

House Group Urges Army Court Reforms

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—Court martial sentences sent 142 soldiers to their deaths during the war years and the ensuing months, it was disclosed by a subcommittee of the House Military Affairs Committee in recommending an extensive overhauling of the Army's system of justice.

The group reported that between Dec. 7, 1941, and Feb. 22, 1946, 72 men had been executed for murder, 51 for rape, 18 for murder and rape, and one for desertion.

The findings were set forth in a 25,000-word document sharply critical of what the subcommittee

called injustices, extreme severity of sentences and partiality resulting from the existing court martial system.

The full military committee temporarily tabled the subcommittee's report at the War Department's

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One Year Ago Today

7th Army takes Nurnberg. Allies' PW bag hits 2,055,575. Yanks open big assault on Okinawa. 90th Div. crosses Czech border.

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Lichfield Guard Gets Six Months

LONDON, April 20 (UP)—S/Sgt. James M. Jones, of Muskogee, Okla., was found guilty today on three of eight charges of assault on prisoners at the Lichfield detention camp. He was sentenced to serve six months at hard labor and to forfeit \$18 a month from his pay.

Jones had faced a maximum prison term of 18 months. His sentence was the minimum under the charges.

The six-man court, composed of four majors and two captains, deliberated for 50 minutes before returning the verdict.

Beat Prisoners 'to Scare Them'

Earlier, Jones had taken the stand in his own defense to tell the court he had beaten prisoners to "scare them so they wouldn't come back—that's when I knew they were trying to evade combat."

Jones admitted hitting prisoners with his fists and with clubs and said such practices by guards "happened every day" on orders from superior officers.

Lt. Granville Cubage, Lichfield prison officer now facing court martial charges of cruelty to prisoners, had issued orders, Jones asserted, "to get rough with repeaters."

Jones testified he had determined to change his story about the beatings from the previous Lichfield trial, "because I was disgusted with the way the officers acted and felt they hadn't backed us up."

Changed His Testimony

At the previous trial he told the court he knew nothing of the beatings, but changed his testimony when he and other witnesses were granted immunity from perjury.

The 22-year-old former Lichfield guard declared that prisoners marked with bruises from beatings by guards were "concealed" whenever Army inspectors visited the prison camp.

Jones had pleaded not guilty to charges of assault and battery on the grounds he was obeying orders from his officers.

Manville and No. 8 Part

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., April 20—Tommy Manville and his eighth wife, British-born Georgina Campbell, have parted. Mrs. Manville said in a letter to the asbestos heir that she was leaving his estate for an unannounced destination.

Flight of Pengos Hits 52 Millions to Dollar

LONDON, April 20 (UP)—A Hungarian official said today that the Hungarian inflation was increasing, with the present black market exchange rate as 52,000,000 pengos for \$1.

He attributed the inflation to disastrous economic conditions, including Hungary's loss of 60 per cent of its cattle and 70 per cent of its rolling stock. He asserted that the inflation could only be stopped by the provision of supplies from abroad, and by formation of an economic bloc of Balkan nations.

Chinese Reds Seize Control Of Changchun

CHUNGKING, April 20 (AP)—A Chinese government spokesman today acknowledged that Chinese Communists had wrested Changchun, the capital of Manchuria, from government troops.

The admission was made as fresh government armies moved to the troubled area and Gen. George C. Marshall, former U. S. Army Chief of Staff, strove to halt the renewed civil war.

Alarmed Chinese officials in Harbin, fearing a battle for that north Manchurian city comparable to the five-day assault which preceded the capture of Changchun, fled by plane to Mukden.

Russian troops are scheduled to withdraw from Harbin April 26. Officials pointed out that Communist troops dominated northern Manchuria and asserted that the withdrawal of Russia's occupation troops from Changchun had precipitated the successful Communist onslaught.

Situation Called Grave

The Associated Press learned of the flight of Chinese officials from Harbin at the Sino-American truce headquarters in Peiping.

An official spokesman said government troops had not occupied Szepeingka. The spokesman said a government vanguard entered the city but because of strong Communist resistance halted to consolidate positions.

The spokesman added that the entire situation in central Manchuria must be considered "very grave" from the government's viewpoint.

He indicated that Communist forces could occupy Harbin without a battle when the Russians withdraw.

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U.S. Cuts Wheat 25% To Aid Famine Areas

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—The Government last night ordered a 25 per cent cut in wheat consumption in the U. S. as President Truman appealed to Americans in a nationwide broadcast to share their food with the world's hungry people.

Broadcasting on a program with Herbert Hoover, speaking from Cairo, Clinton P. Anderson, Secretary of Agriculture, and Fiorello LaGuardia, UNRRA director-general, the President described what he called history's greatest threat of mass starvation.

"A sound world order can never be built upon a foundation of human misery," Mr. Truman said. "Millions will surely die unless we eat less. Again I strongly urge all Americans to save bread and conserve oils and fats. These are the most essential weapons at our disposal to fight famine abroad." Messages sent back by Mr. Hoover, he said, had emphasized the des-

The Rubble Brigade At Work in Dresden

Silhouetted against the clear spring sky with their ancient church looking on, the people of Dresden, in the Russian occupation zone, work to clear rubble from the shattered city. In each pile, a few whole bricks will be found and set aside for use in construction of homes for the many now doubling up with relatives and friends whose houses are still standing.



NEW YORK, April 20 (UP)—Americans are likely to eat more cake than usual in the next month as a result of the rationing of wheat to bakeries. This is the opinion of many bakers and others who believe that pastries are more profitable than bread to sell.

perate plight of the people abroad. He renewed his appeal that for two days a week Americans should reduce their food consumption to the level of that of needy lands.

The cut in wheat consumption, announced by Anderson, will go into effect Monday, when distribution of flour to the millers will be restricted to 75 per cent of what they received at this time last year.

La Guardia warned, "The next 90 days will mean eternity for a great many who are now on the brink of death," as he explained that millions in Czechoslovakia, Poland, Greece, Italy, Austria, Albania and China would be without bread unless boatloads of wheat were rushed to them at once.

"We are ready. We have boats and we must have wheat. I appeal desperately to the American farmer. You have heard from your President. Bring in the wheat. But bring it in now," La Guardia pleaded.

Maj. Gen. T. B. Larkin, Army quartermaster general, today ordered a study of possible further reductions in Army rations. The chief of the subsistence section will make the investigation.

Recently the Army cut its daily ration from 3,900 to 3,600 calories.

Eats 100 Eggs in 2 Hours

HELSINKI, April 20 (INS)—Miss Meri Aamutahi recently ate 100 raw eggs in less than two hours to win a bet. She said she had never felt better in her life.

French Constitution Approved Despite Protests by Rightists

PARIS, April 20 (AP)—By a 60-vote margin, the left-wing majority of the Constituent Assembly presented France with a new constitution last night over vigorous opposition from the right and center.

When Vincent Auriol, assembly president, announced the result, Communists and Socialists stood and cheered frenziedly, after which the entire assembly rose and sang the "Marseillaise."

The result, ending months of study and debate, was almost certain to plunge the country into a bitter campaign over its organic law, and threatened to split the government at the cabinet meeting next Wednesday morning.

The assembly, elected for this purpose last October, adopted the charter for the Fourth Republic, 309 to 249, with 28 assemblymen absent or not voting. The Communists and Socialists supported it, while the Popular Republican Movement (MRP) the Radical Socialists and other right and center deputies voted against it.

The constitution, which vests virtually unrestricted powers in a single-chamber legislature, will be submitted to the nation's electorate in a referendum May 5.

Heralding the debates which will engage the nations in the next three weeks, provisional President Felix Gouin, a Socialist, took the assembly floor shortly before adjournment and

urged approval of the constitution.

The Socialists and Communists have said they will support the new charter in the referendum. Spokesmen for the MRP, the Radical Socialists and the Republican Liberty Party say their groups will fight ratification.

To the last, the right and center vainly sought to insert some restriction on the legislature's authority.

Armed Terrorists Burn, Pillage Hundreds of Polish Villages

RZESZOW, Poland, April 20 (AP)—Strongly-armed bands of what were said to be Ukrainian nationalists again carried torch terror into southeastern Poland today. They crossed from the Russian frontier, burning scores of villages by flinging torches onto straw-thatched houses, carried off livestock and left thousands of Polish peasants homeless.

The bands, the numbers of which vary from hundreds to upwards of 2,000, are estimated to have burned 800 villages within the last few months.

The wave of terror, extending southeast of Rzeszow along the San River, is being fought by several divisions of Polish militiamen of the security corps.

Sweeping across the Soviet

frontier about midnight, the bands are believed to be acting in retaliation for their transfer to Russia under the Polish-Soviet agreement. The populace of the former Polish Ukraine has insisted upon the right to remain on Polish soil and also has demanded that the Ukraine be declared an independent state.

Almost everywhere in southeastern Poland people no longer undress at night and they hide their valuables in the cellars.

The villages have rigged up an alarm signal system to sound the approach of the raiders, permitting many Poles to escape death by torch.

It is estimated that between 500 and 1,000 Polish settlers have been slain in the last three months.

Flat-Rate Terminal Pay Plan—\$200 for Overseas, \$100 for ZI

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—A bill to give the millions of former enlisted men and women discharged from the armed services \$200 apiece if they served overseas, and \$100 otherwise, as terminal-leave pay was introduced in the Senate today.

Sens. Edwin C. Johnson (D.-Colo.), Burnet R. Maybank (D.-S.C.), Ernest W. McFarland (D.-Ariz.) and Dennis Chavez (D.-N.M.) were authors of the bill.

Fixed sums for all World War II enlisted personnel were designed to meet War and Navy department objections that terminal-pay proposals already pending in Congress would present tremendous administrative problems. The proposals would require examination of millions of veterans' service records, many of them incomplete, to determine how much furlough time each received while in service in order to calculate terminal payment.

Under the bill of the four senators, enlisted men and women still in service would receive terminal-leave pay upon discharge on the basis of two and one-half days for each month of service, minus furlough time actually received.

Those already discharged could collect a fixed sum simply by presenting discharge certificates at any Army finance or recruiting office or Naval installation. Certificates would then be stamped as evidence that payment had been collected.

Payments would go to enlisted personnel who served six months or more since Aug. 27, 1940, and were honorably discharged.

Legislation, designed to extend to enlisted personnel the terminal-leave benefits received by officers upon discharge, is offered in both branches of Congress. It is scheduled to come up for action in the House in May.

Heidenheim Hails Easter With Bells Made of Gun Mounts



CITIZENS of Heidenheim stage a parade in honor of their gleaming new church bells.



BLESSING of the bells. The parish priest was freed from Dachau.

HEIDENHEIM, April 20—The Bells of Heidenheim, newly cast and installed only a few days ago in the Catholic church of this South Wurttemberg town, will ring out their mellow tones again tomorrow, Easter Sunday, for the first time since early in the war years.

The bells were taken from the church on Hitler's order in 1943 and hauled away to war plants to be converted into Wehrmacht weapons. The towers of the church remained silent through the remaining war years.

When the American Military Government entered the town in April, 1945, the townspeople pleaded that new bells be found somewhere, somehow. While other German towns and villages were locating their long-lost church bells, a search started for proper materials to enable Heidenheim to have its Sunday chimes again.

Cast From 88's

It is ironic and significant that Heidenheim, which manufactured mounts for the dreaded Wehrmacht 88's during the war, regained its bells from these same melted down gun mountings.

This guns-to-bells operation took place in the oldest foundry in Germany, in Dillingen on the Danube, where a year ago the 12th Armd. Div. forced its way across that river. The 12th Armd. Div. remained in the area and had its headquarters in Heidenheim until it was redeployed.

Many former members of the division were on hand for the ceremonies surrounding installation of the new bells.

The gleaming bells were carried to the church after a parade through the city, hauled on horse-drawn and flower-bedecked wagons. They were followed by Catholic societies, workmen who cast the bell and German civil officials.

MG Is Represented

Military Government was represented in the installation ceremonies by 1/Lt. John Van Stirum, who greeted the paraders and told them that the newly cast church bells today represented "for every German a symbol of newly won freedom of religion and reconstruction of religious life." He pointed to the splendor of the new bells, and reminded the townspeople that a year ago they were German cannon, symbols of German aggression.

Assisting in Catholic ceremonies blessing the bells was Stadtpfarrer Alfons Mark, who last week celebrated his first year of freedom. It was just a year ago that he was released from Dachau to return to his parish as priest of the Heidenheim Catholic Church. The Bishop of Wurttemberg was represented during the occasion by Generalvicar Dr. Kottmann.

Others participating in the event included the deputy military governor of Wurttemberg, Col. Morris O. Edwards, members of the Theater Ordnance Technical School in Heidenheim, the staff of the Heidenheim MG detachment and unit commanders of the area.



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Hitch-Hiker's Lament

Is there any rule that says a jeep or truck driver can't pick up a Joe who is hitch-hiking in order to get some place for some recreation? The drivers in the Bremen Enclave seem to think so, for they pass you up with an empty vehicle and don't seem to give it a second thought.

Sure, there are busses, but they only run from populated places. What is the Joe who is "out in the country" supposed to do, stay home? The drivers up here seem to think so.

—Enclave Joe.

Esperanto as Peace Builder

We have been soldiers serving in the ET for the past three years. It has been our experience that we have never been able to come to know (and therefore to understand) millions of peoples in whose lands we have traveled, because of the language barrier.

We feel that this also must have operated in the reverse, and that it is one of the prime reasons why so much misunderstanding and lack of sympathy has arisen between the natives of these lands and our soldiers. We cannot help but believe that, on a greater scale, many misunderstandings between nations may be due to the same reason.

There has been one international language, scientifically developed by experts, which has streamlined language to the point of near perfection. We refer to Esperanto.

Billions of dollars are being spent on all types of schemes to preserve the peace and promote international understanding, yet this simple and basic medium of accomplishing both these ends has been universally ignored. As a house is built with individual bricks, true international accord can only be built by the understanding of the individuals in the various nations. Who can propose a better plan?

—Two Civilians.

Sailor Guesfs Welcome

We Navy men don't care too much about being stopped from eating in the transient mess in Frankfurt, but it just goes to show how fellow Americans treat men from a different branch of the service. Other Allied forces eat there, but I guess the Navy is considered a bunch of jackasses.

There are about 300 GIs to every sailor here, so we just keep our mouths shut. Still, ask any GI that's been to a Navy base if he ever has been refused a meal. —Navy Boys.

Editor's note: This letter was forwarded to the headquarters commandant, USFET, who replied that the commander of Navy forces in Germany specifically had requested the Army not to feed sailors, as they had their own mess. He added, "Enlisted Naval personnel are welcome in any of our messes at any time as the guest of a soldier. Personnel on night watch are welcome to eat a midnight meal at No. 1 mess."

Advice on Packages

I work at a postal unit and, consequently, may be able to offer some advice in helping to get a package home. (1) Wrap it with heavy paper; (2) Tie it with strong cord, not thread.

Remember that 4th class mail goes by boat, and that each box can't be handled separately. Some of the gripes are legitimate, but I have handled many packages that were in poor shape when they reached me, and that's only the first step in the trip home.

—Pfo, 3rd Div.

African Tribe Collects Debt 50 Years Old

LONDON, April 20 (INS)—Because of a promise made by Queen Victoria, the British treasury has just paid out \$45,680 for a fleet of war canoes and an armory of spears, assagais and other African jungle weapons that went to the bottom of the Bight of Biafra half a century ago.

More than 50 years ago the British vice-consul was having a great deal of trouble on the Opobo River in Nigeria with native chiefs who held up traders. Finally, a disarmament conference was held and the chiefs agreed to surrender their war canoes and weapons on a promise that the "Great White Queen" would pay compensation within 50 years.

The 50 years flew swiftly by and descendants of the Opobo chiefs suddenly reminded the British government about the compensation.

Meanwhile, the administration of Nigeria had passed from the foreign office to the colonial office and no trace of any such agreement could be found. But Opobo chiefs had carefully preserved their copies of the papers. Thus Queen Victoria's word was kept and the treasury paid out the money, which the chiefs proceeded to divide among themselves.

Britain's Only Warrior-Monk Returns to His Habit and Cowl

LONDON, April 20 (INS)—As the hazy purple of a spring twilight settled over the Sussex countryside, a tall, strong figure walked to the entrance of the Carthusian Monastery at Cowfold and knocked on the door.

The door silently swung open and the visitor entered. That same night he was walking in the solemn procession through the cloisters, dressed in habit and cowl, to attend midnight prayers in the monastery chapel.

The war had ended for Britain's only soldier-monk. Eight hours before, he had doffed his khaki battle-dress for the last time. In his hand he held the holy missal instead of the order of the day. He knelt in silent prayer before the altar instead of refurbishing his equipment for the next day's action.

The soldier-monk was at peace again.

He was one of the youngest of the brothers living in the seclusion of the monastery when the war broke out. He went to the head of the order and explained:

"Our country is threatened again. It is my duty to go out and fight. I wish to be released from my vows so that I can go and serve my country. If I am alive when the war is ended I will return and renew my vows."

His appeal was granted and within a few weeks the monk, now

a full-fledged soldier, was serving with a transport unit in the Middle East.

As he renewed his monastic devotions, the great monastery bell pealed out across the quiet countryside as though in welcome to the soldier who had fought for the peace he wanted as a monk.

The monastery procurator, Father Grey, told interviewers:

"The brother, having now returned to the monastery desires peace and seclusion. I cannot reveal his name or anything about him."

And so, for the second time wearing the coarse brown habit dictated by his conscience, the soldier passed into peaceful oblivion.

Official Bulletin

The Official Bulletin column is published in conformity with Letter AG 000.76 GAP AGO Hq. USFET, 22 Sept. 1945. Subject: Official Bulletin Column in The Stars and Stripes, to assure rapid and complete dissemination of official announcements to all USFET personnel.

Location of Personnel

Will the following named enlisted men report their present unit assignment and APO number to AG Military Personnel (Enlisted Branch), Hq., U. S. Forces, European Theater, APO 757. This information is in connection with discharge, redeployment status under War Department Demobilization Plan, rank status and OCS. Contact should be made by TWX, letter, or telephone Frankfurt 2-1205, 2-2748 or 2-2647:

Annweiler, Theodore, 36665508, Cpl.; Arthur, Archie W., 35082737, Pfc; Chirico, Marino A., 32841329, T/S; Willis, Jessie J., 38133353, Pvt.

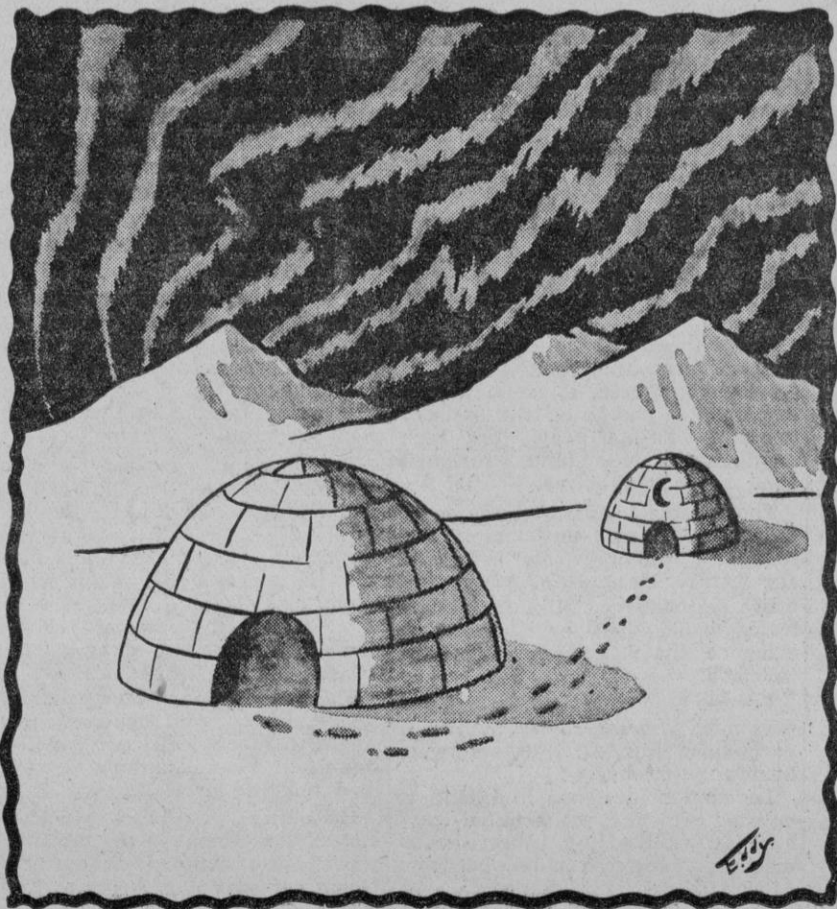
Dependency Discharges

It is desired that all enlisted men, whose dependents have initiated applications for discharges on account dependency and hardship in their behalf, through The AG Washington 25, D. C. contact by letter only (Attn: Lt. Porter) Discharge Section, Enlisted Branch, AG Mil. Pers. Div., Headquarters, USFET, APO 757, giving their present mailing address. The above information is necessary in order that discharges may be expedited.

For the Adjutant General:
J. W. Porter,
1/Lt., AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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By Hoffman



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Millions in U.S. Join in Joyous Easter Rites

NEW YORK, April 20 (AP)—Christians throughout the U. S. will celebrate the nation's first peacetime Easter since 1941 in symbolic ceremonies, many in the open air.

In the nation's capital, 16 states are expected to be represented at a program in the amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery. Other sunrise services will be held at Fort Lincoln Heights, Walter Reed Hospital and the steps of the George Washington Memorial.

Fifteen miles northwest of Lawton, Okla., in the Wichita Mountains, 150,000 persons are expected to watch a sunrise pageant in which a cast of more than 1,000 will depict the life, crucifixion and resurrection of Christ. Another observance will be held at the rim of Grand Canyon National Park in Colorado, at Bright Angel Point.

The Easter program at the huge Hollywood Bowl is expected to attract 35,000 persons, while 75,000 are expected at the 34th annual sunrise service to be held at Mount Rubidoux in Riverside, Calif.

Dr. William Ward Ayer, of New York City's Calvary Baptist Church, will deliver a sermon to the 50,000 to 60,000 persons expected to gather at Soldiers Field in Chicago.

Francis Cardinal Spellman will celebrate mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City.

U. S.-BOUND ORPHANS MARK LAST EASTER IN THE ET

HEIDELBERG, April 20 (UP)—Special Easter services will be held tomorrow for 50 orphan children from several nations of Europe, who are being prepared for a trip to America.

Those who are old enough will celebrate Easter in traditional fashion in a crude chapel in one room of a former German home for feeble-minded children or at a church in nearby Aglesterhausen.

At an UNRRA camp 15 miles east of here, the children, ranging in age from 8 months to 17 years, have been collected from DP camps throughout Germany. Next month they will form the first shipment of immigrants sponsored by the U. S. Committee for Care of European Children, to new homes in America.

FRENCH INVITE YANKS TO HOMES FOR EASTER

PARIS, April 20—More than 100 invitations have been received for American military personnel stationed in Paris and environs to spend Easter and subsequent holidays in French homes. Western Base Special Services announced today.

The invitations were forwarded to Special Services by France-U. S. A., an organization which fosters relations between the two countries.

AMERICANS, JAPANESE HOLD JOINT SERVICE

TOKYO, April 20 (AP)—American and Japanese Christians will hold joint services in Meiji Stadium at sunrise tomorrow, as Japan observes its first peacetime Easter in nine years.

The stadium Easter celebration is sponsored by the Allied forces and the Christian Association of Japan.

MOSCOW CONGREGATIONS EXPECTED TO SWELL

MOSCOW, April 20 (AP)—Moscow congregations will swell to 1,000,000 persons, by tomorrow noon, according to Greek Orthodox priests.

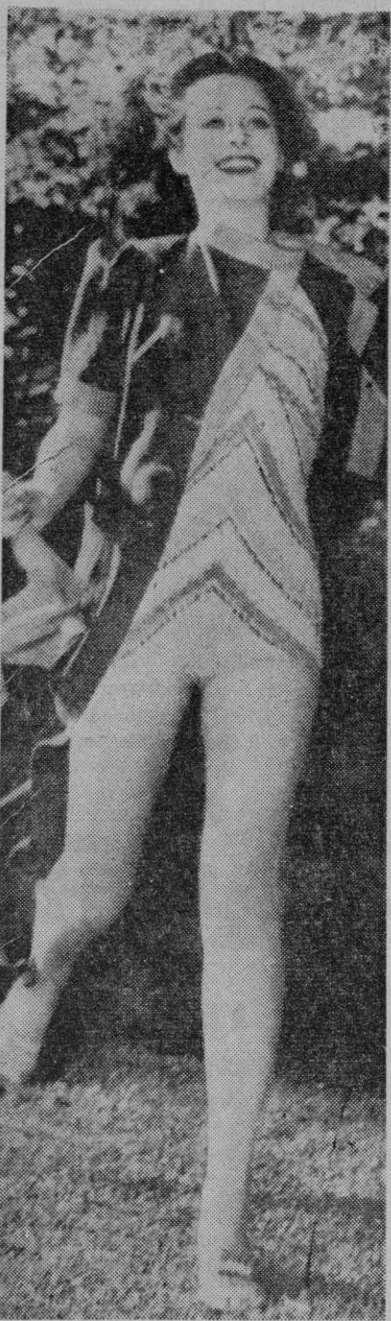
The number of churchgoers in Moscow increased throughout the war, and the congregations last year were the biggest since the revolution.

College Vets Enraged at Report They Called Coeds 'Promiscuous'

ANN ARBOR, Mich., April 20 (INS)—University of Michigan student veterans were aroused today over an article in a Detroit morning newspaper in which veterans were quoted as saying they found that their coeds indulged in promiscuity and excessive drinking.

Representatives of 200 student veterans held an indignation meeting last night. They passed a resolution describing the article as "utterly distorted, foolish and a definite misrepresentation of the facts."

The Michigan Daily, University of Michigan student publication, printed a front-page editorial charging the newspaper with causing "irreparable damage to the reputation of one of



Loses \$95,000 to Thieves

HOLLYWOOD, April 20 (INS)—Police today had only a muddy heel print as a clue to burglars who looted Hedy Lamarr's home of \$95,000 worth of furs and jewelry. One of the thieves left the print in the star's bedroom, from which they took a \$75,000 chinchilla coat, a \$10,000 nine-carat diamond solitaire and a quantity of rings and bracelets.

Jet Aircraft Arrive in ET

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
WIESBADEN, April 20—The arrival of the first P-80 jet-powered planes in the European Theater was announced here today by Air Force headquarters.

The jet planes arrived aboard the Liberty ship Robert Burns at Bremen, and were moved by trailers to the Bremen airport.

After the planes have been assembled, they will be tested by Robert J. Harlow, Lockheed test pilot, and flown to Giebelstadt, home of the 55th Fighter Gp., where they will be based.

Autobahn to Be Runway

Because the runway at Bremen airport is too short and too rough for jet take-offs, a 4,000-foot section of the autobahn has been blocked off and will be used for a runway.

Called the "Shooting Star" by Lockheed, the P-80 recently streaked from California to New York to shatter the American transcontinental flight record, reaching the announced speed of 550 miles an hour.

U.S. Treasury Unworried by New Gold Find

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—The United States Government is willing to buy unlimited amounts of gold, it was learned today, but a Treasury official said that the new gold strike in South Africa probably would not have any effect on the United States "for a long time."

It was explained that the new field would have to produce a tremendous amount to weigh against the present United States holdings of \$20,252,000,000 worth of gold. The Government now buys gold on the open market at the official price of \$35 an ounce.

Private Buying Curtailed

There is no duty or tariff on gold imports. It is one of the world's freest commodities, although there is no appreciable private buying allowed in America.

Authorities believe that the South African discoveries may provide Great Britain with more gold for purchases in the world market.

New York's first reaction to the South African gold find was cautious, although the Wall Street Journal, organ of high finance, said that mining men "hailed the discovery."

However, the paper warned that experts had noted that "as far as can be ascertained now, the exceptionally rich values reported were the results obtained from only one borehole and they are inclined to await further news . . . before making further comment."

S. AFRICAN GOLD STRIKE EXPECTED TO AID BRITAIN

JOHANNESBURG, April 20 (AP)—South Africans believe that Great Britain will benefit considerably from the Orange Free State gold discovery if she can deliver the goods quickly.

It was conservatively estimated today that the week's feverish stock market activity had added 20,000,000 pounds to gold shares, mostly held in South Africa.

This has increased the already tremendous demand for luxury goods.

Before the war these were largely supplied by imports from the United States, but recently a desire to aid Britain, coupled with delays caused by American labor trouble, has strengthened the market for British exports.

Sex-Life Questions In AGO Test Draw Senator's Protest

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—Sen. Styles Bridges (R.-N. H.) told the Senate today he was going to ask Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson to check into a report that 50 employees of the Adjutant General's Office were held overtime to take a test that included questions on sex life and bathroom habits.

Bridges read an account of such a test published in the Federal Diary, a column in the Washington Post, devoted to government employees. The newspaper story said employees were told they were to take a "test to test the test" on which promotions would be based in some offices. The story added that, following protests of the 50, the test was destroyed and an investigation ordered.

Housecleaning Demanded For Washington's Jails

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—Reorganization of the District of Columbia prison system was recommended by a House committee after it had heard tales of drinking bouts and parties in jail cells.

The report also recommended criminal prosecution be started by the district attorney if examination of evidence shows violations of the law. Dismissal of both Howard B. Gill, suspended penal superintendent, and Claude O. Botkin, district jail superintendent, was recommended by the committee.

Truman Signs Navy Bill

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—President Truman signed legislation increasing the regular peacetime strength of the Navy from 232,000 to 500,000 enlisted men and of the Marine Corps from 64,400 to 100,000 men. The measure also lifts the permissible regular line officer strength of the Navy from 12,760 to 35,000.

Allied Agents Smash German Ring Selling Fake Penicillin Cure

BERLIN, April 20 (AP)—American and British agents today uncovered a 10-million-mark cache of fake drugs, concocted by a German gang of racketeers to sell to Berlin's VD-ridden population.

The gang of seven men and three women, led by an alleged dope addict, were jailed just as they began to market their authentic-appearing mixture of face powder and ground-up atabrine tablets, bottled in discarded Army penicillin containers. The loot, it was disclosed, would have netted them more than 10 million marks.

American CID officials identified the ringleader as Peter Domke, 26-year-old former Wehrmacht private. They disclosed that a least 200 bottles of the phoney penicillin apparently already had been sold, at a price of 10,000 to 15,000 marks each.

Some of the stuff was poisonous, the agents reported, as a Russian officer was known to be seriously ill after taking the fake VD cure.

There were known incidents in which the gang attempted to sell the fake drug to German doctors, but were thwarted when the doctors had the stuff analyzed before agreeing to buy it.



Runs for Congress

Believed to be the first woman veteran to run for the House of Representatives, Janet Jordan, 28, of Santa Monica, Calif., has filed as a candidate on the Republican ticket. She served in the Marine Corps Womens Reserve.

ROUNDUP

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 20 (UP)—Traffic officers were confronted today with a hit-and-gallop accident case. They sought a rider whose horse injured spectators at the Pioneer Parade yesterday. Other spectators said the horseman dismounted, looked over the scene of confusion, remounted and galloped away.

WALLINGTON, N. J., April 20 (INS)—President Truman soon will review for final action the court martial which condemned to death Pfc Joseph E. Hicswa, 20, of Wallington, for slaying two Japanese civilians in Tokyo. Stephen E. Lesko, the Hicswa family's physician, had earlier told Army authorities that head injuries suffered by the soldier as a schoolboy might have affected his mentality.

LOS ANGELES, April 20 (UP)—Mrs. Lucille McNair said today she did not want to separate the family cat, Fluffy, and the family dog, Brownie, who were raised together. She asked for their custody in her divorce petition.

FERGUS FALLS, Minn., April 20 (UP)—Raymond Moltzen, 22, and Vernon Nieman, 18, in a truck loaded with 650 pounds of game fish, collided last night with the auto in which game wardens Holland and McCauley were riding. Moltzen and Nieman were fined \$25 on charges of illegal possession of the fish.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20 (INS)—Pvt. Abe Klenofsky was awaiting removal to Brooklyn today to face charges of participating in the theft of 533 cases of coffee. He was arrested on Okinawa last February after being indicted along with five others by a New York Federal grand jury last November.

Missing Girl Found Living in Woods, Guarding Cache of Guns and Jewelry

SEATTLE, April 20 (AP)—A self-styled "wild girl of the woods" who lived in a wooded area south of the city limits for nearly a month with her only shelter a bedroll was held for questioning today. Sheriff Harlans Callahan said she was held on an open charge and booked as Joan Ellen Baker, 20, who has been missing from her West Seattle home since March 22. Her father, C. C. Baker, reported the disappearance 10 days ago.

Vet Answers SOS, Reenlists to Cook For Eisenhower

CHICAGO, April 20 (INS)—His ability to cook a meal to the general's taste is taking former Sgt. James Martin, 24, of Chicago, back to the Army he left five months ago.

Martin was saying goodbye to his friends today and announced he would accept a telegraphed invitation to return as cook for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

It seems that Eisenhower had a yen for Martin's crisply browned fish filets, his quail on toast, peasant with wild rice and rare roast of beef.

Martin, refusing to reveal his recipes, said, "Why, I might be giving away a couple of extra stripes if I let anyone know how to prepare the general's meals."

House Votes Vets Priority on Surplus

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP)—The House approved a bill raising the priority status of veterans in acquiring surplus war goods.

The Senate has approved a similar measure. Because of minor differences, the two versions will be considered by a joint committee.

The House measure specifies that a surplus property administrator may set aside "appropriate quantities" of excess items on which veterans shall be given top priority.

It also provides that veterans shall rate second only to Federal agencies in priority standings.

Missed Heiress Found In Salvation Army Home

NEW YORK, April 20 (AP)—Police said that Dorothy Ball, 20-year-old Muncie, Ind., heiress who had been missing from Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Mass., since Tuesday, was reunited with her father at a Salvation Army shelter in the Lower East Side.

Search was under way for the student when she was recognized by Maj. Helen Thomas, of the Salvation Army, at the shelter where she registered.

Youmans Wills TB Trust Fund

NEW YORK, April 20 (AP)—Vincent Youmans left the major share of his estate to a trust fund for victims of tuberculosis. The 47-year-old musician died on April 5 after 12 years of treatment for tuberculosis.

French Called Fair but Cold In Reich Rule

BADEN-BADEN, Germany, April 20 (AP)—After experiencing four years of occupation themselves, the French are showing remarkable forbearance in their occupation of southwestern Germany.

Nowhere in the French zone does one see the least sign of the spirit of revenge. Everywhere the French are polite, if somewhat cold, toward their former enemies. There seems less fraternization than in the British zone, far less than in the American zone.

French officials and military government officers are in the main severe but just; they are ready to do what is right by the Germans, if not much more. And the Germans respect them for it.

Each evening at sunset when the tri-color flag is hauled down with military honors at French headquarters here, every German civilian passing by must stop, stand at attention and bare his head. It serves as a little reminder who is top dog now. But there is no attempt made to humiliate the Germans. The French have too lately felt humiliated themselves.

Small, Efficient Army

If the strain of keeping up all the appearances of a powerful occupation army is sometimes felt by the men composing it, outward appearances are never allowed show it. The new, if small, French army in Germany is smart and conscious of its responsibilities. Guards are neatly turned out, military courtesies and saluting strictly observed, equipment better maintained than in the past. If the available transport is sometimes old and battered, if uniforms are sometimes a pot-pourri of French, American or British tailoring, the result is never allowed to affect the general efficiency of the occupation forces.

The French argue that the economic administration of their zone has suffered because the zone is neither geographically nor industrially a complete unit. They have a part of Wurttemberg, but no longer have its capital, Stuttgart, from which they withdrew so that it could be included in the American zone. They have the larger part of Baden, but they again lack its capital, Karlsruhe. They have the Rhineland, but the British hold its largest city, Cologne. The Palatinate and the Saar are politically and ethnically mixed areas, they say, and the removal of their administrative center from Stuttgart has involved creation of a new capital at Baden-Baden and the re-centering of the zone's whole economy around it.

20,000 French in City

Today Baden-Baden is almost a French city. Eight thousand officials thumb through great dossiers in the luxurious rooms of its great spa hotels, smartly-dressed French women trip along its narrow streets, French children lug leather satchels bulging with books to its schools. It is estimated that over 20,000 French nationals live in the city and in nearby villas.

But Baden-Baden is not typical of the zone as a whole. Although here and there the wheels of industry are turning again, many plants are idle because of the grave shortage of coal. The Saar mines, it is true, are producing an average of 23,000 tons of coal daily, which is 86 per cent of normal prewar production and compares with an average production of 76 per cent in the British-controlled Ruhr. The French are proud of this figure, which they say is remarkable in view of the fact that the miners are on a low diet, have almost no soap, sometimes lack even adequate boots.



Noisemakers clattering wildly, the Bavarian children go from house to house in quest of colored eggs and other tidbits popular at Easter-time, left, and then gather to divide the fruits of their pilgrimage, above.

Easter in Bavaria



Easter, it seems, is still Easter, even in war-shattered Bavaria—especially where children are concerned. Not unlike those in the United States, Bavarian youngsters greeted this traditionally religious period with youthful enthusiasm, looking forward to the colored eggs, candy, new clothes and the Easter rabbit himself, despite the limitations of the postwar era.

In days past, the routine was standard throughout this section of Germany. On Maundy Thursday the children took their wooden rattles out of drawers and closets where they had been stored since the previous Easter and trooped from house to house in search of colored eggs, chocolate rabbits and cookies.

The noisemakers, too, are symbolic. Religious practice prescribed that church bells were to remain silent from Thursday until Saturday afternoon. The youngsters long ago evolved the rattles as a substitute and proved their effectiveness.

Visits to neighborhood homes continued until Saturday. On the following day—Easter Sunday—the parents entered into the spirit of the occasion and encouraged the Easter rabbit legend.

Unlike the American bunny of Superman proportions, which hops from home to home, lugging baskets of candy and eggs, the Bavarian tradition sticks to the standard size.

It is customary for the parents to discover a rabbit in the yard. The children are summoned hurriedly, but, alas, when they arrive, the rabbit is no longer there. A search is launched immediately and the children find that, in his haste to get away, the elusive bunny has left behind the sweets which are such an important part of the Easter season.

Just as in America, young animals and fowl get special attention at this time of year. Baby ducks and chicks are lugged around in baskets, lambs get bows and bells around their necks and rabbits hold a place of honor.

Although most of these childhood thrills were missing this year, excitement wasn't appreciably dimmed and the children carried on the time-worn practice of egg hunting and noise making.

Hans admires the baby ducks with his sisters, left, and gets a taste of the special Easter pastry, typically Bavarian, lower left. Erika smiles proudly as she poses for the cameraman with her little lamb, bedecked with Easter ribbons and a new bell.



THE STARS AND STRIPES

What's Your Opinion?

THE QUESTION: If you had it to do over, what branch of service would you choose?

PFC ROBERT J. EYER
9th TRG

I would take the Army again if I had my choice. I took infantry basic but eventually ended in the Transportation Corps, and I like it best of all. I get to travel and this is very interesting here, as well as the fact that we have good living quarters—and, of course, we are the only GIs in town, which helps a lot.



PVT ARTHUR GOUGH
H-303

I would have no part of the Army if I had my choice again. I would much prefer to be in the Navy, as I like their setup. They get the best men available and they give those men more of a choice of jobs than the Army does. I think that in the Navy I would get to travel and see more than in the Army, and I like the idea better on the whole.



S/SGT WEBB H. COX
Motor Sgt., 16th Inf

If I had it to do over again, I would still take the Army—even the infantry. Before the war I was a dairy farmer and I like the change in work afforded by the Army. I have enjoyed being in the motor pool. I like the work. I think that in the Army I get to see more and have more experiences.



PFC THOMAS LUNDGREN
2nd Cav., Constab.

I would certainly take the Army a second time and, in the Army, I would want to be in the cavalry. I think that it is a darned good outfit. In the Army, the living is definitely better and the cavalry is highly mechanized today, all of which means that I don't have to walk and that isn't bad at all. As for horses, I like the idea of horsemanship, but I like driving equally well.



S/SGT KIOSHI NAKAMURA
4265th QM

I would prefer the Navy to any other branch of the service. In there you at least know where you are going to sleep from night to night. In the infantry, you never knew where your bed was. I think that the Navy provides better training and offers more of a choice in jobs. The pay is better, of course, and the standards for men are higher than the Army.



Elaine Shepard . . . fun with bubbles.

New Movies

A WALK IN THE SUN—The film version of Harry Brown's absorbing novel about an Infantry platoon which hits the beach at Salerno and, with much display of emotional reaction, finally takes a farm house after a six-mile hike, leaves much to be desired. Slow moving and with individual treatment accorded too many individuals, it is often difficult to figure out just where the Hollywood version of a fine book is heading. Combat veterans likely will discover technical flaws which will make them wonder. (With Dana Andrews, Richard Conte and George Tyne.)

ANCHORS AWEIGH—Jose Iturbi's fine music, Kathryn Grayson's excellent voice and a humorous chain of events which involves Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly, combine to make this whimsical concoction good entertainment. Sinatra contributes a few songs, but the emphasis is on Miss Grayson. It's a fine musical—and in technicolor.

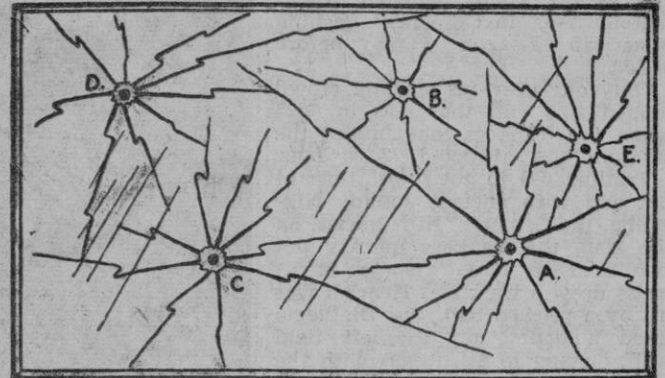
SUNDAY FEATURES

PUZZLES



The Shattered Window

Five bullets were fired through a glass window. From the diagram below, can you determine in what order the shots were fired? Don't give up too quickly—it's not as difficult as it might appear at first.



Catch the Bus

Let's say you're going to take a bus trip. You start from your hometown of Tuxedo Junction, where there are three bus lines to Pottstown. When the first bus leaves Pottstown, it goes on to Dry Gulch. The second one goes from Pottstown to Mudville and then to Hot Point. Bus No. 3 travels from Pottstown to Middle Valley and continues to Pumpkin Hollow.

The bus fare from Tuxedo Junction to Pottsdam is \$1. From Tuxedo Junction to Dry Gulch, Hot Point or Pumpkin Hollow, it's \$2; to the intermediate stops, \$1.50.

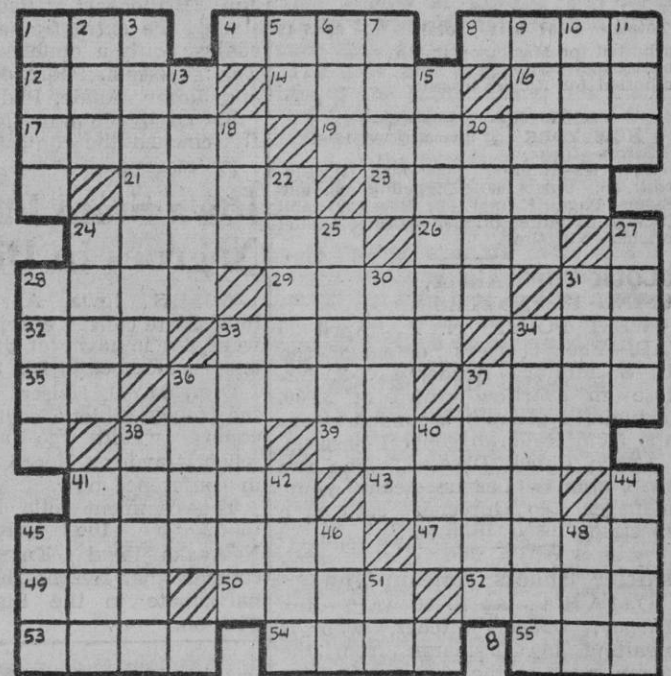
You're standing at the Tuxedo Junction station, waiting for your bus. You already have your ticket, which cost \$1.50. The first bus into the station has a "Pumpkin Hollow" sign in the window. You let that one go by, and it pulls out leaving you still waiting. Where are you going?

"State" a Fact

The United States is thinking of admitting Hawaii as the forth-ninth state. What do you know about the 48 states we already have? Here are some facts identifying various members of the American family. See if you can name the right state in each case.

1. Popularly known as the Tarheel state.
2. It has a population of about 13,500,000.
3. It has a population of only 110,000.
4. This state has only one neighbor bordering it (on the south).
5. It's the shape of a mitten, and covered with automobiles.
6. It split during the Civil War and has been two states ever since.
7. New England's only land-locked state.
8. This state has been under six different flags in its checkered history.
9. And this one declared its independence three times.
10. This state claims more than ten thousand lakes within its borders.
11. Famous for the color of its grass and fleetness of its horses.
12. This is the only state in which the name appears on a New York theater marquee.

Today's Crossword



ACROSS

- 1—Silly person
- 4—Branch of Amazon River
- 8—Such being the
- 12—Top of head
- 14—Defaces
- 16—Prefix; wrong
- 17—Moon-shiner's place of work
- 19—Nooses
- 21—Military car
- 23—Blessings
- 24—Sweet drink
- 26—Married
- 28—Mailed
- 29—Crackman's work (pl.)
- 31—Sun god
- 32—Possessed
- 33—Veered away
- 34—Kind of fish
- 35—Toward
- 36—Old
- 37—Parched
- 38—Also
- 39—Scheduled
- 41—Airplane boss
- 43—Father
- 45—Railroad tie
- 47—Language
- 49—Ever (poet.)
- 50—First King of Israel
- 52—Lowly farmer
- 53—It's done on Monday
- 54—Supreme Court Justice
- 55—Rubbish!

DOWN

- 1—Part of Church
- 2—Took a seat
- 3—Pay for services
- 5—Part of "to be"
- 6—A cheer
- 7—Urchin
- 9—Change
- 10—Titled men
- 11—S-shaped worm
- 13—What voters do
- 15—Retarded
- 18—Permit
- 20—Drives nail at angle
- 22—Turkish title of rank
- 24—Free from dilution
- 25—What trains ride on
- 27—It's used in bridge
- 28—Author of "Pygmalion"
- 30—Senses
- 31—Sudden attack
- 33—Verandas
- 34—More inexperienced
- 36—Only
- 37—Anchor just off bottom
- 38—Theater balconies
- 40—Trouble
- 41—Petition
- 42—It's shed from eye
- 44—Habit
- 45—Stitch together
- 46—Regret
- 48—Muck
- 51—The (Fr.)

ANSWERS TO ALL PUZZLES ON PAGE 7.

Puzzle fans are invited to contribute their own creations.

Headline Echos



by Shep

Yanks Slap Nats, 7-6, With 9th Inning Rally

NEW YORK, April 20 (AP)—John Lindell, former pitcher who is now a sub outfielder with the Yanks, lofted a towering fly to center in the last of the ninth and scored Tommy Henrich with the winning run as the Yanks defeated Washington, 7-6, in Gotham's opening American League game before 54,850.

Only one previous opening crowd topped this and that was in 1923 when the Yankees inaugurated the stadium and attracted 72,200 fans. Trailing 6-5 in their last turn at bat and with ancient Johnny Niggeling, the Senators' fifth hurler, on the slab, the Yankees quickly put two men on base. George Stirnweiss drew a walk and Henrich was hit by a pitched ball. Joe DiMaggio lined a double off the left field wall, driving in Stirnweiss with the tying run and sending Henrich to third. Henrich scored on Lindell's hoist.

DiMag Doubles

The Yankees appeared to have the game won as early as the second when they teed off on southpaw Mickey Haefer for six solid hits and four runs to overcome an early 2-0 deficit. Once again DiMaggio and Lindell supplied the principal pokes. DiMag led off the frame with a booming double to left and scored ahead of Lindell, who walloped the ball into the left field stands.

The Nats kept pecking away at lefty Joe Page and narrowed the Yankees' lead to 4-3 with a single tally in the third. The Bronx Bombers regained a two-run advantage in the sixth on a walk off Walter Master-son, Bill Dickey's single and a wild pitch.

After Al Evans homered for Washington in the seventh, the Senators sent Page to the showers when two walks, an error by Dickey and hits by Cecil Travis and Gerry Priddy gave them a temporary lead.

Hulon Whittington of Jamaica, N. Y., Congressional Medal winner, made the ceremonial first pitch.

The Yankee-Senator game was the only one played in the major leagues, because of the observance of Good Friday.

Box Score:

WASHINGTON		NEW YORK	
ABR	H	ABR	H
Torres, 3b	4 0 0	Gordon, 2b	4 0 1
Lewis, rf	5 1 2	St'nw'ss, 3b	4 1 1
Spence, cf	5 1 1	H'r'ch, rf	4 1 1
Sanford, 1b	4 2 2	D'm'glio, cf	5 1 3
Kuhel, 1b	1 0 1	Lindell, lf	5 1 1
Travis, ss	4 1 2	Etten, 1b	2 2 1
Priddy, 2b	5 0 2	Dickey, c	2 1 2
Heata, lf	4 0 0	Grimes, ss	3 0 2
Evans, c	2 1 1	Page, p	3 0 0
Haefer, p	1 0 0	Karpel, p	0 0 0
M's'r's'n, p	0 0 0	c-Keller	1 0 0
a-Guerra	1 0 0	Roser, p	0 0 0
P'r'tti, p	0 0 0		
b-Goolsby	1 0 0		
Curtis, p	0 0 0		
N'g'l'ng, p	0 0 0		
Totals	37 6 11	Totals	33 7 12

a-batted for Masterson in 7th
b-batted for Pieretti in 8th
c-batted for Karpel in 8th

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NEW YORK 040-001-002-7 12 1

Errors—Dickey
Batteries—Haefer, Masterson (3), Pieretti (2), Curtis (8), Niggeling (8) and Evans, Page, Karpel (8), Roser (9) and Dickey. Winning pitcher—Roser. Losing pitcher—Niggeling.

FLOCK TOPS ARMY, USING 18 PLAYERS

WEST POINT, N. Y., April 20 (AP)—The Dodgers defeated the U. S. Military Academy, 7-3, before an overflow crowd of 3,000, including a group of wounded veterans from Halloran general hospital. Coach Chuck Drensen, who ran the National League team while manager Leo Durocher sat as a spectator, used 18 men.

Hurler Shoots Hole-in-One

OMAHA, April 20 (AP)—Rex Barney, Dodger pitcher, who is awaiting his discharge from the Army, went to the golf course here and made a hole-in-one on 175-yard hole no. 13. Barney reports to the Dodgers on April 30.

Minor League Results

Southern Association	
Newark 2, Buffalo 1.	
Baltimore 9, Rochester 4.	
American Association	
Minneapolis 9, Kansas City 3.	
Louisville 17, Columbus 11.	
Toledo 5, Indianapolis 4.	
Pacific Coast League	
Los Angeles 3, Sacramento 2.	
San Diego 4, Seattle 2 (first game)	
Seattle 1, San Diego 0 (second game)	
Texas League	
Dallas 2, Fort Worth 1.	
Houston 3, San Antonio 2.	
Shreveport 11, Beaumont 0.	
International League	
Nashville 4, Atlanta 2.	
Chattanooga 7, Birmingham 2.	
South Atlantic League	
Columbus 8, Jacksonville 7.	
Macon 14, Savannah 2.	
Augusta 4, Greenville 3.	
Charleston 3, Columbia 2.	



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Seattle Tops San Diego, 4-2; Drops Nightcap

SEATTLE, April 20 (UP)—The Seattle Rainiers and San Diego Padres split a Pacific Coast league baseball doubleheader with the Californians winning the first game, 4-2, in 10 innings and Seattle copping the nightcap, 1-0.

The Rainiers relied on an unearned run to take the second contest while the four-hit pitching of southpaw Len Elliott shut out the Padres.

Only one San Diego player got as far as third base as the Rainiers took advantage of an error by Dick Gycelman, Padre third baseman, to score their only run in the third inning.

Seattle obtained seven hits off Ed Vitalich, San Diego chucker. San Diego won the first game when they landed on Jim Tobin's flutterball. Jim Brilleheart, Padre pitcher, started the extra frame in the first contest with a double. Singles by Tony Criscola, Padre center fielder, and Jimmy Angle, Padre shortstop, followed by Johnny Jensen's long fly, cinched the contest.

Iowa State Favors Negroes in Big 6

AMES, Iowa, April 20 (AP)—Iowa State college officials said they were not in favor of discriminating against Negroes in Big Six athletics.

Dean M. D. Helser, chairman of the college athletic council, said the college would "go along" with schools favoring Negro participation in conference play.

The comment followed proposals made by the universities of Nebraska and Kansas student councils that Negroes be allowed to participate in the Big Six competition.

Servo's Manager to Ask Title Bout Delay

NEW YORK, April 20 (AP)—Al Weill, manager of welterweight champion Marty Servo, disclosed that he will appear before the New York Boxing Commission Monday and request an indefinite postponement of Servo's scheduled title defense against Ray "Sugar" Robinson on May 24.

Weill explained his postponement request will be made because "Servo has not completely recovered from nose injuries and headaches resulting from last month's knockout by Rocky Graziano."

It is expected that the commission will grant Weill's request. If so, Robinson will probably meet another opponent at Madison Square Garden on May 24 provided suitable opposition can be found. The flashy Negro

Baseball Standings

American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	3	0	1.000
Cleveland	3	0	1.000
New York	3	1	.750
Detroit	3	1	.667
Philadelphia	1	2	.333
St. Louis	1	2	.333
Chicago	0	2	.000
Washington	0	4	.000

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

Baseball Guild To Probe Labor Law Violations

BOSTON, April 20 (UP)—Reports that major league baseball executives violated Federal labor laws through intimidating talks with players interested in union membership will be investigated by the newly formed American Baseball Guild it was announced.

What executives, what teams, particularly, what players involved, were not disclosed by Robert Murphy, who began formation of the labor union last February after working for three years in New York as an examiner for the National Labor Relations Board.

"Naturally I can't say at the moment what players are affiliated with the Guild," Murphy said. "You know as well as I do where they'd land—in Peoria in about three hours. I don't feel free to name officials involved until I can investigate the reports."

Reports Seem Reliable

The reports, Murphy said, came from several cities of the major league circuits, and though only hearsay, seem fairly reliable. He said reports indicated that club officials sought to find out how far union organizing had gone and which players were members. He claimed that there were cases in which club executives advised certain players not to join any union.

"They've absolutely no right to discuss with players any matters concerning unions or union membership," Murphy said. "If they do so, it is clearly a violation of the National Labor Relations Act."

Laughs at Cronin

Murphy, soft-spoken 35-year-old Harvard graduate, an ex-athlete who's spent most of his life in the labor relations field, said he would determine what action should be taken against major league executives after the reports had been carefully studied.

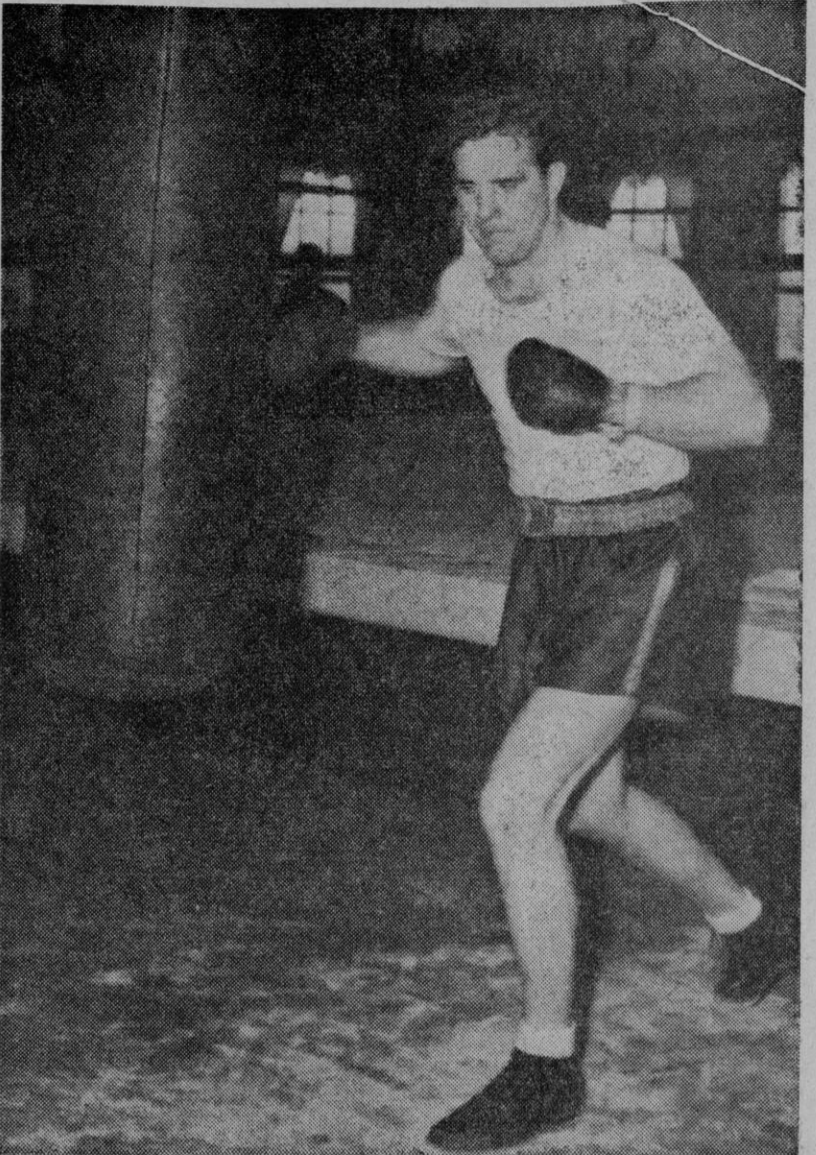
He laughed when told that manager Joe Cronin of the Boston Red Sox said he had no knowledge that members of his club were affiliated with the independent labor union.

"I'd say that Cronin's knowledge knowledge was limited," he remarked in a fashion that indicated at least one member of the Red Sox was in the union fold. All names were withheld.

"I'll say this, however. We have substantial membership in over half of the big league clubs. We have received scattered unsolicited inquiries from many of the minor league teams. Our membership is divided about 50-50 between National and American league teams. Several of the foremost members are high salaried players."

Family Row Cost Conn Title

No Rest for Weary Billy Until 13th Round



Conn works grimly . . . his "insomnia" cured

By DAVIS J. WALSH

NEW YORK, April 20 (INS)—After five years comes the story of what really happened to Billy Conn on the evening of June 18, 1941.

According to people close to Conn, the challenger had not been to bed for the better part of 24 hours when he entered the ring that night for his championship bout with Joe Louis.

Phils' Coach Held in Killing

PHILADELPHIA, April 20 (AP)—Benny Culp, coach of the Phillies, was charged with manslaughter two and one half hours after his automobile killed 70-year-old Lawrence W. Becker on the street.

The magistrate fixed bail for the 32-year-old catcher at \$3,500 which the Phils' general manager Herb Pennock, and scout Jake Collins said they would arrange. Further hearing was set for Tuesday.

Police Sgt. James Summers said several witnesses saw the car strike night watchman Becker at a suburban street corner. The man died at the hospital while police searched for the owner of the car bearing license plates seen by witnesses.

Culp later admitted he became panicky and drove away after the fatal accident. After regaining his composure, he decided to go to the police and confess.

Culp is a former reserve catcher for the Phils and one of the most popular members of the club. He was named to the coaching staff Thursday. He served for four years in the Navy, returning in 1945.

Conn in Pittsburgh

Conn, in Pittsburgh for the birthday celebration of Billy Jr., pretty much confirmed this story—not so much by what he said as by what he did not say.

"I don't want to talk about that now. It's all water under the sink by this time, especially with Jimmy and I having become the best of friends in the years following my marriage. There's no point in digging up old stuff like that. It sounds so much like an alibi."

But Mike Jacobs, in confirming the night-before account with its accent on intramural violence, said Billy "needs no alibi" after coming within two and a half rounds of winning the title from Louis.

Conn has just renewed his training sessions at Greenwood Lake after a week's layoff because of a slight finger injury.

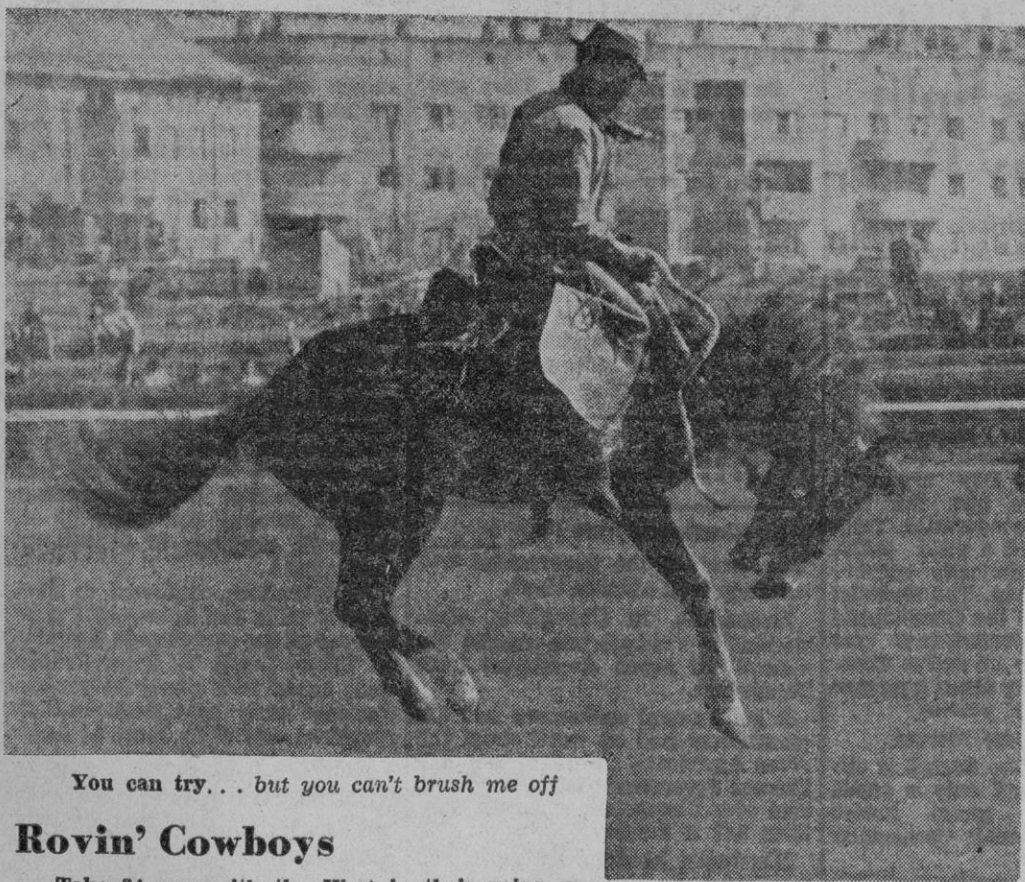
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Toronto	1	0	1.000
Buffalo	1	1	.500
Newark	1	1	.500
Rochester	1	1	.500
Baltimore	1	1	.500
Syracuse	0	1	.000
Jersey City	0	1	.000



Armed to the teeth a-ropin' and a-tyin'



You can try... but you can't brush me off

Rovin' Cowboys

Take 34 men with the West in their veins, an assortment of horses, wild bulls, and dogies, the required proportions of initiative and work, and sooner or later, no matter where you are, China, Texas, or Germany, you'll probably end up with a rodeo.

Last week in Munich, the ET Rodeo opened. The rodeo group, headed by Maj. Wm. T. Higgins, a former Texas cattleman, secured the horses, at one time with the Wehrmacht artillery, and the livestock from MG, scrounged colorful costumes from German stockpiles, had spurs made at a PW camp, had a shoemaker tool out a pair of chaps, constructed the chutes and prepared the grounds, begged a cowboy band from Special Service, and accomplished the thousand and one other necessary jobs.

If cooperation and equipment for moving the facilities can be obtained, the show hopes to tour the American zone after finishing this week's performance in Munich. And if the reception accorded the group thus far is any criterion, the rodeo is in for a good long run.



Let 'er rip, cowboy on with the show



Bottom's up someone's drawn a bum steer

Herman, 37, Helps Young Flock Team

NEW YORK, April 20 (UP)—A solid, chunky guy was making a pitifully desperate attempt to regain the heights he had reached with the Chicago Cubs and later with the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The sunshine was hot, his 37-year-old legs were sore and his arm didn't seem to have the snap it had in earlier years.

But the old guy was out there trying with everything he had, striving to show the drive which came easily to the young kids on their way up. And there were plenty of young ones with the Dodgers down there at Daytona Beach.

They had the elasticity and speed of youth and the carefree cockiness that dwindles with the years. But the old guy stayed in there plugging until one day he slipped while fielding a grounder and wrenched his back.

That is when they said that Billy Herman, after 13 years in the majors and two years in the Navy, was through.

It looked bad for Herman as he headed for his home in New Albany, Ind., while the club traveled north. The Dodger accent was on youth. In baseball you're heading downhill at 35 and under the Dodger "kiddy kar" program you were practically in the old men's home.

Joe College Outfield

For two weeks Herman was out of the lineup, and as the Dodgers came up to the opening of the season they had a team on the field which averaged 25 years of age.

There was the Joe College outfield as other veterans like Dixie Walker, Goodie Rosen and Augie Galan chafed on the bench. The infielders were young men too, with such proved returnees as Pete Reiser and Pee Wee Reese as steadying factors.

But when the season opened, Billy Herman was back in the lineup, the only oldtimer among the bunch of 25 year olds. His back had come around with rest, his legs weren't sore any more and the snap was back in his arm.

Sets Dodger Pace

The brown-eyed man with an easy grin proved in short order that it wasn't a mistake to make this one exception in the youth movement, even if Herman did have a 17-year-old son that wasn't much younger than the guys with whom his old man was playing on opening day.

Billy set the Dodger pace with four hits in five times at bat and followed up with one for three the next day. And then, as the Dodgers met the hated Giants at Ebbets Field last Friday it was old man Herman who broke their backs.

The kids had pushed across two runs in the third inning, but there were two more on base when Billy carried his bat up to the plate. He looked at the first one, swung fruitlessly at the second as the crowd let out a hungry yell and then blasted the third pitch into right field for a triple that brought the score to 4-0.

Then, standing on third base, Billy showed the kids how to play heads-up baseball even at 37 when he scampered home on a passed ball.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES

THE SHATTERED WINDOW

The cracks projecting from the bullet hole C are not retarded by the cracks from any of the other bullet holes, hence C must have been the first shot. The cracks projecting from A are retarded only by those from C, hence A must have been the second shot. In the same manner it is a simple matter to determine that D is the third shot, E the fourth shot, and B the fifth and last shot.

CATCH THE BUS

Read the puzzle carefully, and you'll see you're headed for Mudville.

"STATE" A FACT

- 1. North Carolina.
- 2. New York.
- 3. Nevada.
- 4. Maine.
- 5. Michigan.
- 6. Virginia.
- 7. Vermont.
- 8. Texas.
- 9. South Carolina (seceded from Union twice).
- 10. Minnesota.
- 11. Kentucky.
- 12. Oklahoma.



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Proud Paris Spruces Up for Big Four Talk

By NITA BERENBACH
Staff Writer

PARIS, April 20—Proud to be the scene once again of weighty international debate, Paris prepared today for the four-power meeting of foreign ministers, which will open here Thursday, and for the peace conference which is to follow.

Gardeners are finishing their work on the gardens around the Luxembourg Palace, where the consultation will take place, and the American Army has turned back to the French four hotels, which will house the large delegations expected to reach the city.

Byrnes Due Wednesday

The Plaza Athenee and the Meurice will house the main delegations of Russian Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav M. Molotov, and James F. Byrnes, United States Secretary of State. The Royal Monceau and the Brighton will be used for accompanying parties.

British Foreign Secretary Ernest L. Bevin and his delegation have already taken quarters at the Hotel George V. It is estimated that the British party will number about 70, with 20 British journalists already swelling the corps of British correspondents here.

Both Bevin and Byrnes are expected to arrive in Paris Wednesday. No announcement has been made about the arrival of the Russian delegation.

Press to Be Barred

Press information will be handled through a four-power committee which will issue daily communiques, but the press itself will not be admitted to the conferences.

Although the conference is designed principally to dispose of the differences between the four powers on proposed peace treaties with Italy, Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland, a major side issue is the question of what is to be done with western Germany.

Stories from London predict strong British opposition to internationalization of the Ruhr, with the British cabinet taking the position that submission to French demands would so weaken Germany that the other Allied nations would be forced to support the German occupation.

Blum Pleads Cause

Meanwhile, French envoy Leon Blum has been pleading the French cause in Washington. He said recently that France wants assurance that "when coal production increases in the Ruhr basin, anything that exceeds Germany's vital needs will be distributed among those nations whose internal economy has been destroyed and ruined by the German aggression."

What position the American delegation will take when it arrives here is anybody's guess. No predictions are being offered about the Russian delegation.

Japan GI Brings 11-Year-Old Nisei Home to His Mother and the Dodgers

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20 (AP)—An 11-year-old Brooklyn boy of Japanese ancestry, who survived Yokohama bombings, was united with his mother today through the efforts of Pfc Frank Donato, of New York.

The child, Maso Koike, who speaks only a few words of English, rushed into the arms of Mrs. Izumi Koike, who came here from Brooklyn.

Donato said he had found Maso wandering in the streets of Yokohama last December.

Russia Arming His Foes, Franco Protests to Allies

Communist Troops Reported on Border

MADRID, April 20 (UP)—Charges that the Soviet government was supplying Spanish Republican forces in France with food, arms and ammunition were made by the government of Generalissimo Francisco Franco today in a note sent to the United States and Great Britain, according to an authoritative source.

The note reportedly declared that 15,000 tons of arms and ammunition and 3,000 tons of wheat had been unloaded from a Russian freighter at Marseille recently and immediately shipped to the French-Spanish border area. It challenged recent denials by the French ministry of the interior that truckloads of armed soldiers had been sent to the Pyrenees frontier region, and charged that a recent steamer arriving at Bordeaux was loaded with Spanish "Reds" from Casablanca, who were transported by truck directly to the frontier.

The note invited an inspection tour by American and British attaches.

(In London, the Associated Press reported a British foreign official revealed that Sir Victor Mallet, British



Sir William Beveridge
... opposes 'pressure'

ambassador in Madrid, had received a note from the Spanish foreign minister expressing anxiety over alleged anti-Spanish plotting by Communists in southern France.)

Stay Out of Spain, Beveridge Advises

LONDON, April 20 (UP)—The states proposing outside pressure on the regime of Generalissimo Francisco Franco in Spain can only do more harm than good unless they are ready to go to war, Sir William Beveridge said today.

Commenting on the Australian proposal to the Security Council that a five-man committee be appointed to examine statements in the case, the author of the Beveridge Plan said: "It seems all right, providing the five are chosen properly. I should be surprised if the investigation would show that intervention is justified.

"Spain herself must choose a path from dictatorship to freedom," he continued. "Outside pressure will only postpone the change. The Polish resolution (calling for the United Nations to sever diplomatic relations with the Franco government) is no good at all.

"The Franco regime is not the only dictatorship in Europe. I believe the approach in handling the Spanish situation should be objective."

New Job in Newark: Scaring Park Pigeons

NEWARK, N. J., April 20 (AP)—The city health department's drive against the plethora of pigeons in Military Park has produced a new occupation.

The department has stationed in the park a man whose job is to slap a rolled newspaper against the palm of his hand whenever a pigeon alights on the grass, theoretically frightening the pigeon until it eventually flies into a trap atop the department's building.

German PWs in England May Live Like Civilians

LONDON, April 20—German prisoners of war working in England will be allowed to live in private homes, walk around by themselves, and eat civilian rations, according to a new plan announced by the Home Office.

At the discretion of their employers, the PWs may live as ordinary boarders in homes, subject only to the strict prohibition of non-fraternization. Prisoners will not be allowed to go more than a mile from their lodgings without escort, wear clothes other than prescribed uniforms or be out after dark long.

Austrian Reds, Socialists Split Over May Day

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

VIENNA, April 20—An open break between Austria's two left-wing parties, the Socialists and Communists, has appeared following a Socialist refusal to join in May Day demonstrations with the Communists and as a result of charges by the Communists that the Socialists had failed in their responsibility toward denazification.

Until the May Day argument started three days ago, the two parties had been cooperating fully and had presented a solid leftist front against the majority conservative People's Party. The Socialist refusal to join with the Communists in May Day demonstrations was attributed, in part, to an active Communist drive to bring about a merger of the two workers' parties.

Socialists Oppose Merger

The majority of the Socialists oppose any merger and only a small, extreme Socialist group favors joining with the small Communist bloc.

The right to hold public May Day demonstrations has not yet been granted by the Allied Control Council, but party celebrations have been authorized. If the Communists are required to celebrate alone they may hold no demonstration because their small numbers could not compare to the large Socialist meetings.

In answer to a Communist charge that the Socialists had failed in denazification, the Socialists today listed the names of two writers on the Communist newspaper, Oesterreichische Volkstimme, who, they said, were former Nazis.

Ex-Mrs. Coogan Seeks Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, April 20 (AP)—Flower Parry, 23, showgirl and the former Mrs. Jackie Coogan, announced she would divorce her second husband, manufacturer Harold Cope.

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drew because the government had sent only civil officials there.

Meanwhile, in Chungking, Gen. Marshall's headquarters sought the removal of seven Americans from Changchun.

A government spokesman said the government had no word about the seven Americans and more than 100 Chinese government officials sent to take over Changchun when the Russians left it Sunday.

Marshall's headquarters said the request had been made through Communist channels for permission for seven Americans to leave Changchun.

Remember Who Was Born April 20? If Berliners Do, They Aren't Saying

BERLIN, April 20 (AP)—If any Berliner happened to remember that today was Adolf Hitler's birthday, he certainly did not brag about it.

Residents of the battered capital asked what today stood for, produced only a vacant stare or dismissed the mention of Hitler's name with a shrug.

In the heyday of Hitler's power, April 20 was regarded as almost a holy day. Delegation after delegation, beginning with the Reich's

Profits No Basis For Pay, UAW Leaders Rule

CHICAGO, April 20 (AP)—The executive board of the United Automobile Workers, CIO, overriding Walter Reuther, president of the union, adopted a new policy, declaring that company profits must not be the deciding factor in the unions' wage demands.

The policy statement, a virtual repudiation of Reuther's stand during the General Motors strike, was drawn up by R. J. Thomas and Richard T. Leonard, vice presidents of the union, and George F. Ades, secretary-treasurer.

Reuther told reporters he voted against the new policy, saying that portions with which he disagreed were a "carry-over from the heat of the convention." He said he would "accept and carry out the will of the majority."

The policy adopted called for more closely coordinated union strategy, increased effort to achieve

SAN DIEGO, April 20 (AP) —

Paced by a band and smart-stepping girls in yellow sweaters and white shorts, several hundred striking machinists of the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. staged a parade at the plant as their walkout entered its 76th day.

The band was from the local AFL musicians' union, while the girls, led by a drum majorette, were sympathizers from the Aircraft Machinists Local 727 (independent) at the Lockheed Aircraft Co. in Burbank.

annual wage guarantees for auto workers and the creation of a permanent international wage and contract policy committee to replace the strike strategy committee.

The policy favored UAW support for continued price control, support of progressive candidates of either major party pledged to the domestic and foreign policies of the late President Roosevelt, and action toward the eventual formation of a third political party, "based on the interests of labor, the farmer, professional and other progressive people of our nation."

Meanwhile, there was a lull on the country's labor front as negotiators recessed while government officials mapped new plans to end the work stoppage of 400,000 soft coal miners.

As operations continued to slump in steel mills and automobile plants because of the coal dispute, Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach went ahead with plans for separate meetings early next week with the operators and with John L. Lewis.

AFN Has Garmisch Auxiliary

GARMISCH - PARTENKIRCHEN, April 20—AFN Munich's new studio in Garmisch will not have a 50-watt transmitter as announced earlier. The station will operate only as an auxiliary studio.

House Committee Urges Extensive Army Court Reforms

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request but will consider it next month. Army witnesses probably will be heard before the full committee takes formal action.

The subcommittee, headed by Rep. Carl Durham (D-N. C.) made the following criticisms, comments and recommendations in the course of the report:

"The court martial system is regarded by most professional officers as a means of enforcing discipline . . . (but) discipline must not be named as a cloak to cover arbitrariness and injustice.

"There is widespread belief among intelligent soldiers that not so much a qualified as a weak and compliant court has been the objective.

"Bringing charges of rape against American soldiers became a sort of racket among some portions of the populace in the European Theater and it is believed that numerous convictions of innocent soldiers took place in the interest of discipline in general or of maintaining the good name of the Army among a liberated or conquered people.

"Members of courts martial are largely amateurs from a legal point of view, though they may pass on questions of life and death.

"It is known that some of the most striking miscarriages of justice have taken place abroad.

"An enlisted man has the right to bring charges against a commissioned officer. This is largely a paper provision. An officer of long

experience has said that when it did happen, the enlisted man always found himself court-martialed or transferred.

"It is a very grave offense for an enlisted man to strike an officer or even a noncommissioned officer . . . it is not a specific offense under any article of war for an officer to assault an enlisted man.

"There have been many excessive sentences . . . most tragic, of course, are death sentences not commuted, about which it is so difficult to obtain information . . . Army courts in Europe adjudged two sentences of life imprisonment for AWOL. Hundreds, probably thousands, of bewildered boys with no really disloyal intentions were sentenced to five years imprisonment for AWOL . . .

it is the opinion of competent observers that Army sentences generally err on the side of severity.

"Many probably most of long terms of confinement are not served out in entirety. Harsh sentences are often not what they seem."

The subcommittee also recommended that:

THE ARMY be given a judicial department "as complete and autonomous in its field" as is the medical department and that it be fully manned with qualified personnel to serve as members of courts martial and as defense counsel.

A NEW provision be made for reversal of injustices.

IN TRIALS of enlisted men, if the

accused requests, one-third of the court members shall be enlisted men, chosen from organizations not under the jurisdiction of the accusing officer.

A TABLE of maximum punishments be prescribed for all offenses and apply equally to officers and enlisted men.

PUNISHMENT for rape be the maximum punishment imposed by the civil law of the country in which the crime was committed. Articles of war make death or life imprisonment mandatory.

DEFENSE counsel be given the right to produce witnesses "on an equal basis with the prosecution."

TRIALS be open to the public and to military personnel.