Daughters of the American Revolution is composed of descendants of participants in the American Revolution of 1776.

"Artistic talent is not the exclusive property of any one race or group," Truman told Powell. "One of the marks of democracy is its willingness to respect and reward talent without regard to race or origin," he added.

The President pointed out that one of the Nazis' first steps was to forbid public appearances of artists or musicians whose religion or origin was unsatisfactory to the "master race."

It's Gay Vienna Again, Clark Says

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (UP).—Vienna is resuming its gay spirit, the food situation is improving and Austrian railroads are beginning to operate efficiently, Gen. Mark Clark, U.S. commander of Austrian Occupation Zone, said yesterday on his arrival at LaGuardia Field aboard an Air Transport Command plane from Europe.

He was greeted by his wife and his lieutenant son.

He said he would fly to Washington for a two-week visit, report to the War Department, and then return by plane to Vienna.

Rubber Plantations At Work in Malaya

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AP).—Exchange Telegraph, in a dispatch from Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, said Chinese, Indian, and Malayan workers have returned to tapping, clearing and weeding Malayan rubber plantations.

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Wanted: Sailor Who Kissed Gal In Bus—It's Love

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Oct. 12 (ANS).—A Bridgeport (Ohio) girl wrote the editor of the Hagerstown Herald today asking him to help find a sailor who kissed her while riding on a bus.

Apparently she wants to further romance and not bawl him out, the editor explained.

"I don't go around kissing people just for a habit," wrote the young woman, "but this looks like the real thing."

She said the sailor kissed her and soon thereafter left the bus at Hagerstown while she continued to Wheeling, W. Va., from Washington.

"Please, Mr. Editor, won't you put something in the paper that will help me find him?" she asked.

I-B Air Troops 12 Pct. Cleared

CALCUTTA, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Twelve percent of all U.S. Army Air Forces troops in the India-Burma theater are already homebound or have registered at replacement centers for departure this month, it was disclosed today.

Earlier, officers had estimated 100,000 American soldiers in the theater would be en route home or awaiting shipment at replacement depots in India by Nov. 30.

Maj. Gen. T. J. Hanley Jr., commander of all Army Air Forces in India and Burma, said that in addition to Air Forces men coming home this month, another 6,750 enlisted men and officers had been declared available for repatriation as AAF units.

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6 More Carriers To Strip Pacific

PEARL HARBOR, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Six 27,000-ton Essex-class aircraft carriers will be fitted with extra bunks and assigned to transporting Pacific troops to the U.S. for demobilization, the Navy announced today.

The carriers Hornet, Bunker Hill, Ticonderoga, Yorktown, Bonhomme Richard and Hancock, with total passenger capacity of more than 24,000 men, will join the Navy's "Magic Carpet" troop shuttle service the first week in November.

More than 3,600 veterans will be aboard the Hornet, Bunker Hill and Ticonderoga when they leave Pearl Harbor Oct. 17 for the U.S.

The Yorktown, Bonhomme Richard and Hancock are en route from forward Pacific areas to the West Coast mainland with a capacity load of men for discharge.

After unloading their veterans and participating in Navy Day ceremonies at West Coast ports Oct. 27, the Hornet, Bonhomme Richard and Ticonderoga will return to the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard. Bunks will be installed on their hangar decks within three days and the ships made ready for transport duty Nov. 6.

Officers Volunteer To Load Idle Ships

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Sixteen Army officers, from second lieutenants to majors, volunteered yesterday to load cargo-carrying troopships for their return trip to the ETO, as striking longshoremen stayed away from the piers, despite their union's decision to accept government mediation.

The officers, who loaded one ship, said they wished to help speed the return of troops from Europe. The War Shipping Administration said that the strike had delayed the return of "thousands of troops."

Centering on a dispute over the load to be carried in a loading net, the strike has tied up more than 350 ships in New York Harbor.

Late yesterday, the wage negotiation committee of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association agreed to meet with Federal conciliators in an effort to settle the strike.

War Casualties Show Total Dead 263,203

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (ANS).—Announced U.S. war casualties totaled 1,070,153 today, a reduction of 371 in the last week. The Navy total dropped 478 because of adjustments in the number of men missing. The Army total increased 177.

The over-all figure comprised 263,203 killed, 651,730 wounded, 31,273 missing and 123,947 prisoners. The Army total was 922,583, including 207,754 killed, 571,490 wounded, 21,510 missing and 121,829 prisoners.

Nazi Party Property Formally Confiscated

BERLIN, Oct. 12 (AP).—Confiscation of all properties of the Nazi party was ordered today by the Allied Control Council soon after it had sounded the death knell of the party and its affiliates and announced that their revival would be a criminal offense.

The edict, in effect, formalized what already has been executed by the four powers on the council—the Soviet Union, the U.S., Britain and France.

Ship Transfer Snafues All Redeployment

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American troops across the Atlantic. Barnes said:

"Since the defeat of Japan, discussions for reallocation of these lines or provision by Americans of equivalent transport capacity and repatriation of British forces had been opened with the American government."

Reports that Britain might withdraw some of her liners from American troop service were circulated in New York soon after the U.S. terminated lend-lease in August.

The USFET statement yesterday indicated that the American vessels offered Britain for use of the 81,000-ton Queen Mary were Victory ships. Information as to the number of ships traded or the nature of the transfer was not available in Paris.

"Return of the Queen Elizabeth and the Aquitania to the British service and the probable trade of a number of Victory ships for continued use of the Queen Mary," USFET said, "means a loss of shipping space for at least 120,000 men during the next three months and a consequent slowdown of redeployment all along the line."

60-Pointers Up in Air

"Pending the outcome of requests for an increased allotment of shipping space for this theater, USFET officials are doubtful of shipping home by the end of this year all except the 707,000 soldiers needed for occupation and closing-out of installations."

This statement cast gloom over the hopes of men with between 56 and 59 points, some or all of whom might have had a chance to go home in December if original shipping schedules could be met. The statement left the prospects of men with between 60 and 70 points entirely up in the air.

The USFET statement said: "If the shipping allotment for this theater is increased to compensate for the loss of these ships, December shipments will be stepped up to meet the target of only 707,000 men remaining here by Jan. 1. Earlier, it had been planned to ship out the bulk of those now here in October and November and to hold December shipping down to a minimum."

Wives Face Delay, Too

The statement added: "The shipping loss may also delay indefinitely the shipment to the U.S. of wives and dependents of American soldiers in Britain and on the Continent."

USFET said the Queen Elizabeth and the Aquitania together have carried 91,457 troops home since VE-Day, while 85,341 have returned on the Queen Mary, which will remain in American service.

"It had been planned to use the Elizabeth and the Aquitania for four more voyages, carrying a total of some 80,000 men, before the end of the year," the statement said. "Victory ships to be traded for the continued use of the Queen Mary, which is particularly needed for the transportation of Wacs and nurses, would have carried at least another 40,000."

Withdrawal of the Queen Elizabeth and Aquitania climaxed a series of circumstances bearing adversely on redeployment. These included the fact that September shipments dropped 55,000 below the month's estimated quota and the fact, as reported from Reims on Thursday, that sailings of 65,000 soldiers have been postponed in the last two weeks. Another possible factor, the effect of which is difficult to measure, is the longshoremen's strike in New York Harbor.

Storms a Factor

In Reims the postponement of sailings was attributed to "the slow-up of ships from the American Eastern seaboard to Europe, the beginning of the storm season in the Atlantic and English Channel" and the fact that the number of Liberty ships converted to troop transports fell below original estimates.

Theater Service Forces announced on Oct. 5 that in October shipping would be available for an estimated 383,408 troops. In the light of the USFET statement it was considered problematical yesterday whether this goal could be attained.

German Chief Fired From Post in Cologne

BRUSSELS, Oct. 12 (AP).—Charged with not carrying out the Allied Military Government's policy with sufficient thoroughness, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, oberburgermeister of Cologne, has been dismissed from his post, the British public relations service said today.