

**The Weather Today**  
PARIS & VICINITY  
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 80  
STRAITS OF DOVER  
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 70

**The Weather Today**  
RIVIERA  
Scattered clouds, max. temp.: 88  
GERMANY  
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 85

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## The Big Three Get Acquainted Before Formal Conference Opening



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

This is the first picture of the Big Three, taken when Premier Josef Stalin, President Harry S. Truman and Prime Minister Winston Churchill met just before the formal opening of their conference Tuesday.

## 1,500 Planes Pummel Tokyo, Fleet Rips Honshu, Japs Say

### Land Aircraft Join In Pre-Invasion Assault

A second 1,500-plane raid against the Tokyo area from the massed American and British carriers of Adm. William F. Halsey's huge fleet and a new bombardment of Honshu Island by Allied battleships were reported yesterday by enemy broadcasts.

Tokyo radio said that waves of American and British planes swarmed over the capital districts, which were still smoking and burning from the previous day's 1,500-plane attack and warship bombardment. The new attack, unconfirmed thus far by American sources, was reported to have begun at noon (Tokyo time) in clear weather and to have raged for hours.

Land-based planes of Gen. MacArthur's command from Okinawa were officially disclosed to have joined in the pre-invasion blitz against Japan. Heavy and medium bombers assailed airfields, rail and water transport and military centers on southern Kyushu Island unopposed by enemy fighters.

Japanese broadcasts said the carrier-plane raid against the Tokyo area, second in as many days, started about noon (Tokyo time) in clear weather and was still continuing three hours later.

The new fleet bombardment started at 11:15 AM, Tokyo said, and continued for an hour, with a fleet of "about 15 warships" shelling the coast of Kanto Province.

Another broadcast said that some 1,000 persons were killed on northern Hokkaido Island by the Third Fleet's two-day bombing and shelling there before the Honshu attack.

The Japanese news agency, Domei, said that Liberators attacked a land target in Japan for the first time when they bombed Tsuchiura on Honshu Island last night; where the B24s came from was not clear.

### U.S.A. to USA

MANILA, July 18.—Before the war, factories in a Japanese town called Usa did a big business with America in goods labeled "Made in USA."

Now the Japs there know what that phrase means. Usa was one of the towns plastered with bombs which really were "made in U.S.A." in the latest raid by bombers under Gen. MacArthur's command.

### Witness Tells Of Fleet Action

By James Lindsay

WITH U.S. THIRD FLEET OFF JAPAN, July 18 (AP).—I saw this fleet fire shells at the Japanese mainland with such fury that it seemed that all the gods of war had gone mad.

As salvo after salvo poured into the Hitachi plants, one officer said: "It looks like a celebration in hell, doesn't it?"

The weather was cold. With fog and rain, visibility had been cut almost to nothing when the fleet went into action. Great flames belching from the huge guns tore the night into crimson sheets.

After the shelling started, a dull glow ashore indicated that fires had been started. Then the weather closed down and it was impossible to see any more results.

For hours we were within fighter plane range of Tokyo, and during the bombardment we were within six miles of the Honshu shore, yet not a single time did the enemy attempt to molest us either by sea or air.

As the ships steamed leisurely along the Japanese coast, the Hitachi, who make up one of Japan's ruling industrial families, took an awful beating. Their name was over the entrance to most of the vital plants wrecked by the big guns of the fleet.

### Hoover Backs World Charter

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18 (AP).—Former President Hoover said tonight that the United Nations Charter should be ratified.

He declared in a radio address that it had many weaknesses but was "better than Dumbarton Oaks and probably as good as could be obtained under existing emotions, present governments, conflicting ideas and ambitions in the world."

Hoover declared that the charter's weaknesses were: "The charter does not recover the principles of the Atlantic Charter which were whittled away at Teheran and after Yalta... there is no positive bill of rights for nations and men... the charter fails to define aggression even in the admirable terms settled by the Soviet government for inclusion in its treaties of 11 years ago... it does not mention the new and disintegrating forms of aggression of one nation upon another through propaganda and fifth columnists."

"The plain fact is that peace rests upon the continued collaboration of Washington, London and Moscow and will rest there for many years to come."

After calling for Senate ratification, the former president said, however, that the U.S. delegate to the security council should be "in some way responsible to Congress before our country is committed to war."

### Divorced Parisians May Live Together, Court Says

At least one of the aggravations of France's housing shortage appeared to be eased yesterday by the Paris Court of Appeals ruling permitting divorced couples to continue living under the same roof so long as one of them can't find separate quarters.

Rents being what they are, and people scanning death notices to find apartment vacancies, the appellate court ruled that divorced couples may divide the household and raise "walls of Jericho" to insure each other's privacy.

### Bus Falls into Creek; Baby Drowns, 44 Saved

RICHMOND, Va., July 18 (ANS).—A heavily laden bus, bound from Norfolk to Richmond, plunged into rain swollen Gillies Creek near here today when a bridge collapsed. One of the 45 passengers, an infant, was drowned.

Mrs. Eva Nora Hammel, 29, of Delta, Pa., said her three-month-old daughter, Donna Gene, was dragged "right out of my arms" by the water.

## Truman Presides, Opens 2d Session Of Big 3 Parley

By Ernest Leiser

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

POTSDAM, July 18.—President Truman today assumed his new role as chairman of this Big Three conference and convoked the second formal session in two days, a few hours after he had conferred separately with Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin.

### Battle-Tested ETOers to Fill Out New Units

By Robert J. Donovan

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Ten infantry detachments totaling about 18,000 battle-experienced officers and men with low-point scores have been organized among the Third and Seventh Armies for prompt shipment to the U.S., where they will be assigned to divisions bound for the Pacific, Com Z Headquarters announced yesterday.

The announcement of the formation of these "Infantry Augmentation Detachments," said that "their combat experience is expected to provide the needed leavening of divisions bound for action against the Japanese."

Each of the detachments will be composed of 1,800 officers and men. The first to be alerted for shipment, Infantry Augmentation Detachment "D," made up entirely of personnel of the Fifth Arm. Div., already has arrived at Le Havre and is scheduled to sail in a few days. The other nine detachments are scheduled to sail before the end of July.

In the U.S., officers and men of these detachments will be given 30-day leaves and furloughs before joining a division.

The Com Z announcement gave no other details about these detachments and their function. The ten detachments, however, were described

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### Communique Issued

An official communique released jointly just before 12 PM last night said the initial session of the three leaders had convened at 5 PM in the former Hall of the Hohenzollerns and had lasted for an hour and a half. The announcement added that the meeting gave the conferees a chance for "a preliminary exchange of views" on "matters requiring decisions by Britain, Russia and the U.S."

Truman, Stalin and Churchill also decided, the communique said, that their respective foreign secretaries—Byrnes, Vyacheslav Molotov and Eden—should hold regular meetings "with a view to preparing the work of the conference."

The announcement that the first session of this third Big Three conclave had been held came after a "false alarm" Sunday night that the meetings would begin Monday. Since the President and Churchill arrived here Sunday, it probably was Stalin's absence that held up the opening session.

According to unofficial information, the Soviet leader arrived just before noon Monday by special train from Moscow. Germans living along the route were ordered to

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### Yank Puts a Fraulein Hep to a New Line



S & S Photo by Joe Jones

GIs in Germany lost no time getting acquainted when the non-fraternization ban was modified. In Nuremberg, a former Nazi party center, T/3 Carl J. Wendt, of Chicago, tells Fraulein Ruth Pickhardt about the big winds that come in from Lake Michigan and sweep the Loop.

## Terms to Be Imposed on Japs Similar to Those Given Reich

WASHINGTON, July 18 (UP).—The terms which Japan will be required to meet after unconditional surrender have been almost completed by the U.S. and are similar to those imposed upon Germany.

The terms would give the Allies immediate control of the Japanese military machine and war industry, and would force the enemy to yield all conquered territory, including Manchuria, Korea and Formosa.

Such terms would be temporary. Permanent controls would be de-

termined later by the United Nations.

A high quarter reiterated that Japan would be occupied and that under no circumstances would only a token force land on the islands.

The basic objective is to strip Japan of her military strength and eliminate her capacity for future war. This would mean destruction of the enemy fleet and air force, elimination of heavy industry, surrender of her conquests, dismantling shipbuilding facilities and Allied occupation.



**West Point's OK, But . . .**

The B-Bag letter from a "Non-Union Man," about closing West Point has got me a bit peeved. I am a Regular Army man; nine years of service. . . served under all types of officers, both "Union Men" and Reserve Officers.

The main opposition to "Non-Union Man's" plan is that those who could afford to go to a college or university would become officers while those poor fellows that could not afford it would not be given a chance. No matter how easy they make it for an individual to go through a university, by state of federal grants, many individuals will still be unable to attend.

The fact that an individual is able to go through a university does not make him a leader of men; leadership and education do not go hand in hand. My plan for the creation of a better unified Army is as follows:

- 1—Eliminate R.O.T.C., the Reserve Officers Corps and the National Guard.
- 2—Eliminate system of appointing individuals to West Point by congressmen.
- 3—Conscript all males reaching 18 for one year's service.
- 4—After one year's service, have those who have demonstrated leadership take competitive examinations for attendance at a Reserve Officers school. After completion of this school they would be given a commission in the Reserve and placed on extended active duty for nine months.
- 5—After completion of this nine months' duty, choose those Reserve Officers who have demonstrated outstanding ability to attend West Point (three years' course) and give successful graduates permanent commissions in the Army.
- 6—After completion of extended active duty of nine months—those Reserve Officers who have not been chosen to attend West Point will be placed in the Reserve, along with conscripts completing one year's service. Thereafter, promotion of Reserve Officers will be by attending a two weeks' camp each year and participation in Army Correspondence Courses.
- 7—Medical Officers and officers of the JAGD, to be given permanent commissions by competitive examination from those graduates of recognized medical and law schools.

—Warrant Officer, 8 Ftr. Comd.

When they close West Point and Annapolis they are writing finis to the greatest institutions training military leaders in the world. Don't let jealousy make you bitter towards the real officers of the Corps.

You should get down on your knees and thank God that we had the West Point men leading us in the war of Europe and that the West Pointers and Annapolis men are leading the boys in the Pacific.

—R. L. D., 436 TC.

I am a Reserve Officer in the Army and shall confine my discussion to the Army although many of the points I make apply equally to the Navy. The Service Schools should not be abolished. There is a definite need for the U.S. Military Academy to train the career officer, a school which emphasizes subjects which will be of greatest value to a man who selects the Army as his career just as we have schools emphasizing engineering subjects for persons who decide on engineering careers, medicine for doctors, etc.

The primary mission of the Academy should be the teaching of strategy, military history and tactics. It should continue to emphasize such subjects as economics, political science, strategy, history and military tactics, subjects of great importance to the military careerist. Men like Generals Marshall, MacArthur, Stilwell, Eisenhower and Patton can only be developed by devoting many years to the study of subjects of this nature and making a career of the Army. Modern warfare is a warfare of science and technology as well as tactics. No tactical commander can be expected to know, nor should it be necessary for him to be a scientific and technological expert. That is where our present system breaks down and the West Point "clique" causes damage.

It is only natural that there should be a West Point "clique." These men have gone through school together and have worked together for years. . . that is only one of the "cliques." I have read notices in S & S announcing the meeting of the alumni of one school or another. They are "cliques." There are National Guard "cliques," professional "cliques" etc.

The strong West Point clique is in a position to do more damage. They place their men in important positions although they may be totally lacking in experience to handle such positions. Other cliques do the same thing but not to the same degree because they are not as strong. It is not the fault of the West Pointer that he lacks the required experience.

Where would he get it in the Army?

The major port operations problem of the peace-time Army is the loading of a few Army transports a month . . . The transportation problem of the peace-time Army consisted chiefly of trying to keep the monthly scheduled Army transports from having to sail only half loaded or issuing a few travel warrants . . . and they had an efficient commercial rail, air, and water transportation system at their disposal. The commercial operators solved the problems.

The signal communications problem of the peace-time Army consisted of setting up a few field telephone switchboards and stringing some field wire between them or of collecting the telephone bills at some post. Where extensive post communications systems or long-distance communications systems were required commercial communications experts made studies and submitted proposals. The Post Signal Officer's job was to handle the military procedure necessary to obtain approval.

Many more examples could be cited but this is sufficient to establish the point that the officer making the Army his career does not have the opportunity to gain the practical experience necessary to qualify him for high places in the technical and scientific section of the war-time Army. If, through the operations of the West Point clique, he is placed in positions requiring this knowledge and experience the result is the unnecessary waste of lives and material. It would be unthinkable to fill the Medical Corps with any but qualified medical men. What justification is there for placing inexperienced persons in the other scientific and technical branches of the Army?

The solution? Stringent regulations to prevent the occupation of these important positions by anyone but experienced personnel. Make it mandatory that, in order to be appointed a major port commander, an officer must have had five years' practical experience with designated large steamship companies and railroads. In order to be eligible for important Signal communications assignments, above Corps Headquarters, an officer must have had five years' practical experience with large commercial communications companies. Similar restrictions would be established for all technical and scientific branches of the service.

You say such a plan excludes the man who has selected the Army as a career. Not if he is willing to work for the experience. The career officer could be placed on detached service with the commercial organizations to gain the experience.

Personnel placed on duty with commercial organizations would have to be under their complete control during the period.

Regular Army personnel who have gained practical experience in this manner plus personnel from commercial organizations brought into the Army during war time would give an adequate supply of experienced qualified personnel. The result would be a great saving in lives and material in the event of another war.—Lt. Col.

(This discussion has one curious aspect: West Point and Annapolis men don't write to B-Bag on the subject of abolishing those institutions!—Ed.)

**Out Our Way**

**By Williams**



**Swedes Pulled German Fliers' Legs by Radio**

By Earl Mazo  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

STOCKHOLM, July 18.—Swedish airmen who, because their country is so close geographically to Germany, knew much about the Luftwaffe and its men have as an unofficial air force joke a story of the German pilot who is the most henpecked flier in all the world.

The German, shortly before VE-Day, flew his ME-110 to a Swedish port for surrender—sitting behind him were his wife and mother-in-law.

He was one of several dozen Germans who flew to Sweden for internment rather than become Allied or Russian PWs.

The game between the Swedish pilots and the Luftwaffe was frequently nip and tuck. At the outset, the Swedes were leery about the German colossus, but as the war progressed and Allied air offensives stepped up, Swedish airmen had more and more of what they called "baiting the bee."

'Automobiles' and 'Wild Indians' Frequently Swedish fliers, while patrolling their own coast, would hear German fighter conversations not far away. Once a ground station in Denmark was calling Messerschmitts. "Cora calling Carl, Cora calling Carl," the station said. "Yes, Cora, this is Carl. Come in," a German pilot reported.

At this moment a playful Swede broke into the frequency shouting frantically, "Spitfires! Spitfires!" The German in the air made a sound like swallowing his false teeth, then shouted back desperately, "Where?" The Swede paused a second and then answered, "Ask Hitler."

Almost every time British or Americans raided Germany, Swedish pilots in their own part of the sky heard the whole show from the German point of view. Germans called Forts, Liberators and other big bombers "big automobiles." Medium bombers were "fast automobiles" and all Allied fighters were "wild Indians."

Somehow the Germans, during most of the war, saw to it that Swedish fliers were plenty familiar with the lore and exploits of their aces. The story of one German who shot down 16 British in one day in Africa has been told and retold by Germans, together with stories of a big ace credited with over 300 Allied planes and a 22-year-old captain who claimed 156 in the African campaign alone. Practically every important German flying ace admittedly cut his combat teeth fighting for Franco in the Spanish revolution.

**Efficient Rescue Service**

Stories about German pilots rescued from the North Sea and English Channel indicate that Germans had efficient air-sea rescue service.

Probably the biggest plum for Sweden's fliers was weather information they got daily from Germany—without the Germans knowing about it. A Swede had simply broken down the secret German weather code and Swedish radiomen listened for daily reports which saved their air force lots of trouble, money and tiresome weather recon flights.

**The American Scene:**

**Hitler's Death Doubted By Most Folk in U.S.**

By Philip H. Bucknell  
The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, July 17.—Reports that Hitler has sought refuge in Argentina and is not dead have stirred up quite a lot of speculation here. Most Americans are unwilling to admit the death of the Nazis' No. 1 big shot.

Papers from coast to coast have queried readers and in a Chicago paper there is a suggestion that the Fuehrer has found a refuge in a monastery.

Danton Walker's Broadway column offers the reports that "Gen. Eisenhower isn't interested in a proposed new Cabinet post of Secretary of Veterans Affairs" and that "Gen. Patton's next assignment won't be active combat."

BIMETALISM, which for a time seemed to be a breath of the past, has been once again introduced into the Senate. In a discussion of the Bretton Woods plan, which would authorize an international bank and international loan agency, Sen. Elmer Thomas (D.-Okla.), as spokesman of a small, but vigorous minority, pushed the amendments to create a new gold coin for use in the proposed world bank and to authorize the use of silver as part of the U.S. subscription to both the bank and the currency stabilization fund.



General takes orders from Sgt. Horne.

WAC Sgt. Geraldine Horne, who was Gen. Mark Clark's secretary in Italy, has a general of her own to boss around now. When Geraldine arrived home in Lucedale, Miss., on furlough, her dad and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Horne, gave her a saddle horse named "General" for a present.

EASTERN townships are trying to dispose of such things as helmets and stirrup pumps bought against the possibility of air raids. OPA has set a \$1.10 ceiling price on metal helmets and the agency notes that many stores have sold out at prices considerably less than the OPA maximum. Stirrup pumps, equipped with 10-foot hose, are being offered at \$1.79 and are advertised as good for tree spraying, whitewashing and watering gardens.

SGT. PAUL GULLA Jr., of Cannonsburg, Pa., served 54 months in the Pacific Theater and suffered his first wound at a War Bond show in Johnstown, Pa. He and a combat crew were depicting the storming of a Japanese pillbox. A buddy's bayonet caught him in the leg. As in Los Angeles, T/5 Charles Dunn, newly discharged, did a striptease with Army clothes on the bandstand in Pershing Square, and auctioned them off to bond buyers.



**Paris Area**

**MOVIES TODAY**

MARIGNAN—"Valley of Decision," with Greer Garson and Gregory Peck. Metro Marbeuf.

ENSA-PARIS—"A Royal Scandal," with Tallulah Bankhead and William Eythe. Metro Marbeuf.

OLYMPIA—Same as Marignan. Midnite show only 11.30. Metro Madeleine.

CYRANO—"Keys of the Kingdom," Gregory Peck, Thomas Mitchell.

**STAGE SHOWS**

MADELEINE—"Section Eight," GI variety show. Metro Madeleine.

EMPIRE—"A Gay Promenade," French variety show. Metro Etolle.

OLYMPIA—"Take a Break," French variety show. Metro Madeleine.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

ENSA-MARIGNY—"Saint Joan," with Lewis Casson, Ann Casson. Metro Clemenceau.

**Rheims Area**

**MOVIES**

PARAMOUNT, Rue Thillois—"A Royal Scandal," with Tallulah Bankhead. 1400, 1830 and 2030 hours.

MODERNE, Rue Barbatre—"Pillow to Post," with Ida Lupino and Sidney Greenstreet. 1830 and 2015 hours.

**STAGE SHOWS**

MUNICIPAL THEATER—Nidzielski, Polish pianist.

PARC POMMERY—"Circus International." Greatest show of its type on the Continent. Performances every night. 2000 hours.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

CHATEAU CLUB, Blvd Henry Vasnier—Snack Bar, beer, and cokes. Dancing on the terrace to good music by GI Band. Opens 1300 hours.

POLAR CLUB, 82 Rue Gambetta—"GI Night Club." Beer and cokes. Orchestra nightly. Civilian guests permitted.

RECREATIONAL CENTER, Rue Talleyrand—Snack Bar, Beer, ice-cream and cokes. Good music. Civilian guests permitted.

BON AMI CLUB, 8 Rue Trudaine—Visits arranged to French Homes.

ARC CLUBS—"Coffee and Doughnuts." Entertainment.—Club Lorraine, Place Drouot d'Erion; Club Noel, rue Noel; Car-

dinal Club, 3 Blvd de la Paix; Officers' Club, Rue Eoipe

**SPORTS EVENTS**

RHEIMS TENNIS CLUB, 9 Blvd Pasteur.—Racquets and balls available.

HQS COMMAND GOLF COURSE, Gueux, France (5 miles out on N-31)—Clubs and balls furnished free. Showers and lockers. Nine holes.

**Nancy**

EMPIRE—"Tarzan and the Amazons," Johnny Weissmuller.

CAMEO—"Keys of the Kingdom," with Gregory Peck and Thomas Mitchell.

**Mets**

SCALA—"Murder My Sweet," Dore Powell, Ann Shirley.

**Dijon**

DARCY—"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," with Dorothy McGuire and Joan Blondell.

**Toul**

PATHE—"Keep Your Powder Dry," Lorraine Turner, Lorraine Day.

**Troyes**

INDOOR SWIM POOL—Open 1400-1800, 2000 to 2200 daily.

**Chateau-Thierry**

CINEMA—"Experiment Perilous," Heddy Lamarr, George Brent.

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# All Railway Coaches Put in Pool for Services

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—The Armed Services today were given authority to use every railway passenger coach in the U.S. for the redeployment program, but that didn't make 24 railroad-weary marines in Miami feel any better.

The Office of Defense Transportation announced all coaches would be placed in a pool available for the Armed Forces. It said the action would probably result in considerably less space on passenger trains for civilians, although the order in itself does not curtail civilian passenger service.

## 23 Marines Sick

The marines—23 of them sick with dysentery—arrived in Miami today by troop sleeper from El Centro, Calif. Pfc Ed Linebarger, of Batesville, Ark., wearer of four battle stars and a Presidential Unit citation, gave the Miami Daily News the following complaints by the marine veterans of seven Pacific campaigns:

Food "they wouldn't dare offer a civilian" including "mouldy green stuff they told us was chicken liver;" having to pass through air-conditioned coaches occupied by German prisoners, en route to a dining car; traveling in an unventilated car; a water supply that sometimes worked but generally did not.

Aimed to help ease such redeployment troubles, today's order provides that all railway passenger baggage and express cars exclusive of Pullman sleeping cars may be used for whatever purposes ODT may direct. Most sleeping cars are owned by the Pullman company and not the railroads.

## More Pullmans Diverted

However, additional Pullmans are being diverted to troop carrying by curtailment of sleeping car service between points less than 450 miles apart. Eight hundred ninety-five sleeping cars were released by this action, leaving about 2,500 sleeping cars in regular service. ODT said an additional 1,000 sleepers would be withdrawn within the next few months.

The War Department announced that travelers denied sleeping car accommodations on trips under 450 miles would not be granted air priorities for such journeys. The order forbidding use of cars for such trips had brought a flood of requests for air priority.

The ODT predicted that demands of the Armed Forces for passenger equipment under the Army redeployment plan would reach such proportions that some regularly scheduled passenger trains will have to be suspended in order to provide requisitioned cars.

## Chennault's Retirement Brings Inquiry Demand

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—Sen. Allen Ellender (D-La.) demanded today an investigation of the circumstances of Maj. Gen. Clair L. Chennault's retirement from the Army Air Forces in China.

Ellender, asserting an explanation for the replacing of Chennault "is clothed in secrecy," told the Senate it must have been a "great disappointment" to the founder of the Flying Tigers.

"He was not a graduate of West Point and it is well known that they look down on reserve officers," Ellender said. "Genius and heroism can't be taught there. There may have been grave injustice done here to a great general."

## Murder Warrant Issued In Death of Woman

MIAMI, Fla., July 18 (ANS).—Peace Justice Thomas Ferguson said today he had issued a first-degree murder warrant against William Wells Parker, 19-year-old sailor, in the hotel room death of Mrs. Ella Mae Flynn Eames, former Red Cross ambulance driver and wife of a retired Army chaplain.

The Toledo, Ohio, seaman had been held by the Navy without charge since yesterday.

Mrs. Eames' nude body was found in an alley. Police Capt. James Barker said the sailor told Lt. Cmdr. Richard Giffen, his commanding officer, that he had fatally injured a woman in an exchange of beer bottle blows.

## DDT Aids Music Lovers

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 18 (AP).—Before a concert in Yale Bowl, a Coast Guard helicopter sprayed 80 acres of the stadium and adjoining fields with the insecticide DDT. The audience of 10,000 reported not a single mosquito bite. The Bowl is an area usually heavily infested by mosquitoes in summer.

## X-Rays Spot Taboo War Souvenirs



Packages suspected of containing contraband items are examined on their arrival from the Pacific theater by military personnel working in the San Francisco post office. Top: Seaman 1/Cl. G. E. Lawry scans the X-ray screen for metal objects in the package held by Cpl. Reave Nichols. Bottom: Typical booty which P.O. regulations ban from the mails is the load of pistols carted off by Pfc Sherman Older.

## Bill to Boost Veterans' Aid Is Given Senate

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—Legislation which would increase unemployment benefits to veterans under the GI Bill of Rights and provide broadened unemployment aid during reconversion was introduced yesterday by Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D-W.Va.).

The bill, which had five other Senators as sponsors, went considerably beyond a similar measure introduced last week by Rep. Robert L. Doughton (D-N.C.).

Kilgore's bill would amend the GI bill to increase unemployment benefits for veterans from a flat \$20 a week to \$25 for single veterans and \$30 for married veterans.

Under the proposed changes, veterans with 90 days or more service would be eligible for a maximum of 52 weeks of unemployment payments. The present bill limits maximum payments to veterans with nine and one half months or more of service.

## Provisions Listed

Other provisions of Kilgore's bill include:

Pay travel expenses of workers referred to new jobs in distant cities by the government employment service.

Extend unemployment benefits to all government employees, maritime workers, agricultural workers and those employed in small firms, thus covering all workers not protected now by state unemployment compensation laws.

## Huge Forest Fire In Oregon Slows

PORTLAND, Ore., July 18 (ANS).—The largest forest fire to hit the Northwest since 1939 was slowing down today after burning over 35,000 acres of coastal canyons in Oregon's Wilson River area.

Foresters reported the center of the fire was moving northeast into a region where they expected to halt its progress.

Despite efforts of nearly 1,700 men, fires have slashed through an area burned over twice in the last 12 years and where state forestry officials doubt they will ever be able to replant.

Fire crews which have been working 24 hours a day include more than 1,200 soldiers and sailors. Servicemen and civilians have built more than 100 miles of fire trails but the wind-carried embers brought a threat which foresters said might last for months.

## Air Base Shells Blow Up

ALAMOGORDO, N.M., July 18 (ANS).—A magazine containing a considerable quantity of high explosive gas and other shells blew up at the Army Air Base here today, causing a pyrotechnic display visible 200 miles away. No one was hurt.

## Publishers to Travel

WASHINGTON, July 18 (UP).—A special mission of newspaper publishers will leave within ten days for Scandinavia and other European countries to survey the newsprint supply situation.

## Report Against Panama Road Took 3 Months to Reach WD

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—A report that continued work on the Pan-American highway would interfere with the war effort took three or four months to reach the Army General Staff, Senate investigators heard today.

Lt. Gen. Eugene Reybold, chief of Engineers, told the War Investigating Committee he reported to the director of Requirements Division, Army Service Forces, on April 9, 1943, that "it is not believed work already done has been carried out without interference to the war effort or that work remaining to be done can be accomplished without such interference."

Brig. Gen. K. T. Hertford, representing the General Staff, said he knew nothing of this opinion until it was "found" some time between July 3 and Aug. 29.

Chairman James M. Mead (D-N.Y.), declaring, "it seems unbelievable," asked the Army to present witnesses Friday who could tell "what happened between April 9 and Oct. 31."

The project, involving the construction of 900 miles of highway to provide an overland route to Panama, finally was halted Oct. 31, after the War Department spent more than \$42,000,000 on it.

## Listen to the Experts, Gals! To Keep Him, Mother Him

NEW YORK, July 18 (ANS).—"Mother him" was the advice a four-man forum gave today to women seeking to hold their man. Speakers were Russell Patterson, artist; Allan Prescott, "Wife-saver" of radio; George Givot, stage comic, and Earl Wilson, columnist.

Wilson also warned wives anxious to retain their husbands to refrain from painting their faces with cream at bed-time.

In answer to the question, "Why do people say women are more emotionally unstable than men?" Wilson replied, "because they are." "The girls brought it on themselves, more or less," said Prescott. "They keep saying, 'if you say this or do this I'll scream.'"

"It all winds up with a man marrying and supporting a perfectly able-bodied woman."

The luncheon was staged by a beauty salon, with models demonstrating answers to questions from the audience.

Givot unequivocally laid woman's emotional instability to wearing high heels.

"If a woman is unstable on her feet," he remarked, "she's bound to be unstable in her head and heart."

Another query was "are you in favor of more or less curves for women?"

"It more or less depends on the girl," quipped Prescott. "If she fills herself out with pads and corsets, she's trying to market goods she can't deliver."

## 4 Towns Fight Blaze

SOMERS, Conn., July 18 (ANS).—Fire companies of four towns unsuccessfully fought a blaze which today destroyed the Gen-Ron turkey farm and several thousand young turkey. Damages were estimated at more than \$75,000.

## Dirksen Asks UNRRA Probe

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP).—Rep. Everett M. Dirksen (R-Ill.) told the House today that UNRRA activities were being investigated by British Intelligence and demanded a Congressional investigation.

He declared that UNRRA employees are bonded by a British instead of an American company; UNRRA food supplies have appeared on the Athens black market; 200 tractors shipped out of Greece a long time ago are needed now for Greek farms, and 1,500 UNRRA employees are "wasting their time" at Granville, France, doing nothing.

"No one objects to the relief effort in behalf of stricken countries," the Congressman said, "but it should be an efficient effort which will not win for the U.S. a reward of ill-will and contempt."

## Senate Confirms Vinson Without Even Hearing

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—Without even the formality of a hearing, the Senate yesterday confirmed Fred M. Vinson as Secretary of the Treasury to succeed Henry Morgenthau Jr., whose resignation was accepted by President Truman July 6.

The Senate Finance Committee waived the customary hearings to approve the nomination of Vinson and of John Snyder, of St. Louis, named to replace him as War Mobilization Director.

Vinson's approval was by a voice vote and unanimous. A vote on Snyder was postponed until today.

## Trapped in Refrigerator, Man Freezes to Death

STAMFORD, Conn., July 18 (ANS).—Saul H. Perry, 50, froze to death yesterday when he became trapped in a compartment of a refrigerator at the Pickwick Ice Cream Co plant which he operated.

The lock on the inside of the ten-inch-thick door, which apparently slammed behind Perry as he entered the compartment, had broken a week ago.

## Proposed Ban Of Peace Draft Hailed, Jeered

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—Disarmament arguments of 25 years ago echoed in Congress today as legislators took sides on a proposed international ban against peacetime military training.

The suggestion came from House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts, in the form of a House resolution calling on U.S. officials to negotiate such a pact with other nations.

Administration leaders immediately turned thumbs down on the proposal, declared it "as unworkable as disarmament," but Republicans rallied to its support, asserting "it's just as practical as the peace agreements reached at the San Francisco conference."

## Called "Fine Idea"

"It's a fine idea and I think people are for it," Rep. Bernard Kearney (R-N.Y.) said. "People are sick of wars and this looks like one way to prevent them. I would certainly like to see it worked out."

Acting Chairman Ewing Thomson (D-Tex.), of the House Military Committee, agreed the plan would be popular and had a "fine theory" but he asserted it would not work.

"I don't believe the millennium has arrived," Thomson said. "As long as chaos exists and there are international outlaws we can't any more abandon our defenses than a city can drop its police force."

## Realistic or Idealistic?

Thomson, to whose committee the proposal probably will be referred, added:

"I don't think any such idea would get out of any committee under present world conditions; we must be realistic, not idealistic."

"Nothing is impossible until it's tried. You might just as well say the San Francisco peace conference agreements won't work," Kearney replied.

Martin contended conscription "has never prevented war" and "is always viewed with suspicion and fear by other countries." He also said that if his plan were adopted it would relieve nations of "a great new burden" during reconversion to peace.

## 2 House Groups To Tour Europe

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—The House today approved overseas tours by two of its committees, despite scattered protests against "junketing."

The Foreign Affairs Committee was given authority to visit Europe to study relief, lend-lease and Eastern European governments while the Interstate and Foreign Commerce group won approval for a trip, also to Europe, to investigate international aviation, oil and newsprint supplies.

Rep. E. E. Cox (D-Ga.), said the foreign affairs trip was brought on only by "injured vanity" of committee members after other groups had gone overseas.

## Head of Waves to Wed Rev. Douglas Horton

WELLESLEY, Mass., July 18 (ANS).—The engagement of Capt. Mildred H. McAfee, head of the Waves and president of Wellesley College, and the Rev. Douglas Horton, N.Y. Congregationalist, was announced last night.

Miss McAfee, who is 45, said the wedding will take place soon.

Dr. Horton, who will be 54 next week, is head of the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches and chairman of the American Committee for the World Council of Churches. He is the father of four children by his first wife who died in June, 1944.

## Actress Secretly Wed

NEW YORK, July 18 (ANS).—Movie Actress Phyllis Brooks revealed today she has been secretly wed since June 23 to Navy Lt. Robert Hart MacDonald, former Harvard football star. The wedding took place in Tarrytown, N.Y., Miss Brooks said. MacDonald served two years in the Pacific, where he commanded a PT boat squadron.

## Truman Nominates 2

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—President Truman has nominated Theron Lamar Caudle, of Wadesboro, N.C., as assistant attorney general to succeed to M. C. Clark, now attorney general, and Harold W. Judson, Los Angeles, to be assistant solicitor general, succeeding Hugh B. Cox, who resigned for personal reasons.

# Export Bank Plans Loans Of 3 Billions

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—The Senate Banking Committee today unanimously approved legislation expanding the resources of the Export-Import Bank from \$700,000,000 to \$3,500,000,000 after Foreign Economic Administrator Leo Crowley testified that the bank expects to make foreign loans totaling \$3,000,000,000 in the next year.

Chairman Robert F. Wagner (D-N.Y.) told reporters the increased resources would be needed for lending purposes during the 12 to 18 months before the Bretton Woods monetary agreement could be put into operation. He said he would bring the current bill before the Senate as soon as Bretton Woods is ratified.

The House already has approved the measure to increase the Export-Import bank's resources.

Crowley revealed that about \$1,000,000,000 would be loaned to Russia in the coming year. The question was raised after an assertion by Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) that the U.S. had agreed to a loan to Russia of \$1,000,000,000. Crowley explained there was no application from Russia for a loan.

"When we came to Russia," he said, "we had certain machine tools and other products under manufacture for Russia under lend-lease. We said they would have to pay for them. Considering the size of Russia, it would be fair to assume the Export-Import Bank would lend \$750,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000 in the next year."

### Other Loans Planned

If the bank is expanded, Crowley said, loans will be made to Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Norway and other countries. He estimated that \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000 would be loaned in South America.

There would not be much left to lend Britain, Crowley said, but added that banks could finance up to \$200,000,000 in shipments of textile and other machinery to England. Crowley reiterated that lend-lease has been stopped except for countries actively associated in the war against Japan. Lend-lease to all, he said, will cease immediately after the Japanese war ends.

"We have no commitments to deliver lend-lease to France beyond Dec. 31 this year," he declared. "France will have to pay for trucks and locomotives after that time. This applies to all countries except Britain and China."

### Necessity Cited

Crowley said the fact that the proposed Bretton Woods international bank stabilization fund plan would not be operative for a year or 18 months made the export-import bank necessary.

Asked why the U.S. should not make loans directly instead of participating in the Bretton Woods agreement, Crowley said loans could not be made to some countries until currencies were stabilized.

"I could not make loans to Poland or Italy under present conditions," Crowley explained. He added that he hoped some loans could be made to Poland. He said he opposed putting political conditions on loans made by this country and believed aid must be given European governments to rehabilitate themselves.

# Dublin Paper Hits De Valera

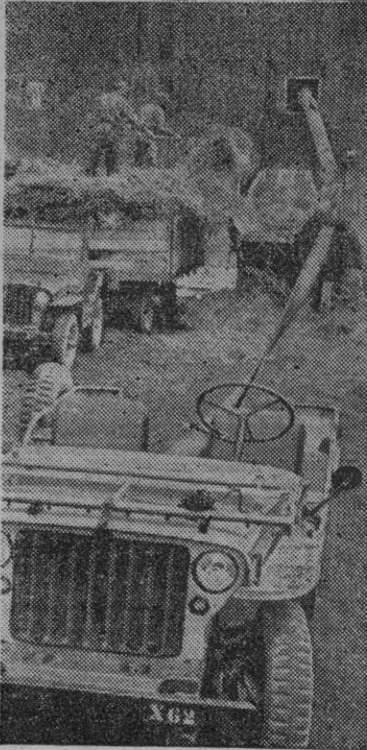
DUBLIN, July 18 (Reuter).—The Irish Independent today commented ironically on Premier Eamon de Valera's statement that "Eire has been an independent republic since Dec. 29, 1937," when the Irish constitution was adopted.

"For seven and a half years, we have been living in a republic and nobody suspected it, and nobody whispered a word about it at any time during the three general elections which have intervened," the newspaper declared editorially.

The newspaper added: "We had thought that the years of responsibility had advanced De Valera's political education, but when the head of a government talks in this strain, at a time when the world is in a melting pot, it is enough to make citizens despair."

Last night De Valera told the Dail that Ireland is both an independent republic and a member of the British Commonwealth. He cited articles from Eire's constitution, including one which declared the state to be a "sovereign, independent and democratic nation."

# Versatile Jeep Works a Seven-Day Week



The hard-working jeep gets no rest in civilian status down on the farm. Rigged up to a two-bottom 12-inch plow, it takes the place of a tractor (top left) and is equally effective hauling a load of hay on the highway (top right). For threshing (bottom left) or for digging post holes (bottom right) it can be rigged up to a power takeoff. Sunday may be a day of rest for the farmer and his family (bottom center) but it's just another workday for the versatile jeep.

# Bretton Splits Senate GOP

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—Senate Republicans today split over the Bretton Woods world bank fund, one group wanting to have nothing to do with it and another backing it as a benefit to the U.S. and the world.

The plan calls for a \$9,100,000,000 international bank to make or guarantee loans for rehabilitation and economic development and an \$8,800,000,000 fund to stabilize currencies.

Sen. Robert Taft (R-Ohio), resuming his all-out fight against the legislation on the Senate floor, summed up the arguments:

1—That the dollar is "the only stable" currency and before long all American dollars subscribed to the fund will be grabbed up and there will be a scarcity;

2—That the U.S. will be forced "into the moral obligation of lending more and more money abroad."

Sen. Thomas C. Hart (R.Conn.), a retired admiral, joined Taft's forces. He said he favored the United Nations Charter, but as for the Bretton Woods program, the probable gains would be "badly overbalanced by the risks involved."

Leading the other Republican wing, Sen. Charles W. Tobey, of New Hampshire, called the banking setup an essential part of the post-war world of "economic co-operation." He spoke as a delegate to the Bretton Woods conference at which the plan was drawn up.

# Women Sun Bathers Safe As 3d Army Runs Out of Gas

By James Cannon  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BAD WIESSEE, Germany, July 18.—The Third Army was out of gas today.

Only ambulances, ration trucks and other necessary vehicles moved in this area as the fuel shortage went into its fourth day.

Reason for the drought was that troops on the move for redeployment had priority.

"Having no transport don't bother me," said Sgt. Meyer Ackerman, of New York City. "With my points, I got no place to go but the Pacific. And I don't love scenery enough to want to make that."

Jeep drivers and women sun bathers enjoyed the gasless holiday. The jeep jockeys had a licence to goldbrick. The women sun bathers could strip with only old Sol taking a look at them. Piper Cubs no longer flew beneath the tree tops.

A Third Army outfit cabled a nearby airfield to request a plane to take officers on a special mission.

"Nothing flying around here but the birds," the operations officer said. "You got to be a three-star general or better to get up in the air this week."

Irving Caslow, of Newark, N.J., a motor pool dispatcher for a Third Army outfit, dozed in his chair before a silent telephone.

"I like this life," he said. "The only thing I'm afraid of is that they'll start using horses and wagons."

# German Labor To Aid France

A plan for using German labor to help rebuild France without endangering French wage levels and, at the same time, turning over a profit to the national government was announced yesterday by Edouard Maillet, the labor ministry's director of manpower. Maillet said that the scheme involved hiring out Germans at prevailing wages. Only a small part of the wage would go to the Germans, however. The rest would be paid to the French government.

It is believed the fact that employers must pay the same wages for German labor as for French would give French workers priority on jobs and protect wage standards.

About 1,750,000 Germans will be employed by next July, Maillet said. Of these, 1,400,000 will work at reconstruction of roads and bridges and mine removal. The others will be employed in agriculture, forestry, coal mining and various industrial plants.

### 5th Army Gets Nazi Funds

ROME, July 18 (AP).—The Fifth Army has recovered more than 8,300,000,000 lire deposited in German government accounts in Italian banks, according to the Allied Commission in Italy which reported that an additional 1,200,000,000 lire has been confiscated from German Army organizations.

# Gasoline Rationing Kept Planes Flying

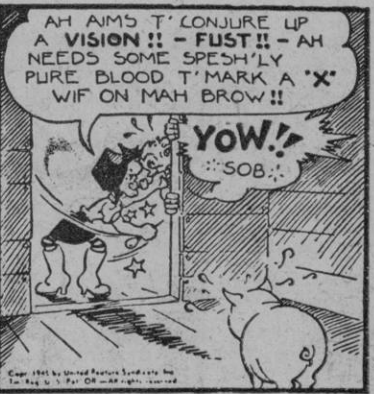
HQ. AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND, July 18.—No Allied plane was ever grounded for lack of fuel in the air war against Germany, although only the most stringent rationing of U.S. fuel resources kept U.S. bombers and fighters flying at the rate of 20,000 missions a month, Lt. Col. Samuel Gorlick, head of the petroleum section, Air Technical Service Command, disclosed today.

Gorlick said that his command supplied 1,500,000,000 gallons of aviation fuel in the ETO between July, 1942 and June, 1945.

### Trunk Restriction Lifted

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—The War Production Board today removed all restrictions on the manufacture of trunks and other luggage.

### Li'l Abner



By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp

# Army Disbands ADSEC, CONAD, Supply Groups

ADSEC (Advance Section, Communications Zone) and CONAD (Continental Advance Section), two of the U.S. Army's main supply sections in Europe, have been abolished, Com Z Headquarters disclosed yesterday.

The announcement said that henceforth the functions of ADSEC would be performed by occupation forces in the Eastern district of Germany and those of CONAD by occupation forces in the Western district.

ADSEC supplied the American First, Third and Ninth Armies and CONAD the American Seventh and French First Armies. The Normandy invasion forces received their supplies through ADSEC.

ADSEC operated the famous Red Ball and XYZ highways and restored hundreds of miles of railroad tracks.

CONAD, organized in Naples last July to supply the forces invading Southern France, established the 450-mile road net, known as the Green Diamond line, over which supplies were carried to troops fighting in the Vosges Mountains. CONAD built a 629-mile pipeline from Marseille to Mannheim.

Maj. Gen. Ewert G. Plank commanded ADSEC and Maj. Gen. Arthur R. Wilson was in command of CONAD.

## British Empire Pools Post-War Air Services

LONDON, July 18 (UP).—The British Commonwealth of Nations, with the exception of Canada, agreed yesterday to pool all post-war air services linking their countries.

In a 50-50 arrangement, the Dominions will divide air traffic on their respective routes. Profits and losses will be shared on the same basis.

Under this plan, traffic between any two Dominions would be carried equally by lines of those two Dominions.

Canada declined to enter the agreement, presumably on the ground that it might mean sacrificing the profitable air business on the North Atlantic route to Britain.

British Minister of Civil Aviation Viscount Swinton, addressing a press conference at the conclusion of the first Commonwealth Air Transport Council, said that routes would link the United Kingdom with South Africa, India, Australia and New Zealand. Swinton added that no decision has yet been reached on the question of pooling the British Pacific air route linking Australia with Canada.

Britain's around-the-world air lines include some routes that might run at a loss, Swinton said.

## UNRRA Will Meet In London on Aug. 7

LONDON, July 18 (INS).—The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration will meet in full council, with 44 nations represented, in London beginning Aug. 7. The meeting probably will last a week or ten days, with Director General Herbert H. Lehman, who is now touring Greece, Yugoslavia and Italy, presiding.

This will be the third meeting of the UNRRA Council, and the first since the end of the war, when the organization passed from the planning to the operating stage in its work.

## Egypt-Russia Bars Dropped

CAIRO, July 18 (Reuter).—Restrictions on trade between Egypt and Russia were removed through an agreement reached between British, Russian and Egyptian Prime Ministers announced today.

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The success or failure of Prime Minister Churchill's party in the British elections will help to determine Britain's response, it was believed by diplomatic observers.

## Even a T/5 Can Stand the Tariff



Window displays of the new \$25,000 U.S. Army PX in Brussels catch the eye of T/5 Lester Prince, of Wallonia, Ore., on leave in the city. Perfume, jewelry, lace and souvenirs are sold at reduced prices to GIs.

## Singers Swing in Opera Trial, And Phantom Adolf Stalks

By Richard Lewis  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A little drama of the famous Paris Opera House, complete with singers, a fistfight and even a phantom, ended a two-day run at the Court of Justice here yesterday when the managers of the Opéra and Opéra-Comique were acquitted of civil charges of being too friendly with the Germans during the occupation.

## FrancoReadies Spain for King

MADRID, July 18 (AP).—Generalissimo Franco last night said that Spain was entering a period of preparation for a monarchy, "wherein the essentials of our movement will be guaranteed."

Addressing the National Council of the Falange, Franco said the Cortes would be given a law establishing the monarchy "when the time came."

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Principals were Jacques Rouché, French perfume magnate and for 30 years director of the Opéra and Opéra-Comique, and his assistant, Samuel Rousseau, the composer who managed the Paris Opera House during the occupation. They were accused by the Purge Committee of the French Motion Picture Industry of handing out too many free seats to German troops and accepting dinner invitations to the German Embassy.

At most, Rouché and Rousseau faced a sentence of "public indignity." They were relieved of their posts immediately after liberation.

The climax came when one group of tenors said that because of their patriotism the management had discriminated against them. A baritone who testified for the defense replied it was because the tenors couldn't sing.

A tenor took a swing at the baritone and the gendarmes had to break up the fight.

Artists of both the Opéra and Opéra-Comique testified the directors had no choice and were pressured into making concessions.

The Phantom of the Opera appeared in testimony by Defense Attorney Maurice Garçon. The phantom was Adolf Hitler.

Hitler, said Garçon, appeared in the darkened Opera House at 0400 one morning in September, 1940—out of nowhere. He ordered all lights turned on and proceeded to inspect the stage, the great drops, the dressing rooms and galleries.

A resistance jury of four members took two hours to decide that the directors should not be reprimanded for seating Germans.

## Legion Chaplain Dies

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., July 18 (ANS).—The Rev. Thomas Huston Wiles, first national chaplain of the American Legion, died yesterday after a heart attack.

## Two Germans To Hang for Slaying Yank

FREISING, Germany, July 18 (AP).—A six-man military commission of the U.S. Third Army yesterday sentenced two policemen, Albert Bury and Wilhelm Haefner, to hang for the murder last December of T/Sgt. Donald Ludwig Hein, U.S. Eighth AF flier who had parachuted from his crippled plane.

The condemned Germans had readily admitted their part in the slaying of the American near Langelsbold. Bury, the village chief of police, said he ordered Haefner to kill Hein in accordance with secret orders he received from higher authorities in October, 1944, to the effect that fliers guilty of "terror" attacks were not to be treated as prisoners of war, but were to be shot upon capture.

Haefner calmly related to the court how, upon receiving Bury's order, he marched Hein to the woods at the edge of the village, accompanied by two other policemen, and there shot him through the head. The 50-year-old police force draftee stated that he had no choice but to carry out the order of his superior or be killed himself.

The two other policemen, Wilhelm Plitt and Karl Henkel, were acquitted, along with Albert Loeser and Lt. Kalte, officials of the Hanau district. A seventh defendant, SS Col. Hellwege-Emden, has been captured by the British and will be tried later for his part in the crime.

The findings of the commission are subject to review by Gen. George S. Patton, Third Army Commander.

## Father Says Convictions Are 'Real Justice'

BALTIMORE, July 18 (ANS).—The Rev. George F. Hein, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church and father of T/Sgt. Donald Hein, flier killed in Germany, today characterized as "real justice" the death sentence of his son's murderers.

## Belsen Trials Start in August

HQ, 21st ARMY GROUP, July 18 (AP).—Trial of war criminals connected with the notorious Belsen concentration camp will begin in the middle of August, the Judge Advocate General's office said today.

Joseph Kramer, the camp commandant, and 70 guards who served under him will face justice. All the defendants, 20 of whom are women, are now imprisoned at Celle.

It is planned to try the Belsen criminals in groups, rather than individually, to cut the trials to about one week. The death penalty will be sought for most of the defendants.

More than 2,000 persons, including large numbers of women and children, met death in the camp. Many, weakened by torture and starvation, died after Allied troops had seized the camp.

## Nazi 'Dispenser of Justice' In Poland Is Captured

BERLIN, July 18 (AP).—Police of the Berlin suburb of Wilmersdorf, which is now occupied by British troops, have a prize catch for the Allied War Crimes Commission—Helmut Pirk, a member of the special German court which dispensed Nazi "justice" in Poland.

Pirk, by his own admission, imposed the death sentence 22 times. In a signed statement, he admitted the "shabbiness of my conduct."

## AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK

Time	TODAY	TOMORROW
1200-News	1845-Spotlight Bands	0555-News
1205-Off the Record	1900-U.S. News	0601-Yawn Patrol
1301-Highlights	1905-Fred Waring	0705-Highlights
1305-Songs	1930-Music Hall	0710-Yawn Patrol
1315-Remember	2001-Ignorance Pays	0800-News
1330-You Asked for It	2030-Frank Morgan	0815-Johnny Mercer
1401-Modern Music	2100-News	0830-GI Jive
1430-Surprise Package	2105-ETO Hit Parade	0845-Johnny Desmond
1500-News	2130-Village Store	0900-War Deat.
1505-Beaucoup Music	2201-To Romance	
1601-Symphony Hour	2230-AFN Playhouse	
1655-Highlights	2305-Soldier, Song	
1701-Duffie Bag	2315-War Dept.	
1800-News	2330-One Night Stand	
1810-Sports	2400-News	
1815-Supper Club	0015-Midnight in Paris	
1830-Personal Album	0200-Final Edition	

## Zionist Parley Opens July 31

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—An atmosphere of crisis affecting the whole Middle East overhangs the final preparations for the World Zionist Conference, which will begin in London July 31.

Sixty prominent Zionists from the British Empire, from the U.S., Palestine and Europe are to arrive within the next few days. Dr. Chaim Weizmann and Moshe Shertock, leaders of the movement, are already in London. Dr. Stephen Wise and Rabbi Silver, members of the U.S. delegation, are expected this week.

The conference will be the first since 1939. Emergency measures for displaced Jews in Europe will be considered. A proposal to let 100,000 more Jews enter Palestine has been submitted to the British government.

## Free Immigration Urged

WASHINGTON, July 18 (Reuter). Sen. Ralph O. Brewster (R-Me.) and Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.) in a letter to President Truman urged him to insist that Britain permit unrestricted Jewish immigration into Palestine.

## All in a Day

TOPEKA, Kan., July 18 (AP).—W. E. Cox, 68, became both a grandfather and a father on the same day, almost at the same moment. His wife gave birth to a son while his granddaughter was giving birth to a daughter.

## Dice Roller's \$5,000 Shows Up But Now He's Among Missing

By Robert MacGregor  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Cpl. Nathan Silverman, the hot dice roller, who became hotter (under the collar) when he found he had lost a musette bag containing his \$5,000 winnings, was missing yesterday, but not the bag and its small fortune.

Capt. Nello R. Maitino of the Air Corps, had informed The Stars and Stripes that he has the bag with 48 postal money orders for \$100 each and cash of around \$200, plus Silverman's identification papers and pay book, but has been unable to locate Silverman. The captain's APO is 133.

The captain is attached to Silverman's outfit, the 88th Troop Carrier Squadron, but on Wednesday, July 11, the day the small fortune was lost, Silverman took a plane for Germany, and thus far cannot be reached through channels.

The sad corporal had called The Stars and Stripes from Stuttgart, Germany, in an effort to locate his \$5,000. He did not explain how he happened to trust the money to a musette bag, nor why he was taking the postal orders farther from home where he hoped to send them.

He did say, however, that the winnings were gained playing craps on the two previous nights.

The bag was found, Maitino said, at Airstrip B48, five miles from Amiens, France, from which Silverman departed, by a friend of the corporal, Sgt. Lincoln C. Fleetwood.

## Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

By Milton Caniff



# Haegg Snaps World Record With 4:01.4 Mile



Gunder Haegg

## Swedish Ace Eclipses Mark By 1/5 Second

MALMOE, Sweden, July 18.—Gunder Haegg, twinkling-toed Swedish tie salesman, raced the fastest mile in history when he swirled over the distance in 4:01.4 here yesterday to snap the previous world's record of 4:01.6, held by his neighbor, Arne Andersson.

Haegg, whose performance revived debate over the possibility of an eventual four-minute mile, ground Andersson into the cinders yesterday, beating his friend to the tape by several yards. Andersson was clocked at 4:02, bogging down slightly near the finish after extending Haegg to his amazing effort.

### Ran on Same Track

Andersson's previous record was established over the same course last year.

Gunder's sizzling race came as a surprise to observers who saw him fail dismally to even approach championship form during his recent barnstorming junket in the States. Unable to train for several weeks because of snafu-ed transportation arrangements—he eventually crossed the Atlantic by boat—Haegg's best race was a 4:14.6 mile in his final test at Buffalo.

In his previous visit to the U.S. a year ago, however, Gunder the Wonder convincingly demonstrated his superiority over the current batch of American runners. The only race he lost was a handicap affair, in which the winner, who had received a 125-yard handicap, barely nosed out the Swedish champion.

## Coincidence Wins Elmsford Purse

NEW YORK, July 18.—Coincidence, fleet son of Questionnaire, chalked up his third victory in five starts this year as Eddie Arcaro booted the Greentree Stable color-bearer home in the \$5,000 Elmsford Purse at Empire yesterday.

Coincidence charged to a head verdict over His Jewel, with Post Graduate six lengths farther back.

St. Jock made an impressive prep for Saturday's rich Stars and Stripes Handicap by turning in a 1:37.2 mile in the featured Mont Ferrat Purse at Chicago. Johnny Adams kept St. Jock up all the way and pushed him in front in the stretch as Papaloi and Mighty Lucky wound up in the place and show slots.

## The Story Behind Haegg's 4:01.4 Mile

Gunder Haegg's 4:01.4 mile is 23.1 seconds faster than the mile run by Walter Slade of England in 1874.

Following are the fastest miles run since 1874:

Year	Runner	Place	Time
1874	Walter Slade	England	4:24.5
1882	Walter George	England	4:21.4
1895	Tom Conneff	U.S.	4:15.6
1911	J. Paul Jones	U.S.	4:15.4
1913	J. Paul Jones	U.S.	4:14.4
1915	Norman Taber	U.S.	4:12.6
1923	Pasco Nurmi	Sweden	4:10.4
1931	Jules Ladoumègue	France	4:09.2
1933	John Lovelock	U.S.	4:07.6
1935	Gleen Gunningham	U.S.	4:06.8
1937	Sydney Wooderson	England	4:06.4
1942	Gunder Haegg	Sweden	4:06.2
1942	Gunder Haegg	Sweden	4:04.6
1943	Arne Andersson	Sweden	4:02.6
1944	Arne Andersson	Sweden	4:01.6
1945	Gunder Haegg	Sweden	4:01.4

## The Old Congratulates The New



Rick Ferrell (left), 33-year-old Senators' catcher, is congratulated by Ray Schalk, old-time White Sox catcher, before Ferrell went out July 6 to catch his 1,722nd game, breaking Schalk's former record.

# Cards Win as Cubs Bow to Giants, 2-1, Shaving NL Bulge to Three Games

NEW YORK, July 18.—The front-running Cubs bumped into an old nemesis yesterday—Bill Voiselle—and when the New Yorker finished his afternoon's chores, he owned his 11th victory of the season, the 2-1 setback ended Chicago's five-game winning spurge and the Cardinals were only three games off the National League pace.

Voiselle and Paul Erickson each allowed five hits, but Erickson fell into trouble in the fourth inning and the Giants took advantage of his momentary lapse to shove across both runs. After Erickson issued three walks in the fourth, Danny Gardella clubbed a single to score George Hausmann and Manager Mel Ott.

The Cardinals narrowed their deficit by stopping the Braves in a night game, 3-2, as Red Barrett mastered his former mates. Barrett, who came to the Redbirds in exchange for Mort Cooper, was starting against the Braves for the first time and he emerged with his 12th triumph, beating Nate Andrews.

Dick Mauney limited the Reds to three hits last night as the Phillies thwarted the Reds, 3-1. Joe Bowman, whose only previous defeat this season came at the hands of the Phils, checked the Quakers with four hits this time, but his throwing error in the first inning resulted in two runs, and a passed ball by his catcher, Al Uniser, accounted for the other run in the sixth.

The Dodgers capitalized on four Pittsburgh errors to chastise the Pirates under the lights, 5-2. The Bums collected two runs in the fourth on a hit and three errors, then scored what proved to be the winning run in the seventh when Babe Herman, pinch-hitting for Pitcher Hal Gregg, was walked with the bases full.

Al Gerheuser, who relieved Nick Strincevich after the damage had been done, was reached for the last two Brooklyn runs in the eighth.

In the only American League game not washed off the calendar by rain, the Indians trounced the Red Sox, 6-1, behind Steve Gromek's pitching. The Tribe knocked Jim Wilson out of the box in the fifth inning when they bunched three runs and Vic Johnson finished. Gromek missed a shut-out in the ninth inning when Johnny Lazor punched a homerun.

## DiMaggio in Hospital

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., July 18.—Jolting Joe DiMaggio, former Yankee outfielder, entered the Army's general hospital here today. Doctors said Joe was in the hospital "just for observation" and was not in serious condition.

# Happy Asks Retention of Charity Games

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Happy Chandler, baseball commissioner, senator and super-salesman, today came up with an idea for three top major league performances in future years.

Happy suggests the permanent establishment of inter-league charity games in July, the restoration of the All-Star game in August and the World Series in October.

The majors recently played inter-league games for war relief agencies in place of the All-Star game, which became an ODT casualty. Chandler termed the benefit series "tremendous successes in stirring up great local interest."

In Boston alone, the Braves-Red Sox fray grossed \$74,000. When the war is over, inter-league games could be played for local charities. Happy believes the All-Star game should be revived as soon as possible since it has become a "national institution and is a powerful incentive to the players."

The two features would give big league teams breathing spells during the regular season and come in logical order in bringing the races to a climax in the World Series.

Warren Giles, of Cincinnati, Jack Zeller, of Detroit, and George Trautman, president of the minor leagues, have been appointed as a committee to study the problem of signing teen-age players, a practice objected to by high schools.

# Fritzie Zivic Takes Another Mauling

NEW ORLEANS, July 18.—Cpl. Fritzie Zivic, who went into "retirement" last week, made another "comeback" last night. He managed to absorb his fourth straight pasting, losing to Wild Bill McDowell, and promptly announced he was quitting the ring again.

Zivic, who spotted McDowell nine pounds at 149, dropped seven of the 10 rounds.



**American League**

Cleveland 6, Boston 1  
Others postponed, rain

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	44	32	.579	—
Washington	40	34	.541	3
New York	41	36	.532	3 1/2
Boston	41	37	.526	4
Chicago	40	39	.506	5 1/2
St. Louis	37	38	.493	6 1/2
Cleveland	37	39	.487	7
Philadelphia	26	51	.338	19

Chicago at Boston  
St. Louis at New York  
Detroit at Washington  
Cleveland at Philadelphia

**National League**

St. Louis 5, Boston 2 (night)  
Brooklyn 5, Pittsburgh 2 (night)  
Philadelphia 3, Cincinnati 1 (night)  
New York 2, Chicago 1

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	48	29	.615	—
St. Louis	46	34	.575	3
Brooklyn	46	35	.568	3 1/2
Pittsburgh	41	39	.513	8
New York	43	41	.512	8
Boston	39	41	.488	10
Cincinnati	37	39	.487	10
Philadelphia	22	63	.259	39 1/2

Boston at Cincinnati  
New York at Pittsburgh  
Philadelphia at St. Louis  
Brooklyn at Chicago

# Catcher's Lunge Fails to Retire Fleet Runner



Al Gionfriddo of the Pirates scampers across home plate to score run as throw from outfield to Catcher Phil Masi of Braves arrives too late to put out the fast-moving Pittsburgh center fielder. Umpire moving into position to call play is Tom Duna. This play took place in sixth inning of recent game at Boston, with the Braves pulling out a 7-6 decision.

## Gasoline Ailey



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By King

# Once Over Lightly

By Gene Graff  
Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

**J.** MONROE JOHNSON, ODT chieftain who forced the mid-summer All-Star baseball classic to become a wartime casualty because of transportation strain, was able to scratch the game from the active calendar but he couldn't possibly scratch it from the minds of baseball fans. Recognizing this, The Sporting News, baseball's "bible," yesterday nominated its own 25-man squads for the "might-have-been" contest.

Missing from the American League lineup are seven men who played in the 1944 game—Infielders Bobby Doerr, Ken Keltner and Pinky Higgins, Outfielders Stan Spence and Thurman Tucker, Catcher Rollie Hemsley and Pitcher Tex Hughson. The National League lacks Catchers Walker Cooper, Ray Mueller and Mickey Owen, Outfielder Stan Musial, Second Baseman Connie Ryan and Pitchers Ken Raffensberger, Red Munger and Max Lanier of last year's squad.

**T**HE AL's "dream" team is comprised of Nick Etten (Yankees), first base; George Stinewiss (Yankees), second base; Tony Cucinello (White Sox), third base; Vern Stephens (Browns), shortstop; George Case (Senators), Roger Cramer, (Tigers) and Bob Johnson (Red Sox), outfielders; Mike Tresh (White Sox), catcher, and Hal Newhouser (Tigers), Dave Ferriss (Red Sox) and Hank Borowy (Yankees), pitchers.

On the opposite side of the mythical fence are Phil Cavarretta (Cubs), first base; Don Johnson (Cubs), second base; Whitey Kurowski (Cards), third base; Marty Marion (Cards), shortstop; Bill Nicholson (Cubs), Tommy Holmes (Braves) and Mel Ott (Giants), outfielders; Phil Masi (Braves), catcher, and Paul Derringer (Cubs), Hal Gregg (Dodgers) and Blix Donnelly (Cards), pitchers.

**F**OR the sake of argument, let's assume the above-mentioned squads were combined into one team. To compete against the merged stars, the Army and Navy could muster a much more formidable array of former major leaguers now sweating out that little white piece of paper.

The all-service club could consist of Johnny Mize, first base; Bobby Doerr, second base; Luke Appling, shortstop; Ken Keltner, third base; Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams and Stan Musial, outfielders; Walker Cooper and Bill Dickey, catchers and Kirby Higbe, pitchers.

That's a game we'd like to see. And so would every baseball-minded serviceman in the ETO. Too bad it can't be arranged at this time.

## Snyder to Tutor Cleveland Backs

**CLEVELAND, July 18.**—Bob Snyder, former Chicago Bears and Cleveland Rams half back, has been appointed backfield coach of the Rams, Chili Walsh announced today.

Snyder, who joins Head Coach Adams Walsh and Line Coach George Trafton, will have the task "of making another Sid Luckman out of the Rams' former UCLA hero, Bob Waterfield," Walsh said.

## Seine Ball Team Plays 3 Games

The Seine Section baseball team will play host to visitors in three games this week at Jean Bouin Stadium (Métro: Porte d'Auteuil), Paris, all games starting at 1900 hours and being free to service personnel.

The Paris nine will play Com Z All-Stars tonight, then play a two-game series against Antwerp All-Stars tomorrow and Saturday.

## Minor League Results

International League			
Syracuse	4	Newark	1
Montreal	4-6	Rochester	0-1
Toronto	6	Buffalo	3
Others postponed, rain			
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Montreal	.61 26 701	Toronto	.40 43 482
Newark	.43 37 538	Rochester	.34 47 420
Baltimore	.43 39 524	Syracuse	.31 45 408
Jersey City	.42 39 519	Buffalo	.30 48 385
American Association			
Indianapolis	10	Toledo	5
Louisville	8	Columbus	2
Milwaukee	4-5	St. Paul	3-1
Minneapolis	15	Kansas City	1
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Milwaukee	.53 33 616	Toledo	.42 47 472
Indianap.	.54 35 607	Minneapolis	.40 46 465
Louisville	.49 41 544	Columbus	.39 50 438
St. Paul	.40 41 494	Kansas City	.30 54 337
Eastern League			
Albany	8-6	Wilkes-Barre	5-1
Utica	9	Williamsport	8
Others postponed, rain			
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Hartford	.39 31 557	Williamsport	.35 37 486
Albany	.43 35 551	Scranton	.33 37 471
Utica	.40 33 548	Elmira	.32 39 451
Wilkes-B.	.46 34 541	Binghamton	.26 42 382
Southern Association			
Atlanta	5	Memphis	3
Little Rock	6	Chattanooga	5
New Orleans	10	Birmingham	1
Nashville	10	Mobile	8
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Atlanta	.57 26 687	Memphis	.34 47 420
N. Orleans	.50 33 602	Little Rock	.31 50 388
Chattanooga	.49 34 590	Nashville	.31 50 383
Mobile	.49 35 583	Birmingham	.28 54 341
Pacific Coast League			
San Francisco	3	Seattle	1
Portland	12	Hollywood	3
Only games scheduled			
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Portland	.67 41 620	Oakland	.52 55 486
Seattle	.62 45 579	Los Angeles	.48 58 453
Sacram'to	.54 33 505	San Diego	.49 60 450
S. Frisco	.54 35 495	Hollywd.	.45 64 413

## Fallon Leaves Cards

**ST. LOUIS, July 18.**—George Fallon, Cardinal utility infielder, yesterday left for his home in Syracuse, N.Y., where he will be inducted into the Army Friday.

## Oise Crowns Golf, Net Kings

**RHEIMS, France, July 18.**—Playing a steady, methodical game that frequently puzzled his younger opponent, Pfc Nathaniel Krassenstein, 39-year-old Philadelphia, defeated Lt. Edward Mellor, also of Philadelphia, 6-3, 6-2, to win the Oise Intermediate Section tennis crown.

Krassenstein, representing the 16th Reinforcement Depot, advanced to the finals by six consecutive triumphs in earlier tournament play at the Rheims Tennis Club.

## Browning Heads Golfers

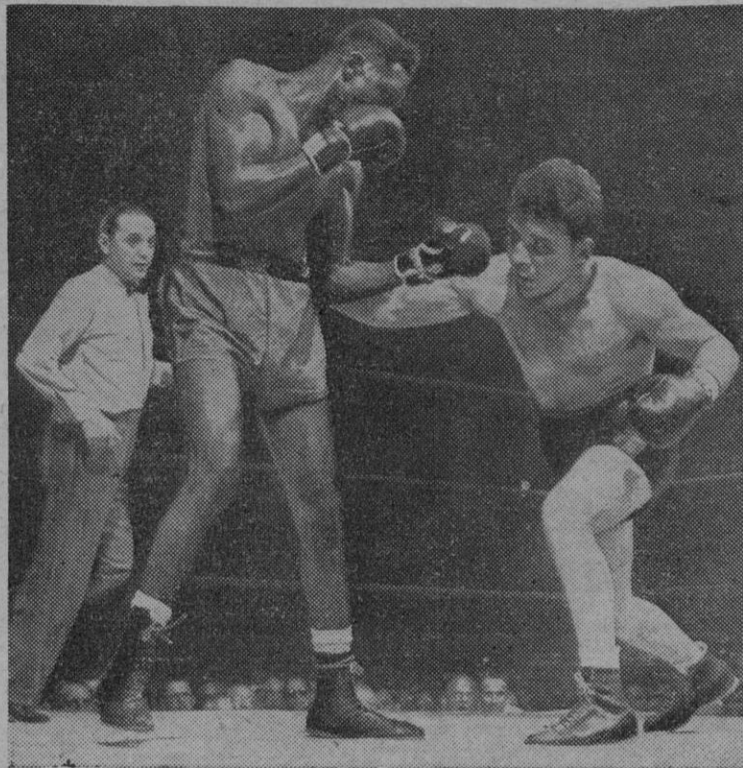
**RHEIMS, France, July 18.**—Lt. J. T. Browning, former Maine open champion from Bangor, and Lt. George Sarsfield, former open and amateur titleholder from Montana, won the pro and amateur golf

# Bill Holloway Sends 13th AB Ahead In XVI Corps Swim Championships

By Dave Gordon  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Breezing to an easy triumph in the 200-meter back stroke final, Billy Holloway of Kansas City, Mo., and the 13th Airborne, was the standout swimmer of the day as the XVI Corps championships got under way at Amiraux Pool, Paris, yesterday.

## Body Shot That Weakened Foe



Jake Lamotta, Bronx middleweight (right), shoots a right to Tommy Bell's ribs in seventh round of their ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden. Lamotta won the decision over his Negro rival.

In addition to being crowned first champion, Holloway earlier had qualified in the 50-meter free style dash in :28.9 and in the 100-meter back stroke in 1:18.8. Figured as likely winner in both of these finals, Holloway also was favored to win the 1,500-meter free style title.

Holloway's time for the 200-meter championship race was 3:03.8. He was trailed by Pfc Francis E. Williams of the 89th Div., who was clocked in 3:13.5. Sgt. William S. Wolfe of the 17th Airborne finished third in 3:14.5.

The scoring, based on the best eight times in the three heats of each preliminary event, found the 17th Airborne with 14 men qualified, the 66th Inf. and 13th Airborne with 9 each, the 75th with 8 and the 89th with 7.

## Finalists in order of time:

**50-Meter Free Style—T/5 William A. Holloway (13th) :28.9; Pfc Donald Holmwood (75th) :29.2; Cpl. Benjamin Vineyard, St. Joseph, Mo. (66th) :29.3; 1/Lt. John Ball, Orange, N.J. (17th) :30.1; Pfc Clifford Esson, Racine, Wis. (75th) :30.4; 2/Lt. Stanley, N.Y. (66th) :30.5; 2/Lt. Adolph Fossom, Minneapolis (17th) :30.9; S/Sgt. Robert R. Bradham, Sumpter, S.C. (66th) :31.**

**100-Meter Back Stroke—T/5 William A. Holloway (13th) 1:18.8; Pvt. Robert J. Cullen, Detroit (17th) 1:22.8; Pfc Francis E. Williams, Riverside, Cal. (89th) 1:26.8; Sgt. William S. Wolfe, Atlanta, Ga. (17th) 1:26.8; T/4 Charley F. Mitchell, Atlanta, Ga. (66th) 1:28.9; Pvt. James McDonald, Grand Rapids, Mich. (17th) 1:30.3; Pvt. Raymond Skov, Elmhurst, N.J. (75th) 1:30.4.**

**100-Meter Free Style—Pfc John Nelson, Glendale, Cal. (75th) 1:06.6; Capt. Oscar A. Fodor, South Bend, Ind. (17th) 1:06.8; Cpl. Benjamin R. Vineyard, St. Joseph, Mo. (66th) 1:08; 2/Lt. Adolph Fossom, Minneapolis (17th) 1:12.5; Sgt. James Baxter, Merchantville, N.J. (17th) 1:12.6; Pfc Henry E. Steidel, Chicago (13th) 1:13.4; Pfc Samuel E. Emmons (13th) 1:13.1; Pvt. Bruce Tretheway, Bayonne, N.J. (66th) 1:13.5.**

**200-Meter Breast Stroke—1/Lt. Robert H. Cowan, Danville, Ill. (89th) 3:17.7; T/Sgt. Burton M. Sedler, Chicago (66th) 3:30.9; Pvt. Edgar N. Mescham, Tulsa, Okla. (17th) 3:31.2; Pfc William N. Bridgeman, Pittsburgh (17th) 3:34.9; Cpl. Robert W. Meriam, Iowa City (66th) 3:44.6; Pfc Henry A. Graves, San Carlos, Cal. (89th) 3:45.5; S/Sgt. Buddy Kagawa, Honolulu (75th) 3:47.8; Pfc Gunther N. Lurie, New York (13th) 3:51.2.**

**Low-Board Diving (1 meter)—T/4 Edgar C. McVehill, Scranton, Ohio (89th) 122.6 points; Pfc William P. McDonald, Chicago (66th) 118.8; Pfc Edwin C. Daniels (75th) 84.33; S/Sgt. Francis T. Cleary, Bridgeport, Conn. (17th) 74.8; S/Sgt. Jake J. Larsen, Wallace, Idaho (13th) 72.97; Pfc Eugene C. Beck, Atlantic City, N.J. (13th) 71.2.**

## USSTAF Tankers Open Meet At Bad Nurnstadt Tomorrow

By Ray Lee  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Six units, including the huge Ninth AAF, will match strokes and dives in the pool at Bad Nurnstadt, Germany, Friday and Saturday for USSTAF crowns and right to compete in the ETO championships at Nuremberg on July 28-29.

Originally scheduled to be held separately from the Ninth AF, the championships will be one huge event, with contestants being flown from the UK, France, Belgium and other parts of Germany.

Included in the various units participating in the meet will be the 8th AF, which carried off honors in the ETO championships in 1943. BADA, 70th RD, 5th AACSW and AAF-379.

A preview of what to expect at the meet was given by Maj. Taylor Drysdale, of Detroit, when he dropped in at Frankfurt on a USSTAF mission and stayed long enough to cop the Frankfurt Area title in the 50-meter free style and 200-meter back stroke.

Drysdale, one-time Michigan U. star, who broke Buster Crabbe's 300-meter individual medley record, won the 100 and 200-meter back stroke events in the 1939 Pan-American championships at Buenos Aires.

## QM Captures Seine Crown

The 583rd QM Sales team tallied 52 points to win the Seine Base track and field meet at the Stade Jean-Bouin Tuesday, with T/5 Joe Cook, of Baird, Tex., winning four individual titles to set the pace for the victors.

**Winners:**  
**100-meter Dash**—Lt. Charles Tillery, Arlington, Tex. Time: :11.6.  
**200-meter Dash**—T/Sgt. William Slack, Bloomfield, N.J. Time: :22.2.  
**100-meter High Hurdles**—Cook. Time: :16.2.  
**200-meter Low Hurdles**—Cook. Time: :28.2.  
**400-meter Run**—Slack. Time: :52.1.  
**800-meter Run**—Pvt. Antonio Vasques, Cleveland. Time: 2:18.  
**1,500-meter Run**—S/Sgt. Robert Phelps, Chaffee, Mo. Time: 4:46.2.  
**3,000-meter Run**—T/4 Raymond Sedberry, Concord, N.C. Time: 10:58.  
**Shot Put**—T/5 Carl Stervinski, Plymouth, Pa. Distance: 44ft. 1in.  
**Discus**—Cook. Distance: 120ft. 2in.  
**Javelin**—Cook. Distance: 154ft.  
**High Jump**—Pfc James Howard, Amelia, Ohio. Height: 5ft. 2 1/2in.  
**Running Broad Jump**—Sgt. Jules Janis, New York. Distance: 18ft. 8in.  
**Standing Broad Jump**—Cpl. Robert Bixler, Paducah, Ky. Distance: 16ft.

## Levine Whips Bryant

**BROOKLYN, July 18.**—Art Levine, rising young middleweight, stopped Marvin Bryant, veteran puncher from Texas, in the final round of their 10-round bout at Ft. Hamilton.

## Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.

By Chester Gould



## Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate

By Chic Young



## Big Three Lay Their Chips on the Table and Stake All on Peace



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

The Big Three round-table conference opens at a country estate in Potsdam where Allied leaders and their aides are meeting to discuss present and post-war plans. President

Truman is just left of center in this photograph with his back to the camera while Prime Minister Churchill, upper left, chews on a cigar and Premier Stalin, right, holds a cigaret.

### British Press Hits Potsdam News Blackout

LONDON, July 18 (UP).—The British press today opened a caustic attack on the news blackout and censorship policy at the Potsdam conference, with newspapers generally criticizing the "security" regulations and the air of excessive mystery fostered by authorities.

An example of censorship as being practised was the deletion from a United Press dispatch of the words uttered by Prime Minister Churchill when he looked at the spot where Hitler and Eva Braun's bodies supposedly were burned.

Another UP correspondent filed a story last evening to the effect that British officers in Berlin had been warned against talking loosely to reporters, particularly on controversial subjects, because their remarks were subject to distortion. The correspondent, Ronald Clark, reported later that the dispatch had been held up all night by censors because it dealt with a "secret order."

The London Star, meanwhile, demanded an end to what it called "Potsdam Palaver," which, it said, was hiding the deliberations of the Big Three under a "maze of trivialities." It said scathingly that "about the only news from Potsdam thus far has been Army handouts about lawn mowers, alarm clocks and refrigerators flown to Potsdam," and asked: "Who cares, in the face of hunger in Europe, about the appearance of French perfume and Belgian jewelry for the delegates to buy?"

### Big Three ...

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board up or black out their windows and not to peep out as the train passed. Stalin visited Mr. Truman for lunch and an hour-long talk yesterday, 24 hours after the President had met and conferred with Churchill.

There was no indication given of what the Big Three's "preliminary exchange of views" in yesterday's session was about, and evidently contents of subsequent talks will be equally secret.

(A Reuter dispatch from Potsdam said the talks "are developing rapidly," while the United Press reported that "the opening session was stripped of most formalities" and the three chiefs, "paced by President Truman, got right down to business.")

At the end of the session, the President conferred with Secretary of War Henry Stimson, Chief of Staff Gen. George C. Marshall and Navy Chief Fleet Adm. Ernest King. It was also revealed today that high staff officers of the U.S., Britain and the Soviet Union held discussions on Monday, giving more credence to reports that Russia's role in the Pacific war may be high up on the conference agenda.

### Proudly the First Yank Outfit Rolled into Berlin Snafuland

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, July 18.—A snafu that makes "Wrong Way" Corrigan strictly a small-time operator should give this outfit undisputed claim to being the first American unit in Berlin.

The outfit is the 3630th QM Co. Back in June, when the brass was still pondering the how, when and where of American entry into Berlin, the QM boys got an alert order which said: "Report to Berlin, Germany."

They packed their bags, gassed their trucks, and got ready to roll. Then came the movement order.

It said: "The 3630th QM will report to the Berlin district immediately."

Now, if you were Capt. Victor B. Leatzow of Chicago, the company commander, where would you expect to find the Berlin district? In the Berlin district, naturally.

So off to Berlin headed the company and its 23 ten-ton trucks, across the Friendship Bridge over the Elbe at Magdeburg, taking care to get passes from both the British and the Russkis. Down the autobahn. Into Berlin.

Way ahead of the convoy was a one-jeep advance party, consisting of 1/Lt. Henry C. Townsend of Cleveland, T/5 Stephen Polately of Flemington, N.J., and Cpl. Ulman Hughes of Sotham, Ga.

When he reached Berlin, Townsend looked around for the commanding general so he could report his convoy was coming. Not only did he find no CG but he didn't find a single American.

Finally he went to see the Russian general who told him that he must have the wrong town or country or something and would he please tell his convoy to hunt somewhere else?

Townsend backtracked but somehow missed the convoy and on the next day—June 18—the 23 trucks of the company rolled down Unter den Linden and proudly halted in front of the Reichstag. First Lt. Donald G. Rice, of Kala-

mazoo, who headed the rest of the convoy, went through the same procedure. Through a three-way language razzle-dazzle, they presented their compliments to the Russian general and asked where, pray, were Townsend and the American general.

Translated from Russian to Polish to English with the aid of T/5 Stanley Chuchro, of Chicago, the answer was still the same.

"Goodbye, gentlemen—you'll find your general about a hundred miles due west."

So back out of Berlin, back to the autobahn, back across the Friendship Bridge, went the 3630th.

They finally found out that Berlin District was just a trade name and that the headquarters (unlocated in their orders) was really at Halle.

Leatzow said that the people down at Halle were "a little vexed" at the misunderstanding.

However, all was forgotten and when the U.S. Army moved in officially to Berlin, there was the 3630th right along with them.

"Of course, this was old stuff to us," says S/Sgt. Arthur Brooks, of New York City. "We're really the guys who blazed the trail. Pioneers, that's us."

### Medals for Next of Kin

WASHINGTON, July 18 (ANS).—The award of medals to the next of kin of all who died in line of duty during the war is favored by the Senate Military committee, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) said today.

### Truman, on U.S.-Bound Boat, Yanked Off to See Truman

BERLIN, July 18.—Imagine being aboard the Queen Elizabeth, all ready to sail for home, and then have someone come along and tell you, "Sorry, Bud, you're going to Berlin instead."

That's what happened to 21-year-old Sgt. Harry A. Truman, of Grandview, Mo.

In case the name is familiar, Harry A. is the nephew of the President and a GI in C Btry. of the 44th Div.'s 157th FA Bn.

When the President landed at Antwerp Sunday morning, among those on hand was Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, CG of Com Z. The President remarked to the general that he had a nephew here whom he hoped to see soon.

Well, when the President says something, even a lieutenant gen-

eral gets hopping. Lee made inquiries and discovered young Harry already was on a homeward-bound boat.

The general got the sergeant off the boat and on a plane and before Harry A. quite knew what had happened he was landing at an airfield near Berlin. That was yesterday afternoon.

Today he is the number one sergeant of the U.S. Army, riding around in a sleek black sedan and being waited on by beaucoup brass. The sergeant, son of the President's brother, Vivian, is smiling politely for photographers and telling everyone he's quite glad to be here.

Maybe he even means it—but just imagine being that close to going home and literally missing the boat.

### Girl Burglar, 20, Blames Insomnia

LONDON, July 18 (AP).—A 20-year-old girl burglar today jolted an Old Bailey judge out of his calm by telling him that she began her burglary career because of insomnia.

The girl, Gladys Couture, told the judge she craved excitement when she couldn't sleep, so she left her three-year-old child at home, armed herself with a bayonet, and went out to pry open windows.

After working a couple of jobs alone, she teamed with Charles Hollis, 23.

Hollis drew 21 months in prison, but the court postponed sentencing the girl until September.

"It is very seldom one comes across a female burglar," observed the judge.

### Redeployment...

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ed as "the first such groups to be formed" in the ETO, a wording that left the inference that others will be formed in the future.

As used in the announcement, low point-score means a score of less than 85.

Com Z disclosed yesterday that main elements of the 28th Inf. Div. have begun arriving at Camp Old Gold, a staging area near Le Havre, and that all elements of the 20th Armd. have arrived at Camp Lucky Strike.

Main elements of the 13th Armd. Div. are expected to clear Le Havre today. This will bring to ten the number of redeployed divisions either on the Atlantic or already in the U.S.

The advance detachment of the 30th Inf. Div. is scheduled to sail from Le Havre on Saturday, while the advance detachment of the 35th Inf. Div. is at port, waiting to sail.

### More ETO Outfits

#### Arrive in States

NEW YORK, July 18 (ANS).—The following units from the ETO recently arrived in the U.S., it was announced today:

At New York, members of the 214th and 209th FA Groups, 425th FA, Ninth AF, 444th Bomb Squadron, First TAC, 4288th Railhead Co., 474 Ordn Evacuation Co., Eighth Inf. Div., 3052nd QM Salvage Collecting Co., and 6837th, 6838th, 6839th, 6840th, 6841th, 6842nd, 6843rd QM detachments.

Other units which arrived in New York included the 3264th Base Depot, 145th Ordn. Co., 309th QM Det., 1660th Engr Utility Det., and the 81st Repl. Det. and Hdqrs unit.

The 35th Chemical Decon. Co., 3277th Ordn. Base Depot Co., the 2817th Engr. Model Making group, and the 39th and the 833rd QM Gas Supply Co. have arrived at Boston.

While members of the 2837th Distribution Co., 3454th Ordn. Maintenance Co., 334th, 336th, 912th 541st and 807th FA Bns. docked at Hampton Roads, Va.

### British Heavies May Hit Japan

GUAM, July 18 (ANS).—British heavy bombers may join American fliers in the Pacific, increasing to ten the Allied air groups co-ordinating their devastating raids on Japan.

Lt. Gen. Barney M. Giles, commander of the U.S. Army Strategic Air Forces, has completed a series of conferences with British Air Marshal Sir Hugh Lloyd involving "the possible assignment of a British heavy bomber force to work under USTAF," Giles' office reported today.

Already engaged in daily assaults on the Japanese homeland are 20th Air Force B29s, Fleet Air Wings One and 18 with their Privateers, Liberators and Mariners, Fifth and Seventh AAF with their Thunderbolt fighters and Liberator and Mitchell bombers, the Army's Seventh Fighter Command with its Mustangs, and Second and Fourth Marine aircraft wings with their Corsairs, Avengers and Mitchells.

Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle's Eighth AF, adding B29s and possibly B17s to the assault, is scheduled to begin operations from Okinawa about mid-August.

At least four other air forces also are attacking the Japanese Empire but not the homeland. These are the 13th AAF and Seventh Fleet aircraft from the Philippines area and 11th AAF and North Pacific Fleet Airwing, which among them attack from the Solomons to the Kuriles.

### Mars Task Force Disbanded in China

CHUNGKING, July 18 (ANS).—Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer's headquarters said today that the Mars Task Force, an American combat team which helped clear the Japanese from northern Burma and later was transferred to China, has been disbanded.

Wedemeyer's headquarters disclosed June 4 that the 475th Inf. Regt. and 124th Cav. Regt. of the Mars Task Force had been in China for several weeks after having been flown over the Himalayas.

Lt. Gen. George Stratemeyer arrived Monday and assumed command of U.S. Air Forces in China.

Stratemeyer was formerly commander of Allied Eastern Air Command with headquarters in India, since dissolved.

His new command includes the U.S. 14th AF whose commander, Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, has announced that he will retire, and the U.S. Tenth AF.

### Senate Also Bars Leopold

BRUSSELS, July 18 (Reuter).—The Belgian Senate tonight adopted a resolution declaring that King Leopold may resume his constitutional position in Belgium only with the consent of both Houses of Parliament. The measure previously had been adopted by the Chamber of Deputies.