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Police Use Tear Gas in California Strike Outbreak



Violence broke out at Los Angeles subsidiary of General Motors Corp. last week, and police used tear gas to quell it. In the action, shown above, several persons were reported seriously injured.

U.S. to Take Over Plants Saturday In Meat Strike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—The White House announced today that the Department of Agriculture would seize America's strike-bound meat-packing houses on Saturday. The decision for Government operation of the struck plants followed closely the meeting of President Truman's fact-finding board with Chicago meat packers yesterday.

UNO Meeting Off, Action on Atom Delayed

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—The meeting of the United Nations Assembly scheduled for today was postponed suddenly shortly before noon, upsetting plans of U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes for immediate creation of a commission to set up atomic-energy controls. The meeting was put off until tomorrow morning, Americans said the delay was a technical one. Meanwhile, top men of UNO's five principal powers, meeting secretly in Byrnes' office, were reported reliably to have failed again to reach an agreement on a candidate for Secretary General of the new security organization. The office of Gladwyn Jebb, UNO executive secretary, explained the meeting had been canceled because of the necessity of getting the political and security committee's report ready for the assembly.

Atom Plans Awaited
The master plan to help safeguard the world against atom wars was drafted by Britain, the U.S. and Canada, and was announced after the foreign ministers' conference in Moscow. Speculation is centering around recommendations the commission might make. It could suggest that all nations pledge never to use atomic energy in war. It could also propose that the "atom powers" halt research on atomic weapons
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Mexico Reported Supporting Giral

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Dr. Jose Giral, Prime Minister of the Spanish Republican government in exile, said today that Mexico's representatives at the UNO assembly in London would ask for recognition of his government. This move, Giral said, will have the initial support of Guatemala, Panama and Venezuela. Britain, he said, is "less decided than France and the U.S. about breaking diplomatic relations with Franco Spain."

Irate War Wives Collar Ike, Demand Release for Husbands

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—A score of irate servicemen's wives waylaid Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower on his way to a Congressional hearing yesterday and demanded a speedup in the release of their husbands.

Confronted outside the office of Rep. Andrew J. May (D-Ky.), chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, the five-star general invited the women into May's office, where they fired a barrage of questions and complaints at him for more than half an hour. Eisenhower was told that fathers should be released at once and that immediately afterward, childless married men should be discharged in order that "they might start the families they have been prevented from founding."

Eisenhower listened to the women patiently, and then told them: "There will be no armies of occupation and we won't have anybody to process those who should be dis-

charged if all the married men were released now." Army fathers alone total 700,000, he added. The protesting women declared that they were a delegation representing the Servicemen's Wives and Children's Association. It was charged also that the retention of married men in the armed forces was a contributing factor to the breakup of countless marriages. "How do you think we feel when we see pictures of fraternization going on in Europe, the Pacific and everywhere else?" one woman demanded.

Mrs. Nancy Muller of Pittsburgh asked Eisenhower to consider this proposed platform:

Steel Firm Provides Comforts for Strikers

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (UP).—The Inland Steel Co. today sent 5,000 paper cups to the picket line around its plant so that striking steel workers could be served hot coffee. The steel concern also furnished coke for stoves in the vicinity of the picket line so that marchers could stop and get warm. A room in a nearby building was rented by Inland and turned over to the strikers as headquarters. Friday will be payday and checks will be issued as usual, an Inland spokesman said.

eastern sections of the U.S., Mr. Truman created an emergency board to investigate the dispute between two Chicago railroads and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

Appointment of such a board by the President usually delays automatically for 60 days any strike action other than votes by the unions. Strike votes, according to H. F. Whitney, Brotherhood president, were being scheduled.

Steel Pinch is Felt
The nation was beginning to feel the effects of the mammoth three-day steel strike. Railroads, shipbuilders and building concerns in general were feeling the pinch, and big container factories were already closing for lack of material.
(The United Press reported that
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Bruised Lichfield Prisoners Hidden From IG, Guard Says

By Art White
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Sgt. James M. Jones, one of the accused in the Lichfield trial, testified today that prison officers at the Tenth Reinf. Depot guardhouse had had advance notice of IG inspections, and that before one investigator had arrived, they had sent prisoners who bore marks of beatings "to the coal dump."

Jones, one of three accused who volunteered to return to the stand to give further evidence under a grant of immunity from perjury charges, told the court that before Lt. Col. Lawrence W. Varner had visited the guardhouse last year, 1/Lt. Granville Cubage had phoned Sgt. Judson H. Smith, the provost sergeant, and told him: "Pick out all the men with marks of beatings and send them to the coal dump."

Jones said he had picked out about 19 men from his block who bore marks and sent them to the dump. The present trial is Smith's, and Cubage is one of two former prison officers awaiting trial.

Asked by Capt. Earl J. Carroll, assistant prosecutor, to select the guards he regarded as having been the toughest on prisoners at Lichfield, Jones named "Bikel and Baker."

Neither is among the accused. Jones said he had seen Bikel knock a prisoner down three times and then pick him up, only to fell him again with blows in the stomach. He added that he had seen "a Sergeant Wilkins," also not among the accused, beat a prisoner "for between 30 minutes and an hour."

Jones told the court he had returned to the stand to say that what he had done at Lichfield had been done under orders. He declared that he had landed in Normandy on D plus One, and was posted to Lichfield in December, 1944, after treatment for psycho-neurosis.

According to his testimony, upon arrival he was told by Cubage, "You'll have to be strict here," and by another guard, "Treat them rough—that's the way they want it here—everyone is behind you."

Gouin Elected As President

BULLETIN

Félix Gouin, diminutive 61-year-old Socialist, was elected President of the Fourth French Republic by the French Constituent Assembly late last night by 497 out of 555 votes.

Gouin, who presided over the Assembly since October, succeeded Gen. Charles De Gaulle, who tendered his resignation Sunday. De Gaulle received only three votes in last night's balloting.

The French Assembly adjourned yesterday afternoon after a perfunctory five-minute session without fixing a time for meeting again, while party leaders continued negotiations for election of a successor to Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

Felix Gouin, president of the Assembly, apparently still had the support of the three major parties—Communist, Socialist and Popular Republican Movement (MRP)—for the position, but the MRP was withholding formal approval of the Socialist leader until an agreement was reached with the other parties on a program to be followed by the new coalition government.

(The Associated Press reported that MRP leaders said the party would support Gouin and would participate in formation of a coalition government.)

The conditions the MRP are demanding were said to be:

- 1—Provision for a two-chamber Parliament in the Fourth Republic's constitution.
- 2—Recognition of rights of family and professions (intended as a brake on any Communist attempts at an all-out nationalization program.)
- 3—Agreement on freedom of education, with no suppression of church schools.
- 4—Guarantee of sufficient powers to the executive.

The MRP also desired certain key cabinet positions, it was said. Vincent Auriol, minister of state in De Gaulle's government, is widely accepted as successor to Gouin as president of the Assembly.

Captured Ship Returns After Serving Jap Navy

KWAJALEIN, Marshall Islands, Jan. 23 (UP).—The USS Stewart, an ancient four-stack destroyer, was en route to San Pedro, Calif., today, once more under American colors after serving a hitch in the Japanese Navy.

The Stewart is the only ship in the history of the U.S. Navy to be captured, used by the enemy, then recaptured and recommissioned.

Belgian Official in Capital

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Paul Kronacker, Belgian Minister of Supplies, has arrived by plane from New York to organize transition of Belgian commercial activities in the U.S. from government agencies to private interests.

Wife Poisons Returned Vet: Wanted to Nurse His Love Back

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23 (UP).—Mrs. Virginia McElhiney told police today that she fed her husband poison in his coffee "so I could nurse him and convince him that it was him I loved and no one else." But he died.

As she awaited arraignment today on a murder charge, Mrs. McElhiney, 28, sobbed in her cell: "I didn't mean to kill him."

Everett McElhiney, also 28, died Dec. 30 in a veterans' hospital. He had suspected his wife was not true to him while overseas, and police said she admitted there was ground for his suspicions.

When McElhiney returned home

from the Army Dec. 21, his wife put three drops of poison into a cup of coffee she brought to his bed. He didn't get sick, so three days later she did it again. He protested the coffee tasted bitter, but his wife told him it would help his nerves.

While suffering from the poisoning, McElhiney's bed caught fire and he suffered burns which sent him to the hospital. His wife denied setting the blaze. He died the next day, and an autopsy revealed arsenic in his blood.

"No soldier who came home ever had a lovelier funeral than the one I bought for him," the widow said.



Seeks Money Adjustment

I am a GI family man approaching discharge. I have a wife and two children to support and must be realistic about facing the challenge of civilian life again. I am 31 years old do not want to go to college or go into business for myself. All I want is a chance to equalize my financial loss with that of the average person not directly engaged in the war. The GI Bill of Rights offers plenty. But it does not offer a thing to a fellow in my circumstances.

Our salaries have never caught up to the sharp increase in the cost of living in the early war years. When the draft came almost all my savings were eaten up in the necessary adjustment of moving my wife and family back to her folks. With dependents' allotments they were able to get along, but we will have no savings to start out on again. There are many of us in the same boat.

We are not asking charity, merely our rights as proposed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars in their Adjusted Pay Plan. We would have a fighting chance if our pay were brought up to that of the folks who stayed home and now have sufficient savings to carry them over the reconversion period. The pertinent points of this plan include \$3 per day for home service, maximum; \$3,500; \$4 per day for overseas service, maximum \$4,500; \$500 additional for wounded vets. Money would be paid in bonds under certain restrictions outlined in the bill.

It is estimated that the total cost of such a plan would not amount to the cost of 10 more days of war. We did our share to shorten the war. This is one way the government can recognize our efforts.—GI Dad (and 46 other signatures, Ed.) Co B, 655th Engr Topo Bn.

No Margin for Effort

This is a request for clarification: Two days a week we are busy preparing for and awaiting inspections.

Several times a week my armorer is required to pull 24-hour guard in addition to having to do most of the handwork that should be done by our Kraut labor.

At least one day a week is spent on an orientation movie or something of its kind.

With that finally out of the way and a whole company asking, "Where is my month-old dry-cleaning or six-month-old salvage?" and RSO beating their gums because I haven't been able to make a request pickup, the motor pool can't spare a jeep because they are preparing for an inspection or out to a required movie.

Three weeks elapse... I finally get to my destination and everyone is out because they had to attend something or are on guard.—Perplexed Supply Sgt. 1st Bn. 310 Inf.

Life-Lights

Here's a suggestion for the Army's safety program, and I guarantee it will save lives immediately.

Add to every army vehicle three safety flares, so that when a vehicle is disabled on the road, the flares may be put to advantageous use:

Place one flare 100 yards to the rear of the vehicle and a second the same distance in front. The third should be placed adjacent to it on the side nearest the center of the road.

Let's make this a must! It's worth it.—S/Sgt. Jerome Vaiana Co. D 135 AAA (Gun) Bn.

Fraulein Was Demoiselle

This is in reply to a "gripe" by T/3 R. A. Williams, Hq. Company, VI Corps, concerning the "Fraulein" who displaced him from my jeep.

When the jeep arrived I was not on hand, and arrived a few minutes later to find three soldiers waiting in it. I had with me a young woman, an Allied French National on proper orders from her own station, who was also returning to Esslingen, my home station. Since the basic load of 1/4-ton vehicle is four passengers and a driver, I offered to take two of the men with me but they declined because all three wished to return together.

The men were asked, not ordered, to make room in the jeep, and the impression that a German fraulein was taking their place was quite wrong. I sincerely dislike fraternizing and certainly would not cause any soldier to be embarrassed by a German.—W. J. Strehle, WOJG.

Co-operation Between Nations Is a Tough Job, But It's Working in Berlin, U.S. Officials Agree

By Wes Gallagher Associated Press Staff Correspondent

BERLIN, Jan. 23.—Can Russia and the western powers successfully work together on an international basis?

For five months, in what amounts to a political laboratory, the four powers have been working together in Berlin under the Potsdam Agreement.

To find an answer to the question, the Associated Press interviewed every American representative on major directorates and committees working under the Allied Control Council.

There were 18 on the list, ranging from Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay and Political Adviser Robert Murphy to technical men.

They included civilians and Army men. Some had come to Berlin feeling that the four powers never could work together.

Although questioned independently, 17 of the 18 interviewed agreed generally on the following conclusions:

Each committee started negotiations in an atmosphere of mutual suspicion and formality, with each country's representatives determined not to give an inch.

This atmosphere lasted for some weeks, and progress was almost nil.

This period gave rise to many anti-Russian, anti-British and anti-everybody stories that are still current and creating erroneous impressions.

In the last three months this atmosphere has given way slowly to one of mutual confidence and good will on the part of all delegates.

Agreement has been reached on an "overwhelming majority" of problems, particularly on lower committee levels. There is a general feeling now that there are no problems that cannot be solved by four-power negotiation.

No one country has had a monopoly on making concessions; the Russians are giving in as much as anyone else.

The Americans also agreed that there have been various coalitions of powers despite early Russian suspicions that the three western powers would form a bloc.

On the contrary, Americans and Russians have been together on problems as often as they have been apart. Sides change continually, depending on questions discussed.

There are two stalemated questions on which no common ground has been reached. First, the French move to block centralization of German administration has affected almost all departments.

Second, the western powers have failed to meet with the Russians on the question of press and radio. The U.S.S.R. thus far has declined to participate in discussions of this subject.

Generally speaking, lower-level administrative committee representatives were more optimistic on future four-power negotiations than those on high political levels, although all were bullish on the subject.

Part of this caution on highest levels is due to disappointment over the French position, which is felt to be blocking the entire situation, and to a feeling of uncertainty as to whether the increased confidence and lessening of suspicion on the part of Russians in Berlin is reflected all the way back to Moscow.

Clay summed up the feeling on progress thus far by saying: "We have reached a situation where we can get mad and argue about one point, reach a compromise, and not have it affect our personal relations, nor any subsequent points we might take up."

Many of the negotiators pointed out that, as agreements were reached, the "area of doubt and disagreement receded," making future negotiations easier.

"It is interesting to note that everyone assumed the Russians would not try to understand our views," said Leo Werts, deputy director, manpower division. "It has worked out, however, that they have made more attempts to understand our views than we have made to understand theirs."

Brig. Gen. W. H. Draper Jr., director of the economic division, said: "The very fact that Germany could be governed in a situation unparalleled in history by a four-power body bespeaks itself for the future. I do not mean to say this is ideal machinery, 100 percent efficient. It is not. Agreements are reached slowly, with difficulty, but they are reached, and that is what is important."

Spain to Buy 5 U.S. Planes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—The State Department disclosed today that it had approved the sale of five U.S. Army surplus transport planes to the Spanish Iberian Airline and that airport construction equipment would be sold to a Spanish government purchasing agency.

A spokesman for the State Department said that the airport equipment would be used to improve the international airport at Madrid, and that no surplus military supplies were involved in the transaction. Total value of the goods sold or approved was put at more than \$300,000.

(The International News Service, which estimated the value of the goods sold at \$2,500,000, reported it was emphasized in Washington that future Spanish requests for surplus articles must be approved individually.)



Douglas Fairbanks Jr. kisses his one-time stepmother, Mary Pickford, when he arrived in Hollywood from the Pacific wars.

U.S.-Sweden Line to Reopen

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Swedish-American steamship line is expected to reopen trans-Atlantic service in March with the Swedish liners Gripsholm and Drottningholm, which were used as repatriation ships during the war, Stockholm radio stated today.

Singapore Trials to Start

SINGAPORE, Jan. 23 (UP).—The first trials of 1,101 persons, including several Japanese generals, as war criminals were to start in the Singapore Supreme Court today. Another tribunal, sitting at Kuala Lumpur, also planned to begin war crimes hearings.

Prinz Eugen Aids Troopship

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (UP).—The former German cruiser Prinz Eugen is speeding to stand by the troop-carrying Liberty ship Frederick C. Hicks, which developed a crack amidships in heavy seas 280 miles southeast of Halifax.

The captain of the Hicks reported that she was not in need of assistance and was proceeding to Boston "at good speed." The Prinz Eugen has been diverted from her course toward Boston as a routine sea precaution.

Willie and Joe

By Mauldin



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"Mom says I gotta stop seeing you, Butch, you got minoritics or something."

American Forces network

Table with columns for Time, TODAY, and TOMORROW, listing radio programs and their start times.

UNRRA Ships Spring Seeds

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Nine European countries and China will share 50,000 tons of seed which, UNRRA reported, is now being shipped for spring planting. The program covers Italy, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Yugoslavia, Albania, Poland, Austria, Byelo-Russia and the Ukraine.

G.I. BILLBOARD

Advertisement for G.I. Billboard featuring Paris Area movies, Metz officer tours, and Western Europe Edition information.

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The Vet Hunts for a Job—and Becomes 'a Nuisance'

By the Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Sixty thousand veterans of World War II now are existing on the \$20-a-week unemployment insurance in New York City alone. The number of veterans throughout the nation being supported on that same government dole runs into hundreds of thousands.

The palmy days for returning soldiers are about over. One already hears veterans being referred to in casual conversations as "a nuisance." The volume of such comment, it is true, is still small, but it will inevitably grow larger.

Jobs, decent jobs, are hard to get. Even "enlightened" corporations are sticking to the letter of the law in rehiring veterans. World War II soldiers are getting their old jobs back if they want them, but nothing better than their old jobs.

This writer knows personally a veteran who entered the Army four years ago from a copyboy's spot on a New York newspaper. In the service, he worked on Army publications continuously. In his last year as a soldier he edited a newspaper whose standards were as high as those of a commercial enterprise at home.

His old paper will rehire him as a copyboy or not at all. It would prefer he didn't come back. The profes-

sional experience he gained in the Army isn't being recognized by his former employer.

It is this trend which makes an unheralded meeting of Senate and House conferees this week tremendously important, especially to men still in uniform. They'll decide what kind of "full employment" bill is to be presented to Congress for enactment.

Two such measures have been passed, one by the Senate and one by the House. The Senate measure would establish machinery for planning for jobs. The House measure, which is much weaker than the Senate's, would directly create jobs for three men—"economic advisers" for the President. As their title implies, the advisers would have only advisory authority. Practical powers would not be created.

The kind of measure that will emerge from the conference depends ironically on the stand taken by one man, Rep. Carter Manasco (D-Ala.). Under Congressional rules, the Senate and House delegations of the conference committee each must vote as a unit on the bill.

In the Senate delegation, the genuine full-employment advocates have a majority. Five of the eight members favor the Senate bill. The House delegation has five members. Two favor the Senate measure. Two are unalterably opposed. Manasco, the fifth member, is inclined

to side with the House-bill faction. It is possible, however, that President Truman might induce him to vote for the Senate measure.

Mr. Truman personally favors full-employment legislation. In his address to the nation last Jan. 3, Mr. Truman came out strongly for job planning.

The Senate full-employment bill in its own wording is "an act to establish a national policy and program for assuring continuing full employment and full production."

The House committee which produced that chamber's weaker version presented its product in a report which contained this significant passage:

"Full employment never has and never will be maintained under our system of free competitive enterprise except in wartime under huge deficits. . . . The right to work isn't synonymous with the right of freedom."

Manasco, the man who holds the key vote in the all-important conference committee, comes from a district with a population of 285,000. There were 23,000 votes cast in the 1944 primaries, and he was elected by a margin of less than 1,000 ballots.

Whatever the outcome of the conference, veterans' job legislation demonstrates to ex-servicemen the importance of voting in district elections. The choice of one Alabama district is affecting the welfare of the people of the entire U.S.



Secretaries of State, War and Navy Named To Board to Run U.S. Intelligence Service

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (INS).—President Truman has set up a four-man national intelligence authority to assemble and evaluate all information relating to national security and to organize a central intelligence group to function "outside the U.S. and its possessions," it was announced today.

Named to the board are the Secretaries of State, War and the Navy and a personal Presidential representative.

The President will name soon a "central intelligence director" who is to be responsible to the national intelligence authority and will sit as a non-voting member of the board, a White House spokesman said.

The President's action ends the controversy between the State and War Departments over the kind of peace-time intelligence service the U.S. should foster, it was said.

Under the new board, "all Federal and foreign intelligence activities will be planned, developed and co-ordinated so as to assure the most effective accomplishment of the intelligence mission related to national security."

The central director will co-ordinate the work of intelligence agents of various government departments.

It was pointed out that the group will not exercise police or internal security functions. Investigations inside the U.S. will be made "only as provided by law and presidential directives."

Vet Suspected Disability Pay In Degan Case Favors Officers

TOLEDO, Ohio, Jan. 23 (INS).—Sidney L. Sherman, 22, Northwestern University student and war veteran, disclaimed today any knowledge of the Chicago kidnap-murder of Suzanne Degan.

Sherman, the latest in a long line of suspects in the Degan atrocity, departed for Chicago accompanied by detectives early this morning. It is reported that Chicago police want to question him about a handkerchief found near a cesspool in which part of the six-year-old girl's body was hidden. The handkerchief was marked with the name Sherman and a list of numbers, apparently an Army serial number.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Based on disability records, the distinction between officers and enlisted men continues after both are in civvies, figures showed today.

On June 30, 1947, an estimated 1,711,348 enlisted veterans of World War II will be drawing disability pensions averaging \$42 a month. On the same date, 37,328 officers retired for disability will average \$212 a month.

While enlisted men draw pensions based on the degree of disability, ranging down from \$115 for total and permanent disability, disabled officers get 75 percent of base pay.

D. V. Walker, Disabled American Veterans commander, commented when the figures were released: "It costs more to live as it costs a disabled officer."

The American Scene:

Grief-Stricken Father Dies; Sons Rejailed After Funeral

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23 (UP).—Three brothers were back in jail today after attending the funeral of their father, who, friends said, died of a broken heart because his sons were in jail.

Chester and Jester Balt, 21-year-old twins, pleaded guilty to charges of burglary and are awaiting sentence, while the third brother, who pleaded innocent to the same charges, is awaiting trial. They are accused of a series of robberies of couples in a Los Angeles "Lovers' Lane."

Lifer Breaks Jail, Gets 99-Year Term

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 23 (UP).—Red Mullins laughed today when a judge gave him a 99-year sentence. Mullins, who has escaped more jails than most people have seen, already faced a lifetime term.

Dreaming Paratrooper Leaps from Window

PORT CHESTER, N.Y., Jan. 23 (INS).—Tom Thomas, 36, was wondering today whether he should sleep wearing a parachute.

Thomas, a discharged paratrooper, said that while dreaming his sergeant had given him the order to "jump" he leaped from his second-story bedroom window and plunged 30 feet to the bottom of an airshaft, but escaped uninjured. His landlady tossed him blankets to keep warm until the fire department came to the rescue.

Cold Sober, Finds an Alligator on Doorstep

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23 (UP).—When Thomas Russell, president of a moving and storage concern, came to work today, cold sober, he found a washtub containing a four-foot alligator on his doorstep. As Russell walked toward the tub the gator snapped at him hungrily.

Russell called the police. Now it's up to the Humane Society to move—or store—the alligator.

Wac Rescued After Bailing Out in Storm

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., Jan. 23 (UP).—WAC Lt. Bertis Roberts, 27, was recovering from exposure and a broken leg at Valley Forge General Hospital here today after parachuting from a disabled Army training plane five miles south of Pittstown. She had crawled 30 yards in blinding snow and fashioned a pup-tent from her parachute when she was found by the searching party.

Senators to Get Nazi List Of Party Members in U.S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—The Nazi party's card-index file of 80,000 members in this country and South America soon will be turned over to a committee headed by Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D-W.Va.)

The committee also plans to look into reported transfers of German personal assets to South America since VE-Day.

New Super Dive Bomber Announced by Navy

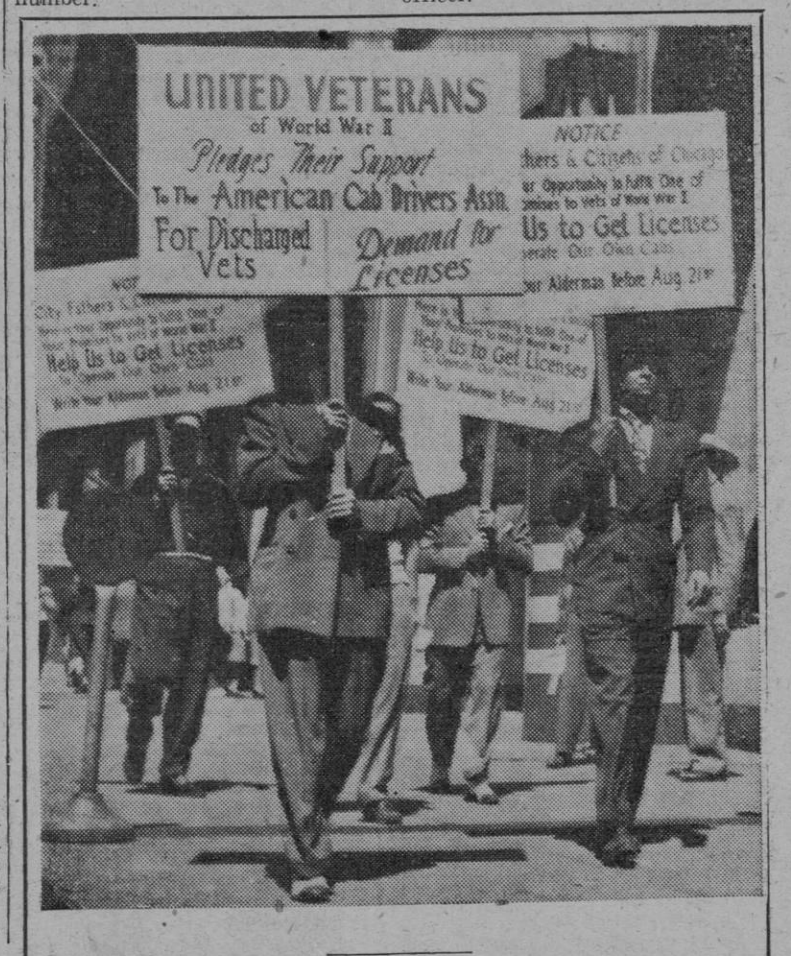
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—The Navy announced today the development of a new bomber capable of diving on targets at more than 500 miles an hour with two tons of bombs, rockets or torpedoes.

The plane, known as the Mauler, was designed and developed by the Glenn L. Martin Co., Baltimore. With a full load it has a level-flight speed of 350 miles an hour and a maximum range of 1,700 miles. The motor is a 3,000-horsepower Pratt and Whitney, known as the Major.

School of Press Agency Established by Army

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—The Army established an information school today to train officers and enlisted men as specialists in public relations and educational duties.

The school is at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.



Half-Million Veterans Already on Jobless Pay

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Veterans Administrator Omar N. Bradley, meeting with little success in what may prove his toughest job—finding jobs for veterans—has told the House Labor Committee that 500,000 former servicemen already are drawing unemployment checks at the rate of \$500,000,000 yearly.

"The trouble is we don't have authority to enforce our policies," Bradley said.

As chairman of the Veterans Placement Board, which operates the Veterans Employment Service, Bradley is boss of the continuing job search ordered by Congress when it wrote the GI Bill of Rights.

Others on the placement board are Labor Secretary Lewis B. Schwelthenbach and Selective Service Director

Lewis B. Hershey, who has been on the board from its start.

In his five months in office as Veterans Administrator, Bradley has had his hands full reorganizing the Veterans' Administration.

Bradley told the House committee that he was not yet ready to make any recommendations about the placement board. Previously, he had told Congress that finding jobs for veterans was critically important. Satisfactory employment, he said, will wipe out most of the ex-servicemen's other worries.

Orders of the placement board call for prior preference of veterans on all jobs handled by the U.S. Employment Service, through which the Veterans Employment Service operates.

VES records for October show how this worked. Only 110,600 of 417,000 World War II veterans who asked for jobs got them. Job hunters of all classes totaled 911,900, of whom 601,300 were placed.

VES has 259 employees and spends \$1,000,000 a year. It depends on 1,734 USES offices to put its policies into effect.

In many sections, notably Florida and California, USES offices are handling ten times the load they were set up for. Veterans get skimpy attention under those circumstances.

The size of Bradley's job is revealed by a Selective Service report based on interviews with 1,000,000 men at discharge. It showed that only one-third of ex-servicemen had a claim on old jobs and intended to return to them.

Reds Say Iran Bandits Receive Foreign Rifles

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—A Moscow broadcast today charged tribesmen and bandits in southern Iran were being armed with rifles of foreign make.

The broadcast quoted an Iranian paper as saying arms were pouring into the area through smaller ports on the Persian Gulf.

U.S. Interests In Bases Safe, Says Acheson

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (INS).—Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson told a news conference yesterday that the United Nations procedure for handling trusteeship control of bases fully protects U.S. interests.

Acheson was asked by newspaper reporters if veto powers of the Big Five on the UNO Security Council could block one power seeking individual trusteeship.

He replied that if a nation actually in possession of an area asked one-power trusteeship, its position would not be harmed by denial of the application.

If the base were regarded as in a security area, Acheson said, the nation's trusteeship would have to be negotiated with the Security Council. This procedure, he added, would require unanimity of the Big Five and thus any single power could veto the arrangement.

If, however, the U.S. were in possession of an area and the Security Council failed to agree, the situation would remain as it was—the U.S. would stay.

Acheson also revealed that:

1—The U.S. was carrying on talks with Russia regarding Standard Oil Co. properties in Hungary.

2—Internal transportation difficulties in the U.S., Canada and Argentina were seriously threatening the delivery of wheat for hungry Europe.

3—President Truman's message urging approval of a \$4,400,000,000 loan to Britain would be sent to Congress "soon" but probably not this week.

3 Powers' Envoys Quitting Moscow

MOSCOW, Jan. 23 (AP).—The Soviet Union soon may be temporarily without the presence of the ambassadors of the others of the Big Five powers.

U.S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman is scheduled to depart for the U.S. tomorrow. The British Ambassador, Sir Archibald John Kerr Clark Kerr is expected to arrive in England today en route from Berlin to Java as a special envoy. Neither is expected to return to Moscow in his previous capacity.

Gen. Georges Catroux, the French Ambassador, is reported to be preparing for a trip to Paris in connection with the recent government changes. He may not return. The Chinese Ambassador, Foo Peng Sheung, is in London at the UNO conference.

Victory Ships to Sail For U.S. Half-Empty

LE HAVRE, Jan. 23.—When there are insufficient troops in staging areas to fill ships bound for the U.S., Victory ships will carry as few as 600 redeployees, 16th Port officials announced today. Up until now the usual load has been approximately 1,500.

Two Victories, the Blue Island and Rock Hill, with loads of 1,210 and 1,167 respectively, sailed from Le Havre today. The Zanessville Victory, which returned to port more than a week ago for repairs, will reload and sail tomorrow. Due in port tomorrow are the Montclair and Waycross Victories.

Czechs Want 'Lidice Butcher' To Live---But Only to Testify

PRAGUE, Jan. 23 (AP).—The Czech Parliament probably will pass a special law giving Karl Hermann Frank, "the Butcher of Lidice," time to testify against Czech quislings if he is condemned to death, it was indicated today.

Frank would otherwise be put to death within three hours if convicted by the Czech People's Court. He may be wanted as a witness against two former Premiers in the Nazi-organized puppet "protec-

torate," Rudolf Biernert and Professor Jaroslav Kreyci.

Also to be tried is Rudolf Beran, who was Czechoslovakia's Premier between the Munich pact and Germany's annexation of the country.

The trials of Biernert, Kreyci and Beran are expected to open before the Czech National Court next month. Frank is now in Pankrac Prison awaiting trial by the People's Court in February.

Other reports said Sheikh Abdul occupied the palace at Feliah, which was formerly occupied by his father, and proclaimed himself "Lord of Khuzistan," the province in which Khoramshahr and Feliah are located.

As Iranian forces moved toward the area, however, it was said, Sheikh Abdul withdrew across the Shatt al Arab River to his place of exile in Basra.

Iran Parliament Delays Selection of New Premier

TEHERAN, Jan. 23 (AP).—The Iranian Parliament, scheduled to meet in secret session to select a new Prime Minister, did not convene yesterday due to lack of a quorum, and deputies expressed the opinion that there would be no decision before Saturday or Sunday.

Supporters of Qavam-Es-Alteneh, estimating their strength in parliament at from 65 to 80, continued campaigning among minority groups and predicted his selection "because he is the only man who can negotiate with Russia."

Annamites' Shots Miss GI

SAIGON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Annamites were said by French arrivals reaching Saigon today from Hanoi to have fired two shots at an American corporal who sought to capture them after they had fatally wounded the father of a U.S. Army interpreter on a Hanoi street.

André Blanchet, correspondent for France Soir, said the corporal was David M. Lobach, who escaped uninjured.

The slain man was said to be Stephan Arsoux, 65, father of Monica Arsoux, French interpreter for the six-man U.S. Army China Theater Search Detachment No. 8. The detachment is hunting missing American fliers.

Meanwhile, French Army headquarters said 17 Japanese, including an officer, had been killed fighting in Annamite ranks as the French drove south from the captured Gulf of Siam port of Hatien.

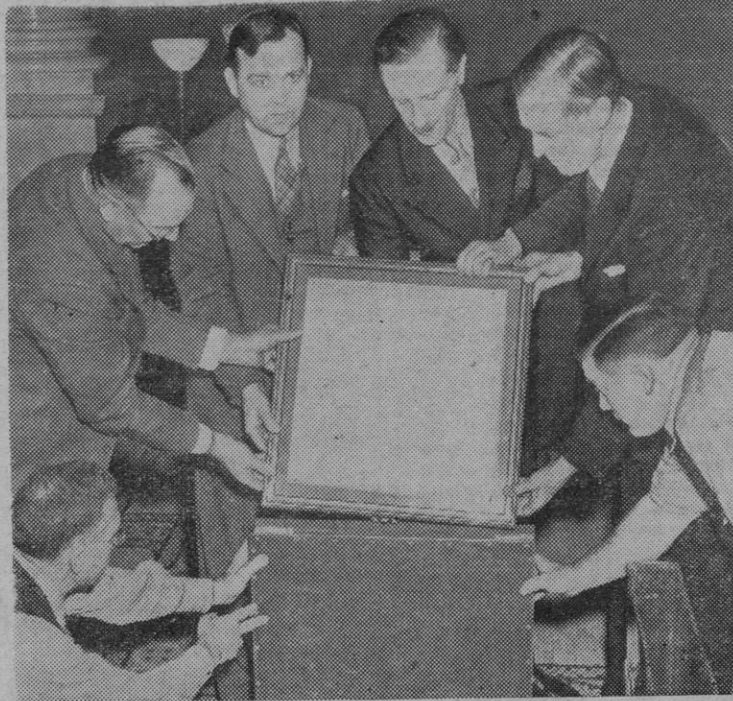
UNO Will Form Drug Commission

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—The obliteration of world traffic in narcotic drugs is planned through the Social and Economic Council of the UNO.

A narcotic-drug commission, when formed, will call for figures on the production and sale of opium, cocaine, Indian hemp and its sister products.

Victor Hoo, one of the Chinese delegates and an authority on narcotic-drug problems, said the commission would advise each country on the limits of its production of narcotics and would seek to control their sale.

The Magna Carta Returns to England



One of the world's most precious documents, the Magna Carta, which has been in safe-keeping in the U.S. since 1939, has been returned to England. It is shown being prepared for the trip by members of the Library of Congress staff in Washington.

26 Suspects Seized in Blasting Of Palestine Coast-Guard Base

JERUSALEM, Jan. 23 (AP).—Twenty-six suspects were held in Hadera today, following searches and interrogations in connection with the destruction of the Tower of Givat Olga coast-guard station Monday night.

Altogether, 932 persons were questioned in this small Jewish town halfway between Haifa and Tel Aviv.

In Jerusalem, nearly 1,000 were interrogated and nine detained for further questioning.

(Large military operations involving several thousand troops and extending for some 35 miles along the main road between Haifa and Jaifa appeared to be going on today, Reuter reported from Haifa.)

All traffic was diverted inland as light armored cars and Bren-gun carriers were posted at vantage points.

(Along the road, cages had been built for the detention of suspects. It is believed that this operation is part of the search in connection with the explosion at the coast-guard station.)

Italy to Resume Foreign Trade

ROME, Jan. 23 (AP).—Italian firms will be able to resume trade with Britain, the British Empire and America early next month, Enzo Storoni, Undersecretary for Foreign Trade, announced last night.

The Foreign Trade Ministry, Storoni told a meeting of industrialists, was encouraging contracts under which the Italians pay with labor.

Storoni quoted as an example the recent agreement under which industrialists will send finished goods to South Africa and receive 85 percent payment in wool and 15 percent in currency. The only control on resumed trade, he said, would be that of currency.

Only one third of the imports which the government planned would be provided for under the UNRRA program. Of 536,000 tons of gasoline needed only 100,000 were provided for by UNRRA; of 11,000,000 tons of coal, only 5,000,000; of 172,000 tons of cotton, only 18,000, and of 57,000 tons of wool, only 14,000.

Red Cross Says 'No' to Frauleins

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
FRANKFURT, Jan. 23.—The "Eintritt Verboten" sign is still up at Red Cross clubs in Germany, and there is no immediate prospect that German frauleins will be able to crash the gate at GI recreational centers, according to William Stephens of Brooklyn, Red Cross commissioner for Great Britain and Western Europe.

"The Army told us that the decision on whether to admit German civilians to Red Cross clubs as guests of uniformed personnel was for the American Red Cross to make," Stephens said at a press conference today. "So far, the decision has been against it."

Greek Rebels Agree to Peace After Shelling

KALAMAI, Greece, Jan. 23 (AP).—Two thousand rebel monarchists asked for a truce and agreed to negotiate peace terms after government troops had subjected their mountain stronghold to more than an hour's heavy shelling, it was learned today.

(In Athens, Premier Themistocles Sophoulis today ordered dissolution of the rebellious monarchist "X" organization which sought to seize control of southern Greece, the International News Service reported.)

(This declaration coincided with reports that the insurrectionists had released some 180 persons held as hostages in an effort to stave off an attack by government troops.)

(Monarchists entrenched near Kalamai were reported earlier to have killed at least eight of the hostages.)

(It was reported 21 were still held.)

The government commanders gave the cease-fire order after one of the insurgent leaders had sent an emissary with word that he wanted to confer with British Col. Max Noble on peace terms. Noble left unaccompanied to confer with the rebel.

Removal of British Troops Urged by EAM Delegation

MOSCOW, Jan. 23 (UP).—Immediate withdrawal of British troops from Greece was urged at a press conference today by members of the Greek EAM delegation visiting Russia.

One delegate declared there were still 40,000 British soldiers in Greece plus a few U.S. troops. The continued presence of these troops not only has failed to establish order but is aggravating conditions, he said.

Object of the EAM visit to Russia is to inform the Russian government of the situation in Greece and to ask Russia to join with Britain, the U.S. and France to help establish a democratic and representative government, delegates said.

Greek Says Iran Question Brought Reds' UNO Move

ATHENS, Jan. 23 (AP).—Premier Sophoulis last night described Russia's demand for a UNO inquiry into British operations in Greece as a "counterpoise to the Persian question."

Sophoulis declared: "The proposal has no connection with the present situation but comes within the field of general questions confronting the great powers."

Halifax Planning To Quit in May

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—British Ambassador the Earl of Halifax is planning to retire this spring, probably in May, it was learned here today.

A reliable informant who asked that his name be withheld, said Halifax knew nothing about his successor beyond "what he reads in the papers." The informant said Halifax planned to return to Yorkshire but would probably keep his House of Lords seat and take an active part in matters involving foreign affairs.

Arabs Reject Plea for Jews

JERUSALEM, Jan. 23 (AP).—In an official reply to the Palestine High Commissioner's request for 1,500 Jewish immigrants during the interim period prior to the study of the problem by the Anglo-American inquiry commission, the Arab Higher Committee of Palestine submitted a statement which declared: "The Arab people are of the opinion that the question of Jewish immigration was definitely settled by the White Paper."

The committee's statement said that Sir Alan Cunningham's request for additional immigration was "a concession to the aggressive demands of Jews under the pressure of terrorism."

"What the Jews desire in Palestine is not merely refuge and habitation, but to become a majority," the report added.

Army to Recruit Danes For Civilian Work

FRANKFURT, Jan. 23 (AP).—USFET announced yesterday that agreement had been reached with the Danish Ministry of Labor to recruit and employ Danish citizens as U.S. Army civilian employees.

Army representatives will open offices at Copenhagen Feb. 1 to select 600 qualified workers who are needed immediately. It was estimated 2,000 ultimately might be chosen.

Delta Base Bows Out Today, After Redeploying 700,000

By Joe Mackey
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
MARSEILLE, Jan. 23.—Delta Base Section will cease to exist at midnight tomorrow, when it will be absorbed by Western Base Command with headquarters in Paris, it was announced today.

At the same time, it was revealed that redeployment here would end when the last of DBS 55-to-59-pointers left the Calas staging area in the next day or so. DBS G3 said that more than 19,000 men had sailed from Marseille in January, while the present Calas population was less than 5,000.

Included in the 19,000 was the 700,000th man to be redeployed from this port.

Marseille has been used as a port by the U.S. since Sept. 1, 1944, when elements of the Continental Base Section came in with the invading Sixth Army Group. A month later, part of CBS became Delta Base under Brig. Gen. John P. Ratay.

The mission of DBS until the German surrender was the handling of Sixth Army Group supplies.

As the German Army was being crushed, personnel and materiel began to ship out of Marseille for the Pacific theater, and after the Japanese collapse, Marseille became a redeployment center.

Marseille was hardly usable as a port when the Americans moved in. Germans had blocked the western entrance with seven oceangoing vessels piled together at a depth of six fathoms. Other entrances and the main berth were obstructed by almost 150 cargo and passenger ships. But American Engineers had 45 berths in operation after only six weeks' work.

Another part of DBS here was the Calas staging area, which covered ten square miles. A maximum of 70,000 troops were processed there at one time.

According to present plans, Calas will be turned over in the near future to the Office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner for disposal.

DBS also was the parent organization of the U.S. Riviera Recreation Area and of Biarritz American University.

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Big 3 Agree To Split Reich Fleet Equally

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—An Anglo-Russian-American communique announced today that "operable surface" ships of the German fleet, together with 30 submarines, would be divided equally among the Big Three.

The British government has offered to transfer a number of her share of German warships to the French government, and discussions are now going on, it was disclosed.

The communique, which was made at a Berlin conference, provided that German ships which could not be made operable "within a specified time" be destroyed.

The agreement covers 1,789 ships. Among them are two cruisers, 30 destroyers and torpedo boats, 30 submarines, 48 depot ships and "other units," including minesweepers and harbor boats.

Besides ten U-boats apiece, each nation gets the following:

The U.S.—The cruiser Prinz Eugen, seven destroyers and torpedo boats, 12 depot ships and 560 other units.

The Soviet Union—The cruiser Nuremberg, ten destroyers and torpedo boats, 15 depot ships and 507 other units.

Britain—Thirteen destroyers and torpedo boats, 15 depot ships and 612 other units.

The merchant fleet, a British source said, will be divided later, although Germans will be permitted to retain fishing vessels to help feed the nation.

All of Germany's battleships were sunk during the war.

France Satisfied by Offer Of Part of British Share

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Although France "is satisfied" with British offers to divide England's share of the German fleet, the French allotment in no way "covers the losses we suffered in warships while fighting for the Allies," a French spokesman said today.

Late Today? Show This to the Old Man

MONTREAL, Jan. 23 (UP).—An employee's tardiness in reporting for work foiled a bank-robbery attempt here.

Three men walked into a branch of the Banque Canadienne Nationale before counters had opened for business and attempted to force the manager, who was alone, to open the vault. He explained the vault had a double combination which he shared with accountant Louis Tremblay, who had not yet arrived.

After trussing up the manager, the would-be bandits fled. Tremblay walked in soon afterwards, ten minutes late for work.

British Dissent On Germany's Steel Quota

BERLIN, Jan. 23.—The British delegation in the Allied Control Council for Germany has dissented from what was thought to be an agreement on the quantity of steel Germany will be allowed to produce.

U.S. political advisers in Berlin were to fly to London today to seek a settlement with British government officials U.S. sources in the German capital said.

In a statement Jan. 11, the Control Council said Germany would be allowed a steel production capacity of 7,500,000 ingot tons a year, and would be actually permitted to produce 5,800,000 tons yearly.

The British delegation now contends that it agreed to these figures with the understanding that they applied to 1946 only, and were not binding on future economy.

It is the first major disagreement within the four-power council over German economy. All agreements of the council must be unanimous.

British Troops Needed in Java, Premier Says

BATAVIA, Jan. 23 (AP).—Premier Sutan Sjahrir said last night that if the Russians did not mind, Indonesians preferred that the British remained on the island until the Japanese had been removed.

"If the British withdrew now, the head of the Indonesian Nationalist Government declared, 'the Japs might refuse to lay down their arms and might resist.'"

Sjahrir hoped that the British would be sufficiently convinced that Indonesian administrative ability would enable the British to quit Java promptly once their assignment was completed.

Attlee Expresses Hope

(In London, Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee told the House of Commons that the British aimed only at "an amicable settlement" between the Dutch Government and Indonesian Nationalists in Java.

(Attlee said that the situation in Java appeared to be "improved," adding that he hoped conversations between Dr. H. J. van Mook, who is en route to Java with new proposals for settlement from the Dutch Government, and the Nationalists would be successful.

(Referring to the Ukrainian protest to UNO demanding that the situation be cleared up, Attlee said that any "fuller statement" would have to come from Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.)

Sjahrir said that his Government had not appealed to the United Nations, holding such action in reserve if other attempts to reach a settlement failed.

Official Opinion Clashes

"If any nation is to bring up the subject of British presence it is appropriate Russia should do so," Sjahrir said, "since she is the major power with the least direct interest in Indonesia and thus better able to present the case as a moral issue."

Education Director Peter Iegstens, however, said: "This shows how dangerous it is when a power has Russia's glamor and authority but no responsible knowledge of the real conditions."

"It would be irresponsible for the British to withdraw and utterly disastrous for the Indonesians," he added. "A British withdrawal would mean sacrificing Indonesians to Soviet propaganda. Some Dutch say they could do better without the British, but it will not be so for some weeks or months yet."

English Newspapers Assail Soviet Complaints to UNO

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Several British morning newspapers were today sharply critical of Soviet complaints to the United Nations Organization that Britain was interfering in Greece and Indonesia.

The Laborite Daily Herald, however, while terming the charges "harshly phrased" and maintaining that the British were in those countries by consent of their governments, welcomed the development as tending to "clear the international air."

Press to Lose Army Tie-Up

American correspondents in France are likely to be discredited by the U.S. Army early next month, probably Feb. 10, and barred from its personnel facilities, Army public-relations officials said yesterday.

Withdrawal of correspondents' credentials will mean loss of access to post exchanges and quartermaster stores, Army billets, messes, dispensaries, gasoline stations and Army post offices.

Food will be made available to correspondents through the American Embassy, and a co-operative mess has been set up to cook it.

Paris headquarters of other groups of civilians now granted Army facilities, including UNRRA, USO and Embassy employees, said they had heard no talk of losing them imminently.

Meanwhile, a ruling was received from the Army Judge Advocate's office at Frankfurt that correspondents were not entitled to the reimbursement made to Army personnel for financial losses in France at the time of the franc devaluation.

Indian Troops on Strike

KARACHI, India, Jan. 23 (UP).—More than 2,000 members of the Royal Indian Air Force went on a hunger strike here today. They protested against slow demobilization, long duty hours and unsatisfactory housing conditions.

Chinese Leaders Shake Hands



Leaders of the previously warring Chinese Communist and Central Government factions are shown shaking hands at a Chungking meeting with Gen. George C. Marshall, U.S. Ambassador. They are Gen. Chou En-lai (left), Communist, and Gen. Chang Chun, representative of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

News Blackout in Red China Laid to Chiang by Reporter

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (AP).—A former correspondent for the Times of London and New York Times in China said last night that "one of the most amazing stories in modern journalism" was that Chiang Kai-shek "was able to black out news of 100,000,000 people in the so-called Communist area of China."

Harrison Forman, who spent five months in what he termed "the so-called Red China," told the American Geographical Society that America was "meddling" in China.

He urged that American troops be withdrawn and that the China problem be turned over to the United Nations Organization.

He said American soldiers wanted to leave and "honest Chinese" wanted them to do so. He praised Chinese Communists for their battle against the Japanese, and alleged that Chiang kept news of their efforts from the rest of the world.

Recovery of China In 3-5 Years Seen

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Chinese industrial and economic recovery from the war can be achieved in three to five years with the help of the Chinese National Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, "instead of 30 years, as in the case of all previous wars in Chinese history," Dr. Tingfu Tsaing, director general of the CNRRA, claimed here today.

Outlining the major tasks of his organization, Tsaing said that aiding 40,000,000 war refugees flooding back to their homes in recovered areas was the most important problem facing his organization.

'Kind' to PWs, Jap Says

SINGAPORE, Jan. 23 (AP).—Indian prisoners of war were punished "out of kindness," Sgt. Major Tomeyama Mitsugin, witness for the prosecution, said at the second day's hearing at the war trial.

Flandin Freed Provisionally

Pierre-Etienne Flandin, former French Premier, received provisional liberty yesterday when charges of intelligence with the enemy and endangering the security of the state were nolle prossed.

Flandin has been under detention in a sanatorium to which he was committed last July.

He will appear later before a high court which will decide whether to sentence him to national indignity for having served briefly as Vichy Foreign Minister.

At the hearing, Flandin said he accepted the Vichy post in December, 1940, in succession to Pierre Laval because Marshal Henri Philippe Petain told him he had concluded a secret agreement with Winston Churchill, then British Prime Minister.

Mandl No Collaborator, Says Argentine Board

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 23 (UP).—The Argentine Enemy Property Board has cleared Fritz Mandl, Austrian munitions magnate, of Axis connections, and by implication has given his armament works in Argentina a clean bill of health. The Mandl factories, turning out planes and munitions, have a key role in Argentina's armament program.

Six German Oil Kings Seized For Grilling in War Crimes

HERFORD, Germany, Jan. 23 (AP).—Six men, prominent in the German petroleum industry, were arrested yesterday by British Field Security Police and 15 others removed from office.

Those taken into custody to await investigation and interrogation as possible war criminals were Dr. Emil Helfferich, former chairman of the Deutsche Amerikanische Petroleum Gesellschaft; Karl Engel, managing director of the Deutsch Vacuum Oel A. G.; Karl Grosse, deputy chairman of the Deutsche Petroleum A. G. and director of the Deutsche Erdoel A. G.; Hans Brochhaus, director of the Kontinental Oel A. G. and other companies; Hans Hubrig, former director of the Deutsche Erdoel A. G., and Edmund Gellen-

berg, director of Stahlwerke Braunschweig of the Hermann Goering Werke Complex.

The arrests were made in a time-table swoop by Field Security Police between 1 and 5 AM, while the "oil kings" were asleep in their homes. All came peacefully when suddenly awakened.

Police said, as in the case of the 80 leaders of heavy industry who were rounded up in similar "zero-hour" raids six weeks ago, that these magnates would be interned as persons dangerous to the occupation.

"All arrested were members of the Nazi party," an officer said. "In several instances, they were involved in the seizure and exploitation of oil properties in occupied countries."

The Shape of Things in the U.S.



Evelyn Johnson, who attends a models' school in New York, stands in front of a mirror, giving the curriculum a "once-over."

High, Wide and Handsome



Water skiing is a thrilling sport but when the skier transfers from a speed boat to an airplane it is downright hazardous. Bruce Parker, U.S. national water ski champion, makes the change off Miami's shores, then whips along at 70 miles an hour.

Hal Newhouser Heads 'Sporting News' Nine

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 23 (UP).—The National League, paced by the Chicago Cubs with three players, placed seven out of eleven players on the 1945 all-star baseball team selected by Sporting News, national baseball weekly.

Southpaw Hal Newhouser, 25-game winner of the Detroit Tigers, however, was the top vote-getter, being named on 206 of 216 ballots cast by members of the Baseball Writers Association of America.

First Baseman Phil Cavarretta of the Cubs was second high with 201.

Members of the 21st annual all-star team include: Outfielders Tommy Holmes, Boston Braves; Andy Pafko, Chicago Cubs; Godwin Rosen, Brooklyn; first base, Cavarretta; second base, George Stinseweiss, New York Yankees; shortstop, Marty Marion, St. Louis Cardinals; third base, George Kurovski, St. Louis Cardinals; catcher, Paul Richards, Detroit; pitchers, Newhouser, Dave Ferriss, Boston Red Sox, and Hank Borowy, Chicago Cubs.

Marion and Newhouser were the only repeaters. Closest balloting centered around third base where Kurovski nosed out Stan Hack of the Cubs by two votes.

33rd Division Eleven Trips Clark Field, 20-6

OSAKA, Japan, Jan. 23 (AP).—The 33d Div. football team, paced by the former Cornell star Kenny Stofer, defeated the Clark Field eleven, Philippine champions, 20-6, before 10,000 shivering fans here yesterday.

Sports in Review

A squad of National League baseball players returned yesterday from an 18,000-mile tour of the Pacific areas where 22 exhibition games were played before 223,000 spectators. . . The Philly Eagles have swapped Rocco Canale for Augie Lio of the Boston Yanks. . . Buddy Young still is undecided what school he'll attend. . . He visited the UCLA campus recently, which appears to be first choice.

Cliff Melton, ex-Giant hurler, has signed with the San Francisco Seals. . . The National Figure Skating championship will be held at Chicago, Feb. 28-March 1. . . Mickey Haefner, whose pitching record was 16-14 last season, is the first of the Washington hurling staff to sign for 1946. . . Midwest duck hunters won't be disappointed this year. . . Canadian droughts which caused decreased duck populations aren't likely to recur this summer.

Byron Nelson is considering an entry for the British Open, which begins July 1. . . Rudy Much, former University of Washington center and veteran of 44 months' service in the Navy, has signed with the Chicago Bears. . . George McQuinn, traded by the St. Louis Browns to the Philadelphia Athletics, inked his new contract today, wiping out all doubts that he would retire. . . Steve Lach, formerly with the Chicago Cards and Harry Burrus, on the Bears' draft list, have signed with the All-America New York Yankees.

Jess Willard, who returned to the States recently during the height of Atlantic storms, reported that not even Jack Dempsey in his prime could equal the wrath of the tempests. . . Southpaw Al Smith has been given his unconditional release by the Cleveland Indians. . . Wisconsin's Badgers will fly to Berkeley for their grid game with California next Sept. 30. . . Ted Atkinson is the leading jockey at Santa Anita, with 20 wins, 13 place and 11 shows.

Aguirre, O'Rourke Jump NFL; Lambert Resigns Purdue Post

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Two more National Football League stars, Joe Aguirre of the Washington Redskins and Charley O'Rourke of the Chicago Bears, are jumping to the All-America Conference.

Aguirre, 230-pound place-kicking end, told a reporter that he "dislikes the set-up" here and he will sign with Los Angeles, Chicago or New York of the new league.

Dudley DeGroot, head coach of Los Angeles, said in New York that O'Rourke will play for him next fall. DeGroot coached the Redskins to the National League's Eastern Division championship last season but quit Washington last week.

O'Rourke, former Boston College star, played with the Bears in 1942 before entering the armed forces.

National League sources here said that veteran Sid Luckman stood between O'Rourke and the first-string quarterbacking position on the Bears. O'Rourke, they added, had told the Bears he wanted to be on a team with which he could play regularly.

Aguirre and the Redskins apparently came to a mutual parting of the ways. Redskin officials said the giant Joe did not fit into the team's plans for 1946. They said the Redskins intended to trade Aguirre to some other National League club.

Aguirre's Shift Will Help Washington's Housing

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (AP).—Owner George Marshall of the Washington Redskins said he was "not at all surprised" at the decision of End Joe Aguirre to jump from his club to the All-America loop.

Quipped Marshall, who stopped in Chicago en route to the west coast: "If Aguirre ever makes up his mind which city he is going to, I will be glad to congratulate that community on relieving the housing shortage in Washington."

Owner George Halas of the Chicago Bears had no comment on the claim by Dudley DeGroot that Charley O'Rourke, Bears' quarterback, will play for Los Angeles.

Swiv Surprises In Hialeah Race

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (AP).—Badly beaten in Hialeah's Inaugural Handicap last week, Swiv, a six-year-old bay owned by H. C. Genter, came back with a smashing triumph in the \$4,000 Surfside purse at the Florida Park yesterday.

Winner of four straight races at New England tracks before her dismal opener here, Swiv made a show of the classy field in the Grace C. event. Twosy was the 85 cents to the \$1.00 choice of the 16,249 fans who wagered \$1,149,533 on the day's card, but she couldn't match the fast pace of the winner.

The second choice, Swiv, paid \$8.60 and was clocked in 1:11 for the six furlongs. Nowadays finished third, a length and a half behind Twosy.

War Valor Triumphs In San Greal Handicap

ARCADIA, Calif., Jan. 23 (AP).—Mrs. Howard Hawks' War Valor, ridden by Johnny Craigmyle, led all the way and withstood the stretch drive by Autocrat to score a neck victory in the \$5,000 mile and one eighth San Greal Handicap at Santa Anita Park.

War Valor carried 113 pounds and returned \$9.80, \$4.80 and \$2.90 to his backers among the 29,500 crowd, the largest week-day attendance at the current meeting.

Londonderry Navy Five After More Opposition

BELFAST, Ireland, Jan. 23.—The U.S. Navy basketball team of Londonderry, N. Ireland, which recently defeated the Langford Lodge Army passers by a 46-27 score, is seeking more worlds to conquer.

Having difficulty lining up opponents, the Londonderry cagers have issued a call for all teams interested in meeting the Navy dribblers to phone the Welfare Dept., U.S. Naval Radio Station, Londonderry, N. Ireland. The mailing address is Navy 220, FPO, New York, N. Y.

Phils Purchase Tabor; Buying Will Continue

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23 (AP).—Young Bob Carpenter, the man with the money and the intention to spend it, returned to his job as president of the Phila-Phillies and promptly announced the purchase of Jim Tabor, the hard-hitting third baseman of the Boston Red Sox.

Tabor thus became the fifth standout infielder acquired by the National League's perennial tailenders within the last several weeks. The others are first baseman Frank McCormick; second baseman Roy Hughes and shortstops Skeeter Newsome and Joe O'Neill.

Carpenter, who was discharged from the Army last Saturday, said the Phillies either will move upwards in the National League or "I'll go crazy. I couldn't take a season like last year. I don't see how Herb Pennock stood it. Tabor, I'm confident, will help us advance."

The buying spree hasn't ended by any means, Carpenter indicated. "We want to buy players," he said. "That's plural. We need several players. No one player would do us a lot of good. We have several spots to fill."

Cage Results

- Louisville 61, Cincinnati 39
- Baldwin Wallace 54, Kent State 37
- Notre Dame 69, Marquette 67
- Dartmouth 62, Boston College 35
- Alabama 45, Georgia 27
- Washington College 50, Delaware 38
- Carbondale 61, Girardeau Teachers 47
- South Carolina 66, Citadel 29
- Sampson 49, Scranton 39
- California 37, St. Mary's 14
- Redlands 40, Pomona 37
- Baylor 59, Dallas NAS 52

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Jan. 23 (AP).—Ward "Piggy" Lambert resigned today as head basketball coach at Purdue University after 28 years of service during which his teams won or shared in 11 Big Ten titles.

Lambert will continue on the Purdue Faculty as a professor of Physical Education and as head baseball coach.

Lambert made this statement: "I deeply regret giving up my long association with Purdue basketball, but after extended service in a strenuous game I am anxious to be relieved of the nervous strain and mental punishment that accompanies a head coachship."

Athletic Director Guy Mackey said Mel Taube, who has been Lambert's assistant, will take over the coaching job for the remainder of the season and will be assisted by Emmett Lowery, long associated with Purdue coaching and only recently back after serving with the Navy.

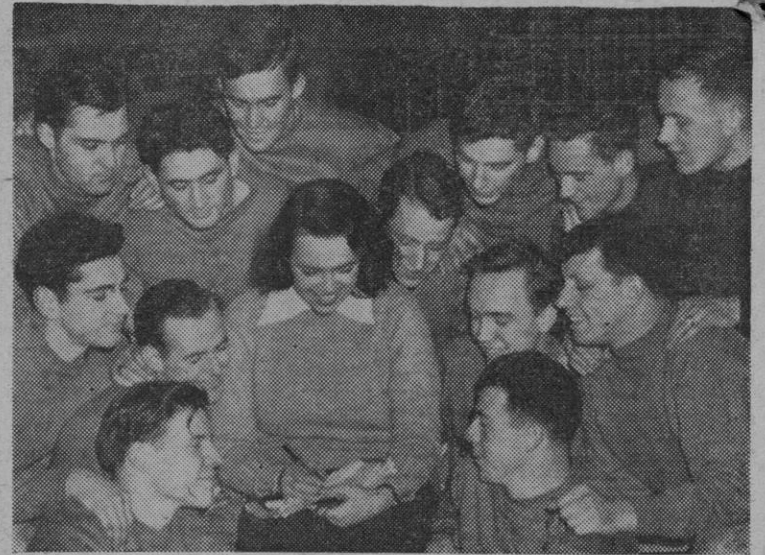
Lambert during his coaching career developed teams that won 223 Big Ten games against a loss of 105, and in all games his teams won 371 and lost 152.

Byron Nelson Tops Philly Press Poll

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23 (AP).—Byron Nelson, top-ranking golfer, was named the year's outstanding player in a poll conducted by the Philadelphia Sporting Writers Association.

Nelson's 80-point total was six more than the total compiled by Army's All-American Fullback "Doc" Blanchard. Hank Greenberg of the Detroit Tigers finished third and Steve Van Buren of the Philadelphia Eagles' professional football team was fourth.

Columbia Clippers and the Boss



Miss Pat Johnson, Paris Columbia Red Cross Club and the only female coach in the ETO, is mapping out the strategy to be used by the Clippers while they look on.

Red Cross Hostess Versatile, Serves Up Court of 'Sinkers'

By Jack Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

There's more to Red Cross work than serving coffee and doughnuts or solving GI problems and Miss Pat Johnson, Stockbridge, Mass., is conclusive proof of this versatility.

For Pat, assigned to the Paris Columbia Red Cross, not only is the first, but the only coach of a men's basketball team in the European Theater. And she's doing all right. Twenty wins in 27 starts speaks for itself.

A sports enthusiast from the days she played basketball herself at a Baltimore high school, Pat joined the coaching lines strictly by accident. Last October she tackled a call for basketball players on the Columbia bulletin board and when cagers responded—but not a coach—she took over.

Pat is proud of her boys, who play for the love of the game and not to get out of extra duty, which they don't. One of her top problems is convincing COs to permit the quintet to travel out of the city.

Thirteen consecutive triumphs early in the season, climaxed by a 64-to-44 win over the highly-regarded Orly Field Flyers, is the bright spot of the Columbia Clippers' action. The undefeated Chanor All-Stars were extended to the limit before winning by a 54-43 count.

Of the original players who answered the call, only eight remain. The others have been redeployed.

The starting five are composed of Jack Wimberly (The Citadel), Andy Batina (Ohio State), Vernard Kemp (Dowling High, Des Moines), Jim Nelson (St. Johns, Canton, O.) and Renee Chartier (Norwich, Conn.). The remainder of the squad includes: Bery Weiss (N. Y.U.), Frank Zurla (Rutgers), Jim Sloric (VPI), Bob Boudwin (Penn), Manuel Kane (Broadwood A.C., Philadelphia), Stuart Vaughn, Virgle Calvert and Sam Selman.

Pat has nothing but encouraging words for the Clippers. She is thrilled when they win, but downright proud they keep wanting to play.

Spain Tries 15 Charged With Red Activities

MADRID, Jan. 23 (AP).—The Spanish government announced that 15 persons, charged with being Communists, attacking the Falange district headquarters railway office and executing two fellow Communists as traitors, were tried before a military court in Madrid yesterday.

The Spanish news agency said that the prosecution asked the death penalty for 10 of the defendants, including Custodio Garcia Granda, whom the government described as "the Communist guerrilla chief." Granda came to Spain from France, where he had been chief of the Spanish Maquis.

Barcelona Police Seize 'Communists' After Battle

MADRID, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Barcelona police authorities announced today that the leader of a local "Communist clandestine organization" had been killed in a recent raid on a tavern where 25 members of the group were meeting.

Many shots were exchanged before police rounded up the group, it was reported. The arrested men will be charged with murdering several persons in recent holdups in Barcelona, police said.

Spanish Republican Chief Sees Hope in French Crisis

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (AP).—The leader of the Spanish Republican Government in Exile, Jose Giral, said yesterday that the French crisis "tends to be favorable to the cause of the Spanish Republic."

Giral declared that the U.S. and France "seemed inclined toward the republican restoration in Spain."

The republican leader blamed Great Britain for the Spanish problem, which he said "is a product of the British-inspired non-intervention."

31 Boy Mascots Reach America

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Thirty-one boy stowaways have been taken into custody by the U.S. Immigration Service since the end of the European war, Attorney General Tom Clark announced today.

Boys ranged in age from eight to 16 and usually came aboard troopships, Clark said. "Mascots" of American fighting men overseas, the boys came from Italy, France, Britain, Eire, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Russia, French West Africa, Albania, China and the Philippines.

Five of the youngsters have been placed in American private homes, 12 are still detained and the rest have been sent back to their own countries, Clark said each case was tried by Immigration Service judges on its merits.

Best known of the young waifs is Joseph Paremba, 12-year-old Polish lad who walked off a troopship wearing a cut-down GI uniform with ETO ribbon and sharpshooter's medal. He is now in the home of one of the soldiers who befriended him after an escape from a German labor camp.

Sofia Radio Cites New Bulgar Crisis

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Urging calm and the avoidance of "disturbances and bloodshed", Sofia radio announced last night that the recent three-power attempt to widen the Bulgarian government had broken down.

Referring to the negotiations, the broadcast said: "The Fatherland Front government brought every possible effort and goodwill to these negotiations, but opposition parties succeeded in wrecking them by agitation and lack of

Home-Bound GIs Face Delay If Short Clothes

MARSEILLE, Jan. 23.—Home-bound soldiers with clothing shortages which seem to be the result of "wilful sale or negligence" will be held for investigation from now on, according to an order made public at Delta Base Station.

Based on a circular from higher headquarters, the order said that some soldiers have left their home stations with complete clothing and equipment but have arrived at replacement depots, assembly areas and staging areas with shortages.

Girl's Plea Rips White-Slave Ring

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23 (INS).—The girl who touched off a white-slave investigation with a smuggled letter in which she said that she was being held captive in a swank two-swimming-pool dwelling at Newhall, Cal., was identified today as Jane Cooney, daughter of John Cooney, of Jersey City, N.J.

The girl said she came to Hollywood to seek a career in pictures but took a job as a hat-check girl in a night-club when her movie aspirations failed.

Her smuggled letter, in which she said she had been drugged, beaten and attacked, brought about a raid on the Newhall house in which two men and a woman were arrested.

Police said that operations of a ring in which hundreds of young girls are believed ensnared were uncovered.

The girl gave the letter to the butler who, instead of following his instructions to mail it, took the envelope to the next-door home of Judge Arthur C. Miller, Newhall justice of the peace.

This description of the events which led to her asserted captivity was written by the girl:

"Lon Gamble contacted me in Hollywood and took me to Newhall for a party. I had a few drinks, and he gave me a tablet. What it was I don't know, but it made me a little groggy.

"Then we had an argument. He was furious. He came out from behind the bar and slapped me, beat me, kicked me on the floor and pushed me into a bedroom.

"The last thing I remember was lying on a bed which was covered with blood. Then I went unconscious.

"When I came to, I got a glimpse of my face in a mirror and screamed."

Deputies said that the operators of the alleged ring contacted young girls stranded in Hollywood without jobs at the end of the war. The girls would be enticed to the Newhall house, attacked and later offered jobs as prostitutes.

Stolen Penicillin Sold by Chinese in Java Black Mart

BATAVIA, Jan. 23 (UP).—Penicillin, reportedly stolen from medicine chests brought in by British, American and Dutch ships, is now on sale in Chinese black markets here.

According to conservative estimates, about 25 percent of the total foreign cargo arriving is disappearing somewhere en route from foreign ports to Batavia docksides.

Most coveted objects are medicines, such as penicillin, vitamins, sulfa drugs, clothing, cosmetics and comfort parcels, which are appearing on many "atom markets" in Batavia. The name is derived from skyrocketing prices.

Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

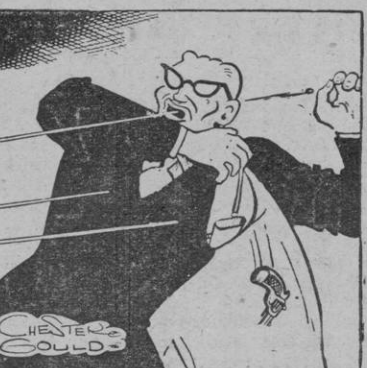
By Al Capp



Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.

By Chester Gould



Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

By Milton Caniff



Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate

By Chic Young



Joe Palooka

By Courtesy of McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

By Ham Fisher



Patterson Says Civilians May Fill AMG Jobs

BERLIN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, on the last stage of a round-the-world inspection flight, said last night that he hoped it would be possible soon to replace U.S. Military Government personnel in Germany with civilian personnel.

If the other Allied powers disagree with this plan, a four-power conference probably will be required for a solution.

(The United Press said Patterson expected "very shortly" a State Department announcement clarifying whether the War or State Department would assume final responsibility for administration of the American zone.)

The U.S. government is trying to cut to a minimum the number of American armed forces in every theater, said Patterson. He declined to comment on the number of troops he thought might be required in Germany five years hence.

Patterson said he had drawn up a three-page list of problems raised during conferences he had here with U.S. military authorities. The most important question—creation of central governmental bodies for Germany—is tied up with the problem of Germany's western boundaries. It is imperative that this question be solved soon, he said, as it is holding up solution of problems affecting the whole German economy.

U.S. to Seize Meat Plants

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milk deliveries in Greater New York would be cut by one-fourth as a result of the steel strike. Half the paper containers used for milk are manufactured by the Brooklyn plant of the American Can Co., whose employees are members of the steel union.)

(International News Service said Borden and Sheffield, milk distributors, had reduced their deliveries to conserve present supplies of cartons and had urged their customers to turn in all milk bottles.)

House Committee Cuts Out Vital Proposals of Strike Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The House Labor Committee today cut out two of the main provisions in President Truman's recommended "priority" bill for handling big industrial disputes.

In considering ratification of projected fact-finding boards, the committee deleted these two proposals:

1—That boards be given the authority to subpoena witnesses and demand the books and records of both employers and unions.

2—That unions be forbidden to strike during the 30-day cooling-off period while a fact-finding board studies the dispute.

With these deletions, the committee approved the modified measure by 10 votes to eight.

Polish Army in Britain Protested by Warsaw

LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP).—Polish Foreign Minister Wincenty Ryzkowski has protested formally to the British Foreign Office over maintenance of the Polish Army raised here by the former government in exile, an official of the Polish UNO delegation disclosed today.

He added that if the problem could not be solved, Poland might find it necessary to bring it before the United Nations Security Council as a situation likely to menace peaceful international relations.

Regular Army 'Un-American' In Philosophy, General Says

MACON, Ga., Jan. 23 (AP).—Maj. Gen. H. D. Russell, former commander of the 30th National Guard Div., declared today: "The basic philosophy of leadership, as promulgated by the Regular Army, is un-American and out of date."

"It is based on force, and one of its major premises is the inherent superiority of officers over enlisted men," he said.

Member of the Army Board that investigated Pearl Harbor, Russell made the remarks in a speech be-

Dummy Takes Worst Beating In Movie 'Stars' Free-for-All

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 23 (UP).—Details of a pre-dawn free-for-all at the home of John Decker, artist friend of actor Errol Flynn, leaked out today. Movie stars involved called it "just a misunderstanding," and, as usual, nobody wanted to prosecute, but there were several bloody noses and cut faces, as well as hurt feelings.

Errol Flynn, in a sheriff's report, called it a "scuffle," but persons who saw it said it looked more like a knock-down-and-drag-out brawl.

Decker's party for some of the biggest stars in Hollywood began to get difficult when Sammy Colt, son of Ethel Barrymore, stumbled into Decker's back-room bar, smashed \$100 worth of liquor glasses and gave "Mona," a dressmaker's dummy owned jointly by Flynn and Decker, who are partners in an art gallery, a chipped face and a broken arm.

According to actress Frances Robinson, Lawrence Tierney, screen badman, "sulked in a corner all evening," and was "surly" to her. William Kent, son of a night-club operator, reproached Tierney, and the three started downstairs together. "Outside," she said, "Kent jumped on Tierney and pinned him to the ground, but Anthony Quinn (another actor) pulled him off."

Tierney then jumped up, she said, and began fighting with "everybody."

After that, Miss Robinson said, Tierney took a

poke at Colt, and then Diana Barrymore, Colt's cousin and daughter of the late John Barrymore, stepped into the fray.

"I got furious when I saw Sammy covered with blood," Miss Barrymore said. "Tierney had pulled his shirt off and was standing there like Tarzan. I went up to him and said, 'You dreary, dreadful actor, if you want to fight, hit me!'"

Then, Diana said, she slapped him eight times in retaliation for hitting her cousin.

Jack La Rue, movie villain, who stepped in to stop the fight, was struck by Tierney and was knocked out when his head hit a car. La Rue received a cut on the head, one on the nose and one on the lower lip.

Other witnesses said that there had been at least six fights going on at once.

Flynn and his wife, Nora Eddington, were not involved, apparently having left before the fight became too rough. Other guests who left before the ruckus began included Ida Lupino, Paulette Goddard, Burgess Meredith, Merle Oberon, Jennifer Jones, David O. Selznick, Ben Hecht, Alan Mowbray and Harpo Marx.

Decker reviewed the fracas philosophically. "There are fights around here all the time," he said. "Certainly there was drinking. What would a party be like without drinking? We had a nice party."

Meeting of UNO Assembly Put off; Atom Action Delayed

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and concentrate on seeking ways to use the energy for mankind's benefit.

Or, taking a cue from N. J. O. Makin, chairman, of the Security Council, it could propose that atom bombs be used by the world police force to crush future wars. Makin, Australian delegate, said last week that there was nothing in the United Nations' charter to exclude atom weapons from UNO's arsenal. Under the four-power plan, the commission's functions would be solely to investigate and advise, and the security council would not be obliged to accept its recommendations.

Many delegates said privately that the commission would take second place to UNO's social and economic council, set up to correct the social causes of war.

A provisional request for representation on this council has been made by the American Federation of Labor, which represents more than 6,000,000 workers in the U.S. and Canada. The AFL asked that

it be given equal status with the World Federation of Trade Unions if that organization is granted representation.

In the field of international disputes, Nasrullah Entezam, former Iranian Minister for Foreign Affairs and a UNO delegate, said today that Iran "is not likely" to cease pressing her case against Russia in the Security Council, in spite of the resignation of Premier Ibrahim Hakim.

Dr. Victor Khouri, delegate of the Lebanon, said "we are astonished" at the announcement of Soviet Russia that she would ask the Security Council to discuss the presence of British troops in Indonesia.

France stated clearly today her final decision to place Togoland and the Cameroons, which she has held by League of Nations mandate since World War 1, under United Nations trusteeship.

French Delegate Henri Ponsot was cheered as he declared that France would respect the letter and the spirit of the San Francisco charter.

Navy Planning Atom-Proofing

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23 (UP).—The Navy's peace-time fleet of 1,050 combat vessels will be "atom-proofed" after atom-bomb tests on unwanted ships this spring, Rear-Adm. Russell Berkey, chief of the Navy's civil-liaison section, revealed today.

Berkey said that the location for the test had not been decided but that the first requirement was shallow water. This, he pointed out, will enable Navy divers to examine the wreckage of sunken ships and determine the points of major stress.

All types of American and captured German and Japanese naval vessels will be subjected to atomic explosions. "Guinea pig" vessels will include the giant Japanese battleship Nagato, now lying off the Yokosuka naval base near Tokyo.

Assails Capital Building Plan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—The proposed addition to the executive offices will change the White House from the traditional home of the President to a "white elephant," Rep. Robert F. Rich (R-Pa.) asserted in a House speech yesterday. Rich said: "If they want to build office buildings, let them build some place else."

British Begin Case of Papen

NUREMBERG, Jan. 23 (AP).—Franz von Papen, who attacked the Nazis in 1932 for "mythical messiah-like belief in the bombastic Führer," was accused of selling Germany to the Nazis to "further his own political career" by the British prosecution before the International Military Tribunal today.

Papen's case was brought before the court in a last-minute switch when the case against Rudolf Hess was postponed because his attorney suffered a leg injury and could not attend.

Hess later asked permission, through Joachim von Ribbentrop's counsel, to undertake his own defense "from now until the end of the trial," and his request was taken under advisement by the tribunal.

Ordnance to Open Training Center

FRANKFURT, Jan. 23.—Establishment of a Theater Ordnance Technical Training Center at Heidelberg was announced today by Col. Thomas H. Nixon, theater chief of ordnance.

Primary purpose of the center will be to train personnel in advanced ordnance technical work and supply procedure.

Courses will be given for engine and power-train rebuilders, brake technicians, fuel-induction mechanics, electrical repairmen, armament mechanics, non-electrical fire-control technicians, supply clerks, welders, machinists and artillery mechanics.

Ike Accepts 8th AF Plaque

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—On behalf of the Eighth Air Force, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army Chief of Staff, yesterday accepted a bronze plaque presented by the people of Brussels "to the commanding general of the U.S. Eighth Air Force in commemoration of Brussels' liberation Sept. 3, 1944."

AAF Reveals Strength Plans

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Approximately 215,000 of the 400,000 men who will remain in the Army Air Forces by June 30 will be stationed overseas, the War Department disclosed today.

Tentative plans call for 66,828 in the European theater, 107,672 in the Pacific area, 4,364 in the Middle East and West African Service Command, 8,836 in the Alaskan department, 19,512 in the Caribbean Defense Command, 7,031 at North Atlantic bases, 151,011 in the U.S. and 34,746 in the general reserve.

U.S. Union to Give School in Italy For War Orphans

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (AP).—The International Ladies Garment Workers Union (AFL) has pledged \$350,000 to build and finance a school for Italian war orphans, Juvenal Marchisio, president of the American Relief for Italy Committee, announced yesterday.

Available immediately will be \$250,000, and \$100,000 for maintenance of the school will be given later, Marchisio said.

The relief leader said construction of the school would start soon after approval was obtained from the National War Fund.

He declared that the location for the building had not been decided.

New Mexico Girl, 12, Has a 6-Pound Baby

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Jan. 23 (AP).—A 12-year-old girl gave birth to a six-pound daughter at a hospital here Friday, it was disclosed today. Dr. J. W. Hannett withheld the child mother's name but said she and the baby were doing well.

Hungarian Paper Banned

BUDAPEST, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The newspaper Magyar Nemzet was banned for two weeks here yesterday by the Hungarian government for publishing a manifesto signed by 25 prominent Hungarians protesting against the "inhuman manner in which German minorities are being deported from Hungary."

Ex-GI Drivers Too Numerous; TSFET Orders No More Hired

By Murray Bloom
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Faced with an embarrassing surplus of chauffeurs, Army civilian personnel agencies have been under orders for the last three weeks to cease hiring GI applicants for civilian driving jobs. Hereafter prisoners of war will be used if vacancies arise.

The TSFET order also prohibits the hiring of carpenters and plumbers.

Most prominent case of excess chauffeurs is in the American Graves Registration Command. On Jan. 15 "between 50 and 100" drivers, all former GIs, were declared surplus. Lt. Col. E. M. Tolliver, personnel chief at AGRC, revealed yes-

Jap War-Trial Plans Revealed By MacArthur

TOKYO, Jan. 23 (AP).—Gen. Douglas MacArthur has completed the setup of international machinery for the trials of Hideki Tojo, his Pearl Harbor Cabinet and his militarists, charged with "crimes against peace and crimes against humanity," it was learned today.

The Allied Supreme Commander announced a charter giving detailed procedures for insuring a "fair trial for the accused."

Outstanding points listed included:

1—A tribunal majority would be sufficient to convict and impose the death sentence, subject to review by MacArthur.

2—The five-to-nine-man tribunal "will not be bound by technical rules of evidence," and even documents without proof of signature may be accepted.

3—A plea that he acted under orders shall not be sufficient to free a defendant.

The charter provided that the first trial be held in Tokyo. It has been scheduled tentatively for early in March.

Tribunal members will be appointed by MacArthur from names submitted by the Allied nations.

MacArthur's orders made it clear that other tribunals also may be set up "in Japan or in any territory of the United Nations for trial of war criminals."

(Britain, Canada, Australia, China and New Zealand already have selected their prosecution staffs and judges, the International News Service reported, but the delegates from France, Russia, the Dutch East Indies and the U.S. have not been completed.)

Toll Up to 23 In Italy Blast

ROME, Jan. 23 (AP).—The death toll in the ammunition-train explosion which yesterday rocked Torre Annunziata was placed at 23 early today, while 500 persons were listed as injured.

A dispatch from Naples to the Rome newspaper Giornale Della Sera said that the town's shoreline was razed for a distance of one kilometer and a depth of 300 meters. Property loss was estimated at 1,000,000,000 lire.

Fifteen carloads of ammunition, mortar bombs, airplane bombs and cannon shells caught fire and exploded, the dispatch said, while another six cars were daringly removed between blasts by firemen and railroad workers.

Three thousand homeless inhabitants of the town were sheltered in tents provided by UNRRA.

King of Italy Seen Ready to Abdicate

ROME, Jan. 23 (UP).—King Victor Emmanuel plans to abdicate and turn the Italian throne over to the Prince of Naples, his nine-year-old grandson, high-ranking British officers closely associated with the royal family said today.

Royal authority would be administered by a regency headed by Cardinal Alfredo Ildefonso Schuster of Milan until the prince reached majority, it was said.

It was further predicted that the royal court would be established at Milan as the first move toward switching the Italian capital from Rome, a measure long urged by Italians who want a clear separation of church and state.

terday. The command now employs 459 U.S. civilians.

AGRC has asked TSFET to reassign the men, reclassify them or send them home, Tolliver said. All of them can be discharged on 30 days' notice and sent home. Until TSFET gives instructions on what to do with the surplus drivers they must be kept.

The drivers are the first instances of personnel surplus the AGRC has had, Tolliver pointed out.

A high civilian personnel source in Frankfurt disclosed that some areas were beginning to report surpluses of clerks. But there is still an acute shortage in stenographers and in skilled categories such as sanitary engineers and business-machine operators.