

Man Spricht Deutsch

Sind Minen gelegt?
Sind Meenen geleygt?
Are there any mines?

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Here's GI Discharge Plan

Bulk of Troops to Quit ETO Within 12 Months

Nazis Yield 2 Cruisers, Other Ships

A few diehard snipers appeared to be firing the last shots of the European war in liberated Prague last night.

Everywhere else, the Germans were giving up, under the unconditional surrender which took effect at 0001 hour Wednesday.

These were the latest developments:

1—Radio Prague announced there was still sniping there yesterday, though it indicated that the situation was not serious. President Eduard Benes returned from exile to re-establish the Czech Republic.

2—The last remnants of the German surface fleet surrendered. Two British cruisers and four destroyers sailed into Copenhagen harbor and accepted the surrender of the German cruisers Nurnburg and Prinz Eugen, three destroyers and a handful of torpedo boats, minesweepers, flakships and armed merchantmen. The first unit of the German undersea fleet to surrender came into the harbor of Weymouth, England. At least six others were observed on the surface in accordance with surrender instructions.

3—A British force landed in the Channel Islands, and the Germans, who had held the islands for five years, surrendered. The islands include Guernsey, Jersey, Sark, Herm and Jethou, and have a population of about 100,000 Britons.

4—The first Allied troops were reported to have arrived in Oslo, Norway, yesterday. They were airborne units and included Norwegians trained in Scotland.

Russians Parade in Prague
Soviet troops paraded, amid deafening cheers, through Prague, last capital of Europe to be liberated, an Associated Press correspondent reported. Czech patriots said that three days of fighting with the Germans had cost the lives of at least 5,000 persons.

The formal surrender of Prague was signed Wednesday night by the Germans, but the correspondent said the Nazis had refused to give up their arms until they reached American outposts near Pilsen. He said that it had taken him hours to push his way eastward into Prague, through fully armed—but unobedient—convoy of Germans headed toward American lines. Hundreds of Germans were lying in the meadows and ditches along the way, sleeping off too much liquor.

Yesterday, Radio Prague said: "Firing has been opened against (Continued on Page 8)"

Pacific War Is Next, De Gaulle Tells Army

Gen. Charles de Gaulle has issued a special order of the day to the French armies, reminding them that they still must fight to help defeat Japan.

"German capitulation calls an end to the battle in Europe, yet for you there is a new and great task to be performed. Alongside our Allies, you will defeat the Japanese enemy who oppresses our Indo-China and seeks to dominate Asia."

Germans May Listen

LONDON, May 10 (INS).—The Flensburg German official radio said today that the "Nazi decree forbidding Germans to listen to foreign broadcasts has been abolished."

How to Score Points

Points for discharge from the Army will be totalled as follows:

1. Each month in service..... 1 Point
2. Each month in service overseas..... 1 Point
3. Each combat award (includes each medal and each battle participation star)..... 5 Points
4. Each dependent child under 18 (maximum of three)..... 12 Points

The four items above are the ONLY ones for which points will be awarded. No points will be awarded for age, marriage or dependents other than children under 18. A complete list of medals and campaigns for which points are to be awarded is published on page 5 of today's paper.

"Interim" minimum score for eligibility for discharge of EM. (This score is not final. The final critical score for discharge will be based on a complete tabulation of points of all soldiers. It is expected to be the same or slightly lower.)..... 85 Points

"Interim" minimum score for eligibility for discharge of enlisted Wacs..... 44 Points

No Scrapping of Restrictions, Vinson Warns Homefront

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—The lifting of the horse-racing ban and the midnight curfew today gave the homefront slight modifications of war-time controls, but the nation was warned that there will be no wholesale scrapping of restrictions.

In a report to President Truman War Mobilization Director Fred M. Vinson revealed that limited reconversion to civilian economy will begin immediately, but the war against Japan will determine the general picture.

The government will retain its controls over prices, wages, building, transportation, production and manpower. Limited quantities of new electric refrigerators, washing machines, radios and passenger automobiles will be produced.

Civilian goods manufacturers will be able to get steel, copper and aluminum supplies. The War Production Board has also given automobile manufacturers permission to exhibit publicly their postwar models.

"The American people did not go overboard when guns ceased firing in Europe," Vinson said. "This makes me feel that they will keep their feet on the ground in the trying days to come."

War plants will continue on a 48-hour week, while workers making consumer goods may return gradually to a 40-hour week. There is no prospect of improvement in civilian supplies. Food supplies are five to ten percent less than last year, and the demand is five to ten percent greater.

There will be an increase of from (Continued on Page 8)

Hitler's Hideaway Gay VE Day Scene

WITH 101st AIRBORNE DIV., May 10 (INS).—Doughs on guard duty here observed VE Day in Hitler's palatial eagle's nest on the Kehlstein mountain top with refreshments drawn from the late Fuehrer's private stock.

At night, before a cozy fire in the marble-manteled fireplace, doughs of the 101st Airborne Div. relaxed on huge divans and overstuffed chairs amid one of the most luxurious surroundings of any guard post in the ETO.

"This is finishing up the war in style," said Sgt. George Fields, of Racine, Wis.

German Secret GHQ Found South of Berlin

MOSCOW, May 10 (INS).—Troops of the Soviet First Ukrainian Army discovered the German general staff's secret headquarters in the village of Zossen, 21 miles south of the heart of Berlin.

In thick woods directly behind the village's red brick church are 24 well-camouflaged concrete buildings. Passages are covered with nets and the entire area is protected with electrically-charged barbed wire.

85 Points to Be Minimum Score

The long-awaited point system, which will govern the discharge of an estimated 1,300,000 men from the U.S. Army in the next 12 months, was announced last night.

Under its provisions, a man must have at least 85 points—based on length of service, time overseas, decorations and parenthood—before he can expect to be considered for discharge.

In Washington, it was estimated that some 650,000 men from the European theater would be among the 1,300,000 physically fit to be discharged from all theaters.

At the same time, the War Department announced plans designed to move all but 400,000 occupation troops from Europe within 12 months.

400,000 to Stay For Occupation

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—The War Department today was putting into effect plans that were expected to move every U.S. soldier, except 400,000 occupation troops, from Europe within the next 12 months.

(The United Press said that wounded men and liberated PWs would have priority for return to the U.S., and that most troops destined for the Pacific will proceed via the U.S. and receive furloughs of 30 days or longer.)

Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross, commanding the Army Transportation

A full page of discharge and redeployment news—Page 4.

Corps, outlined this schedule for the movement of troops by air and sea:

1—Approximately 845,000 men, or an average of slightly more than 285,000 a month, will be withdrawn during the next three months.

2—Approximately 1,185,000, or an average of 395,000 a month, will be moved out during the second three-month period.

3—Approximately 870,000, or 269,000 a month, will be shifted during the third three-month period.

4—After that, redeployment will be carried on until an occupation force of about 400,000 is left. Within a year, all troops exclusive of this force—a total of 3,100,000—were expected to be in the U.S. or in the Pacific.

The majority of the men moved from Europe will be returned to the U.S. for redeployment to the Pacific area, or for discharge. Others—principally service troops, accord-

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Formula Based On Four Factors

By Ernie Leiser
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Details of the point system on which the eligibility for discharges from the Army will be based were revealed last night by Com Z Headquarters and released simultaneously by the War Department in Washington.

Discharges will be based on length of service, length of time overseas, medals and battle participation stars, and parenthood.

One point is being given for each month of service in the Army, plus an additional point for each month in service overseas. Five points are being given for combat awards and battle stars, and 12 points are being given for each dependent child under 18, with three the maximum number of children for whom points can be credited.

Service and decorations are figured from Sept. 16, 1940, the date of the draft.

At Least 85 Points Needed

At the same time it announced the point values, the War Department prescribed an "interim" score of 85 points for enlisted men and 44 for enlisted Wacs. In other words, only persons with those points or more have any chance of immediate discharge.

Under the point system, men with combat experience will get 73 percent of the discharges, although they constitute only 35 percent of those in the Army, according to War Department figures. More than 98 percent of the men getting discharges will have had overseas service. Fathers constitute 26 percent of those getting out.

The War Department set tomorrow as "R" or Readjustment Day, when all point values are frozen.

Length of service in the army, service overseas and decorations are computed only between Sept. 16, 1940, and R-Day. However, medals and battle stars awarded later for actions before R-Day will be counted. Children born after tomorrow (Continued on Page 4)

Mail Censorship Changes Allow GIs to Tell of ETO Experiences

Mail censorship changes in the ETO which will permit men to tell the folks back home more about their part in the European war were disclosed yesterday by Lt. Col. James R. Arnold, theater censor.

Soldiers in liberated Europe may identify the city or town in which they are stationed and may describe, with certain limitation, battles in which they took part, Arnold said. Men stationed in occupied countries—Germany and Austria—will not be permitted to identify their location. All military personnel, however, may tell of their past travels in the ETO.

Unit and base censorship will continue to operate as before but will be guided by the modified regulations. The number of blue-envelope letters which a soldier may send has been increased from three to six a month.

Arnold said a plan is under con-

sideration which would permit soldiers to have photographic film processed by civilian plants.

It is now permissible for a soldier to tell about his trip from America to Europe—if he arrived more than six months ago. He can identify his POE, time en route and enemy action which occurred. Men who landed less than six months ago, however, are not allowed to mention anything about their voyage or POEs at this time.

Modified censorship regulations now in force aim to permit a soldier to tell as much as possible of his experiences in Europe as long as such information does not jeopardize security in connection with the war against Japan, Arnold added.

Men may not reveal the strength, efficiency, training or morale of units, nor may they describe unique (Continued on Page 8)

Shipment of Nazi PWs To States Is Halted

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—Shipment of German PWs from the ETO to the U.S. ended Monday, and the War Department has asked Gen. Eisenhower to make arrangements for returning Axis captives from the U.S. to Europe, Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell said yesterday.

Somervell, ASF commander, said that the Army wanted to get German prisoners in the U.S. back to Europe as soon as possible.

This Happened in America Yesterday:

Home Front Will See Film on Redeployment

By William R. Spear

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, May 10.—The Army's technicolor movie describing its redeployment plans—how some men in the ETO will be discharged and others will be sent to the Pacific—will be shown to yearning wives and anxious parents in the U.S. starting today, as well as to the soldiers themselves.

The film will be shown at movie houses all over the country. Titled "Two Down and One to Go!" it was completed last Fall and held until V-E Day.

Letters-to-the-editor columns of newspapers all over the country have been printing demands from soldiers' relatives that all men in the ETO should be discharged after the European war, that all men going to the Pacific should get furloughs in the U.S. and other proposals impossible for the Army to fulfill. Officials hope the movie will help promote better understanding by the public of the Army's redeployment problems.

German PWs in camps throughout the U.S. got the bad news in a proclamation posted on all camp bulletin boards. It told them: "Organized resistance of all German armed forces has ceased. The National Socialist Government of Germany no longer exists. Allied occupying authorities exercise all power in Germany. Members of the German armed forces are released from any obligation entered into with a government which no longer exists. As prisoners of war you will continue to be subject to American laws and regulations and must obey orders of persons placed over you."

The proclamation told the PWs that because of the diversion of shipping to the Pacific and the redeployment of U.S. troops, it might not be possible to start their repatriation immediately and that they would continue to work here.

Presidents of all locals of the CIO, United Auto Workers, in the Detroit area were called to meet tonight in an "Emergency V-E Day Meeting." They will lay plans, the leaders said, to "smash the Little Steel formula and win 48 hours' pay for a 40-hour week, abolish all manpower controls, win reconversion pay" to supplement unemployment compensation, and bring about a speedy reconversion to civilian production.

ARTHUR A. SCHWARTZ, an engineer for the Bell Aircraft Corporation, has perfected a new gadget. Fabricated at a cost of \$12, the original model combination snowplow-lawnmower grew out of an electric motor, a garbage pail, a frying pan, a stovepipe, two pulley wheels and a few assorted nuts and bolts. Easy to handle and economical to operate, the gadget will remove snow or, by means of an attachment, cut the grass. Inventor Schwartz plans a model with a gas motor for use where electricity is not available.



Arthur A. Schwartz and snowplow-lawnmower
Everything in it but the kitchen-sink.

Newspapers in Nashville, Tenn., will have their own V-E days. The Banner won't publish on Saturday and the Tennessean won't publish on Monday. A joint statement explained that the papers' employees had to work V-E Day and were unable to "relax with the rest of the joyous and thankful."

Makes V-E Day Address, Learns Son Is Dead
COL. HOWARD CLARK, commander of Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., finished delivering his V-E Day address at the post and was handed a telegram. It was from the War Department, informing him that his son, Lt. William A. Clark, had been killed in action on Luzon, in the Philippines. He has another son, Lt. Col. Howard W. Clark, with the Third Army.

Douglas Crooks, proprietor of a candy store in Wauconda, Ill., added up big profits from a V-E Day stunt. He placed on the floor of his shop a 13-foot Nazi flag that a friend had sent from Germany, and invited customers to wipe their feet on it. Business boomed all day.

GUESS whom the New York Daily News wants for mayor—Jimmy Walker. A News editorial complained that LaGuardia, who recently announced he would not run for a fourth term, was a killjoy, and said: "Jimmy was mayor from 1926-32, and those were the years when New York was a pleasant place to live in. It was a wide open town in defiance of the prohibitionists. There may have been some graft changing hands—'honest graft' as it was called—but not many people cared. What did matter to the bulk of the citizens and glows more brightly in memory as time goes by was that it was fun to be in New York in Jimmy Walker's time. For the last few years it has been no more fun to be in New York than anywhere else."

Wife Who Rewed Will Return To 1st Mate, Back From 'Dead'
LONG BEACH, Cal., May 10 (ANS).—Helen MacDowell, 22-year-old blonde who rewed after she had been told her husband had been killed only to find that he lives, said that she wanted her first husband, the man she "truly loves."

She will ask annulment of her marriage in December, 1944, to Navy Ensign Robert A. MacDowell. She had been told by the War Department that her husband, Lt. Harold Goad, 27, had been killed in a plane crash in Burma, but last week she learned that he was in an Army hospital. "I know now which one I love, it is Harold," she said. "I thought for a while that it would be only fair to wait and talk to both but now I have made up my mind. Of course, if I had known that Harold was still alive, all this would not have happened."

Wife Sues Novelist

LOS ANGELES, May 10 (ANS).—James Hilton, British author of "Lost Horizon," "Goodbye Mr. Chips" and other novels, was sued for divorce today by Mrs. Galina Hilton, his second wife. She charged extreme cruelty.

WD Seeks 4,500,000 Army

House Unlikely To Get Voice in Treaty Making

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—The House looked, not too optimistically, today to the Senate, hoping it would heed its request for a share in the treaty-making power.

But unless the Senate changes its mind, the answer will be an emphatic no.

Backed by a 288 to 88 roll call vote, the Constitutional amendment proposal to cut the House in on the treaty power held by the Senate since the nation's birth, headed toward the Senate Judiciary Committee, already on record as not thinking much of it.

The committee recently announced that it would not even consider Constitutional amendment proposals until after the war.

Even if the Senate approved the resolution by the necessary two-thirds vote, the amendment would not become operative until legislatures of at least 36 states ratified it.

By that time, many of the House members feel, treaties growing out of the war may have been disposed of.

For four days House members assailed the present treaty-making machinery as undemocratic, unfair and archaic. It did not, they insisted, give "the people" proper recognition through their elected representatives in shaping the nation's international course.

Opponents of the plan cautioned against changing the Constitution. To give to the majority of the Senate and House power to ratify treaties, they said, would be to give too much power to the executive branch of the government. For, they argued, the White House normally could exert sufficient influence to sway the majority of lawmakers, but would have to present a stronger case to win over two-thirds.

Some Republicans acknowledged privately, the Associated Press said, that they were opposed because their party minority in both Houses is still strong enough in the Senate to exert powerful influence in international affairs under the two-thirds rule.

N.Y. Bank Cleared Of Federal Charge

NEW YORK, May 10 (AP).—A Federal Court jury which deliberated almost 12 hours yesterday found the Chase National Bank innocent on all counts of two indictments charging it with violation of the Presidential order freezing the funds of foreign nations.

The bank was accused of violating the Presidential freeze order of May 10, 1940, blocking accounts of Dutch and Belgian nationals, in connection with the transfer of funds of Leonard J. A. Smith, an industrial diamond dealer and a Dutch national, from the Chase Bank in New York to its Panama branch.

In his charge to the jury, Federal Judge Simon H. Rifkind said there was no issue or question of the bank's patriotism.

Sen. George Urges 'GI Bill' Revision

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—Walter F. George (D-Ga.), chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, yesterday urged revision of the GI Bill of Rights for exemption of all military pay from taxes on a retroactive basis and an immediate reduction in income and corporation taxes.

Recently returned from a trip to Europe, George made his proposals at a news conference. He said that the special Joint Congressional committee, now in session, will chart a course.

The Senator said that the loan provisions of the GI Bill of Rights designed to re-establish veterans in business, should be changed. "We have got to provide a better loan or a larger guarantee," he declared.

Cigaretts for Bond-Buyers

NEW YORK, May 10 (ANS).—Smokers who have sweated out block-long cigarette lines stared hungrily yesterday at 210,000 cigarettes in cartons and cases piled eight feet high on the steps of the Sub-Treasury Building. The cigarettes could be had if a smoker bought enough bonds in the Seventh War Loan drive.

Fills the Bill



Like the demobilization plan, Audrey Totter has her good points. She's a movie starlet.

Active Reserve Would Form Bulk of Force

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—A peacetime standing Army of 4,000,000 active reservists plus 500,000 regulars is sought by the War Department, members of the House Military Affairs Committee disclosed today.

A total of 4,500,000 trained men would be always available for the nation's defense and could be thrown into the field in approximately 120 days under a plan outlined to the committee by Brig. Gen. Edward A. Evans of the Army General Staff Committee for Reserve Policy.

The actual size of a postwar Army must be fixed by Congress and the Army's plan, the United Press said, is based on the assumption that Congress will authorize compulsory peacetime military training.

The 4,500,000 men asked for by the Army would include, besides the regulars, four to five hundred thousand in training at any given time, active reserves who had finished training and probably National Guard.

Committee members said the 4,000,000 reserve would include an estimated 400,000 to 500,000 National Guardsmen and Officer Reserve Corps members and 3,500,000 men trained for one year in the regular Army and then assigned to reserve status.

Kaiser to Build Communities

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10 (ANS).—Henry J. Kaiser said yesterday he had formed a \$5,000,000 corporation to start building entire communities of homes at once on a nationwide assembly line basis.

The two-bedroom houses, the shipbuilder said, will cost from \$4,000 to \$5,000 and will be financed with FHA-insured bank loans. The price would include 50 to 60-foot lots.

He said the new Kaiser Community Homes Corp. was ready to start building 6,000 units in the San Francisco Bay area, Los Angeles and Portland, Ore. Other sites will be selected later.

Kaiser emphasized that he planned to build not single homes, but whole communities, complete with a recreation, health and school center, separate business sections and even landing fields for private planes where space permits.

"Up to now our nation has talked in terms of building 1,000,000 new homes in the first year after the war," he said. "Now I am convinced we should plan for 2,000,000 new homes."

House Committee Seeks To Avert Sugar Shortage

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—The House Food Investigating Committee summoned government sugar experts into secret session yesterday as it strove to ward off a threatening mid-summer sugar shortage.

After it completes its sugar study, perhaps this week, the House group will turn its inquiry to eggs, where members say they fear another major black market operation.

Solons Urge Harsh Peace

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—Some of the members of a 12-man Congressional delegation which has just returned from a tour of ETO battle areas and German concentration camps are recommending a harsh peace for Germany and death to Gestapo agents and Nazi Storm Troopers.

The group, which made the tour at the invitation of Gen. Eisenhower, conferred with Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Chief of Staff Gen. George C. Marshall for an hour and a half today. Sen. Alben Barkley (D-Ky.) told reporters the group would soon make a report to Congress, but several members expressed their personal feelings.

Rep. Ed. V. Izac (D-Cal.), a prisoner of Germany and winner of the CMH in the first World War, said he is convinced that the German people must be subjected to harsh peace terms or they may decide that "war is a good thing after all."

U.S. to Ease Italy Bans

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP).—The Treasury is preparing to lift certain economic restrictions affecting recently liberated areas of northern Italy.

Mom and the Kid Brother Welcome a Marine



En route to the Navy Rehabilitation Center at Philadelphia, Marine Pvt. Clifford Barrager, of Rockford, Ill., wounded on Iwo Jima, leans from his upper berth to greet his younger brother, David, and his mother, who boarded his train when it stopped in Chicago.

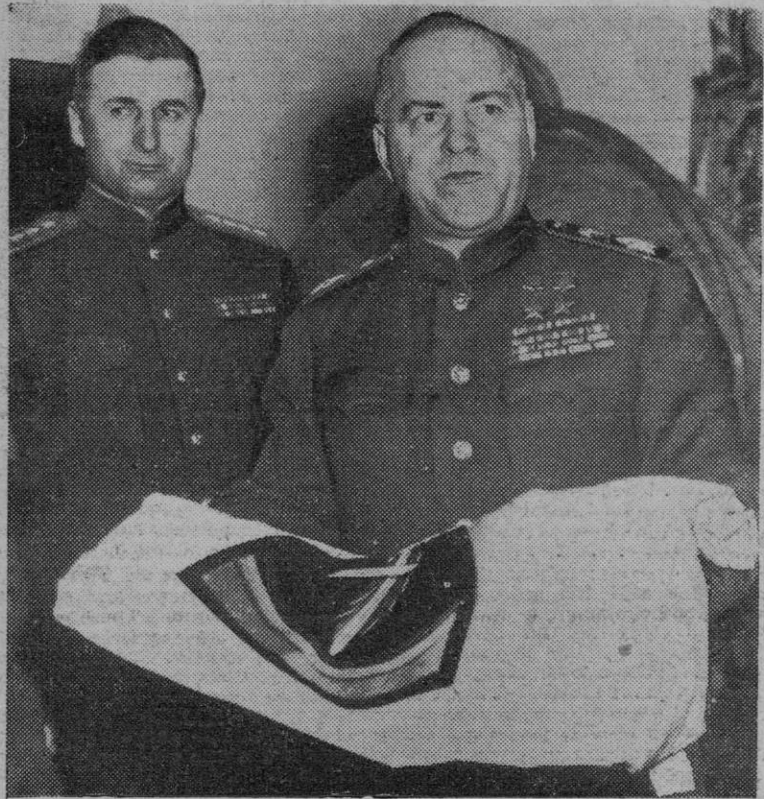
Surrender and a Victory Toast in Ruined Berlin



Arrogant to the last, Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel, chief of the German combined staff, raises his silver baton before departing after formally ratifying the Third Reich's unconditional surrender in Karlshorst, Berlin suburb, on Wednesday. The other German representatives were Col. Gen. Paul Stumpf, left, Luftwaffe commander, and Gen. Adm. Hans-Georg Friedeburg, right rear, commander of the German Navy.



Drinking a toast to victory after the Berlin surrender ceremony are, left to right, Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, deputy Supreme Commander, representing Gen. Eisenhower; Marshal Georgi Konstantinovich Zhukov, deputy commander in chief of Soviet forces, and Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, USSTAF commander. The ceremony, following the one at Rheims, defined more closely the surrender.



Marshal Zhukov holding a SHAEF flag, which was a gift from Gen. Eisenhower. Gen. Sokolovskwe, Zhukov's chief of staff, is at left.



Air Marshal Tedder, left, and Adm. Sir Harold M. Burrough, at right of the center group, chief of Allied Naval Forces, are conducted by Russian officers on a tour of the bomb-ripped ruins of Berlin.

Ike Commends Patriot Forces

Patriot forces of German-occupied Europe received formal recognition and thanks for their part in the overthrow of Nazism in a special order of the day issued yesterday at the headquarters of Gen. Eisenhower.

Addressed to patriots of France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark and Norway, the message said in part: "Your countries have now been liberated by the combined efforts of all the forces under my command. Not the least of these forces I count the members of resistance. . . I have watched your efforts with admiration."

Ike Gives Victory Credit To All Who Did Duty

WASHINGTON, May 10 (ANS).—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, acknowledging a message of congratulation from Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, said today that the victory in Europe belongs to every citizen of the United Nations who has done his or her duty whether in uniform or in civilian life.

"To have my own performance of duty so signally approved by the head of the War Department and by one whose wisdom, courage and determination I hold in such unbounded respect, will be to me for the rest of my life the source of deepest satisfaction," Gen. Eisenhower said.

Italy to Rule in North

ROME, May 10 (INS).—The Allied Commission for Italy today consented to turn over the administration of the ten northern provinces to the Italian government.

1,000 Cannon Salute Victory in Moscow

MOSCOW, May 10 (Reuter).—The Russian capital's famous guns, which have celebrated every major Red Army victory since Stalingrad, fired their loudest salute to mark the unconditional surrender of Germany.

Marshal Stalin, honoring the Red Army and the Red Navy in a special order of the day, ordered 30 salvos from 1,000 cannon.

Wacs Accompanied Berlin Delegation

There probably will be many who will claim to be the first American soldier in Berlin but there is no question of the identity of the first American women to enter the Reich capital.

Maj. Sarah Bagby, secretary to Gen. Carl A. Spaatz; 2/Lt. Kathleen H. M. Summersby, personal secretary to Gen. Eisenhower, and W/O Nana Rae, chief clerk in the Supreme Commander's office, accompanied the SHAEF delegation to Berlin as secretaries to the representatives.

Possibly the first GI to reach Berlin officially was an unidentified member of a C54 crew which flew Maj. Gen. John R. Deane and Adm. E. R. Archer, American and British members of the Military Mission to Moscow, from the Soviet capital to Berlin. The C54 landed before the SHAEF delegates arrived.

Stimson Lauds Lee, Com Z

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson today praised Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, Com Z CG, and his troops for successfully handling the tremendous supply problem in the ETO.

In his congratulatory cable to Lee, Stimson pointed out that Com Z troops overcame all logistical obstacles and thus played a vital role in defeating the Germans.

"Furthermore," the message said, "during the long period when so many of our forces were in Great Britain, you discharged your functions . . . with superb efficiency, great human understanding and diplomacy."

Passing on the message to the troops of his command, Lee added: "My grateful thanks to each and every person in this vast Communications Zone organization for your devotion, fidelity and unflinching zeal. . . Your performance has accomplished what hitherto had been thought impossible. Your share in VE Day is a mighty one, well-earned and fully deserved."

Churchill Postpones Speech Until Sunday

LONDON, May 10 (UP).—Prime Minister Churchill cancelled the speech he was to make tonight, saying it would be delayed until May 13 because of his many engagements.

Churchill told Commons that the government is still undecided about dissolving Parliament, thus ending the wartime coalition and bringing about a general election. He said conscription would continue throughout the war against Japan.

Yank Sergeant Steals Show In Soviet Victory Celebration

MOSCOW, May 10 (UP).—Sgt. George Thomas, a former Baptist minister in Chicago, was one of the central heroes in a day-long victory demonstration yesterday outside the American Embassy.

After thousands of demonstrators had wildly cheered and applauded Truman, Churchill, Eisenhower and Zhukov, Thomas jumped up on the balcony and led milling throngs into a new wave of cheers for Stalin, Truman and British, Soviet and American generals. Suddenly a Red Army officer appeared on the balcony and embraced and kissed Thomas, whereupon the crowd again burst into frenzied cheers.

Next door to the embassy, at the Hotel National, the dean of Canterbury, Hewlett Johnson, emerged from the lobby and was grabbed by a group of husky Russians who pitched him in the air, and demanded a speech. The tall, dignified, aged clergyman, hardly able to catch his breath and with tears streaming down his face, muttered a few words of thanks and congratulations, provoking more cheers. Similar demonstrations were held outside the British Embassy and along the Sofiskaya embankment of the Moscow River by other Allied embassies. The inexhaustible throngs continued the jubilation far into the night.

Anglo-Americans inside bars and restaurants were being kept inside behind locked doors. The Russians refused to let them go, and insisted on an all-night celebration.

French to Call Assembly

The French cabinet will call the consultative assembly, which had adjourned until summer, into extraordinary session, beginning next Tuesday.

Hoover Warns On Starvation

NEW YORK, May 10.—Former President Herbert Hoover, World War I food czar, said yesterday that starvation in Europe still could be averted if within the next two weeks a "great stream of food" begins to flow to hungry lands.

Hoover blamed "power politics" for hampering the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and criticized the relief organization itself for lacking an adequate transportation system and the authority in which sufficient power is vested.

Asserting that "it is now 11:59 on the clock of starvation," Hoover, at a meeting called by the "Save the Children Federation, Inc.," suggested a four-point program to save Europe from starvation:

- 1—Immediate start of shipments.
- 2—Establishment of thousands of canteens to rehabilitate children in industrial areas.
- 3—Payment of UNRRA costs by international contributions or by the individual nations themselves.
- 4—Transportation of food by the War Department if UNRRA or any other government agency is unable to begin shipments immediately.

U.S. Army Signal Corps Photos

Racing to Be Resumed in States Tomorrow

Two Tracks Ready to Operate; Derby Set For June 2

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The ban on horseracing—only sport blacked out by the war—was lifted yesterday and the old familiar cry of "They're Off" will be heard again starting Saturday.

War Mobilization Director Fred M. Vinson lifted the ban at noon yesterday, just as promised by his predecessor James F. Byrnes, who imposed the blackout Jan. 3.

Lifts Turf Ban



Fred Vinson

Happy to Keep Senate Post

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 10.—Happy Chandler, baseball czar, said last night at a testimonial dinner of Lexington businessmen that he intends to keep his Senatorial job in addition to his baseball position "until the people protest."

Chandler said he sincerely believes he can handle both posts, and added he will take a salary from only one position. At present, he said, he is not being paid the baseball commissioner's salary of \$50,000 annually.

"I believe we can help improve the youth of the U.S. through baseball," Happy declared, "because our boys will get something from baseball other countries have been unable to give their sons."

Traffon Signs With Rams
CHICAGO, May 10.—George Traffon, Green Bay Packer line coach last year after a long tenure with the Chicago Bears, has signed a one-year contract as line coach with the Cleveland Rams, he announced today.

Runs for the Week

American League		National League	
Team	W L Pct	Team	W L Pct
Cleveland	7 2 .778	New York	13 4 .765
St. Louis	7 7 .500	Cincinnati	10 6 .625
Chicago	6 1 .857	Pittsburgh	9 9 .500
Washington	5 1 .833	Philadelphia	8 7 .533
Philadelphia	4 4 .500	Pittsburgh at Boston	
New York	4 1 .800	Cincinnati at New York	
Detroit	4 4 .500	Chicago at Philadelphia	
Boston	3 1 .750	St. Louis at Brooklyn	

THE SCOREBOARD

National League	
New York 6, Cincinnati 1 (night)	
Brooklyn 6, St. Louis 4	
Pittsburgh 9, Boston 5	
Philadelphia 3, Chicago 2	

National League		
Gleason, Brooklyn	14 48 7 19 .396	
Holmes, Boston	17 72 18 28 .389	
Ott, New York	18 60 21 23 .382	
Nieman, Boston	16 54 15 20 .370	
Diages, Philadelphia	17 69 10 23 .362	
D'Erica, Pittsburgh	13 58 7 21 .362	

Bowling Alleys, Sports Arenas Receive 'Green Light,' Too

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The midnight curfew on bowling alleys, baseball parks and sports arenas has been lifted, Fred M. Vinson disclosed last night.

"Now that V-E Day is past," Vinson said, "sports centers can stay open as late as they like."

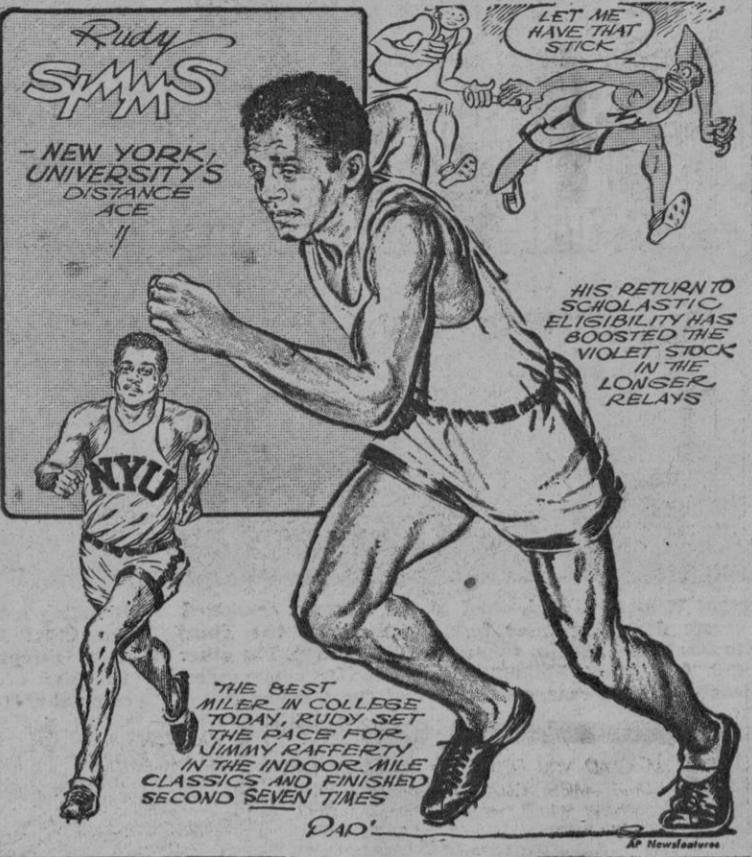
Bobby Jones' Son Inducted

ATLANTA, May 10.—Bobby Jones III, 18-year-old son of the famous golfer, was inducted into the Army at Fort McPherson yesterday. Last year, young Jones attended Georgia Tech.

American League	
Cleveland 2, Boston 1	
Detroit 4, New York 1	
Chicago 6, Philadelphia 4	
Washington at St. Louis, postponed, rain	

American League		
Cuccinello, Chicago	13 46 8 17 .370	
Stephens, St. Louis	12 49 10 14 .350	
Dickshot, Chicago	14 53 11 18 .340	
Case, Washington	17 66 15 22 .333	
Etten, New York	16 60 10 20 .333	

'Rudy Returns'



Trout Notches 4th Victory; White Sox Win

NEW YORK, May 10.—Dizzy Trout turned in his fourth victory of the year and the Tigers dislodged the Yankees from second place in the American League race by trouncing the New Yorkers, 4-1, yesterday.

Trout, who has beaten the Yanks eight times since Aug. 25, 1943, was master throughout once again, handcuffing Joe McCarthy's athletes with seven hits. The Bengals collected eight safe blows from Allan Gattel, the loser, and Bill Zuber, three by Rudy York.

Three enemy errors helped the White Sox to a 6-4 verdict over the Athletics. Southpaw Thornton Lee scored his third win of the season and the 99th of his career, while the Chisox touched Don Black for ten hits.

O'Dea's Single Wins Game
Pinch-hitter Paul O'Dea looped a single in the ninth to shatter a 1-1 tie and permit the Indians to set down the Red Sox, 2-1. O'Dea, batting for catcher Mickey McDonnell, drove in Manager Lou Boudreau with the winning run. Allie Reynolds drew the mound nod over Jim Wilson.

Rain stopped the Senators and Browns at St. Louis. In the National League, Manager Mel Ott swatted his 49th homerun to tie the lifetime total of the late Lou Gehrig as the Giants tripped the Reds, 6-1, last night at New York. George Hausmann also homered. Harry Feldman earned his fourth victory, while Arnie Carter was charged with the defeat.

The Phillies snapped their five-game losing streak and ended Paul Derringer's four-game win skein by defeating the Cubs, 5-2. Big Bill Lee held his former teammates to five hits, and was aided by Vince DiMaggio's two-run homer in the second and Coaker Triplett's double in the sixth that counted two runs and chased Derringer to the showers.

Pirates Pummel Tobin
Jim Tobin's flutter-ball failed to puzzle the Pirates and the Braves absorbed a 9-5 spanking as Preacher Roe stopped Boston without trouble. Charlie Workman poled a homer for the Braves; Jim Barrett hit one for the Bucs. Tobin yielded ten hits in the four innings he lasted before giving way to Tom Early and Charlie Cozart.

The Dodgers tightened their hold on second place by victimizing the Cardinals, 6-4, with an extra-base barrage against Harry Brecheen. Buster Adams, playing his first game with the Cards since being acquired from the Phillies, made one hit and committed one fielding error. Vic Lombardi, rookie southpaw, registered his second verdict of '45.

Minor League Results

International League	
Montreal 8, Jersey City 5	
Other games postponed, cold and rain	

American Association	
Toledo 10, Minneapolis 3	
Columbus 7, St. Paul 6	
Others postponed, rain	

Southern Association	
Atlanta 4, Memphis 0	
Chattanooga 15, Little Rock 6	
Mobile 10, Nashville 1	
New Orleans 6, Birmingham 5	

Pacific Coast League	
Oakland 13-4, Los Angeles 3-5	
San Diego 5, Portland 1	
San Francisco 9, Hollywood 4	
Seattle 8, Sacramento 3	

Eastern League	
Utica 3-2, Albany 2-9	
Scranton 1-6, Williamsport 0-3	
Hartford 5-9, Binghamton 3-1	
Elmira 18, Wilkes-Barre 14	

War Department Orders Halt On Draft of '4F Athletes'

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Rep. Melvin Price (D-Ill.) said last night the War Department has suspended indefinitely its regulation requiring special processing of draft cases of professional athletes who have been rejected by their local induction boards.

The special examination of athletes was ordered by former War Mobilization Director Jimmy Byrnes. Selective officials subsequently ordered local boards not to classify athletes 4F until the War Department had reviewed their status.

Price said the order had been suspended until the War Department completes an investigation prompted by his complaint that some athletes were being inducted regardless of physical defects. Price had charged the Army was discriminating against professional athletes.

"Suspension of the order means induction will be postponed indefinitely for several major league baseball players who apparently were headed for service."

A spokesman for Price announced that George Case, Mickey Haefner and Dutch Leonard, Senator players slated for early induction, will not be called until the War Department investigation is completed. All three previously had been rejected by their local boards.

National Open Not to Be Held in '45

NEW YORK, May 10.—Despite the easing of restrictions on sports since VE-Day, the National Open golf tournament is not likely to be resumed this year, Charles W. Littlefield, vice-president of the U.S. Golf Assn., said last night.

"It would be virtually impossible for us to formulate our plans in time to conduct the meet this summer or even early fall," Littlefield said.

The National Open became a war casualty shortly after Pearl Harbor.

Great Lakes Naval Dumps Illinois, 7-3

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 10.—The Great Lakes Naval baseball team, with ex-Cardinal Catcher Walker Cooper playing his first game, turned back the University of Illinois, 7-3, yesterday.

Bob Anderlick, Illini outfielder, swatted a homerun off Denny Galehouse, former Browns hurler, in the second inning.

Dempsey Returns from Pacific

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., May 10.—Jack Dempsey returned to the States today after participating in the invasion of Okinawa and touring a couple of dozen other points in the Pacific for the Coast Guard.

"Don't think I wasn't scared," the former heavyweight champion said. "Everybody was. But when the kids saw me ready to go ashore with them at Okinawa, they nudged each other and said, 'Hey, the old man's going along... Guess this isn't going to be as tough as we thought.'"

Asked if he had seen any heavy-weight material during his three-month tour, Dempsey laughed. "They all look like heavy-weight stuff to the Japs!"

AP0 Men Give Extra Attention To Contest Mail

Letters entered in The Stars and Stripes war bond contest are receiving special treatment at APO 887 to expedite delivery to contest committee headquarters.

AP0 887 has set aside a separate box for entries, which is emptied as often as six times a day. In several cases an entry has reached the contest committee an hour or so after it arrived at the APO.

"GIs who enter this contest need have no fear that their letter won't reach its mark," said T/5 Walter E. Lawing, of Fayetteville, N.C., clerk in charge of operations at APO 887. "We handle hundreds of thousands of pieces of mail here each day, but with the special receiving box set aside for the contest, there is no chance of a letter of entry going astray."

Lawing estimates, from observing the return addresses, that of the hundreds of contest letters that have passed through the post office thus far, 65 percent were from combat and forward echelon troops and the remainder were from Army personnel in the Paris area.

Three enlisted men have been assigned to handle the contest mail. They are T/4 John Roche, of Monmouth, Ill.; T/4 N. D. Chew, of Evanston, Ill., and Pfc Walter Groth, of Chicago.

Major Ervin W. Boettcher, of Chicago, postal officer of APO 887, gave the official view. He said: "APO 887 is most happy to cooperate in this worthwhile contest. We feel that from it will come many ideas to benefit not only the members of the Army themselves, but the United States as well."

The contest is open to all Army personnel, male and female, in the ETO; who have a Class B allotment or have purchased a war bond since May 1, when the competition began. All that is required is a letter of from 50 to 250 words on the subject "My Savings and Postwar Plans." Ten first prizes of Chevrolet automobiles or trucks are being offered, with Frigidaires as the award for the ten next best letters.

Skeezix Joins S & S Comics

The Stars and Stripes today reintroduces the homely characters of "Gasoline Alley" to its readers. "Gasoline Alley" is a comic strip in which the characters actually grow older as time passes, as they would in real life. So today's sequence actually may be said to have started Feb. 14, 1921, when a baby named Skeezix was left on the doorstep of Walt Walleet, a kind-hearted bachelor.

Skeezix was the child of Mme. Octave, an opera singer, and Col. Coda. Both later made efforts to get Skeezix back, but Walt adopted him. When Skeezix was five years old, Walt married Phyllis Blossom and they raised Skeezix as their own son.

Now Skeezix is married himself to Nina Clock. He is a sergeant with an ordnance outfit in the Philippines and is an expectant father. Nina and her mother have moved in from their farm to live with Walt and Phyllis while Nina awaits the stork.

Carry on from there.

ARC Official in Europe Quits

Harvey D. Gibson has resigned as head of the ARC Commission to Great Britain and western Europe. Gibson, who has served overseas since Aug. 26, 1942, will be succeeded by his deputy, Albert H. Gregg.

AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK

Time	TODAY
1200-U.S. Army Band	1905-Symph.Orchest.
1215-Beaucoup Music	2000-Navy Date
1300-World News	2030-Amer. Band AEP
1310-U.S. Sports	2100-World News
1315-Perry Como	2105-Your War Today
1330-Tommy Dorsey	2115-Command Perf.
1400-RCAP Band	2145-Winged Strings
1430-Go To Town	2200-U.S. News
1500-World News	2205-All-Amer. Jazz
1510-Raym. Scott	2235-Here's Romance
1545-On the Record	2300-World News
1630-Strike Up Band	2305-Music
1700-Pete Smith	2335-One Night Stand
1730-Music Time	2400-World News
1800-World News	0015-Night Shift
1810-GI Supper Club	0200-World News
1900-Sports	
Time	TOMORROW
0600-Rise and Shine	0930-Dance Orchest.
0700-World News	1000-Morning After
0715-Rise and Shine	1030-Strike Up Band
0815-Personal Album	1100-U.S. News
0830-Jill's Juke Box	1105-Duffie Bag
0900-World News	1145-Melody Roundup
0915-Army Talks	

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Li'l Abner



Terry and The Pirates



Gasoline Alley



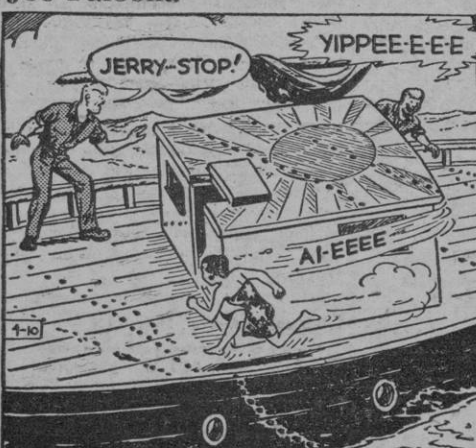
Dick Tracy



Blondie



Joe Palooka



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Send your questions or problems to Help Wanted, The Stars and Stripes, APO 887. In replying to an advertisement, address letter to person signing ad, care of Help Wanted.

CAMERA EXCHANGE

FOR SALE: 35mm Reyna Cross III, f2.9, case, shade, filters, daylight loader, film, \$125.—Capt. G. Wittgen, Roliflex automatic, case, Tessar, f3.5, sunshade, filters, \$500.—Pfc C. E. Reinert.

Births

Folks at Home Send These GI's Swift News of Sir Stork's Arrival:

CAPT. Kevin J. Fay, Cleveland—boy, April 24; Lt. Col. Harry J. Loving, Cincinnati—Karen Jane, March 25; S/Sgt. S. M. Groome, Baldwin, N.Y.—Richard, April 29; Sgt. Earl Turner, Pittsfield, Mass.—Richard Earl, April 30; Sgt. Clarence A. Reinsch, Geneva, Neb.—girl, May 2; Lt. Cecil J. Nash, Columbus, Ga.—Sipes, Haletrop, Md.—girl, April 29; Maj. Eugene T. White, Enid, Okla.—Doris Gene, April 30; Pfc William R. Young, Barnesville, Ohio—Bill, May 8; Capt. Robert Ruddy, New York—boy, May

6; T/Sgt. Edward E. Lynn, Garrettsville, Ohio—Kenneth, April 21; Sgt. Joseph P. Ludgate, Scranton, Pa.—Mary Leonora, May 3.

L. T. M. T. ANDERSON, Indianapolis—Janet Dee, April 15; F/O Jack P. Clifton, Jacksonville, Fla.—twin boys, April 19; Sgt. Roy C. Davis, Houghton Lake, Mich.—Holly Jane, May 4; Cpl. Bernard M. Trager, Bronx—Ross Erwin, May 2; Capt. James P. O'Rourke, New York—Bryan Murphy, May 4; Cpl. Charles Stuart, Rensselaer, N.Y.—boy, May 6; Pfc Harvey Jones, Warsaw, Ky.—William Edward, April 8; Capt. Grover N. Taylor, Pasadena—Grover William, April 29; Capt. Jerome Cohen, San Francisco—Nancy Susan, May 3; Sgt. George A.

Nichols, St. Louis—Karen Sue, May 4; Lt. Albert J. Zogby, Hazleton, Pa.—girl, April 23.

PVT. Archie R. Maust, Gettysburg, Pa.—girl, May 3; Capt. Raymond F. Walters, Oak Park, Ill.—David Moore, May 4; Pfc Robert J. Gunerman, Bronx—boy, May 3; Capt. W. E. Morrow, Chicago—Margaret Jean, May 2; Sgt. George R. Perdue, Sulphur Springs, Tex.—Michael Ray, May 2; S/Sgt. Gus G. Craid, Cincinnati—Judy Lynn, April 26; M/Sgt. Carl De Rosa, New Haven, Conn.—Carl Frank, Jan. 21; Sgt. Andrew Dansereau, Pawtucket, R.I.—Andrew, March 27; Pfc Paul S. Myers, Elkins, W.Va.—Karen Ann, April 29; T/4 Michael T. Griffin, Miami—Evelyn Nan, April 25.

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