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British Vote After Bitter Campaign

LONDON, July 5.—Britain went to the polls today in its first general election in ten years. After one of the most bitter campaigns in the nation's history, the average Briton was taking his voting seriously. By mid-afternoon, observers estimated that at least 80 percent of the voters—between 26 and 27 million—had cast ballots. Reports told of officers at polling places being inundated with requests for ballot papers from persons who were not entitled to them because they had been evacuated during the blitz and consequently were not properly registered. The election is Britain's first since 1935, the present House of Commons having seen three Prime Ministers, Stanley Baldwin, Neville Chamberlain and Winston Churchill.

Churchill Sees Red Peril
In his last, campaign address, Churchill, leader of the Conservatives, told Britons that "a landslide to the Left" might plunge Europe into the "violence of Communism."

Churchill, who has pleaded for a Conservative victory on the ground that his experience in world affairs is needed in the prosecution of the war against Japan and in the peace councils, asserted that if Britain veered to the left, "the ninepins of Europe will fall."

A firecracker, tossed by a 17-year-old youth, exploded nearby in the Prime Minister's face as he addressed a crowd in Wandsworth in South London. When police collared the offender, the Premier shouted, "Don't hurt the little fool."

In other parts of London, boos and noisy interruptions marked efforts of the Prime Minister to speak, but the general tenor of the crowds was one of warmth.

Labor Leader Speaks
In Brixton, Herbert Morrison, Labor leader, declared that the Labor Party "for the first time in history" was offering the British working class an opportunity to elect a government that would be "in the best interests of the common man." Six-hundred and forty seats in the House of Commons are at issue in the election, for which the Conservatives have nearly 600 candidates in the field. Labor has more than 500, and the Liberal Party has some 300 candidates. Some 3,000,000 votes of servicemen already have voted, and their votes are being flown to England. Results of the election will not be announced until July 26, giving officials time to receive and tabulate the service votes.

6 Dead, 12 Hurt In U.S. Storm

RISING CITY, Neb., July 5 (ANS).—Six persons were killed and at least 12 critically injured by a tornado which swept a path five miles long and two miles wide north and west of Rising City last night. The dead were identified as: Mrs. James Henderson, of Rising City, and her four-year-old son, Jimmy; Della Althouse, of David City, Neb.; Marilyn Shunk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shunk, of Rising City; and Dorothy and Donna Uphoff, children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Uphoff, of Rising City. Twenty miles southeast, at Seward, Neb., what apparently was the same storm bore down on a grandstand housing spectators at a fireworks program, but the people scattered just before the roof was torn off. At Rising City, Sheriff Charles Machurek said high winds and heavy rain, which did not let up until early today, made an accurate estimate of property damage impossible.

Gangplank Lineup

The latest status of major units in the process of redeployment to the U.S. was announced yesterday by Com Z headquarters.
86th Inf. Div.—In the United States.
97th Inf. Div.—In the United States.
95th Inf. Div.—379th Inf. Regt. home. Other elements of division near U.S.
8th Inf. Div.—Division on high seas.
104th Inf. Div.—Advance units home. Bulk of division on high seas.
4th Inf. Div.—Division on high seas.
87th Inf. Div.—Now loading. Expected to clear port between July 7 and July 10.
2nd Inf. Div.—Advance units sailed from Le Havre June 30. Main body processing at Assembly Area Command for July shipment.
5th Inf. Div.—Advance units sailed from Le Havre June 28. Bulk of division in Le Havre staging area readying for shipment on July 7 or July 8.
44th Inf. Div.—Three shiploads already shuttled to UK for immediate shipment home. Entire division scheduled to clear Le Havre by July 6.
13th Arm. Div.—Advance units sailed from Le Havre June 30. Bulk of division processing at AAC for July shipment.
30th Inf. Div.—Scheduled to arrive at AAC July 10.
28th Inf. Div.—Scheduled to arrive at AAC on "earliest possible date."
45th Inf. Div.—Movement orders suspended.

Five Corps Begin to Redeploy, Four Others Slated for Shift

By Robert J. Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
A new phase of the redeployment program was disclosed by Com Z yesterday with the announcement that five Corps—III, V, VII, XIII and XVIII Airborne—have begun redeployment and that four others Corps—VI, XIII, XXII and XXIII—are scheduled for redeployment.

At the same time Com Z announced that the redeployment schedule affecting the 28th and 45th Inf. Divisions had been revised and that the 28th Div. was now scheduled for shipment to the U.S. "at the earliest possible date" and that the movement orders of the 45th Div. had been suspended, thus holding the division in Europe for the time being at least. Announcement that the 28th Div. would be redeployed was made last week. On Tuesday, however, Com Z disclosed that the movement orders of the 28th had been suspended and that the 45th Div. had been alerted for shipment to the U.S. With yesterday's announcement, the two divisions again changed places on the redeployment schedule. The statement on the redeployment and readjustment of corps emphasized that the reference in each case was only to corps headquarters, as corps headquarters is the only permanent component of a corps. Divisions and attached units under corps are not permanently a part of them, but are interchangeable among corps, as situations warrant. In the redeployment program, therefore, corps redeployment involves only the movement of the various corps headquarters. The statement said that the II Corps was slated for service with the Army of Occupation in Germany and that the following corps were eventually to be inactivated:

British Accept Polish Regime
LONDON, July 5 (AP).—Great Britain today recognized the new Polish "national unity" government, which was formulated in Moscow two weeks ago. A Foreign Office announcement said the move had been taken "in full agreement with the United States government," and that a British ambassador in Warsaw would be appointed soon.
New Polish Premier Outlines Peace Factors
WARSAW, July 5.—Peace in the world depends on the formation of a bloc of Slav nations and three other factors, Edward Osubka-Moravski, new Polish premier, told the Polish Socialist Party Congress here today. Stressing that Poland's guarantee of independence and prosperity lay in the first place in friendship with the Soviet Union, Osubka-Moravski said the three other peace factors were "a lasting alliance among the three great powers, an organization of collective security and the strengthening of democratic governments in all nations."

Murder Factory Found in Reich

By Howard Byrne
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
KAUFBEUREN, Bavaria, July 5.—More than one month after American troops occupied this town, imbecile German children and mentally deranged adults in the Kaufbeuren Asylum were still being exterminated by German nurses and doctors for the "improvement of the German race." The mass murder factory was discovered two days ago by two public health officers of the Munich military government. The bodies of the victims, who before they died were used for months as human guinea pigs for scientific experiments, were cremated on the premises. The head nurse of one of the children's wards, Sister Worle, confessed to having poisoned or killed by intra-muscular injection, at least 211 minors. She drew a monthly bonus of 35 marks for her extra services from the German government. When arrested, she asked innocently: "Will anything happen to me?" Dr. Valentin Faltheuser, 69, who directed the institution and another

Balikpapan's Fall Near After Four Days of Fighting

MANILA, July 5 (ANS).—Australian Seventh Div. troops have captured the center of the Borneo oil port of Balikpapan in four days of fighting, Gen. MacArthur reported today, and front dispatches added that the city itself was virtually deserted and its capture was imminent.

U.S. Campaign To Liberate Filipinos Ends

MANILA, July 5 (ANS).—The "entire Philippine Islands are now liberated and the Philippines campaign can be regarded as virtually closed," Gen. MacArthur announced today. Summarizing the campaign, which began last October at Leyte, MacArthur said that 23 Japanese divisions totaling more than 400,000 men were "practically annihilated" by 17 American divisions totaling about 255,000 troops. American casualties for the 250-day campaign were 11,921 killed, 42,569 wounded and 401 missing—a ratio of 37 Japanese killed to one American killed. MacArthur said this is "one of the rare instances when in a long campaign a ground force superior in numbers was entirely destroyed by a numerically inferior opponent."

Expected Some Guerrilla Action
Some isolated guerrilla action may continue in practically uninhabited mountain ranges, he added, "but this great land mass of 115,600 square miles with a population of 17,000,000 is now freed of the invader." MacArthur said "the naval and air forces shared equally with the ground troops in accomplishing the success of the campaign. Naval battles reduced the Japanese Navy to practical impotence and air losses running into many thousands have seriously crippled his air potential." MacArthur specified the objects of his campaign:

- 1.—To penetrate and pierce the enemy's center so as to divide him into north and south—his homeland to the north and his captured Pacific possessions to the south. Each half could then be enveloped and attacked in turn.
- 2.—The acquisition of a great land, sea and air base for future operations both to the north and to the south, comparable to the British Islands in its use as a base for Allied operations from the west against Germany.
- 3.—The establishment of a great strangulation air and sea blockade

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Dutch Soldiers Join Allies in Pacific War

NEAR BALIKPAPAN, July 5 (AP).—More than a company of Dutch soldiers have joined the Allies in the Pacific war of liberation and the Netherlands flag now flies alongside the Union Jack, the Australian banner and the Stars and Stripes over this sector of Borneo. The Dutch cruiser Tromp, which was in on the original pre-invasion bombardment, continues in action.

Spaatz Gets Job in Pacific

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau
WASHINGTON, July 5.—Gen. Carl A. "Toogy" Spaatz, who directed the strategic bombing that leveled Germany, has been given a similar assignment in the Pacific. Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson disclosed the appointment, announcing at the same time the creation of a new, all-embracing USAAF in the Pacific that has Spaatz reporting directly to Gen. Henry H. Arnold. The Pacific Bomber Command is composed of the Eighth AF, under command of Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, and the 20th AF, headed by Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay.

Spaatz, a native of Boyertown, Pa., left the ETO for the U.S. July 1. He commanded the USAAF during the North African campaign, directed the American air assault on Germany since July, 1942, and in January, 1944, began command of the USSTAF.

Baby Born to Wac In Dutch New Guinea

HOLLANDIA, New Guinea, July 5 (AP).—Wac Cpl. Emma Thomas, of Asheville, N. C., gave birth June 22 to a boy who may be the first American child born in Dutch New Guinea. Her husband, Pvt. Evan Thomas, of the 132nd FA, may still be in Germany, she said. The child is living in silk and satin—all his clothes are made from undergarments contributed by nurses and Wacs.

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The American Scene:

U.S. Farm Population Drops to Record Low

By Phil Bucknell

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, July 5.—Despite the fact that the nation's farm population has dropped to its lowest point in more than 30 years, food production has increased 35 percent during the war years. The Department of Agriculture has released figures showing that the estimated number of persons living on farms as of last Jan. 1 was 25,190,000—a decline of 5,079,000 since 1940.

The Department estimated that 5,136,000 have left the land through migration or abandonment of farming operations and 1,805,000 have joined the armed forces. On the other hand there was in excess of 2,000,000 births over deaths during the period, which somewhat offset the loss.

A GI now fighting Japs was free today to marry whom he pleased, without fear of sacrificing a \$15,000 inheritance from his mother. He is S/Sgt. Augustine B. O'Hara, whose mother stipulated in her will that should he marry a certain Atlantic City woman he would forfeit his interest. Since, however, she made no disposition of the estate in the event of such marriage, the court ruled that Mrs. O'Hara had died intestate and that the sergeant should receive the inheritance whether he marries or not.

U.S. District Judge John P. Barnes yesterday assailed abuses of the Illinois Habitual Criminal laws. A 35-year-old Chicagoan William Buckhalter, having served 12 years of a life term after a conviction of burglary imposed in 1933, appealed for release. Barnes had to refuse the appeal but advised Buckhalter to take his case to the Supreme Court. "My sympathies," said the judge, "are with this man."

I believe he is a victim of abuse of the habitual criminal statute. A man 23 years old is not old enough to be habitual in anything."

Restaurant owners in Phoenix, Ariz., had a bone to pick with Congress on the meat situation, so they sent a bunch of soup shanks along to Washington to prove how slim the pickings were. The restaurateurs emphasized that under present conditions, they had nothing else to offer their patrons and asked for some help on the situation.



Ned Leonard, Morris Havens and Tom Mason, of the Phoenix, Ariz., Restaurant Association, mail soupbones to their Congressmen to show how tough the meat situation is in Phoenix, Ariz.

disorderly conduct—swimming in the nude in the early morning and screaming (the report does not say whether nudity or screaming constituted disorderly conduct). Miss Whitten, clothed, is waiting for funds to be wired by her mother. In the meantime she is sampling Miami's hospitality.

WD Discovers Women Are Costly

THE War Department is finding out by degrees what married men have known for years—that it costs more to clothe and maintain a woman than it does a man. According to testimony given during a debate on the Army Appropriation Bill, the initial clothing cost for a Wac is \$255.34 while for men it is only \$128.19. Yearly maintenance cost for men in the Zone of the Interior is \$83.82 and \$145.10 in theaters of operations, while for a Wac the cost is \$159.02 in the ZI and \$141.35 in the theaters.

Shed a tear for eight newsmen who gave their all for 30 minutes to no avail, they gave the benefit of their knowledge to a dead mike. They were doing a roundtable broadcast from Mackinac Island, Mich., discussing developments at the governors conference there but, because of a union dispute, the National Association of Broadcasting Engineers in Chicago refused to permit the program to go out over the Blue Network and the newsmen didn't know about it until the end. The eight who pointlessly pontificated were: Tom Stockes, Scripps-Howard columnist; Dewey L. Fleming, Baltimore Sun; Jack Bell, AP; Al Dowling, UP; Leo O'Brien, INS; Jack Steele, New York Herald Tribune; Jack Tarver, Atlanta Constitution, and Robert Hagy, Time Magazine.

THE horse may never take the place of the automobile but it is still trying. Ben Mahoney, of Miller, Mo., has just bought a buggy, the first to be sold in the neighborhood for a quarter of a century. And in Kansas City, Emir Faisal Al Saud, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia, was asked if he thought the motorcar would ever replace the horse. The Emir said, "No!"

U.S. Post Office Shows Profit

THE Post Office made more money for the government in the year ending June 30 than ever before. The retiring Postmaster General, Frank C. Walker, turned over to the Treasury Department \$150,000,000 for the 12 months. The Post Office had the first surplus in its history in the year ending in 1943, and last year made a profit of \$37,768,028.

THERE have been no pictures published so far of Gen. Eisenhower's meeting with Gen. Pershing in Washington, and Columnist George Dixon tells what purports to be the reason. Dixon says that when Eisenhower strode into the 85-year-old Pershing's bedroom at Walter Reed Hospital, the aging general had to be propped up in bed. They greeted each other warmly. The War Department wanted photographs of the historic meeting, and brought Signal Corps photographers who snapped away as Eisenhower and Pershing chatted. When the pictures were developed the Signal Corps was so enthusiastic it showed prints to Pershing. But Pershing was indignant, saying they made him look "quite ridiculous." He ordered the prints and negatives destroyed, and despite protest the General of the Armies stood firm.

Thieves in Chicago made off with enough war-scarce items to set up a small store specializing in merchandise now hard to get. Mabel A. Haisleigh met a man in a tavern who accompanied her home. While she was asleep he carted away her vacuum cleaner, radio, camera, cigaret lighter, two electric clocks, a blanket, two watches, jewelry, a collection of 300 pennies and her Boston terrier.

Back for Another Dance With 'Miracle Miss'



Pfc Al Cohen, of Bayonne, N.J., hobbled into the Stage Door Canteen in New York on crutches but left them behind when Hostess Marjorie Greenstein persuaded him to try a dance. Cohen later came back for another dance with the "miracle miss" to show her how well he was getting along without the crutches.

500 ETO Vets Hit PWs' Use Of Pullmans

MARYSVILLE, Calif., July 5 (ANS).—Five hundred combat veterans from the ETO arrived at Camp Beale yesterday protesting that they were required to ride across the country in crowded day coaches while German PWs were given Pullman accommodations.

Lt. Col. Peter De Paolo, ranking officer aboard, described the trip as "a mess." At a stop in New York the colonel called Washington and protested overcrowded conditions in the cars, where three men were occupying seats for two. Sleepers were promised at Chicago and later at Omaha, but failed to materialize.

At Omaha the veterans said they spotted a trainload of German prisoners riding in sleepers. "They really raised the roof," the colonel declared.

Frequently there was no drinking water and seldom was there water for washing or shaving. Maj. John E. Norberg, of Burlingame, Calif., said that they were so crowded that men were forced to sleep in the aisle. Two men jumped the train in New Haven and two in New York, officers said.

A spokesman at the War Department in Washington said that an investigation has been started. He pointed out that the Army has a directive prohibiting the use of Pullmans for PWs, except where medical officers consider such accommodations necessary.

Toll on July 4 Only 138 Dead

CHICAGO, July 5 (ANS).—The nation's Independence Day celebration yesterday proved one of the safest in recent years as only 138 persons met violent death, compared with 439 fatalities over the holiday last year and 238 in 1934.

Traffic mishaps claimed 53 of this year's victims, whereas the average number of motor deaths for a Wednesday in July is 80, according to the National Safety Council here. Fifty persons were drowned and 35 died of miscellaneous causes, such as fires, lightning, plane crashes and electrocutions.

No deaths were reported from fireworks.

Ohio had 16 deaths, leading the country. New York and Illinois reported five and three deaths.

U.S. Wheat Yield Slashed by Rains

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo., July 5 Heavy, unseasonable rains and cool weather have combined to delay the winter wheat harvest and have reduced this state's estimated yield by millions of bushels.

As late as May 1, government experts estimated a yield of 239,000,000 bushels, second largest crop in the state's history. Most forecasts now are that there will be 192,000,000 bushels, about the same as last year.

The most recent official forecast, that of June 1, anticipated a yield of 212,480,000 bushels, but it is now agreed that figure is far too high.

The rainy season this year extended up until the last day of June, consequently, at a time when harvest normally is at its peak work is under way only along the southern border of Kansas and in a few other scattered areas of the state.

Navy Chiefs Meet At San Francisco

WASHINGTON, July 5 (Reuters).—Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal, Adm. Chester Nimitz, Commander in Chief of U.S. Naval forces in the Pacific, Adm. Ernest J. King, Commander of the U.S. fleet and several other admirals conferred at San Francisco last weekend on prosecution of the Pacific war, the Navy Department announced today.

Dade Rejoins Union; Stars and Stripes Raised

TRENTON, Ga., July 5 (ANS).—The Stars and Stripes was hoisted over the Dade County courthouse yesterday for the first time in 95 years after residents of the county voted to return to the Union. Dade "seceded" from Georgia and the U.S. in 1860, calling itself the "Free State of Dade."

Governors Ask OK of Charter

MACKINAC ISLAND, Mich., July 5 (ANS).—The nation's governors today unanimously called for the swift approval by the Senate of the world charter so that the U.S. can lead the way in this "greatest of man's efforts" for peace.

Gathered here for their 37th annual conference, the states' chief executives approved the charter "as drafted," describing it as a "firm foundation upon which continued progress toward justice and permanent peace can be made."

The governors later were given an off-the-record summary of the war against Japan by Gen. George C. Marshall and Adm. Ernest J. King, Army and Navy chiefs of staff.

Other resolutions adopted gave full support to the government in efforts to solve the food shortage and advocated establishment of the headquarters and capital of the world security organization in the U.S.

American Legion Supports Charter

NEW YORK, July 5 (ANS).—The American Legion today urged the Senate to ratify the United Nations Charter "at the earliest date."

National Commander Edward N. Scheiberling, in a letter to all members of the Senate, declared:

"The American Legion feels that the San Francisco Charter is an honest and able attempt to create a workable association of free and sovereign nations, implemented with force to maintain peace and prevent a recurrence of war. It is obvious that it is the best and only charter that can be produced at this time."

Europe to Get U.S. Tobacco

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP).—The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced export of tobacco to Europe will begin late this year. The Department said the amount of tobacco to be shipped abroad would be based on the improvement of domestic supplies.

2 Wives, Says She; But She Has 6 Mates, Says He

PHILADELPHIA, July 5 (ANS).—Two weeks ago, Mrs. Alice Cheatwood, a blonde waitress, charged hubby Morris Segal, a discharged Army veteran, with bigamy. He had, her petition said, another wife and two children.

Today Segal saw her and raised her. Mrs. Cheatwood, he said, has six husbands. What's more, Segal added, three of her mates were servicemen from whom she was collecting allotment checks.

To bolster his case, Segal told the court of the romantic scene when Mrs. Cheatwood courted him.

"She suggested we get married," he said, "but I told her I was already married. 'That's all right,' she replied, 'all we need to get your allotment and insurance is a marriage license.'"

Intimating that Mrs. Cheatwood knows that when a man gets out of the Army his allotment stops, Segal said that upon his discharge she told him she no longer loved him.

Mrs. Cheatwood has married again since, he testified. The new hubby is a sailor.

Segal's bail is \$1,500. Mrs. Cheatwood's is \$4,000.

Nisei Troops Collect \$3,683 for FDR Fund

HATTIESBURG, Miss., July 5 (ANS).—The Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Fund is going to get a \$3,683 boost soon from a group of fighting Americans in Italy.

Members of the Fifth Army's 442nd Japanese-American combat team raised the amount and forwarded contributions to Earl M. Finch, of Hattiesburg, who showed great interest in the team when it was activated at Camp Shelby.

Tentative plans call for Finch and a group from the combat team, now at home on furlough to present the fund to President Truman.



Jeeps, Carts— Russian Tide Rolls Eastward

BUDAPEST, July 5.—Hundreds of thousands of tired but triumphant Russian soldiers are moving homeward along roads leading eastward from Austria, Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

In their eagerness to get home, the Russians are pressing every type of transport into service, including thousands of horse-drawn droshkies and hay carts, some of which are even drawn by camels.

The only thing uniform about the Russian convoys is that they all move in the same direction. The vehicles vary from American-made jeeps and 6x6s to Russian counterparts, German trucks and thousands of civilian cars which the Russians have picked up in their travels.

Festive Appearance

Convoys, though wobbly looking, have festive appearance since almost every vehicle is decorated with red bunting, flags and hand painted portraits of Marshal Stalin.

Russian soldiers who, from necessity, must live off the land, usually carry livestock with them on the hoof and each soldier carries his own loaf of black bread stuck under his tunic.

After four years of war, the Russian uniforms look travel and soiled, but the majority of the Red Army men are washed and clean shaven and punctilious in the performance of military courtesies to their officers. Russian tunics, though often faded, glitter with medals.

Traffic police in the Russian zone are usually young women who do a snappy routine with red and yellow signal flags. Each girl carries a rifle and knows how to use it. In Vienna when one Russian driver refused to obey the traffic woman's halt signal she dropped her flag shouldered her rifle and shot him out of the wagon. Then she picked up her flag and coolly went on directing traffic without casting a second glance in his direction.

Jam Sessions

It is a thrilling experience to be in the Russian-occupied zone. You hear the Red Army men sing songs for which they are world-famous. Many soldiers carry balalaikas or accordions and Russian jam sessions are numerous and always get a big hand from civilians.

Russian soldiers are crazy about American jeeps with which their own army is well equipped and which they refer to as Willys. Whenever an American jeep stops near them they approach and pat the motor hood lovingly saying "Willys Americanski Dobra." They also have an equal admiration for American cigars and chewing gum, which they ask for unabashedly.

Russian soldiers warm up quickly once they learn you are American. Few Russians know any foreign languages except a smattering of German. When the conversation turns to the Allied war in the Pacific, Red Army men unanimously indicate they regard the Japs as Fascists and as much their enemies as the Germans. But the ultimate decision on whether Russia will declare war on the Jap and if so when, they leave to Comrade Stalin.

British Introduce Four New Planes

NEW YORK, July 5 (ANS).—Three new types of superfast fighter planes, two described as the swiftest of their kind, and a four-engine bomber, which is a "big brother" to the huge Lancaster, are Britain's latest additions to Allied air power in the Pacific. The new designs were listed by British aircraft designers as the De Havilland Vampire, a jet-propelled fighter capable of more than 500 miles an hour and said by the manufacturers to be the fastest plane in service; the De Havilland Hornet, a twin-engine fighter described as the fastest propeller-driven plane in the world; the Vickers-Armstrong Spitfire, a single-engine fighter, and the bomber, Avro Lincoln.

Clothes Riots in India

BOMBAY, July 5 (AP).—Police opened fire today on an angry mob in the Rangpur district here, when India's serious cloth shortage led to open rioting. The number of casualties is not yet known. Because he was unable to issue cloth permits, an official was pelted with stones and brickbats.



Independence Day—in a Land Again Free

Residents of Epinal, France, joined men of the 82nd "All American" Div. to observe the Fourth of July and to welcome back the division commander, Maj. Gen. James L. Gavin, recently returned from Washington. French officials reviewed the paratroopers with Gen. Gavin as the veterans of campaigns in Sicily, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany paraded along Epinal's cobble-stoned streets.

ARC to Aid U.S. Citizens Here

The American Red Cross announced yesterday that it will issue supplementary food parcels to an estimated 2,000 needy American civilians in France as the result of an emergency meeting with SHAEF and the U.S. Embassy.

A rising influx of persons claiming American citizenship from Germany and other parts of liberated Europe prompted the meeting at which arrangements also were made to secure billets for Americans in Paris who are awaiting repatriation.

The majority of the self-styled Americans say that they were born in the United States, but migrated to Europe as youngsters. They are being "screened" at the U.S. Embassy and those found ineligible as citizens are being returned to their adopted lands.

Ralph Bain, deputy director of civilian Red Cross war relief in western Europe, said that food parcels containing 1,400 calories will be distributed through the American Aid Society to persons endorsed by the U.S. Embassy.

15th Army Group In Italy Disbands

15th ARMY GROUP HQ, ITALY, July 5.—The 15th Army Group, composed of the Eighth and Fifth Armies, was to be dissolved at midnight tonight, Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, group commander, announced today.

Disbandment will bring to an end a colorful and effective force of American, British, Canadian, South African, Indian, Brazilian, Polish, Yugoslavian, Greek and Italian troops, which defeated the Germans in the hard-fought Italian campaign.

Gen. Rockey Named Head of Marine Unit

OKINAWA, July 5 (ANS).—Maj. Gen. Keller E. Rockey, of Washington and Pensacola, Fla., who commanded the Fifth Marine Div. in the Iwo Jima campaign, has succeeded Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger as CG of the Marine Third Amphibious Force.

Geiger passed over the command June 30 before departing for Pearl Harbor to become CG of all Fleet Marine forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas, where he succeeds Lt. Gen. Holland M. ("Howling Mad") Smith.

Vet Urged for Board

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS).—Appointment of a war veteran to the Civil Service Commission has been urged by Rep. Edward H. Rees (R-Kan.). I am of the opinion that civil service rights of veterans of World Wars one and two are not being fully protected, he wrote President Truman.

Nazi Flag Flies in U.S. —And Then Riot Starts

OLD ORCHARD BEACH, Me., July 5 (ANS).—The blood pressure of American Legionnaires soared yesterday when they spotted a Nazi swastika flying from a flagstaff here.

The sight precipitated a noisy disturbance, during which the flag was torn down and burned, Police Chief Frederick A. Tice said. Town and state police quieted a crowd of 600, he said.

Tice, commander of the Legion Post here, said that the swastika was substituted for The Stars and Stripes as a "joke" by a trio of veterans just back from the ETO. He did not identify the trio and said that there would be no police action against them.

Striking Union To Vote on Pact

NEW YORK, July 5 (ANS).—Striking New York newspaper deliverymen will vote Sunday on the terms of an agreement reached between publishers and union leaders at a War Labor Board conference in Washington.

The strike, involving 1,700 deliverymen, has prevented distribution of all but two of the city's major newspapers since Saturday. The newspaper PM and the Brooklyn Eagle have separate union contracts.

Louis Waldman, attorney for the Newspaper and Mail Deliverers union, said members could not be called into session before Sunday to vote on whether they will end their walkout.

The strike was called over union demand for a welfare fund contribution from employers and other concessions.

GI Who Silenced Two 88s Flying Home to Receive CMH

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS).—S/Sgt. James R. Hendrix, Fourth Armd. Div. soldier from Lepanto, Ark., was flying home from Germany today to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor from President Truman. The War and Navy Departments also announced the award of three posthumous medals of honor.

News of the 19-year-old farmboy's homecoming was relayed to his parents on their eastern Arkansas farm by newspapers.

Ordinarily Jim's family wouldn't have heard the news until Saturday—"the day we go to town for groceries."

Jim's mother was proud when she learned that during the Battle of the Bulge her son had silenced two

Curtin, 60, Dies Of Heart Illness

CANBERRA, Australia, July 5 (ANS).—Prime Minister John Curtin, 60, who took office two months before Pearl Harbor and guided his country through the most perilous times of her 156-year history died last night in Canberra Lodge, his official residence. His death was attributed to heart disease.

Curtin, son of a policeman, became Australian Prime Minister and Minister for Defense in October, 1941. He held the Commonwealth through days of threatening Japanese invasion and with Gen. Douglas MacArthur converted the continent into an Allied base of operations during the early years of the Pacific war.

Deputy Prime Minister and Army Minister Francis M. Forde succeeds Curtin as Prime Minister.

State services for Curtin will be held in Canberra tomorrow, with a state funeral in Perth, probably on Sunday.

Gen. MacArthur Pays Tribute to Prime Minister

MANILA, July 5 (ANS).—Gen. Douglas MacArthur paid tribute today to the late Australian Prime Minister, John Curtin, describing him as "one of the greatest of the wartime spokesmen." The general added: "The preservation of Australia from invasion will be his monument. I mourn him deeply."

Break With Spain Asked

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP).—Rep. John M. Coffee (D-Wash.) has asked Congress to adopt a resolution demanding an end of diplomatic relations with Spain "effective until the people of Spain have once again availed themselves of their God-given right to establish a friendly government of the people."

Big 3 to Study Raising of Italy To Full Ally

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP).—The question of Italy's world status, and the inclusion of Italy in the United Nations, will be raised at the forthcoming Big Three conference in Berlin, it was learned here.

(A London dispatch to the European edition of the New York Herald Tribune said the conference would begin on Sunday, July 15, and continue for "ten or 12 days.")

Italy's status as a full ally, rehabilitation of her industries and general economy, disposition of Italian prisoners of war and publication of the final peace treaty with Italy as formulated in the armistice terms are among the questions scheduled for discussion, authoritative sources revealed.

Answers to many of these problems will depend on whether or not Italy is given membership in the United Nations. This can be achieved only through agreement of the major powers and would require approval of the 11-power Security Council, with the unanimous consent of the Big Five.

Churchill Plans Vacation Trip

LONDON, July 5 (AP).—Prime Minister Churchill's residence tonight confirmed that he would take "a short rest" before meeting President Truman and Marshal Stalin in the Berlin area sometime later this month.

The announcement said that Churchill had postponed his rest trip "because of the general election."

(Churchill announced tonight that he is going to a secret retreat, said to be in southern France, to rest before the Big Three meeting, the United Press said.)

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will be in charge of the British government during Churchill's absence.

Italians Strike As Prices Boom

MILAN, July 5 (AP).—Traffic halted in this city today as several hundred thousand workers held a general strike to protest against alleged increases in prices and inadequate wages.

A similar strike paralyzed industrial Turin yesterday.

Men and women laborers carried placards demanding the "purge of Fascists" and saying: "We are hungry." They gathered in squares throughout the city, then marched to the Labor Chamber. From there they marched to the center of the city.

Since northern Italy was liberated, prices have risen sharply.

Belgians May Vote On Retaining Monarch

BRUSSELS, July 5 (Reuter).—The crisis over King Leopold's return to Belgium may be solved with a general election in which the people will decide for or against a monarchy.

This is believed to have been the proposal contained in a confidential message from Leopold to Regent Prince Charles and Premier Achille Van Acker.

(The United Press reported Van Acker refused to remain in office until a general election could be held.)

Polio Cases Increase 50 Percent in States

NEW YORK, July 5 (ANS).—An increase of nearly 50 percent in the number of poliomyelitis cases for the first five months of this year compared with the corresponding 1944 period was reported today by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Dr. Don W. Gudakunst, the foundation's medical director, said that there had been 740 cases in the U.S. through May 26, compared with 499 last year.

Mother Dies as She Hears Tribute to Son

CHICAGO, July 5 (ANS).—Death came today to 50-year-old Mrs. Ann Richman, a widow, as she listened to a radio program dedicated to her son who had been awarded the Bronze Star. The son, Capt. Irvin F. Richman, former lawyer, is adjutant on the Allied Military Government staff in Berlin.

Natives Ask U.S. to Protect Marshall Isles

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS).—Natives of the Marshall Islands, a Japanese mandate before the war, already have their postwar plans—they want to remain under U.S. control and protection.

The Navy disclosed today that officials of the Navy Military Government in the islands have received petitions from Marshallese living on Majure, Arne and Aur atolls requesting that the Marshalls become a U.S. protectorate.

Many of the petitioners were evacuees from the Japanese-held atolls of Wotje, Maloelap, Mille and Jaluit.

Ask U.S. Protection

One petition signed by 380 men and 455 women on Arne atoll said:

"When this world war is over we request as it is written below: "1—We ask the United States of America to look over us.

"2—And it should also keep our customs.

"3—We want the United States as long as we live in the world."

Another signed by 1,025 men and women including the entire population of Majure atoll and representing in addition Wotje, Maloelap, Aur, Ailuk, Utrok, Meji, Lekiep and Arno Mille atolls said:

Americans Not New to Islands

"We make this request for when the war is over and the United States will deliberate about the Marshall Islands. We all agree to this that America should not give away these islands to any other nation.

"We have known Americans for 89 years and Americans have lived with us since 1857. They are not new to us.

"We want and ask the United States of America to be our guardian and protector."

Surrender Room Given to Rheims

ASSEMBLY AREA COMMAND, Rheims, July 5.—The SHAEF war room, in which the Germans signed the unconditional surrender, will be turned over to the City of Rheims in a formal ceremony on July 7.

Presentation of keys to the room will be made by Maj. Gen. Royal B. Lord, Assembly Area Command commandant, to the Mayor of Rheims. A ceremony in the Place de la Republique and a reception at the City Hall will follow.

Commanding generals in the Rheims area, SHAEF representatives and French military dignitaries who will participate include Maj. Gen. Charles O. Thrasher, Oise Intermediate Section; Maj. Gen. Arthur A. White, 76th Div.; Gen. Puccinelli, the Sixth Region Militaire; and Gen. Praud, the Second Region Militaire.

AFN Will Broadcast Stars and Stripes Quiz

A new radio program, "The Stars and Stripes Quiz of Two Cities", will be broadcast soon by AFN in Paris and London.

Madeleine Carroll, screen and radio star, will fire questions at GI contestants on the opening program. The questions will be based on news that has appeared in The Stars and Stripes.

Rulers Visit Isle of Man

ISLE OF MAN, July 5 (Reuter).—Cheering crowds of islanders yesterday greeted King George VI and Queen Elizabeth on their first visit to the town of Douglas.

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