

# Lichfield Prisoners' Escape Thwarted

## Kilian Loses His Fight to Avoid Trial

From Press Dispatches

BAD NAUHEIM, June 18—Soldier-prisoners being held as prosecution witnesses for the Lichfield trials were foiled in an escape attempt yesterday with the discovery of a partially dug four-foot long tunnel through which they hoped to pass under a barbed wire "prison wall" to freedom.

Discovery of the escape passage, which had been dug with a stove poker and tin can, was announced today by Army Public Relations officials.

Although the tunnel, which was started beneath a small closet in the guardhouse had only progressed four feet in length, Army guards, who discovered the crudely dug passage during a surprise inspection, estimated that it would have taken only a "few more nights of digging" to bring the men outside the prison area.

### Prisoners Roles Studied

Public Relations said last night that it had not definitely ascertained how many prisoners were involved in the plot, nor what disciplinary action would be taken against prisoners known to have been implicated in the tunneling action.

In one of the most tumultuous court room sessions which the Lichfield trials have seen to date, Col. James A. Kilian today lost his two-day fight to avoid trial on charges of cruelty to American soldiers imprisoned in the Army's 10th Reinforcement Depot of which he was once commander.

After six and a half hours of heated argument and half-successful attempts to question two major generals and several colonels, the

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## Loan to Britain Moves in House

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The House Banking Committee yesterday formally reported its 20 to 5 approval of the British Loan, and declared that an agreement will be helpful to America, Britain, and the entire world.

The committee said that the "alternative would be to risk a division of the world into conflicting economic blocs, with the ever present danger of economic warfare."

The House next week begins the loan debate when a battle is promised by the opposition led by three Republicans and one Progressive.

The question of Britain turning over Atlantic bases to the U. S. by deed has no place in consideration of the loan, the committee said.

## Telephone Wedding Planned by Chaplain

FRANKFURT, June 18 (AP)—A stocky paratrooper chaplain from Fort Worth, Texas, who has married scores of Americans in Frankfurt, will be married tomorrow by trans-Atlantic telephone.

Chaplain Dwight L. Baker, 25, of the 508th Prcht. Inf. Reg., will go to a phone booth at 5 p. m. Frankfurt time and be married by his Baptist-minister father standing by his bride-to-be in Fort Worth.

Baker—who is the second American to be married by phone from Frankfurt—has booked a 12-minute telephone call for the ceremony. Baker said he was being married by phone so he could bring his bride overseas. He will get married again when she arrives. The bride-to-be is Miss Emma Elizabeth Weatherly, 27, of Swannoa, N. C.

## War Dept. Asks Congress To Double RA Officers

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The War Department today asked legislation to increase the authorized commissioned strength of the Regular Army from 25,000 officers to 50,000.

The Department said, in a letter to Speaker Sam Rayburn (D.-Texas), that it hoped to keep many national Guard and reserve officers who applied for permanent commissions,

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### USAF WEATHER FORECAST

FRANKFURT: Cloudy, showers.  
MUNICH: Partly cloudy; showers.  
BERLIN: Cloudy.  
BREMEN: Cloudy.  
VIENNA: Partly cloudy; showers.

Wednesday, June 19, 1946

# Twister Lashes Detroit Area

## 17 Killed, Hundred Hurt, River Rouge Is Battered

DETROIT, June 18 (AP)—A tornado which officials said exceeded 250 miles an hour late yesterday swept through the towns of River Rouge, Mich., and the Windsor, Ont., area in Canada and left at least 17 known dead and more than 100 injured.

The tornado first struck River Rouge, in west Detroit, and, cutting a swath 100 yards wide and 15 miles long, twisted into adjacent Ontario, with the tiny town of Sandwich bearing the brunt.

Estimates, meanwhile, ranged as high as 40 dead in the Windsor area alone, and authorities indicated that it might be some time before the full toll was known. The total property damage was expected to run into millions of dollars.

### Many in Hospitals

Canadian authorities listed 13 identified dead, while four were known dead in the United States. At least 60 others were in Windsor hospitals and 40 in American hospitals.

Hundreds of persons were homeless as the wind toppled houses like straws, wrecked business buildings and tossed motor cars about like playthings. The Weather Bureau said the tornado ran its course in about 10 minutes, then dissipated in Lake Saint Clair.

Fire was reported to have started in debris left in the wake of the twister, and general fire alarms were sounded. As the swirling funnel crossed the Detroit River, violent waterspouts were raised.

### Rescue Workers in Buses

Rescue workers were sped to hard-hit Sandwich in Windsor city buses. They reported countless persons trapped in debris and whole families wiped out. The Red Cross rushed aid to stricken communities.

The River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Co., one of the largest factories in the U.S., just escaped the path of the tornado. This industrial suburb of Detroit has a population of 17,000.

Radio station CKLW in Windsor, broadcasting with an emergency generator, reported that the storm struck the town of Ojibway, about

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## China Needs Peace, Red General Warns

NANKING, June 18 (AP)—The commander of all the Chinese Communist forces in Manchuria, Gen. Lin Piao, said today that further civil war could only bring catastrophe to China.

"For the sake of the peoples' welfare, our present stand is to realize peace," Gen. Lin said.

"If the Kuomintang (Nationalist Party) will cease attacks, peace is at hand," he added.

## Electric Storm Fails to Faze Ohio Flagpole Sitter

COSHOCTON, Ohio, June 18 (AP)—"Mad" Marshall Jacobs, seated atop a 176-foot flagpole at the Coshocton County fair grounds, received five shocks during Sunday night's severe electrical storm, he said.

But he was still on his perch today and insisted he would be there July 4. He ascended May 30.

## Late Bulletin..

PARIS, June 18 (UP)—Col. J. W. Durant and his wife, WAC Capt. Kathleen B. Nash Durant, held in connection with the Hesse jewel theft, arrived in Paris by air at 6:05 p. m., en route to Frankfurt to stand trial.

## Soviets Pare Demands on Italy Issue

PARIS, June 18 (AP)—A compromise between the Soviet Union and the western Allies seems likely on the hotly-debated issue of Italian reparations.

The Russians have taken a more lenient attitude regarding the total bill which Italy should be asked to pay for her participation in the war and it was supposed by persons close to the American Secretary of State, James F. Byrnes, that the Allies might accede to Russian reparations demands more readily if there is a scaling down of other economic penalties against Italy.

### Would Lighten Burden

According to these American informants, Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov declared that he wanted to make the burden on the Italian people as light as possible.

The whole question of compensation has been left open, pending further study by the Council, but it was clear that Russia, whose nationals have no property in Italy, would oppose extensive levies on Italian resources to reimburse British, American and French private citizens.

This afternoon, the ministers are to discuss reparations, the Italian colonies, the status of Trieste and the Italo-Yugoslav border.

## USFET Grips Currency Reins

The Stars and Stripes Bureau FRANKFURT, June 18—Further efforts to tighten the circulation of currency in Germany and to prevent Allied visitors from being stranded here without acceptable funds were indicated today in a USFET order that no military entry permits into the theater will be issued without guaranty of the visitor's dollar backing.

All major commands and U. S. military attaches in national capitals of countries in and adjacent to the European Theater have been informed that June 20 is the deadline for entry permits with currency exchange records supported by U. S. dollars or by a currency which can be readily converted into U. S. dollars.

English pounds, Swiss francs and Danish kroner, USFET said, are convertible into Allied military marks or Austrian schillings.

### Senators Drop Jackson Case

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The Senate Judiciary Committee decided that it has no "authorization or jurisdiction" to take action on charges made by Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson against Justice Hugo L. Black.



S & S Map By Robert Clark

The twister struck first at River Rouge, then swept across the Detroit River into Canada, hitting the tiny town of Sandwich the hardest.

## Trolleys Halt In Vienna Due To Food Crisis

VIENNA, June 18 (UP)—Part of Vienna's public transport halted this afternoon as street car and subway workers staged a "hunger" strike following an appeal by Mayor Koerner to UNRRA Director General Fiorello H. LaGuardia for aid in the city's growing food crisis.

Some street cars continued to operate in the early afternoon, but others halted one by one as striking operators stood on the tracks and appealed to fellow operators to join them.

### Appeals to La Guardia

Strikes also spread to a number of private factories. Meanwhile, a workers delegation convened with Public Nutrition Minister Hans Frenzel and Allied Council representatives.

Koerner cabled LaGuardia that the crisis in Vienna and surrounding area reached a peak.

"We are all afraid of the future. If no help arrives, there will be a spiritual breakdown of the population. As Mayor of Vienna, I ask you ardently to come to Vienna to look for yourself. We can't do it any longer," the cable said.

The transport strike is similar to the one which halted publication of Vienna's newspapers a week ago.

The Office Workers Union declared that the food situation had assumed alarming proportions resulting in unrest in all the offices and plants.

## Gen. Gaffey Killed In Bomber Crash

FORT KNOX, Ky., June 18 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Hugh J. Gaffey and two other Army officers were killed and four enlisted men were injured when a B-25 crashed as it came in for a landing at the Goodman Field here.

Gaffey, 51, commander of the 2nd and 4th Armored Divs. in Europe during the war, was commanding officer of the Armored School at Fort Knox.

The others killed were Lt. Allan J. Hoenig, of Trenton, N. J., and Lt. Robert A. Peter.

## AFN to Air Louis-Conn Bout



Joe Louis

The championship bout of Joe Louis and Billy Conn will be broadcast by AFN at 3 a. m. tomorrow morning on a short-wave pickup of a ringside announcer.

Another broadcast of the bout will be carried by the network at 3 p. m. tomorrow.

AFN officials said today that all stations will remain in operation throughout the night, filling in with music and, in event the Wednesday evening fight is postponed stateside, the same re-broadcast scheduling will be carried over.



Billy Conn

### One Killed in Hotel Fire

GARY, Ind., June 18 (AP)—One person was killed and nine injured when a flash fire raced through the 52-room Imperial Hotel today.

### Typhoon Threatens Luzon

MANILA, June 18 (AP)—The Navy has reported a typhoon moving toward the general direction of Luzon from a point 350 miles east of Mindanao.

# America Aims to Keep All Enemies Off Her Doorstep

IF THE United States ever has to fight another war, President Truman has made it plain he wants it fought far from home soil.

He has asked Congress to adopt recommendations of his own and of military representatives of the western hemisphere governments making up the Inter-American Defense Board which aim to keep potential enemies thousands of miles from the western world.

Under this plan, the outer line in the Atlantic upon which the first defense would be made would run roughly from Iceland through England, the Azores and the Canary Islands to the Falkland Islands.

In the Pacific, the line would start at the Aleutians and run through the Marianas and the Carolines to Australia.

Air bases set up along these lines could base far-flying bombers of the super-Superfort type. There would be naval and army bases representing the military might of all the countries in the hemisphere.

Any foreign power which picked a fight with one American republic would have to take on about 20 according to this proposal.

## Master Defense Plan

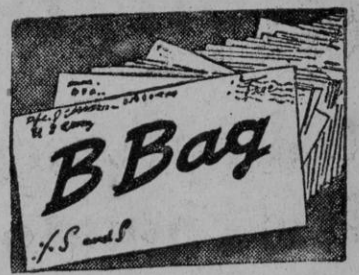
The master defense plan is embodied in the "Inter-American Military Cooperation Act" which Congress has before it. Some additional details are contained in the recently released report of the Inter-American Defense Board.

One of the major features is standardization. Military forces of all the countries in the hemisphere would be the same. With the same kind of organization, same training background and same weapons, these various forces would be merged quickly if needed and made into one army.

The board suggested, however, that no units smaller than divisions be involved in a merger and it said experience proved that fighting efficiency slumped when soldiers of different nationalities served in the same division.

The board also recommended that the U.S. Navy serve as the model for standardized naval forces and that existing military and civil air bases be used jointly to resist any would-be invader.

The legislation sought by the President would empower the War and Navy Departments to work out standardization procedures and would give him the power to transfer military and naval equipment to other countries.



Address all letters to: B Bag Editor, The Stars and Stripes, APO 757, U. S. Army Include name and address. (Names are deleted on request). Due to space limitations, letter may be cut for publication, provided such editing does not alter the meaning of the original.

## Rented Bikes Barred

A friend and myself have been renting bicycles from a bicycle shop in the town of Ansbach. Every time we rent them the owner gives us proper receipts and registration cards for the bicycles, and we pay him in German marks.

I can see nothing wrong with this, and it has really helped us find something to do on week-ends and after work, but it all came to a halt the other day when the MPs stopped us and told us to turn the bicycles in immediately or they would hold us and confiscate the bicycles.

A new order has been issued here by the CO of the 30th F. A. Group prohibiting "Army personnel to ride captured or civilian motorcycles, motorbikes, and bicycles at any time." The order states that if personnel "are caught riding either of the three mentioned above, the vehicle will be confiscated and the offender will be held in custody until his unit commander makes arrangements for his release."

Perhaps there is a good reason for this order that we have not thought of yet. With motorcycles and motorbikes there is no way soldiers can obtain gasoline yet, but regarding the riding of bicycles, we can see no way in which we are an expense to the government.

—Pfc, 42nd Air Repair Sqdn.

EDITOR'S Note: This letter was referred to the CO of the 30th F. A. Group. "No comment" was the answer we received.

## Thinks B Bag Is Dead

We dare you to print this letter. The B-Bag of the Mediterranean and Pacific editions died with a fight, but you seem to have died silently.

What has happened in this theater is regard to the War Department statement that men with two year's service by June 30 would be on their way home by May 1?

We have combat time, two years service (May 17 and June 3), and are assigned to an infantry regiment that is 50 per cent over strength. What goes? Isn't this command accustomed to following the redeployment schedule?

—Two Signatures.

Editor's note: We have learned from G-1 that the two men involved were transferred for assignment to a casual packet for return to the States four days after they had written.

By the time letters of this sort reach us, and are referred to the proper headquarters for action, the individual involved has almost always started on his way home.

## Attention Musicians

Musicians in Continental Base Section are very scarce, as all over the ET. I desire to contact as many musicians as possible, both for the benefit of the musicians and this unit.

If you are interested in joining an authorized T/O military and dance band, and play a trumpet, clarinet, sax, bass or violin, French horn, baritone, or flute, please write direct to CO, 431st ASF Band, APO 807. The unit is stationed at CBS Hq., Bad Nauheim. In applying, please state name, rank, ASN, ASR, months of service, and years of experience in military or dance bands.

This would be a big help in aiding this command to start a band....

—Robert R. Bruner, WOJG, Commanding.

## Extra Second Every Century Is Tidal Gift

CHICAGO, June 18 (AP)—Days on earth are getting longer, but you can still trust your watch—because only a second is added every 100 years, says Dr. Harlow Shapley, internationally-known Harvard astronomer, and he declares the moon's to blame.

Shapley told the American Psychiatric Association recently that it's all a matter of tidal effects caused by the moon.

"Water in the oceans is pulled about by the tides, and this creates frictional effect on the ocean beds," he said, "and thus we have a slowing down of the earth."

"The friction is greatest in the Irish sea and in the Bering Straits, but don't worry, this slowing down only lengthens the days on earth by one second every 100 years."

## Irish Sea Main Point

Referring to the age-old superstition linking lunacy with changes of the moon, Shapley told the psychiatrists:

"Certain types of mental derangement have been attributed to lunar effects, and there may be something to it."

Shapley indicated that as far as having satellite moons is concerned, our planet is just a minor-leaguer compared to some of the other planets. Jupiter has 11—some of them as large as our own—Saturn has nine, and Mars has two, he said.

But some day, he said, it may be possible for earthlings to shoot an "artificial moon" into the sky, propelled by rocket power, and cause it to rotate with the earth once a day.

He added that such a man-made celestial outpost might even be beneficial in aiding scientific studies of the heavens.

## 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.

Letter AG 311.3 GAP-AGO, Headquarters, U. S. Forces, European Theater, dated 12 June 1946, subject "Extension and Increased Use of Overseas Telephone Service," follows:

1. Letter, this headquarters, file AG 311.3 GAP-AGO, subject: "Commercial Transatlantic Telephone Service for Occupation Forces," 8 April 1946, is rescinded.
2. Commercial transatlantic telephone service operated by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (hereinafter referred to as "AT & T") is available to U. S. occupation forces. Telephone booths and booking service offices are available at the following locations:  
Frankfurt: 142, Eschersheimer Landstrasse, Munich: West Entrance in Jubilee Hall, Heidelberg: Special Service Building, Bismarck Platz, Nurnberg: Guest House, East Entrance, Grand Hotel, Kassel: Red Cross Building, Kronprinzenstrasse, Bremen: Glocke Building, Stuttgart: American Red Cross Building, Berlin: Rainbow Club, Titania Palast.
3. Effective this date, transatlantic telephone calls of either three- or six-minute duration may be made. Individuals may book more than one call at a time, and may book calls for other persons. The number of calls booked by one person may be curtailed from time to time by the engineer in charge of the AT & T, subject to the number of calls already booked and the availability of future bookings. Calls may be booked for completion at any time between two and seven days from date of bookings. When circuit conditions permit, applications will be accepted for immediate completion of calls and will be put through as soon as they can be fitted into the pre-arranged booking schedules. It is pointed out that in such cases the applicant will lose the appointment feature of the service; satisfactory completion of such calls is not guaranteed. Booking will commence at 0900 hours daily, including Sundays and holidays, and will continue until the daily quota of calls is filled. Hours for completion of calls are 1400 to 0200 daily.
4. This service is established for personal calls of U. S. military personnel and civilians under U. S. military control who are U. S. citizens. It is not available at this time for official business, commercial enterprises or the press. Service is outgoing only and calls must be made from one of the eight AT & T offices listed above. Incoming calls from the United States cannot be accepted.
5. Priorities for booking calls are as follows: (1) Emergency calls properly approved. (2) Calls booked two to seven days in advance. (3) Casual calls booked for completion as soon as possible.
6. Emergencies are defined as death or serious illness in the immediate family. Commanders concerned will insure that for each of the eight booking stations

there is one appropriate military agency to approve or disapprove alleged emergencies, and will advise personnel of their commands and the local AT & T representative in each case of the designated agency. It is desired that the following procedure be utilized for screening and approving emergency calls:

- a. Military personnel may apply for evaluation of information available to the local American Red Cross field director, who will furnish the results of this evaluation either to the applicant or direct to the officer designated in subparagraph 6b, below.
  - b. The local chaplain (for example, the Chaplain, Headquarters Command, U. S. Forces, European Theater) will interview the applicant and, considering information furnished by the American Red Cross and the results of such interview, approve or disapprove the request.
  - c. If approved, the chaplain will request the local office of AT & T to give priority to the applicant in making the requested call, by issuing a certificate in each approved case to the individual concerned. This certificate will be accepted by the local AT & T office as authority for a priority call.
  7. All calls will be of either three- or six-minute duration, as requested by applicant. Payment for calls will be at the flat rate of \$12.00 for a three-minute call and \$ 24.00 for a six-minute call to any point in the United States. All service will be prepaid at the time of booking by U. S. Postal Money Order payable to AT & T, New York, N. Y. No collect calls can be accepted at present. In the event a call is not completed, money will be refunded.
  8. All concerned must appreciate that very limited facilities exist for transmission of these calls. At the present time only three circuits are available between Germany and the United States to serve all eight stations in Germany. A total of approximately 21 calls per hour can be handled on this three-circuit group under favorable conditions. This requires close cooperation from users of the service and a time limit on duration of calls in order that all may share equally in the service.
  9. In the event a booked call cannot be completed because of failure of transatlantic facilities, it will be necessary either to cancel the call and accept a refund or defer the call to at least the third following day. This is necessary because all normal calls are set up on a two-day appointment basis.
  10. It is desired that commanders give the above information complete distribution to all personnel throughout their respective commands.
- BY COMMAND OF GENERAL**  
McNARNEY: L. S. OSTRANDER  
Brigadier General, U. S. A.  
Adjutant General.

## Giant Building Planned in N. Y. As Arts Center

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP)—Plans for construction of a 13-story graphic arts center with more space than the Empire State Building, covering three blocks and costing an estimated \$20,000,000, were announced by Robert L. McClure, real estate man and investment banker.

McClure, who said he had been designated spokesman for Nordblom Associates, Inc., sponsors of the project, said the building would be specially designed to accommodate presses and other heavy equipment.

He asserted that the sponsors hoped to get early approval of the Civilian Production Administration for necessary materials with a view to completion of the structure in late 1947.

The center will occupy a site of about four acres on West End avenue from 62nd to 65th Sts and will contain 2,250,000 square feet of floor space.

McClure reported that a spokesman for New York Employing Printers, Inc., said the project appeared to promise the industry "an abundant measure of badly needed plant facilities for future expansion."

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# British, Arab Guards Kill 9 Terrorists

## Allenby Bridge Badly Smashed By Attackers

JERUSALEM, June 18 (AP)—An official Palestine government communique reported today that nine Jews, including one woman, were killed during last night's Jewish terrorist operations against railway workshops in Haifa.

The Allenby bridge, one of Palestine's finest spans over the River Jordan, and one of the main arteries leading to Transjordan, was badly damaged.

Only three Britons and three Arabs guarded the police and customs post at the Palestine end of the bridge. They fought two separate battles, each of which lasted more than half-an-hour, against greatly superior forces.

Both attacks, according to police eye-witness accounts, were apparently for a dual purpose, blowing

JERUSALEM, June 18 (AP)—Four British officers were kidnapped from the Hotel Yarkon in Tel Aviv today, a reliable private source told the Associated Press.

up the bridge as well as destroying the guard house, which contained the police card-file of "black-list" names.

While the main force of the attackers engaged the guards, others succeeded in destroying the Palestine end of the bridge.

One man carrying gelignite toward the guardhouse was shot by an Arab guard, and the explosive was set off, blowing the attacker to bits.

### Arabs Aid Guards

Guards of the Transjordan Arab legion on the other side of the bridge helped the Palestine guards by firing on the attackers from across the river.

The terrorists threw grenades at the guardhouse, blowing a huge steel shutter off the main door and stripping the tiles off the roof.

After the attackers had been driven off with the help of Palestine police mobile units which came to the assistance of the defenders, the army took over and began scouring the entire countryside with police-dogs, and two-way radio cars.

## Shortwave to Keep MG Teams Informed

BERLIN, June 18 (AP)—In an effort to narrow the gap between headquarters and personnel in the field, the Office of Military Government soon will employ short-wave radio to broadcast instructions and policy directives to its lower-level detachments throughout the U. S. occupation zone of Germany, it was disclosed today.

The purpose is to give instructions faster to field teams which are not linked to headquarters by teletype and to keep such groups posted ahead of German officialdom and the civilian population, who frequently hear of decisions at Berlin headquarters first by listening to news broadcasts.

The MG broadcasts, 15 to 30 minutes each, will be made every weekday over Radio Munich from material teletyped from headquarters here. Field personnel will be required to tune in. Broadcasts will include background material as well as current developments.

## Nine Killed in Greece In Attack on Police

ATHENS, June 18 (AP)—Fifty armed men attacked the gendarmerie station near Kalambaka and killed nine officers, it was reported here today. The same reports said four gendarmes were seized by a band near Trovasso.

Also a 24-hour general strike, called by the leftist General Confederation of Labor as a protest against parliament approval of a bill "for the restoration of law and order" started this morning.

All transport facilities continued to operate despite the strike call, and government officials said a "satisfactory" number of workers appeared at various industrial plants.

The "law-and-order" bill, which won parliamentary approval by a vote of 134 to 28 after a turbulent session, provides for the death penalty for action against the state, and the establishment of military courts to stamp out "disorder."

## Chetnik Leader Admits Working With 'Quislings'

BELGRADE, June 18 (AP)—Radoslav Rade-Radic, former commander of the Bosnian Chetnik unit, and fourth accused to take the stand in the Mihailovich trial, admitted today open collaboration with the Ustashi (the Quisling army of wartime Croatia) "because I could not do anything else." "We recognized the independent state of Croatia, but we knew it would not last long and we did it to gain time," Radic told the court. "I made the agreement, not because I liked Fascists and Germans, but because the people were in the forest and I could not do anything else."

Radic, like most of the defendants before him, made his partial admission, then began to throw the blame on another of his former colleagues.

He chose as the culpable person Uros Drenovic, a Chetnik commander, who was later killed by Allied planes while riding into battle in a German tank.

"That was Drenovic. Drenovic made this agreement," Radic said as the court turned to specific charges against him. The court, however, read an agreement signed by Radic and a Ustashi commander for a joint fight against "Communist Bolshevik bands."

## British to Rub Out Helgoland

CUXHAVEN, June 18 (AP)—The German island of Helgoland, honeycombed with many miles of fortifications and rimmed with reinforced concrete, will be "completely blown up" within three months.

A senior Royal Navy officer told the Associated Press, "Nothing but a pile of rocks" will remain.

Helgoland, once a British colony, was given to Germany in exchange for Zanzibar in 1886. The Germans developed it into one of the strongest naval fortresses in the world, regarding it as a "bastion pointing towards England."

"The destruction of Helgoland will really hurt the Germans where it hurts them most," the officer said. Several hundred tons of high explosive will be used, probably in one great blast.

The officer explained that the island would not completely disappear, because it is situated in comparatively shallow water in the North Sea. "But its remnants will never again be fit for human habitation," he added.

### British Club Meets in Paris

PARIS, June 18 (AP)—The British Chamber of Commerce of Paris held its first meeting since 1940 today and discussed commercial matters affecting British and French relations.

## 8 War Criminals Hanged in Malay; Killed 223 Natives

SINGAPORE, June 18 (AP)—Eight Japanese war criminals, including Vice Admiral Teizo Hara, one-time commander of the Japanese-occupied Andaman Islands, were hanged at Changi jail this morning.

Hara was found guilty of responsibility for the death of all but 13 of 236 Andaman Islanders who had been transported to a Japanese agricultural colony on Havelock Island.

### JAP WAR CRIMINAL TO DIE FOR ATROCITIES

YOKOHAMA, June 18 (AP)—A former Japanese sergeant, Kunichi Araki, who was found guilty of atrocities against British and Dutch nationals, today was sentenced to be hanged.

Araki's victims included nationals captured at Singapore and in the Netherlands East Indies.

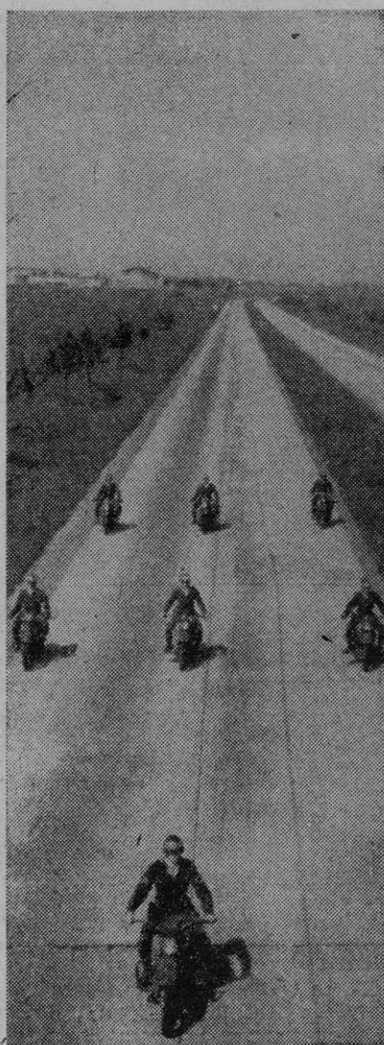
## Attempts to Muzzle German Press Cited

The Stars and Stripes Bureau BERLIN, June 18—Any tendency on the part of German civilian officials to muzzle reporters from licensed German newspapers must be blocked, delegates to a zone-wide information control conference agreed at the Office of Military Government for Greater Hesse.

During the conference, an instance was cited where an American-appointed civilian official had attempted to restrict issuance of German governmental information to official channels.

In another case discussed, a German civilian administrator had sought passage of a law to make a locally licensed newspaper the official publication with obligations to print all items emanating from the administration.

All such unauthorized tendencies have now been nullified but it was agreed at today's sessions that eternal vigilance would be required until the Germans themselves become accustomed to the advantages of a near-free press.



—Signal Corps Photo

### Constabulary Patrol

A motorcycle formation of the 10th Constabulary Rgt. patrols the Autobahn near Morhingen. Constabulary units will make use of all types of Army vehicles in their occupation role in Germany.

## British Deny Iraq Rumors

CAIRO, June 18 (AP)—The British army's Middle East headquarters in Cairo today officially denied rumors which swept through Iraq yesterday that thousands of Polish troops had arrived in that country and that the War Department had re-instituted control over some Syrian military camps previously evacuated.

Referring also to stories of the imminent landing of many American Army divisions at Basrah (at the head of the Persian Gulf) the headquarters said that it had "not the slightest knowledge of any American divisions in the Middle East."

The U. S. Army headquarters in Cairo also declared that it had no knowledge of the imminent landings rumored in Iraq.

A spokesman for the British army said that no Polish soldier was on duty in Iraq, nor was there any intention of sending Polish troops there.

As regards Syria, the British troops were out of the country and intended to stay out, he added.

### Fire Damages Gigli's Villa

ROME, June 18 (AP)—Via Serchio, the Rome villa of the famous tenor, Benjamino Gigli, was swept by a fire last night which did damage estimated at 5,000,000 lire (more than \$40,000).

## Gasperi Party Holds Lead in Assembly Vote

ROME, June 18 (AP)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi's Christian Democratic (Catholic) party won 207 out of 556 seats in Italy's constituent assembly in the June 2 elections, it was officially announced today.

The government press office said final apportionment of the seats gives the second place Socialists 115 and the Communists 115. The Centrist National Democratic Union led by Vittorio Emanuele Orlando won 41.

The Domo Qualunque (Common Man) movement won 30 and the Republican Party 23. Small groups divided the remaining seats.

The assembly will hold its initial session on June 25 when it will elect its president. Election of the provisional president of the Republic will take place in the second or third session, with Orlando and former premier Ivanoe Bonomi mentioned as the likeliest candidates.

Meanwhile, the supreme court continued its examination of Monarchist claims of fraud in the plebiscite which ousted the House of Savoy, with a final ruling expected tonight or tomorrow.

### UMBERTO THANKS CARMONA FOR PROVIDING HOME

LISBON, June 18 (AP)—Ex-King Umberto of Italy called on President Antonio Carmona of Portugal last night to thank him for providing a home in exile for himself and his family.

### BRITISH ARE SATISFIED WITH REPUBLIC SWITCH

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—Great Britain is satisfied that the Italian government has maintained fully its authority in the transition from monarchy to republic, a foreign office spokesman asserted today.

## Economy Hit In Manchuria

MUKDEN, June 18 (AP)—Manchuria's economy has been hamstrung by the post-victory removal of vital power-generating plants, according to disclosures by the United States Reparations Commission in Mukden yesterday.

Reparations Commissioner Edwin Pauley, after a visit to the Fushun coal and industrial center, seeking information on the Russian removal of machinery and equipment, declared:

"The things I have seen have not appeared exactly as goodwill gestures toward China and other allied nations entitled to reparations from Japan."

The mission reported that it had visited 75 to 80 per cent of Manchuria's industrial installations, and about one-third of Manchuria's power plants, finding only five to eight per cent of them working.

Electrical experts estimated that 80 per cent of the equipment had been removed from the plants they visited.

## Russians Celebrate Shaw's 90th Year

LONDON, June 18 (UP)—The Russian theatrical society held a meeting yesterday to celebrate the 90th birthday of George Bernard Shaw who will be 90 on July 26, the Moscow radio reported today.

Professor Mikhail Morozov, an expert on English drama, spoke of him as an old friend of the Russian theater.

"Pygmalion" has been produced many times in Russia, the Professor recalled. It has been translated into Russian by five different authors.

The Professor added "very often other plays by Shaw are produced in Russian theaters. This is the first of a series of similar meetings in celebration of Shaw's birthday."

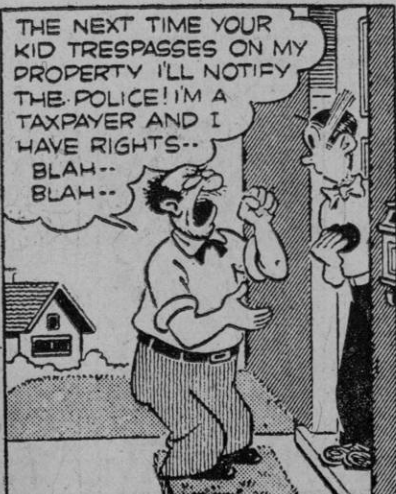
### El Khoury Visits Turkey

BEIRUT, June 18 (AP)—The Lebanese president, Bechara el Khoury, left Beirut today for Ankara by special train.

### Blondie



(By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate)



### By Chic Young



# U.S. Proposes to Help Train Chinese Army

## Program Calls For Force of 1,000,000 Men

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The United States is ready to help in training a Chinese army of 1,000,000 men, provided Congress agrees.

The training would include both Central Government and Communist troops, in a ratio of five to one.

Gen. George C. Marshall, special ambassador to China, has approved a program developed by the U. S. State, War and Navy departments calling for an "effective small army" of 60 divisions.

### Aim to Preserve Peace

That description came from officials who said the objective is to:

ENABLE China to maintain her internal security.

HELP preserve peace in China.

COOPERATE in whatever way is necessary with United Nations peace forces yet to be organized.

The goal of 60 divisions, composed of 50 divisions of National Government troops and 10 of Chinese Communist troops was laid down by Marshall last January.

The proposed training program has been planned in expectation that Marshall's program for making peace between the two Chinese factions will succeed.

If that should fail, America would have no alternative but to give Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek its full support, officials said.

## Reserve Board Hits Tax Cut

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The Federal Reserve Board today opposed further general reduction of taxes but declared "prudent economy should be effected in governmental operations."

Figuring such a policy would more than balance the budget, it called for use of excess funds to reduce the national debt. It opposed increasing the interest rate on Government debt obligations.

The Board's views were set out in its annual report to Congress.

In setting out its opposition to higher interest rates, the Board pointed out the debt had grown by the end of 1945 to nearly six times its size in prewar 1940. It said that interest charges rose from less than one billion to more than five billion a year.

"As result of this five-fold increase, the interest charge has become the largest single item in the budget, aside from expenditures for veterans pensions and benefits for the fiscal year 1947," the Board added.

### Kreiser's Condition Critical

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP)—Violinist Fritz Kreiser, 71, was described as in critical condition today with peritonitis, which developed after an emergency appendectomy.

## Epidemic Sweeps Barnyards; Hens Ain't Happy About It

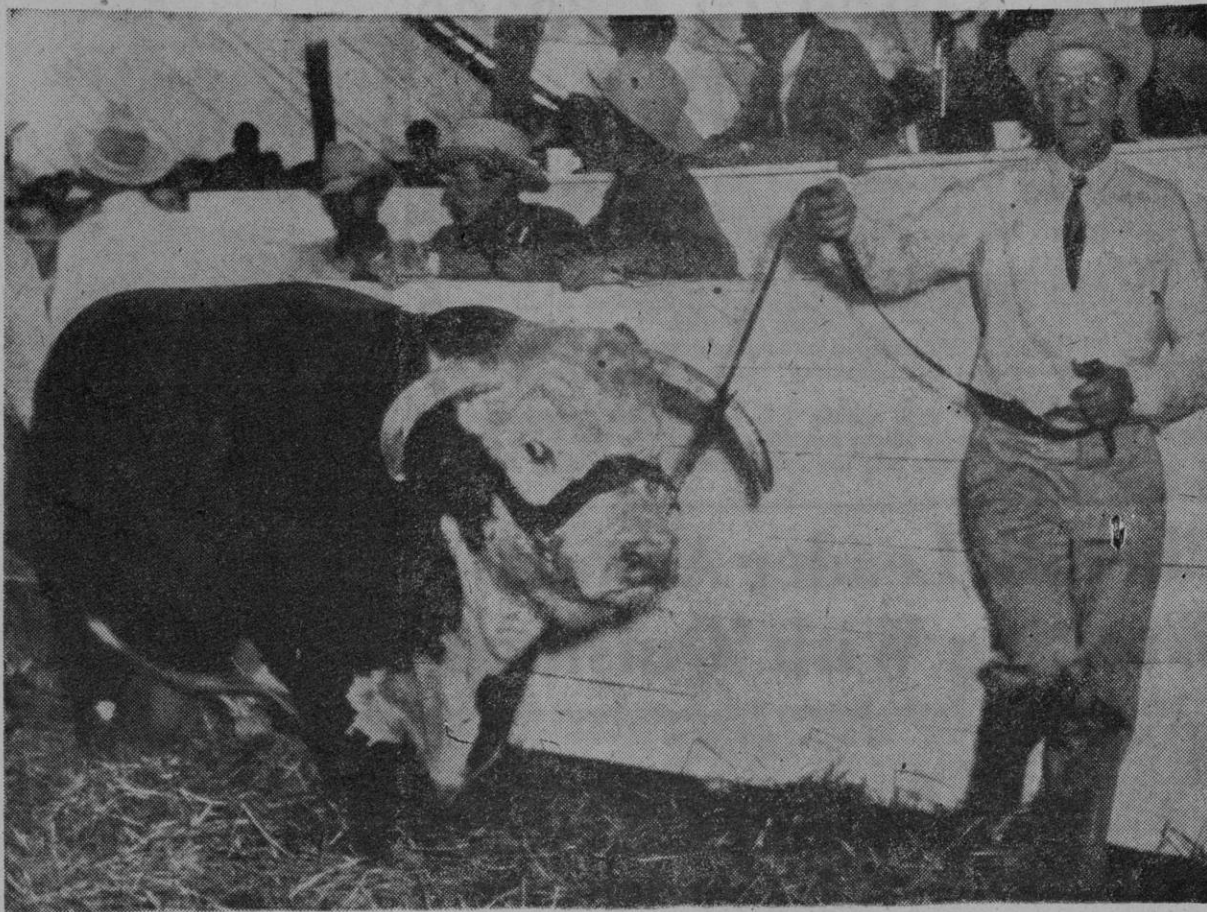
WASHINGTON, June 18 (UP)—Do your chickens snub their nest and refuse to lay eggs? Are they nervous, rundown? They may be suffering from Newcastle disease, a malady that has the Agriculture Department worried.

It has been very destructive to flocks in Europe, Asia, and has become fairly widespread in the United States in recent years.

Dr. Bennett Simms, chief of the department's Bureau of Animal Industry, said the problem has become very serious and steps have been taken to meet it. He said that a special committee of poultry veterinarians and pathologists has published a study of the ailment and tried to find an answer.

Experts hope a new vaccine may hold the cure, but the treatment is still in the experimental stage. The disease was first discovered at Newcastle, England, two decades ago.

The stricken hens stop laying,



**\$52,000—And No Bull**  
A real silver domino Hereford Bull sold for \$52,000 at the Silver Crest Hereford dispersion sale of Jack Turner at Dean Ranch, west of Fort Worth. It is led by John Tarr of the Dean Ranch.

## Ex-PWs Meet To Form Club

MILWAUKEE, June 18 (AP)—Prison camp life normally isn't something to talk about around the dinner table but a group of Milwaukeeans will do just that today.

Foremost in the discussion will be formation of a national "barbed wire club" composed of former PWs of both the Japanese and the Germans.

Azzan McKagan, Air Force staff sergeant shot down over Cologne in April 1943, conceived the idea for the club.

One of the reasons for the club is to talk over experiences and reshare miseries suffered in prison camps on both sides of the world. There are other reasons too.

"We want to cultivate friendships," McKagan explained, "and we want to honor our departed comrades. Also we want to seek justice and righteousness in political and economic issues."

## Los Angeles Zoo Wants To Trade Hungry Animals

LOS ANGELES, June 18 (AP)—A shortage of hay and grain has hit Griffith Park zoo.

The park commission wants to sell or swap four elk, seven black and two white fallow deer, one brahma calf, one Utah mule deer, eight karakul sheep and lambs and four mountain sheep and lambs. Replacements will be animals whose appetites are less difficult to satisfy under current conditions.

## York Strikes Oil Near His Home

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 18 (AP)—World War I hero Alvin C. York has struck oil near his home at Pall Mall, Tenn. State geologist H. B. Eurwell said that it is "one of the better wells in the area."

Burwell said, "The well is turning out a very good grade of oil." But he had not completed tests to determine the exact gravity.

York said that his 732-foot well was pumping oil at the rate of 13 barrels an hour.

## Indian Chiefs Ask Representation In United Nations

STAMFORD, Conn., June 18 (AP)—Five Indian chiefs and a squaw were named delegates, representing North and South American Indians, with authority to petition for a permanent seat for Indians in the United Nations and its Security Council at its September session in New York.

Announcement of the delegates was made at Woodside Park by chief Swimming Eel of Stamford, representative of the "chiefs grand council," and its affiliates at a tribal council and pow-wow.

The chief said the War Department contemplates moving Indian families from an improved and cultivated reservation at Fort Bethold, Elbow Woods, N. D., to the Missouri bad lands, where, the chief said, "the land is uninhabitable and unfit to live in."

## 64 Children, Grandchildren Attend Couple's Wedding

LOS ANGELES, June 18 (AP)—C. W. Miller, 82, and bride, the former Mrs. Emma King, 80, are honeymooning today after their wedding ceremony Saturday night attended by 64 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They met two months ago.

## Vets Ask 9 Point Italian Treaty

WASHINGTON, June 18 (UP)—Twenty-one American veterans of the Italian campaign came here under the auspices of Sen. James Mead to tell the Senate Foreign Relations committee their views on an Italian peace treaty which Secretary of State James F. Byrnes is attempting to negotiate in Paris.

Forest J. Tate, of Brooklyn, who lost an arm at Cassino explained the views of his comrades on Trieste. "I saw a lot of what the Italian people went through. I want them to feel ex-GIs haven't forgotten them. They deserve a break from Uncle Sam during this critical time."

The veterans urged: Trieste remain Italian and if internationalized that it be placed under Italian administration.

The boundary between Italy and Yugoslavia be the Wilson Line or as modified by the State Department.

That the Italian-Austrian boundary remain as present.

Pre-fascist Italian colonies remain Italian or under Italian administration.

All plans for punitive reparations against Italy be laid aside.

That the Italian merchant marine be restored so the Italian government can take its own steps to feed the Italian people.

That the Italian government be declared a friendly nation instead of an enemy nation as is now its technical designation.

Italy be admitted to the United Nations.

All remaining restrictions on Italian sovereignty be forthwith abolished.

## New Remedy Kills Ticks

JOHANNESBURG, June 18 (AP)—The new British insecticide gammexane has had considerable success in combating the cattle killing ticks in South Africa.

## Big Problems Face Congress On Final Lap

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The 79th Congress skidded around a corner today on what may be the last month's lap of work with half dozen Administration legislative projects barely hanging on.

The next four weeks of Capitol Hill action may place this country on a foreign policy course in line with President Truman's broad recommendations, but on a domestic route which he hardly can accept without some adjustments.

Six major problems, still awaiting solution before the Legislators quit to go home about July 15, include extension of price controls, renewal of military draft, establishment of atomic energy controls, creation of emergency labor disputes powers, approval or rejection of the British loan and merger of the armed forces.

### Truman May Break Even

On basis of present prospects, President Truman can figure to break about even on these.

Indications are British credit will go through, atomic regulation will be established in a form fairly satisfactory to the White House and a pared down version of labor controls may be set up.

At best, the President apparently can get only a shadow of the full price controls he sought. The draft may be extended in a way he probably can accept, if not applauded. But any action on unification of the armed forces seems out for this session.

On other still pending issues, the Chief Executive seems unlikely to fare even that well during final days of the Congressional meeting.

The Administration's minimum wage bill and long range housing program appear to be tightly wedged in a House road block. The Senate minority holds are an effective filibuster threat over bills to establish permanent FEPC and to abolish state poll taxes.

## AAF to Develop Arctic Bases

WASHINGTON, June 18 (UP)—Reliable sources here said that the Army Air Forces has a chain of air bases stretching across the Arctic Circle which it plans to develop as a bulwark against possible air attacks from the European continent.

The bases are operated by the Atlantic division of the Air Transport Command, and official AAF sources said it is the first time in history that the AAF has been given military command of all U.S. Army troops on communication bases in a geographical division.

The vast network, covering 26,493,000 square miles of ocean, was conceived by Army airmen as the first line of combat defense against any enemy who might attack from the east, and some of the air arm's best talent has been assigned to it. AAF Commander, Gen. Carl Spaatz, is in command. The headquarters is at Fort Tooten, Long Island, N. Y.

The division is new, and many men are green, since most experienced personnel has been demobilized, but recruits are being trained rapidly, and bases and routes are kept alive by service performed in the movement of essential mail supplies and high priority military personnel to and from the U.S. occupation installations abroad.

### Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)

By Milton Caniff



## Movie Colony Tops 1944 Big Money Makers

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—Movies, horse racing and motor making accounted for the first five places in the Treasury Department's listing of 593 top-paid Americans in 1944.

Movie producer-director Leo McCarey, with 12-month earnings of \$1,113,035, headed the list easily, while Charles H. Strub, vice president of the Los Angeles Turf Club, was lengths behind in second place with \$466,537.

Movie financier Charles P. Skouras and actor Fred MacMurray stood third and fourth with \$393,000 and \$391,217, respectively, and motor-maker Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, was fifth at \$362,954.

### Listings Exclude Taxes

The figures cover corporation payments of \$75,000 or more for the calendar year 1944 and business fiscal years which ran into 1945. All salaries were listed before deduction of federal, state and other taxes, which in most instances trim actual cash by 50 to 90 per cent.

Top-paid woman and 35th in the list, which included fewer than a dozen of her sex, was film actress Carmen Miranda who received \$201,458. Actresses Paulette Goddard and Betty Grable were her closest rivals, with \$187,333 and \$172,000, respectively.

Four businessmen and a movie executive made up the lower half of the top ten.

Sixth was E. H. Bobst, of Montclair, N. J., president of the Hoffman-Laroche drug firm, with \$300,000. Seventh and eighth places went to Ormond E. Hunt and Albert Bradley, General Motors vice presidents, who drew \$287,745 and \$276,019, respectively.

## Vienna Thieves Steal 237 Autos

VIENNA, June 18 (AP)—A total of 237 U. S. Army vehicles were stolen in Vienna between the start of the American occupation in August and May 1, a report by Col. W. P. Yarborough, provost marshal of the Vienna Area Command showed today.

Of this total 113 were recovered. The worst month of the occupation for stolen vehicles was January when 61 were stolen. In April, due to stricter safeguards, the number had declined to 10 stolen and nine recovered.

Statistics prepared by Yarborough showed that crime in Vienna was still a serious problem with an average of approximately 1,500 cases being reported to Vienna police each week. A breakdown of crimes by zones shows that more crimes are committed in the Russian districts of Vienna than in any other, the proportion being about 50 per cent in May.

The British districts are a close second to the Russian, although other statistics show that British troops commit fewer crimes than the troops of any other occupying army.

Approximately 90 per cent of the crime in Vienna is committed by Austrians or persons whose nationality is never ascertained, the report indicated.

### Jeffrey Lynn Discharged

FORT DIX, N. Y., June 18 (AP)—Capt. Jeffrey Lynn, one of the first movie actors to enter the armed forces, was discharged today.

## Soviet Writer Blames Allies For Danube River's Paralysis

MOSCOW, June 18 (AP)—British and American forces paralyzed Danube traffic by seizing the major part of the river fleet, while Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin and others falsely blamed the Soviet Union for the present position, a writer in Pravda charged today.

"No objective person could fail to recognize that the Soviet Union has done everything possible to provide transport on the Danube," the writer, M. Marinin said.

"If it has not been developed, then Britain and the United States must

### Moon Mullins

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

By Willard



### May Solve Mystery

The snapshot of an American Army nurse found in the pocket of an American flier killed in Italy may solve the mystery surrounding his identity. She has been identified as Lt. Betty Hencke, currently stationed at Stuttgart.

## Fun-Bound GIs Aid French Kids

Special to The Stars and Stripes

FRANKFURT, June 18—American soldiers passing through Mulhouse, France, Swiss—Rome leave center, have contributed generously to a fresh air fund for under-privileged French children, Theater Special Services announced.

In a letter of appreciation to Col. Frederick P. Pitts, Commanding officer of the leave center, the director of the fund, the Entraide Francaise, declared that the soldiers had contributed in excess of 200,000 francs.

The French Red Cross drive has also been assisted by American donors. The letter to Pitts stated that the voluntary contributions had aided greatly in creating good will for American soldiers among the French people.

### Lack of Fodder for Horses Closes Garmisch Stables

Special to The Stars and Stripes

MUNICH, June 18—Lack of fodder to feed the horses at the Garmisch recreation center has caused 3rd Army authorities to close the riding stables which were a popular attraction with GIs vacationing in the German mountain resort.

The horses have been shipped to the Remount Depot in Donauworth and will be reassigned either to the Constabulary or sold to German farmers.

## King Urges Scientific Growth Despite Danger

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—The "infinite possibilities for good and evil" in scientific discoveries like atomic energy "must never be used as an argument against scientific research," King George VI said yesterday.

Opening the first empire scientific conference, the King said he hoped it would be the forerunner of "closer contact in scientific affairs within the empire" and added the "empire is a laboratory stored with materials."

"We must see to it that the available resources, both in money and manpower, are efficiently applied. To do this implies careful planning and close cooperation," he said.

Commonwealth cooperation, the King observed, can "develop a greater and wider field of scientific investigation than any other community, always excepting the United Nations."

### BARUCH PROPOSAL CALLED CHALLENGE TO NATION

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—The London Times said that the American plan for atomic energy control, advanced by Bernard Baruch on Friday, "draws together the product of anxious minds and troubled consciences that have been continuously exercised over the problem of nuclear energy in the 10 months since Hiroshima was destroyed."

The Times saw in the plan "a clear challenge to international statesmanship to take the bold step forward—a step, be it noted, in the direction of world government, which was the instinctive demand of so many when the danger first appeared."

## Request 12,000 ET Dependents

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, June 18—A total of 7,062 applications had been filed with USFET Hq. today by military and civilian personnel to bring 12,307 dependents to the European Theater this year.

A breakdown of figures showed that 5,094 officers, 1,479 enlisted personnel and 489 civilians had applied for dependency travel to the theater. Dependents of the officer applicants totaled 9,250, dependents of enlisted personnel 2,268, and 789 dependents requested by civilians.

Applicants asked for a total of 554 family members to be moved in June, 4,689 in July, 3,513 in August, 99 in September, and a total of 38 during October, November and December. Three officers have asked for shipment of dependents in January of next year.

Requests for the shipment of automobiles totaled: officers, 2,316; enlisted personnel, 170; and civilian, 120.

### Greater Hesse Will Train Public Welfare Workers

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

WIESBADEN, June 18—Land Greater Hesse will underwrite the training of 30 young Germans as public welfare workers, MG announced today.

Nazification of German welfare agencies created a scarcity of trained workers to care for the more than 200,000 individuals receiving relief from local Greater Hesse offices, MG said, and greater strain is added to local agencies by the absorption of both refugees and exiles.

The three-month course for the selected students will include two months of theoretical training and one month practical work in the land ministry and important sub-agencies.

## Food Rations For Germans To Be Raised

By NADEANE WALKER

Staff Writer

BERLIN, June 18—Dried milk and vegetables from the U. S., sugar from the Russian zone and fish from Scandinavia have made possible the forthcoming increase in food rations in the U. S. zone, according to the Military Government weekly report released today. Effective June 24, the average consumer ration will be increased to 1,225 calories daily.

The report revealed that 6,000 tons of food, over 46 per cent of which originated in America, was supplied to Berlin during the week. Plans were completed for an increase of 248,000 hectares of crops, over the 1945 figures.

### Serious Barrel Shortage

It was stated this week that the herring season is starting with a serious shortage of barrels. Of 350,000 needed only 80,000 are on hand. Rail freight movement into the U. S. zone from the Bremen Enclave totaled 93,175 tons, and the enclave ports were cleared of backlogs as a result of slow arrival of incoming cargo.

Other events of the week, as outlined by the MG report, included: the feasibility of producing penicillin in Germany. It is indicated that it will require two years to fill the penicillin needs of the zone.

Sculpture attributed to Leonardo da Vinci was returned to The Netherlands, and literature stolen from the Channel Islands by the Nazis was returned to the UK.

### Blocked Funds Released

Five million reichsmark were released from blocked funds in the U. S. zone to a former I. G. Farben plant at Ludwigshafen in the French zone, and the Soviet zone released an equal amount for the same purpose.

Three new periodicals, two of them political publications, were brought out, and 23 new books and pamphlets were published.

There was a continuing upward trend in VD and tuberculosis cases reported.

### Dutch Nazis Riot in Camp

THE HAGUE, June 18 (UP)—New riots broke out this morning at the internment camp for Dutch Nazis at Duindorp near here. Shootings occurred in which one Nazi was believed killed and one wounded. A state of alarm in the camp is continuing.



### Sleek Lines

Jerry Core and Jeanne Underhill demonstrate the smooth appearance of the Salisbury 85, a new two wheeled motor vehicle. With salesgirls like these the Salisbury should soon shatter sales records.

# Louis Favored, 11-5, Over Conn Tonight

NEW YORK, June 19 (UP)—Under dazzling ring lights at the Yankee Stadium, Joe Louis and Billy Conn—two ex-GIs—will meet again tonight in the most ballyhooed sports event of all time, and perhaps the richest, with the world heavyweight title at stake.

Brown-skinned Joe Louis, of Detroit,

making the 22nd defense of the crown he wrested from Jim Braddock in 1937, is favored at 11-5 in heavy betting to repeat his victory over Pittsburgh Billy, who threatened to take the title on June 18, 1941, but was knocked out in the 13th round after leading on points.

This "big fight," blessed by a five-

year build-up, should draw a gate ranging between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000. It may exceed the record receipts for a sport attraction—the \$2,658,650 drawn by the second Jack Dempsey-Gene Tunney extravaganza at Chicago in 1927.

Mike Jacobs, irritated by the published

reports that the gate might fall below \$2,000,000, declared heatedly today: "Why, we've already got more than two million in the till." He refused to predict just how high the gate would go, but expects at least 80,000 customers to pay for watching.

Irish Billy, who went into his first

bout with Louis a 4-1 underdog, put up such a magnificent fight that many experts believed he could have "coasted" to the title had he not made the mistake in the 13th round of trying to slug it out with the champion, who had been punch-groggy and on the verge of collapse in the 12th.

### Question to Be Settled

What would have happened if Conn hadn't lost his head in the 13th? That was the question that swept the boxing world—the question that has been asked by millions ever since then, in peace and in the war, during which champion and challenger were in the army more than three years and gave boxing exhibitions for their buddies at home and on many foreign fronts—that's the big question that the "big fight" will settle.

The war-caused delay of their return battle raised another question, almost as potent as a build-up vehicle. Both men have aged five years, sending Louis into the ring at 32 and Billy at 28. Thirty-two is a ripe age for any professional fighter, and particularly for a defending champion.

Because of Joe's age, a major point is this: has their four-year absence from competition taken more out of Louis than out of the younger Conn? Because of their contrasting methods of training for the fight, no one has been able to answer this question with certainty.

### Champ's Sparmates Good

Louis, sparring at Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, used the best partners that money could hire. He had main-event fighters working with him—men like Al Hoosman, Perk Daniels, Jimmy Bell and George Fitch. He paid most of them \$50 a round.

But Conn, sparring at Greenwood Lake, New Jersey, employed comparative palookas—chaps like ancient, blubbery Mickey McCavoy, Conn's brother Jackie, Jimmy Smith and Mickey Belluscio, an awkward slugger.

Conn boxed nearly twice as many rounds as Louis during the training grind and he looked much sharper than the champion throughout.

But no one knows what form Billy would have shown, had he been working with men as good as Joe's practice-mates.

### Doctors Like Conn's Condition

Recent examinations by Boxing Commission physicians indicated that Conn was in better physical condition than Louis and less likely to tire if the bout last its scheduled 15 rounds.

Both principals are heavier than for their previous bout. Louis, who weighed 199½ pounds in 1941, expects to scale around 210 tonight and he has grown a full inch, now registering six feet, two and a half inches. Conn's weight has increased from 174 to 180 pounds and he appears to be hitting harder than in the past.

But Billy, who fails to get his

body behind his punches, never was a knockout artist.

However, Louis has been one of the deadliest punchers in ring history. In 21 previous title defenses only two opponents lasted the distance—Arturo Godoy, of Chile, who was knocked out in a return bout, and Tommy Farr of Wales.

The champion will enter the ring with only one defeat charged against him since he turned professional on July 4, 1934.

Only one man has ever stayed in the ring with Louis longer the second time than the first. Bob Pastor alone prevented Joe from improving on a past performance, losing a 10-round decision and then going all the way to the 11th before being knocked out in the return match.

The champion seems to work up a competitive lather when he faces an opponent for the second time, his remembrance of the distance they travelled before overcoming his natural laziness.

## Cards Tighten Race by Taking 2 From Braves

BOSTON, June 18 (AP)—Baseball's best travelling men, the St. Louis Cardinals, who do better on the road than in their own park, swept both ends of a doubleheader from the Boston Braves, 9-6, and 1-0, to move within two games of the league leading Brooklyn Dodgers, who were idle.

Howie Pollet gave the Braves only six hits in the second game, while his mates could get only one more off big Bill Lee.

The only run in the nightcap was scored after an error on a potential double play. Pollet himself singled to center after one out in the sixth. Jeff Cross batted the ball down the third-base line and Billy Herman grabbed it. He threw to Connie Ryan to erase Pollet, but Ryan's peg to first sailed by Johnny Hopp into the Cards' dugout, allowing Cross to take second.

### Dusak Doubles

Ernie Dusak promptly belted a liner to center which bounced by Mike McCormick for a double scoring Cross with the only run.

In the first game, Ernie White made his first start since 1942, when he then played with these same Cardinals.

He lasted long enough to pitch to four batters, walking the first two and watching two doubles bounce off the bats of the next two Redbirds for three runs.

Steve Roser replaced White and two more singles and a fielder's choice gave the Cards five runs. They scored single runs in the second, fourth, fifth and sixth, to make it nine for the game.

### Musial Sets Pace

The Cards made 14 safe blows off five Boston pitchers, Stan Musial setting the pace with a homer, double and two singles.

The Braves threatened often, as they outhit the Cards in the contest 15-14, but the best they could do was to fashion single runs in the second, third, seventh and eighth, and two in the fifth.

Phil Masi clouted his third four-bagger in the seventh. Billy Southworth used 19 men in vain efforts to win the game.

## Phils 7, Pirates 3

PHILADELPHIA, June 18 (AP)—The Phils continued their drive to get out of the league cellar with a 7-3 victory over the Pirates.

Skeeter Newsome homered in the sixth, scoring Johnny Wyrostek ahead of him.

Newsome also sent two of four Phil runs across in the second with a single.

It was the Phils 13th win in 18 games and put them only six percentage points behind the seventh-place Giants, who were idle.

Dick Mauny, who relieved Charley Schanz with the Phils leading, 4-3, and the tying run on base with one out in the fifth, got credit for the victory.

Four Pirate pitchers were unable to stop the Phils, although their teammates got 15 hits to the Phils' nine.

## Galento Arrested in Raid; Charged With Gambling

ORANGE, N. J., June 18 (AP)—Two Ton Tony Galento, former heavyweight title contender and now tavern keeper here, was arrested by Orange police in a raid on a candy store at 25 Lincoln Avenue and charged with gambling.

Galento, who seven years ago this month was knocked out by Joe Louis in a championship bout, was released in the custody of his counsel.

## Budge Outlasts Riggs

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 18 (AP)—Donald Budge, recent loser to Bobby Riggs in an extended pro tennis tour, won the Southern Open tennis crown from Riggs, outlasting his smaller opponent through a five-set match. The score was 6-2, 1-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.

| LOUIS    |                  | CONN     |
|----------|------------------|----------|
| 32       | AGE              | 28       |
| 210 LBS. | WEIGHT           | 180 LBS. |
| 6 FT. 2  | HEIGHT           | 6 FT. 1  |
| 76 IN.   | REACH            | 73½ IN.  |
| 42 IN.   | CHEST (Normal)   | 41 IN.   |
| 45 IN.   | CHEST (Expanded) | 43¼ IN.  |
| 17 IN.   | NECK             | 17½ IN.  |
| 15 IN.   | BICEPS           | 15¼ IN.  |
| 12 IN.   | FOREARM          | 12 IN.   |
| 8 IN.    | WRIST            | 7½ IN.   |
| 11¼ IN.  | FIST             | 11½ IN.  |
| 36 IN.   | WAIST            | 33½ IN.  |
| 22 IN.   | THIGH            | 22 IN.   |
| 15 IN.   | CALF             | 14¼ IN.  |
| 10 IN.   | ANKLE            | 9¼ IN.   |

## Joe Reveals Plan to Press Challenger; Condition Cinches Victory, Says Conn

By JOE LOUIS

POMPTON LAKES, N. J., June 18 (INS)—Planning fights as important as mine with Billy Conn tomorrow night is something.

Bankers think they've got troubles. I'll trade any day. I'm going to press Conn every second we're in that ring. That's my decision. We thought of boxing Billy, of standing off and letting him peck me and then getting him late in the fight like last time. But I would like to nail him fast in this scrap.

As I said before, there's too much danger in lashing him right off the bat. He can hit a bit, too, and I might run into a lot of trouble. But I don't like 15 round fights if I can avoid them. Everyone knows that. But I can't tip my mitt that I will rush him the way I did that Schmeling. I want Billy to be guessing.

### Fighters Don't Forget

You know one thing. I didn't cut Billy a bit last time—not one bit. I just knocked him dead with a couple of good right hand punches. And Billy will always have that in his mind. He can't help it even if it had been ten years ago instead of five. I know about things like that. I remembered Schmeling and his punch. Conn knows what it is to be knocked out by me, and for all his cocky talk, that's sure to be in his mind, all the time.

That layoff in the Army rusted my fighting muscles and I knew it. I never worked harder than for this fight nor longer and I feel honestly I am in the best possible condition.

Doctors have disagreed on my condition, confusing me with systolic and diastolic talk about my blood pressure. I never had any intention of hitting Conn with systolic or diastolic—my right hand will be enough. And my legs are all right. If Billy runs as soon as he gets up off his stool, I'll be on top of him from that moment on.

By BILLY CONN

GREENWOOD LAKE, N. J., June 18 (INS)—If physical condition has anything to do with winning a heavyweight championship, I am a cinch to beat Joe Louis in the Yankee stadium tomorrow night.

I have never been in better shape in my life. I have no way of knowing how Louis came through the training grind. He's an experienced veteran and should know his own condition. It doesn't concern me, because I'm ready for the greatest fight in my life.

When I started training back in January I weighed 196 pounds. When I weigh in at Madison Square Garden tomorrow noon, I'll be within a pound or two of 180. The last time Joe and I got together, I weighed 174 pounds. That was five years ago and it is only natural that I should pick up a few ounces. I've put added weight on my shoulders. My neck has thickened. I figure I'll be able to take a better punch—if I have to. It seems to me that I am faster than I was five years ago.

### Battle Won't Be Short

I can't say yet what kind of fight I'll make against Louis. I can tell you it is not going to be a short fight, no matter what Gene Tunney thinks or Joe Louis has planned. I am not a slow-moving heavyweight, such as was Max Schmeling, and I am not going to be a stationary target for Joe to shoot at in those early rounds.

In predicting my defeat in one or two rounds, Tunney hasn't taken my legs into consideration. Gene doesn't know how fast I can run and I'm not going to hesitate to run away from danger in those early rounds.

I hope Louis has trained satisfactorily, too. I want to beat the real Louis—the man who has been one of the greatest champions of all time. I am convinced that I can do it and look forward to becoming the next world heavyweight champion.

## Move Over, Sinatra; Billy Sings, Too

LOS ANGELES, June 18 (AP)—Billy Conn is confidently looking forward to a profitable sideline of singing cowboy and hillbilly songs "after I lick Louis."

Coast Records Inc., which made Conn an offer of \$35,000 a year to make western recordings if he defeats the champion, said the challenger wired acceptance from his Greenwood Lake, N. J., training camp.

## Scribes Pick Champ To Retain Crown

NEW YORK, June 18 (INS)—In a poll of the nation's sportswriters on the Louis Conn fight, the scribes from coast to coast came up with the composite declaration that Joe Louis will be heavyweight champion of the world after Wednesday's bout.

In a survey conducted by International News, the boys in "the know" voted 87 per cent that Louis will turn back the challenge of Billy Conn.

A consensus of the experts reveals that a majority of them believe, discounting the possibility that Louis is completely washed up, that a good big man is still the master of a good little man.

# Davis Cuppers Win 1st Matches At Queen's Club

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—The London grass courts tennis tournament at Queen's club, a "dress rehearsal" for the Wimbledon championships starting June 24, brought out a full array of bigtime European tennis stars today.

Both of Sweden's Davis Cup players won their first round men's singles matches in straight sets. Lennart Bergelin eliminated F. Carlson, 6-2, 6-2, while Torsten Johansson dropped five games in beating R. Smith, 6-2, 6-3.

Bergelin faces tough opposition on the way to the finals, being bracketed in one quarter of the draw with Dinny Pails, top-seeded Australian star, who easily took his opener from Jack Slater, American Army Captain, 6-2, 6-2.

**Egyptians Triumph**  
Adly Shafei, Egyptian Davis Cup player, was taken to three sets before conquering G. L. Tuckett, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1. Andre Najar, also Egypt, had a stiff fight in his second set with R. J. Sandys, but triumphed, 6-3, 7-5. Another Davis Cup player from Egypt, Mahoud Talaat, eliminated B. K. Burnett, 6-3, 6-2.

Lt. Frank Mehner, one of the five members of a U. S. Army team from Germany, beat C. H. Kingsley, 6-3, 6-3. Others in the group who played fared badly in their first matches on grass this season. Slater lost to Pails, and Lt. Harris Beeman was beaten by H. E. Wetherall, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

## WIGHTMAN CUPPERS TAKE GRASS COURTS OPENERS

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—The United States women's tennis team resumed where they left off Saturday—when they routed Britain in the Wightman Cup matches—by winning their opening contests in the London grass courts tournament at Queen's Club.

Miami's Doris Hart beat Mrs. R. D. McKelvie, 6-2, 6-0, and Margaret Osborne, of San Francisco, eliminated Mrs. G. R. Lines, 6-1, 6-3, in first round women's singles matches.

Pauline Betz, of Los Angeles, who drew a bye into the second round, defeated Miss P. O'Connell, 6-1, 6-2. Miss R. M. Mechel, Dutch woman entry, ran up against Louise Brough, of Beverly Hills, Calif., and was eliminated, 6-1, 6-0, in the first round.

## PARKER ENTERS 2ND ROUND OF SOUTHERN TOURNEY

LOUISVILLE, June 18 (AP)—Frankie Parker, the nation's No. 1 racket wielder, sailed into the second round of the Southern tennis championship yesterday, with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Lee Hill, Louisville.

Parker led the parade of favorites into the second round. Original schedule was altered when Elwood Cooke, nation's fourth ranking player, and Bitsy Grant, nine-time winner of the Southern, wired that they couldn't reach Louisville until today.

The Philippine Davis Cup team, and Billy Talbert and Gardner Mulloy, of U. S. Davis Cup squad, arrived late, forcing further schedule shifts.

## British Figure Out How to Keep Cup

LONDON, June 18 (AP)—Midway in the first set of the fourth Wightman Cup match, which Louise Brough was winning from Britain's Joan Curry at Wimbledon Stadium, the Wightman Cup fell off the table on which it was being displayed.

The players halted while a steward replaced the tall silver trophy and the flowers in it, and then tied it down with a piece of cord.

"That's it," quipped a British spectator. "Tie the cup down. That's the only way we can keep it."

## Browns Pound Harris to Beat Red Sox, 7-1

ST. LOUIS, June 18 (AP)—The Browns trounced the league-leading Red Sox, 7-1, on nine hits, including successive home runs by Johnny Berardino and Vern Stephens, and a three-run double by Hank Helf.

Mickey Harris, trying for his tenth victory, but relieved at the start of the sixth by Mike Ryba, had the Brownies under his thumb in the

ST. LOUIS, June 18 (UP)—The St. Louis Browns traded outfielder Joe Grace and pitcher Al LaMachia to Washington for outfielder Jeff Heath.

first and third but got a foretaste of things to come in the second. Jeff Heath, in his new role as a Brownie, singled, but Walt Judnich's long liner to left center was taken on a running catch by Ted Williams. Heath was thrown out stealing on a double play as Chet Laabs fanned.

George Metkovich scored Boston's only run in the third, sliding around Helf at the plate after Johnny Pesky grounded to Berardino.

Berardino's homer, his fifth of the year, tied the score an inning later. Stephens followed with his seventh homer, and with two out, Helf's two-base hit to right center barely outdistanced fleet-footed Bobby Doerr.

In the fifth, Chuck Stevens tallied on Heath's long fly to centerfield. Stephens scored and Chet Laabs was safe at first on Pesky's low throw.

## AFN Highlights

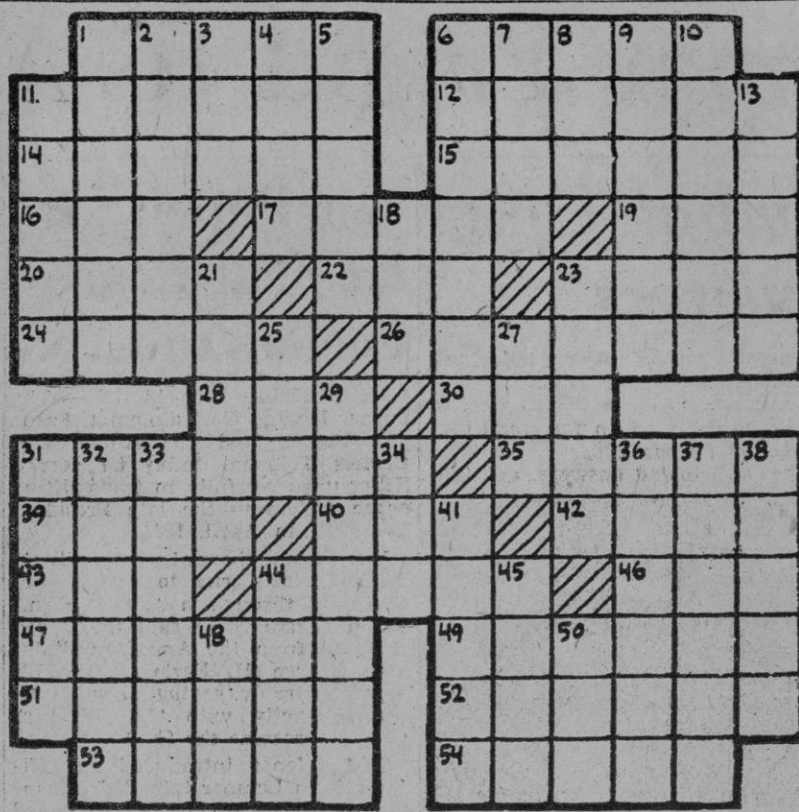
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### WEDNESDAY

1800 News 2130 AFN Playhouse  
1805 Sports 2155 Saul Green Reporting  
1815 Personal Album  
1900 Music We Love 2200 Hall of Fame  
1930 Amos & Andy 2230 Frank Sinatra  
2000 Bob Crosby 2300 News Roundup  
2030 Jack Carson 0100 News And Scores  
2100 European News Roundup

### THURSDAY

0600 News 1130 Melody Roundup  
0730 News 1145 At Ease  
0745 GI Jive 1200 News  
0800 Fred Waring 1330 Woman's World  
0830 Repeat 1430 Heard At Home  
Performance 1500 News  
1030 News From Home 1750 Vespers  
1800 News



**ACROSS**  
1—Something to bring home  
6—Gives off  
11—Sarcasm  
12—Rig of sails  
14—Barbers  
15—Two-handed card game  
16—Hebrew teacher  
17—Part of barrel  
19—Greek letter  
20—Academy (abbr.)  
22—That girl  
23—River flowing into Baltic  
24—Turns white  
25—They hold ships  
26—Fairy fort  
30—Father's pride  
31—Absence of sound  
35—Miners' leader  
39—Burden  
40—Eggs  
42—Where the harp played  
43—Busy insect  
44—Operetta by Herbert  
46—Girl (slang)  
47—Angry scolding  
49—Rio  
51—Navy man  
52—Value  
53—Fastens boards together  
54—Brings up

**DOWN**  
29—Baseball officials  
31—Thin boards  
32—Islands off Greece  
33—Supreme worship  
34—First lady  
36—Composer of Tannhauser  
37—Turkish decrees  
38—Where witches were burned  
41—Rage  
44—Image that is worshiped  
45—Gaelic  
48—Mr. Baba  
50—Filipino  
1—World-wide men's Bible class  
2—Kettle drum  
3—Spanish hero  
4—Mine products  
5—Rests snugly  
6—Football teams  
7—Symbol of authority  
8—Eskimo group  
9—Shipworm  
10—Hunting dog  
11—Leather thong  
13—Approaches  
18—Cry of triumph  
21—Took out  
23—French novelist  
25—Do wrong  
27—Mountain gap

## Borowy's Failure to Go Route Hands Last Laugh to MacPhail

CHICAGO, June 18 (INS)—Hank Borowy, Chicago Cub flinger, who this spring boasted he never felt better in his life, never pitched worse.

Bluntly speaking, Borowy, who last year pitched the Cubs to the National League flag, is in the worst slump of his career. He has started eight games. He has finished only one. He has one victory and three official losses. And back in New York sits MacPhail, whose favorite hobby in the past has been skinning the teeth off Jimmy Gallagher of the Cubs.

It must be remembered that when he was with Brooklyn, MacPhail engineered the exchange which brought Billy Herman and the pennant from Chicago to Brooklyn. Then last year it looked like a case of turnaround. Borowy was sold from the Yankees to the Cubs on July 27, and went on from there to win

eleven out of thirteen decisions and deliver the National League flag to Gallagher's doorstep.

Hank's Sunday pitch, a zooming curve which goes into a dance about five feet in front of the batter, seems to be a thing of the past. His curve of late has been of the weak college variety.

As a result, Borowy's been relying more and more on his fast one, which isn't fast enough to matter.

There's a possibility Hank is laying off the curve because of a recurrent blister which plagues the middle finger of his pitching paw. But whatever the situation, it's doing Charlie Grimm's National League champions little good.

The question remains—will baseball annals remember Borowy as the guy who pitched the Cubs to the 1945 pennant—or a bust who made Larry MacPhail look good?

# HOW THEY STAND

AMERICAN LEAGUE table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes Boston, New York, Detroit, Washington, Cleveland, St. Louis, Chicago, Philadelphia.

NATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes Brooklyn, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Boston, Pittsburgh, New York, Philadelphia.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes Montreal, Newark, Syracuse, Baltimore, Buffalo, Toronto, Rochester, Jersey City.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes St. Paul, Louisville, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Toledo, Columbus.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes Atlanta, Nashville, Chattanooga, Memphis, New Orleans, Mobile, Birmingham, Little Rock.

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes Greenville, Augusta, Columbia, Columbus, Macon, Savannah, Jacksonville, Charleston.

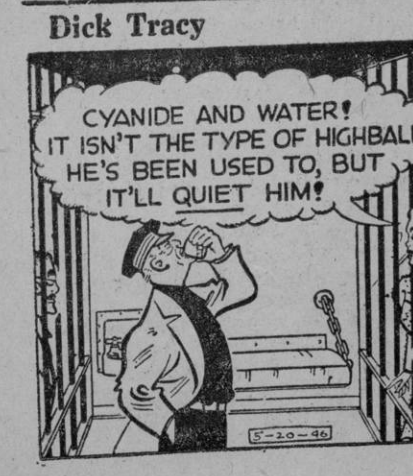
Major League Leaders table with columns: Player, Team, Stats. Includes Vernon, Senators; Walker, Dodgers; Williams, Red Sox; Hopp, Braves; Musial, Cards; DiMaggio, Red Sox.

HOME RUNS table with columns: Team, Player, Stats. Includes National League, American League.

1ST DIV. LEAGUE (Second Half) table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes 16th Inf. Regt., 14th Inf. Regt., Special Trps., 26th Inf. Regt., Div. Arty., 30th F. A. GP., 18th Inf. Regt.

3RD DIV. LEAGUE (Final 1st Half) table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes 3rd Army Hqs., 15th Inf. Regt., 7th Inf. Regt., 30th Inf. Regt., Special Trps., 3rd Repl. Depot, 333rd Engr. Regt., Div. Arty.

9TH DIV. LEAGUE table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct. Includes 60th Inf. Regt., 558th Q. M. GP, 39th Inf. Regt., Special Trps., 16th AFA. Bn., 346th Engr. Regt., 47th Inf. Regt., Div. Arty.



# Soviet Paper Frigid to Atomic Pool Plan

## Jap War Tribunal Upset By 'Wrong Answers'

TOKYO, June 18 (AP)—Prof. Kaigo gave the wrong answers today and upset the proceedings of the war trial of one-time Premier Tojo.

Expected to testify that Japan's warmakers used the nation's school to whip youths into aggressive fanaticism, Kaigo declared on the stand that military training originally had only peaceful purposes.

When questioning failed to elicit the anticipated answers, assistant prosecutor Valentine Hammack asked permission to impeach the testimony of his own witness.

Earlier testimony evoked frowns and shocked stares from the defendants when a witness said that the Japanese had been taught militarism for 800 years.

The witness was Professor Tokiomias Kaigo, of the Tokyo Imperial University. He told the court that militarism in Japan was intensified when active army officers joined the staffs of all schools in 1925.

### QUISLING'S WIFE PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO 2 CHARGES

STOCKHOLM, June 18 (AP)—Maria Quisling, wife of Vidkun Quisling, the arch-collaborator, appeared before an Oslo court today charged with:

Being a member of Norway's Nazi party;

Having induced her husband to use 6,000,000 kroner for his estate. She pleaded not guilty.

## Tunnel Escape Plot Thwarted

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military court overruled Kilian's motion to quash the charges against him.

"These charges are the result of a malicious design," contended Kilian's attorney, Lt. Col. Raymond E. Ford of Port Pierce, Fla. "They admittedly perjured testimony obtained by perverting and disgracing the Army's court martial system."

The court repeatedly blocked Ford's efforts to question witnesses about the background of the Kilian charges, with the law member, Col. William H. Beck, jr., of Griffin, Ga., ruling the questions improper or the evidence inadmissible.

Twice defense witnesses were allowed to repeat one side of a conversation with an Army officer but forbidden to repeat remarks by the other person involved in the conversation.

"On what grounds is this inadmissible?" Ford asked repeatedly. Beck time after time refused to explain his ruling and once declared sharply, "You may not ask upon what grounds the court rules."

When Ford complained that many witnesses he needed in support of his motion to quash were not furnished by the Army the court assured him he could renew the motion when those witnesses were available.

Tomorrow another trial will begin, with Pfc Thomas E. Warren of Plainview, Texas, accused of beating prisoners with fists and clubs. Four enlisted men and one lieutenant already have been convicted in connection with Lichfield operations.

## Army Announces Name of Slain MP

NURNBERG, June 18 (AP)—U. S. Army authorities announced today that the soldier who was shot to death by a German fraulein here last week was M/Sgt. Robert E. Flanagan, of Peoria, Ill.

Identification of the victim had been withheld previously pending notification of next of kin.

Erika Krebs, 26, who was quoted by investigators as saying the shooting was accidental, is scheduled to be tried by a military court Thursday.

## Yank Drowns in Fall From Schwanheim Ferry

FRANKFURT, June 18 (UP)—The death by drowning of an American soldier was announced today by USFET. The soldier, a passenger on a ferry boat between Hochst and Schwanheim, fell from the boat and was drowned Monday night.

The soldier, whose body has not been recovered, was a member of the 3160th Sig. Ser. Bn. His name is being withheld pending notification of his family.

## Von Papen Says He Sent Peace Feelers to U.S.

NURNBERG, June 18 (INS)—The former leading Nazi diplomat, Franz von Papen, told the Allied War Crimes Tribunal today he served Hitler unsuccessfully in transmitting peace feelers to the late President Roosevelt in April, 1944.

Von Papen, charged with facilitating the Nazis' rise to power, said he acted through a "straw man," Baron Lersner. He said the Baron obtained from the American diplomat, George H. Earle, Roosevelt's purported reply, saying, "I will confer personally with the Allies as soon as I receive the German offer."

The defense introduced an affidavit from Lersner intended to confirm that "Papen risked his head to carry on peace talks after Hitler's refusal" to proceed.

The former vice-chancellor told the court he declined, with Count Helldorf Gottfried von Bismarck in a Berlin restaurant in November, 1943, to discuss the overthrow of Hitler. Von Papen said he placed himself at the disposal of the July 20 plotters against Hitler as a prospective foreign minister.

The defense submitted an affidavit from Count Helldorf, great grandson of the iron chancellor, Otto von Bismarck, stating that Von Papen kept in contact with the plotters until their venture failed.

### GEN. SEPP'S AID JAILED FOR ESCAPING GERMANY

HAMBURG, June 18 (AP)—The former interpreter of SS Gen. Sepp Dietrich, Obersturmfuehrer Junge Kach, was sentenced to four years imprisonment by a Hamburg military court Saturday for illegally escaping from Germany. Military Government disclosed.

Junge Kach, born in Germany of Chilean parentage, was taken with a friend to Denmark in a German fishing boat and arrested in Copenhagen, it was stated. The friend, Heinrich Barchet, was sentenced to two years imprisonment and seven other men involved received suspended sentences.

## India's Acceptance Believed Certain

NEW DELHI, June 18 (AP)—Congress and Moslem League acceptance of Britain's plan for a coalition interim government was viewed as a certainty today.

The prevailing sentiment within the congress high command appeared to be that the party will not kill the goose to get the golden egg, meaning that the party will not permit quibbling to endanger the attainment of its long-sought goal, independence.



### Hollywood Beckons

Hollywood talent scouts, scouring the ET for new faces and personalities, bumped heads trying to snap up Ilka Windisch, 21-year-old Austrian stage and film star. They hope to bring Ilka to the U. S.

## Helicopters Deliver Los Angeles Mail

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—Helicopters will be used experimentally for the first time to collect and deliver air mail in the greater Los Angeles area during July and August, Air Forces headquarters announced.

Postal officials said that if the Los Angeles experiment proves practicable, they will urge immediate extension of helicopter air mail service to New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and other metropolitan centers as soon as possible.

## 'Last Resort' Angle Ties Up Teen-Age Draft

WASHINGTON, June 18 (INS)—House and Senate conferees were deadlocked temporarily on the 'teen-age draft issue today after a compromise permitting "last resort" induction of 18-year olds was scuttled by control of a proxy vote.

The conferees disclosed that Rep. Andrew May, (D-Ky.), chairman of the House Military Affairs committee, cast the proxy vote of Rep. Walter Andrews, (R-N.Y.), who favors the teen-age inductions, against the compromise. The session then recessed until tomorrow.

May's action surprised other House conferees, who regarded Andrews as a "sure vote" for any plan retaining 18 and 19 year olds under the draft. The New York Republican is absent while serving as a Congressional observer at the Bikini Atoll atom bomb test.

It was understood that May took the position that Andrews favored straight induction of 18 and 19 year olds and would be opposed to any compromise. The resultant vote of House conferees was four to three against a plan which won over Rep. Overton Brooks (D-La.), one of four House members previously lined up against taking teen-agers.

## Debt Limit Cut Voted by House

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—The House of Representatives voted without a dissenting voice to reduce the nation's authorized debt limit from a record \$300,000,000,000 wartime high to \$275,000,000,000.

The Senate has already passed a similar bill by Sen. Harry Byrd (D-La.) but due to a constitutional requirement that all legislation relating to revenue must originate in the House, the Senate must act again on the House bill.

The legislation marks the first debt limit reduction in eight years. Congress in 1938 cut the limit from \$49,000,000,000 to \$45,000,000,000, but numerous boosts immediately followed.

### Faints at Wac's Wedding

Special to The Stars and Stripes  
STUTTGART, June 18—June brides note: The best man fainted at the wedding ceremony here of Sylvia Halpern, 3rd Army Wac, and Marvin Glander, AES employe.

## Press Accuses U.S. of Seeking Global Control

NEW YORK, June 18 (INS)—Russia's press, which has often anticipated formal Soviet government policy, is frigid in its first reaction to the Baruch plan to control atomic energy through a supreme world authority.

The Soviet publication New Times accuses unidentified American politicians of trying to use atomic secrets to establish a "reactionary utopia of world domination by the United States under guise" of a world state. Just what a "reactionary utopia" could be is not defined.

But Russian objection to abolition of her veto powers under the American plan was expected. Soviet insistence on veto rights in the United Nations Security Council has been demanded by the Russians ever since the San Francisco charter conference, due to fear of "ganging up" by the western powers.

### 2 Factors Favor U.S.

Two factors favor the United States presently in its effort to get quick action on the Baruch proposal and these probably will weigh less in the long run. United States possession of the secret is one factor; the other is the greater technical ability presently of the United States to maintain a lead in the atomic energy field for many years to come.

In a strictly military sense, other factors would appear to favor Russia. With her governmental system, quick action and secret measures in the atomic field are feasible once her scientists break down the formula. Nobody knows how far advanced the Russians are, but scientists in all lands concede the possibility she eventually will discover the secrets.

### Russia Less Vulnerable

The wide expanses of Russia and her scattered population centers make her less vulnerable than many countries to sudden attack. Figuring in all this, too, is whether the atomic bomb is as frightfully efficient as its proponents say it is.

Many military men, including Russians, do not expect any scrapping of conventional armaments such as navies, ground armies and general bombers because of the creation of this mass slaughter weapon.

That is one reason for the forthcoming Bikini test in the Pacific. Any acceptance of the Baruch plan implies not only abolition of the atomic bomb as a weapon but abolition of war itself.

## Nylon Hosiery on Sale To Army Dependents

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NURNBERG, June 18—Nylon hosiery will be sold to any person entitled to a female ration card and to dependents with a PX ration card, according to Lt. Wilbert J. Robinson, in charge of the Nurnberg Officers Sales Store.

There is an ample supply on hand to meet ration requirements of those entitled to buy nylons, T/Sgt. James Cody said, at the established price of 10 marks, 40 pfennigs.

## Former German General Denies He Knew of Bulge Massacre

DACHAU, June 18 (AP)—Waffen SS troops suffered casualties up to 50 per cent in the desperate Battle of the Bulge and took 5,000 to 7,000 American prisoners, the former chief of staff of the German 6th Panzer Army testified in defense of his life today.

Hatchet-faced Fritz Kraemer, ex-brigadier general, told a U. S. military court here that his first knowledge of the Malmady massacre of American prisoners by SS tankers came from Allied radio reports intercepted by German intelligence.

He said the German army command immediately tried to check the story and was told that the 1st SS Panzer Division, the formation concerned, knew nothing about the slaughter.

Col. Otto Skorzeny, spectacular leader of the German raiders who had infiltrated American lines ahead

of the main German attack, was likewise questioned and denied having known of the atrocity at Malmady, Kraemer said.

The witness, one of 74 former SS men on trial, said the army command issued a special order for the treatment of prisoners in accordance with international law—after the Malmady reports.

### PARIS DOCTOR REVEALS FLOSSENBURG HORRORS

DACHAU, June 18 (UP)—The drowning of Allied nationals in latrines and other unsavory details of the Flossenburger concentration camp were told today by a Parisian doctor, Michael Bommejaer.

Bommejaer, who was a Flossenburger victim, testified that he saw defendant Wilhelm Schmitz inject a patient with camphor of oil, and that the patient died 30 minutes later.