

# 7th Army Enters Munich After 20-Mi. Gain

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# Two-Power Peace Bid Rejected, Says Moscow

## 7th Army in Munich, Takes 'Putsch' Beer Hall

American troops entered Munich yesterday, as the death knell began to toll throughout the world for the Nazi movement which was born there 22 years ago.

Troops of the Seventh Army entered the city after an advance of 20 miles, Supreme Headquarters announced last night. An Associated Press dispatch said they were in control of the beer cellar where Adolf Hitler staged his premature "putsch" of 1923 and where he had made his annual addresses to Nazi leaders through his peak years.

Munich, with a peacetime population of 829,000, is Germany's third largest city.

Entry into the city came after advances through the surrounding country—the long-touted last-stand redoubt of  
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## Red Army Steps Up Attack To Win Last Tenth of Berlin

Red Army troops, with nine-tenths of Berlin in their hands, were reported yesterday to have launched a climactic assault on the Nazi bastion in the central part of the city.

German and Soviet sources indicated that only four sectors of the capital still were held by its desperate defenders—the Tiergarten, Wilmersdorf, that part of the Wedding district northwest of the center of the city and the center of Berlin itself.

Both Moscow and Berlin appeared to have imposed a security silence on what may well have been the last hours of the bitter battle for the city, and at a late hour last night there were only scant reports on the day's operations.

### Final Attack Launched

One report, broadcast by Hamburg radio, said that the Red Army had deepened its penetrations of the city's inner defenses, and another, a dispatch from Moscow, reported that the final attack on the last core of enemy resistance had been launched.

Luxembourg radio, reporting the death of 65,000 German civilians in fighting for the city, said that the battle was nearing its end, and Moscow dispatches said the Red Army intended to complete its conquest by May Day—tomorrow.

## Austria Regains Independence; Revolts, Riots Flare in Reich

Austria, seized seven years ago and made the German province of Ostmark, broke away from the Reich yesterday to form an anti-Nazi provisional government, Moscow radio reported.

Dr. Karl Renner, 75, a Social Democrat, assumed the post of chancellor of Austria's provisional government in Vienna. The government is made up of a coalition of the  
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### Reported Slain



Benito Mussolini

## Il Duce Killed, Body on View, Milan Reports

Italy's former war-making dictator, Benito Mussolini, has been executed and his bullet-riddled body has been placed on view in a Milan square for public scorn, according to an announcement yesterday by the Free Milan radio.

The report said that Mussolini's body, along with those of 17 of his one-time Fascist henchmen, had been set up for exhibition in the same spot where only recently northern Italy Fascists had murdered 15 patriots. Among those whose bodies were said to be on public view was Achille Starace, former secretary of the Fascist party.

### Details Varied

Details of how and where Mussolini met his death varied, but most reports said that the man who had set out to rule the world with Adolf Hitler had been killed by customs guards in the Swiss-Italian frontier town of Como a few days ago. Supposedly, Mussolini's body also had been placed on exhibition there before being taken to Milan.

It was at Milan 25 years ago that Mussolini founded the Fascist movement, and it was from that city that the march on Rome was begun in 1922.

Mussolini reached the height of his reign about a decade ago as his modernized army began overrunning helpless countries in Africa and eastern Europe as part of the newly-forged Rome-Berlin axis.

### Moscow to Light Up

MOSCOW, April 29 (Reuter).—Moscow's blackout will be lifted tomorrow.

The official Soviet news agency yesterday confirmed Allied reports that Heinrich Himmler had offered to surrender Germany unconditionally to the United States and Britain, and that his proposal had been rejected because it did not include Russia.

Meanwhile, a Swedish Foreign Office statement

said that Count Folke Bernadotte had been the intermediary. The count, according to the statement, received an oral message from Himmler, which he transmitted through the Swedish Foreign Office to the United States and British ministers in Stockholm.

Tass, the official Russian news agency, reported that it had been authorized by responsible Moscow circles to confirm the proposal's rejection, which explained that only unconditional surrender to the three major powers would be accepted from Germany. Tass said that Prime Minister Churchill had informed the Kremlin of Himmler's offer upon its receipt.

The Tass report came after President Truman and Gen. Eisenhower had flatly denied reports that Germany had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies. These reports, emanating from the San Francisco conference, said that Himmler had offered complete surrender to the United States and Britain, that the offer had been rejected because Russia was not included, and that Himmler thereupon agreed to complete capitulation to the three major powers.

The BBC last night said that an official Moscow statement branded the German peace proposal as "just another desperate Nazi trick to  
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Keystone  
Count Folke Bernadotte

## Report Pinned On Connally

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—The Associated Press today named Sen Tom Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and vice-chairman of the American delegation to the United Nations conference, as the source of its report that Germany had surrendered unconditionally.

President Truman in Washington last night labeled the peace report as "unfounded" after the news agency had circulated a report from here which stated: "A high Amer-  
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### This Happened in America:

## Crowds Enjoyed a Dry Run Celebrating False V-E Day

NEW YORK, April 29 (ANS).—The state of the nation was calmer today but people were still talking about last night's false report of the German surrender—a report that gave the hotfoot to newspaper and radio network newsrooms and sent the populace into a frenzy of celebration.

Early Saturday evening America began to get the news, as newspapers in all sections of the country hit the streets with big headlines and front-page stories, and radio networks cut into scheduled programs with bulletins—all of which had snowballed from an Associated Press report from San Francisco.

Some newspapers handled the story gingerly, but nevertheless head-  
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**They Can't Bear It**

To the author of the B-Bag letter captioned "Grin & Bear It." If the purpose behind your plan is to twist a few arms and get a few narrow-minded meanies like myself all wound up like a top, let me congratulate you upon the success of your literary missile. If you are sincere in what you purpose, all I can say is that you directed your effort through improper channels. Rather than the medium of the S & S, you should have forwarded your letter to the office of the surgeon general.

Dehydrated food is not only decreasing the size of your stomach, it is also shrinking your feeble mind.

If you are an example of the current crop of red-blooded American youth, it is high time some of us old meanies went back home and started getting things back to normal again. If there has been any alteration in our memories, it is that day by day we have learned and are still learning to appreciate more and more what we left behind us. This growing appreciation makes us remember the more and emphasizes the little common ordinary things that we were once prone to take for granted.—1/Sgt.

Editor's Note: And here are excerpts from the rest of the mail on this subject:

What we Navy fellows would like to know is when are we going home? You, the master mind, that finds a solution for the Army of Occupation should be able to tell us.—S. 1/c B. A.

We'd like for our wives or mothers to read your letter and then meet you face to face. We guarantee that you'll have twice the troubles you'll have if you meet us or any other two-year veterans. If you were joking pardon us please.—Pfc R. E. M.

Your draft board must have taken all available women and children before sending you off to the wars.—Cpl. E. K. . . He must have rocks in his head.—Pfc J. R. . . Your plan has one idea to get P. J. Steffens on the first boat headed home.—Pfc W. A. R.

Say! how did that guy make corporal?—Pfc. J. H. . . That panty-waist Cpl. never should have been called into the services. By all means let him go home. Hell, we don't need men like that anywhere. . . Sgt. J. D. . . In your replies to his most intelligent suggestion, men, be as considerate as possible. After all . . . the kid has been through four tough months of it.—Cpl. C. T.

Frankly we believe that this article by Cpl. P. J. Steffens is strictly a figment of your imagination. However, if the article is genuine we still condemn you for putting such trash in your rag.—Pfc M. G.—P.S. Bet you don't publish this one.—P.P.S. Count me in on this one.—Lt. G. P., the Censor. . .

(Tsk, Tsk, Lieutenant, you had to go and spoil it. . . You are the only officer that took our good Corporal Steffens seriously. GI casualties: 39 privates, 63 pfc, 35 corporals, 41 sergeants and ONE sailor.—Ed.)

**Careful, Uncle**

I have just read a little item tucked away in a corner of today's paper which calmly states: "Two Soldiers in Germany Must Hang for Rape."

I can't help but wonder, have we fallen for another Nazi trap? I remember reading in this very

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paper, some time back, that one of the many propaganda methods in the hands of the fraus and frau-leins was to declare that one of our soldiers had raped them. Have we fallen for another of their underhand methods to demoralize our armies and kill as many of our soldiers by any means possible?

Now the women of Germany yell rape. They stood by and sanctioned all the heinous crimes that were perpetrated on the women of Russia, Poland, France, Holland and the others. These same German women were so debased and fanatical as to send their 15-year-old unmarried daughters to Nazi Youth camps to beget children for their Fuehrer. As a reward, these German girls could flaunt before the world their Deutsche Mutter Medal with its great big swastika for their children's birthright.

Don't let the Germans take advantage of our sense of justice and right. Let's be sure we're not being duped again before we condemn our soldiers to death for rape.—Lt. J. S., ANC.

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**Well Done**

No gripes. Just a tribute to the fine job the nurses, medics, and ward boys of the 239th General Hospital are doing for the guys who have been at the wrong place at the right time "Somewhere in Europe." With just a short time overseas they operate a hospital efficiently without much of the restrictions and red tape found too often in too many ETO GI accommodations.

Good work, keep it up!—Lt. H. E. H., Parachute, Inf.

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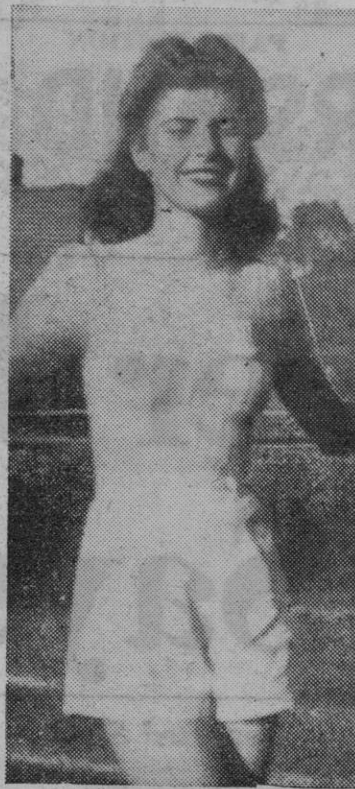
**Overfed Foe**

I have noticed quite a few units over here that employ civilian German labor, feeding them good American hot meals. This is not in accordance with the rules and regulations set down by SHAEF. The Handbook for Military Govt. in Germany states:

"Rations, clothing and accommodation will not be supplied to static labor (that which resides in the area) by military authorities except when it is deemed essential to ensure their effective use and then not in excess of that issued to mobile units (organized units under military command moved from place to place)."

— Pfc L. H. F. Mil. Gov.

**Happy Birthday**



Miss Betty Riccio, of Philadelphia, sent this picture of herself to The Stars and Stripes so that her "GI darling," Pfc Jasper (Jeep) Camarata, Hq. Co., 66th Armd. Inf. Bn., could see it on his birthday, which is today. He has been in a hospital and hasn't been receiving her daily letters regularly.

**Carrier Force Marks Birthday**

The Troop Carrier Force, commanded by Maj. Gen. Paul L. Williams of Los Angeles, flew through its third anniversary today. It has participated in supply missions, medical evacuation and airborne movements in two theaters of operation.

Activated April 30, 1942, Troop Carrier Force made its combat debut the following November, when 39 Douglas Skytrains flew from England to French Morocco and dropped the first American paratroops in the invasion of North Africa. Since then the outfit has been active over Sicily, Italy, France and Holland.

**An Editorial**

**The Psychoneurosis Fad**

A recent news dispatch from our New York bureau highlights a problem which is causing returning servicemen some bewilderment and which is rapidly assuming ridiculous proportions in the States.

It is the "psychoneurosis" fad which is sweeping the country and which is based on the belief that EVERY returning veteran is maladjusted and in need of special handling.

Dr. Charles Burlingame, chief psychiatrist of the Institute of Living, is quoted as saying that there is too much talk about soldiers "changing" on the battlefield, that some wives dread the return of their husbands, and that it is the public and not the armed services that needs readjustment.

We think it is about time soldiers in the field take cognizance of the situation and answer this whole maladjustment business with loud and prolonged Bronx cheers.

**Psychiatric Novelty Provides a Field Day**

Those who have been out of touch with the American press may not know it, but a lot of self-anointed psychiatrists, not of Dr. Burlingame's caliber, are having a field day with this psychiatric novelty.

The fad is based on the doctrine that every one who has seen overseas service is coming home slightly off the beam and in need of special treatment before he will be safe in his own house. These theories are being embraced by press and public with all the enthusiasm once lavished on crossword puzzles, Charles Lindbergh, yo-yos, the Charleston and appendicitis operations.

Books are being published on the subject, newspapers are whooping it up, magazines are devoting good white space to the project, and every screwball with thick lenses and a long haircut is setting up shop as an expert on the returning veteran. If your wife or sweetheart runs behind a good, solid oak table when you finally go bounding in the front door, don't say we didn't warn you!

Like all fads, it will pass, but this one could do real and serious damage. Honest psychiatry is an established profession. Its services are badly needed by the many fine men who are coming out of this war with mental illnesses, either from battle shock or from the rigors of a difficult life under unfamiliar surroundings.

There are too many real psychoneurotic casualties in our military hospitals for the subject to be

taken lightly. These veterans will need and should demand the most considerate of scientific treatment.

**Soldier With Overseas Stripes Makes a Happy Target**

Our complaint is against the public penchant for something "different" which has caused many otherwise sensible people to leap on psychoneurosis as tantalizingly new. With delighted cries they look about for somebody to practice on, and the soldier with the overseas stripes makes a happy target.

As an example—a perfectly normal young sailor returns to New York from the Mediterranean. He marries the gal he left behind and everything goes along fine until he is accused by Mayor LaGuardia of having had, to put it delicately, intimate relations with a girl in Italy. Naturally the lad is upset, especially when he is tossed in the Navy brig while the charges are being sweated out. The newspapers take up the case with full-throated roars. They want to bounce the Little Flower out of office at the next election so some such eminent psychiatrist as a rewrite man on the night desk comes up with the classic that the mayor is persecuting a veteran suffering from DELAYED psychoneurosis. The merits of the case are forgotten while learned authority discusses the sailor's condition. It is a happy ending that the lad was eventually sprung and is right back to normal.

Another example: A judge in a midwestern town has haled before him an ex-serviceman accused of robbing a service station. The judge releases this hero and announces that in the future he will set up a special court for ALL ex-servicemen and give them one free try on the grounds of psychoneurosis. There will be many honest psychiatric cases, but ALL veterans shouldn't be lumped together under one head in advance of their return home.

These, of course, are asides. Our big concern is against the screwballs who are scaring our wives and sweethearts and coaching them on how to treat us when we get home.

They treated us fine before we left and we are perfectly willing when this beef is over to take up where we left off.

We will be happy to sit in front of our fireplace and let them fetch us Old Fashioneds and fried chicken. But not, please God, with the look of a trapped and frightened doe, waiting for the blow to fall.

**3 Million Gallons of Gas Piped Over Rhine Daily**

Gasoline for U.S. Army tanks and vehicles is pouring across the Rhine River through six six-inch pipelines at the rate of nearly 3,000,000 gallons a day, according to the Office of the Chief Engineer.

The pipeline crossings are at four locations. Three of the crossings involving five pipes, have already been tied into existing military pipeline networks.

The first two lines were strung across the river in five days and both were in service within two weeks after the collapse of the Ludendorff Bridge at Remagen. The last line was put into operation a few days after the American Seventh and First French Armies crossed in the southern sector.

One line is strung across a pontoon bridge and the others across demolished bridges. Stockpiles of materials for the lines were built up close behind the armies during the three months preceding the crossing.

**U.S.-France Travel Resumed**

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Travel to France is being facilitated for business men whose missions are connected with the French war effort or who are involved in the French reconstruction program, it was announced by the industrial division of the Department of Commerce.

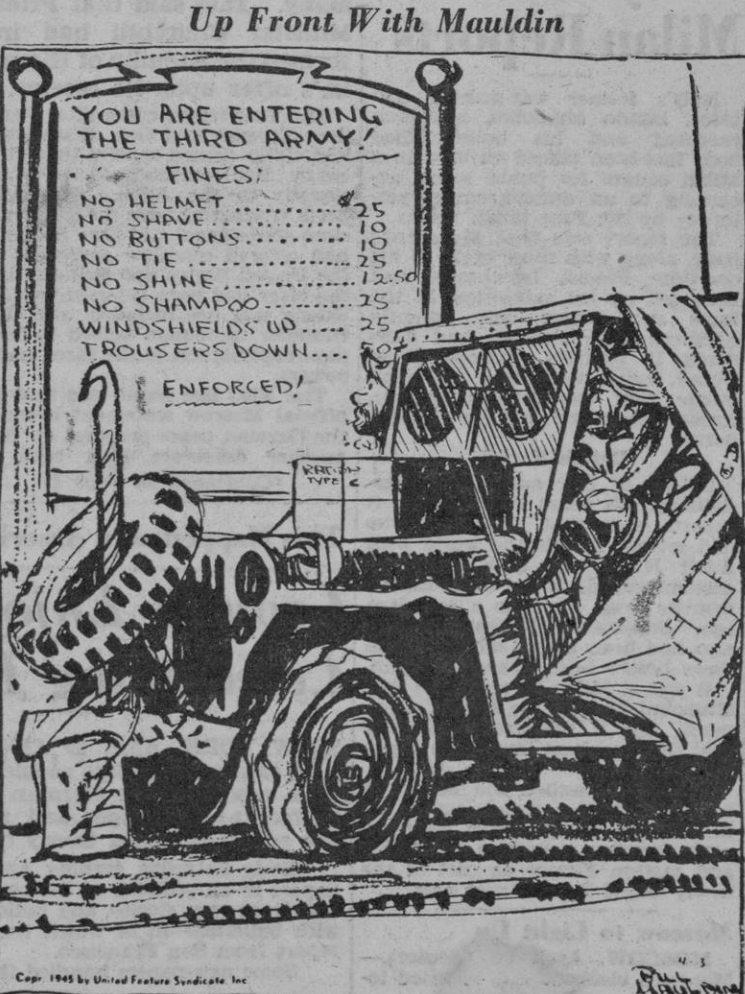
**Mother's Day Wires Must Be Filed Early**

Army postal officers yesterday urged soldiers who intend to send Mother's Day expeditionary force messages to file them with their unit mail clerks or the nearest APO early enough to reach Paris by May 6. Mother's Day is May 13.

Expeditionary force messages from Army personnel in the ETO are expected to exceed the capacity of electrical transmission facilities. If these facilities are inadequate to carry all messages, some will be flown to New York and transmitted by telegraph to the proper addresses.

**Editor Named Ambassador**

Vladimir d'Ormesson, a member of the editorial staff of the Paris newspaper Figaro, has been appointed French ambassador to Argentina.



"Radio the old man we'll be late on account of a thousand-mile detour."



# Burned to Death by the Germans



One of at least 150 political prisoners who were herded into a barn at Gardelegen and forced to sit on gasoline-soaked straw. SS troops set the straw afire and locked the door. The bodies were found when troops of the U.S. Ninth Army overran the area soon afterward.

## Truth About German Atrocities Too Vile To Print, Kunkel Says

WASHINGTON, April 29 (ANS).—Rep. John C. Kunkel, (R-Pa.), the first member of Congress to return to the U.S. after seeing the notorious German concentration camp at Buchenwald, said yesterday that the truth about the horrors committed by the Nazis there was too vile to print.

### Facts Unprintable

"If you tried to tell the actual facts, you'd get into a story of obscenity and filth that would be unprintable," he explained.

Kunkel saw the camp five days after it was liberated, and he told reporters that "anything said about the place would be an understatement."

"Of 21,000 persons still at the camp when the Americans arrived, a few appeared to be in surprisingly

good health," he said. "But most of them looked like living skeletons in the last stages of consumption."

### Buchenwald Is Termed 'Worse Than Battlefield'

NEW YORK, April 29 (ANS).—Julius Ochs Adler, general manager of the New York Times and one of 18 newspaper executives surveying German concentration camps, said in a dispatch to The Times yesterday that what "I have seen at Buchenwald is worse than any battlefield."

"The story of Buchenwald has been told, but it cannot be told too often to the people of the United States," Adler wrote. "The skinny corpses of Buchenwald should remind us of what the loss of human freedom entails."

## Buchenwald Memory Haunting, Britons Say

LONDON, April 29 (Reuter).—The policy of starvation and brutality in German concentration camps marks "the lowest point of degradation to which humanity has yet descended," according to the report of the British parliamentary delegation which visited Buchenwald.

The delegation said that the memory would haunt them.

The report stated that one hut had been used as a brothel in which higher-grade prisoners were allowed to spend 20 minutes at a time, and that inmates were prisoners from other camps induced by threats and promises of better treatment to become prostitutes but were later killed.

## SHAEF Gets Atrocity Facts

Notorious Buchenwald concentration camp was characterized as an "extermination factory" in an official report to SHAEF yesterday by officers who inspected the camp after its liberation by American troops, the Associated Press said.

Not only were the prisoners exterminated by starvation, abuse, beatings, torture and bad sanitary conditions but many were used as guinea pigs for testing toxins and anti-toxins and died as a result, the report said.

Twenty thousand prisoners were found divided by nationalities as follows: French, 2,900; Polish, 3,600; Hungarians, 1,240; Jugoslavs, 570; Russians, 4,380; Dutch, 324; Belgians, 622; Austrians, 550; Italians, 242; Czechs, 2,105; Germans, 1,800; anti-Franco Spaniards, 60; and miscellaneous, 1,207.

## Baguio Seized By Yanks After Bitter Struggle

MANILA, April 29 (ANS).—Baguio, Philippine summer capital and one-time Japanese military headquarters, has fallen to the U.S. 33rd. and 37th Inf. Divs. after one of the longest and bitterest fights of the Philippine campaign, Gen. MacArthur announced today.

The mountain city, an important American objective since the invasion of Luzon Island on Jan. 9, was taken in an encircling move with artillery and aircraft supporting ground troops.

MacArthur said the Jap garrison was destroyed at a cost of "amazingly light" U.S. casualties.

Meanwhile, the 24th Div., pushing toward Davao, the last major Japanese stronghold in the Philippines, reached Digos, 25 miles south of Davao.

In its thrust across southern Mindanao toward Davao, the 24th has covered more than 100 miles of streams, swamps and mountains.

In north-central Luzon, the 25th Div. gained another 500 yards and occupied high ridges surrounding strong Japanese positions at Balete Pass.

## Jap Planes Sink U.S. Ship, Damage Others Off Okinawa

GUAM, April 29 (ANS).—Japanese planes sank a U.S. auxiliary vessel and damaged others off Okinawa Friday night, Adm. Nimitz announced here today. Twenty-five enemy planes were shot down by U.S. interceptors.

Adm. Nimitz did not identify the vessel sunk nor report the type of ships damaged.

The U.S. ground offensive on southern Okinawa progressed slowly as infantrymen wiped out pillboxes, caves and other enemy strongpoints one by one.

Heavy artillery broke up Jap troop concentrations in the enemy's rear, while Marine and Navy planes supported troops, and naval guns bombarded the Japanese defense line above Naha for the tenth day.

## B29s Blast Jap Home Island For 4th Consecutive Day

GUAM, April 29 (ANS).—Superforts today made their fourth consecutive daylight raid on the Japanese home island of Kyushu. Between 100 and 150 planes took part.

The planes bombed six airfields in their campaign to wipe out enemy air bases.

## U.S. Ambassador Says China Must Make Own Decisions

CHUNGKING, April 29 (ANS).—U.S. Ambassador Patrick J. Hurley, fresh from a conference with Marshal Stalin, said today that the United States, Britain and Russia were anxious for China to work out her own destiny in her own way.

The United States, he said, favors unification of all anti-Japanese elements in China, but "we have insisted the Chinese must furnish their own leadership, make their own decisions and be responsible for their own policies."

"We endorse all efforts and aspirations of people to establish a united, free, democratic China," he said.

The ambassador also denied rumors of differences between himself and Maj. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's chief of staff. He said he and Gen. Wedemeyer saw eye to eye and were co-operating fully.

## Aussies Within 14 Miles Of Japs' New Guinea Base

SYDNEY, Australia, April 29 (Reuter).—Australian troops, supported by tanks and planes, have driven to within 14 miles of Wewak, one of the last Japanese strongholds in New Guinea.

## Battle Rages on Yugoslav Front

LONDON, April 29 (AP).—Marshal Tito's communique reported today that heavy fighting was in progress along the entire Yugoslav front. The Germans have received reinforcements, but have suffered heavy casualties as positions changed hands several times.



## WLB Orders Workersto End Detroit Strikes

DETROIT, April 29 (ANS).—The War Labor Board yesterday ordered 5,500 strikers to return to their jobs at the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Com., after Maj. Gail Sullivan, labor relations officer for the Sixth Service Command, had told the board that the walkout was seriously affecting war production in Detroit, Lansing, Mich.; South Bend, Ind.; Racine, Wis., and Toledo, Ohio.

The WLB ordered the temporary reinstatement of 13 workers whose discharge had precipitated the walkout Tuesday. It directed the firm to file a bill of particulars against the workers, who will be allowed five days to reply. Then the case will be reviewed by a special WLB panel.

The board earlier had ordered 16,000 workers back to their jobs in the aircraft division of the Packard Motor Car.

The 16,000 workers at Packard were made idle by an engine inspectors' strike. The inspectors struck in an argument over how many engines 110 men should inspect.

## Nurse Draft Bill Postponed

WASHINGTON, April 29 (ANS).—Senate action on the House-approved Nurse Draft Bill has been indefinitely postponed, with indications that it may be scrapped entirely, International News Service said today.

"We have decided not to bring up the bill on Monday," said Sen. Lister Hill (D-Ala.), acting Democratic Senate leader.

Hill added that the Navy has achieved its goal of nurses, while the Army, which set a goal of 60,000 by June 1, now is reported to have nearly 52,000.

"Of course we must provide nurses for our wounded," he said. "If nurses are obtained through recruitment it will be unnecessary to pass a draft act."

## NHA to Sell Homes; Priorities Set Up

WASHINGTON, April 29 (ANS).—A preference list designed to encourage home ownership has been set up by the National Housing Agency for the disposal of publicly-financed permanent family dwellings.

The order of preference to be followed is: present occupants, war veterans desiring homes for their own use, other prospective occupants and private investors.

The NHA said that about 200,000 government-financed family dwellings will become surplus either during the war or after it.

## Meat Is News in the United States



A crowd gathers outside the window of a market in Pittsburgh that has just received seven sides of beef. The butcher had to shut the door and admit only a few customers at a time. Ration points have gone up again, with the May meat supply dropping 6,000,000 pounds.

## 3 War II Vets Picket Ford In Clash Over Job Seniority

DETROIT, April 29 (ANS).—The question of seniority for returning war veterans was up for consideration by the Ford Motor Co. and United Automobile Workers, CIO, today, after three World War II veterans picketed the Ford-Lincoln plant.

The veterans, who were accompanied in their picketing by five fellow workers, all former servicemen, were among a group of 200 probationary employees laid off at Lincoln as a result of cutbacks in the Army's bomber production program.

The men carried signs which read: "What did we fight for?" "Good enough to fight, not good enough to work," and "What did we come back to?"

An agreement was reached whereby the three men could go back to work today, the AP said.

The company statement described the former servicemen as "victims of the union's refusal to agree to the month-for-month seniority for veterans who have not been previously employed at Ford's." Victor Reuther, assistant director of the UAW CIO War Policy Committee, said that the demonstration would have been avoided if the company had adopted the union's "model contract clause," but the company contended that the clause provides no protection for veterans who had never worked in the plant before they entered the armed forces.

The "model contract clause" provides that a veteran who never worked in the plant before he entered the service, may not be credited with his armed forces seniority until after he obtains a job. Reuther declared that the veteran's layoff was "completely unnecessary" under the existing contract provisions, there still are employed at the Lincoln plant non-veteran probationary employees, he said, who have not worked at the plant for the required six months probationary period.

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## French Delegate Urges League With 'Big Fist'

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Joseph Paul Boncour, a member of the French delegation to the United Nations Conference and a veteran of the League of Nations, said yesterday that the proposed world organization must have a standing army, navy and air force if it intends to maintain world peace.

Boncour, premier of France when Adolf Hitler rose to power, said that the lack of a "big fist" had been the prime weakness of the League of Nations and that he felt the Dumbarton Oaks plan did not go far enough in that respect.

The Dumbarton Oaks plan, which has been made the agenda for the conference, proposes merely that national units of armed forces be held "immediately available" for use by the proposed world organization.

In an interview, Boncour said that he was convinced that peace is impossible unless the U.S., Britain, Russia, China and France have a big army, navy and air force ready to use at the first sign of aggression. Boncour revealed that such an international force would be proposed by France in an amendment.

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## Can She Cancan?



Dale Evans, of Hollywood, winds up a new version of the cancan.

## Panic Is Blamed For Four Deaths In Plane Crash

WASHINGTON, April 29 (ANS).—James Wilmott, president of Page Airways, said yesterday that the death of four persons when a Page plane burned at National Airport two days ago could have been prevented if passengers had not become panic-stricken.

Seven other persons, including the pilot, V. Decker, of Williamsville, N.Y., and the co-pilot, Edwin A. Sanford, of Rochester, N.Y., were seriously burned.

Wilmott said that the pilot and co-pilot had told him that no one was "even scratched" when the plane swerved from the runway and struck a ravine. A little later, the plane burned.

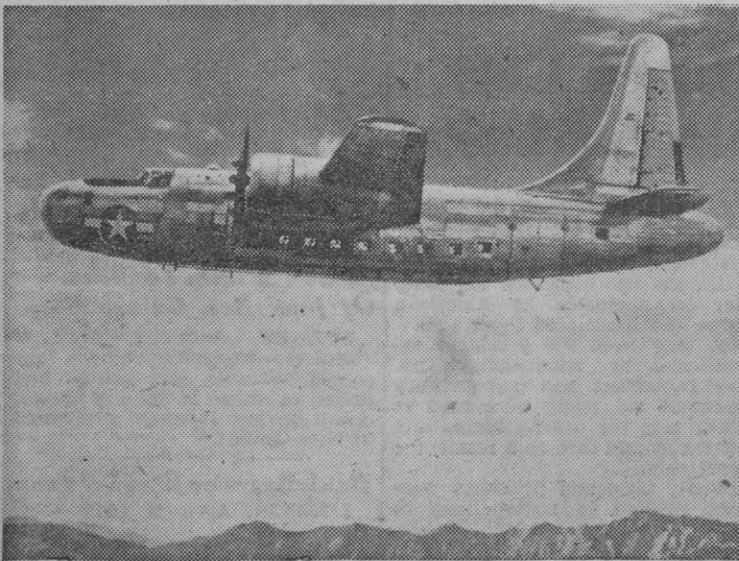
"If they (the passengers) had kept their heads they could have opened the door and gotten out safely," Wilmott said at a preliminary investigation by the Civil Aeronautics Board. "They couldn't open the door at first and were jammed up in the aisle. The co-pilot finally had to come back from the cockpit open door and help them out through the flames."

## Democrats' Aide Quits, Joins Reparations Group

WASHINGTON, April 29 (ANS).—Edwin W. Pauley resigned yesterday as treasurer of the Democratic National Committee and accepted President Truman's appointment as the American member of the Allied Reparations Commission.

Pauley, a 42-year-old California oil man, will have the rank of ambassador and also will be Mr. Truman's personal representative in reparations dealings. He will replace Isador Lubin, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, on the Commission. Lubin will be Pauley's associate, with the rank of minister.

## New U.S. Transport Plane Makes a Test Flight



The RY3, made by Consolidated-Vultee and designed for long-range overseas operations, can carry a gross weight of about 30 tons, including 28 passengers, at a maximum speed of more than 250 miles an hour. It is a transport version of a Navy patrol bomber.

## Surgeon Takes Bullet From Girl's Heart, Says She Has Chance for Life

PHILADELPHIA, April 29 (ANS).—A .32 caliber bullet was removed from the heart muscle of a 16-year-old girl last night, physicians said she has a better than even chance to recover.

Police said the girl, Ruth Summers, was shot accidentally while examining a pistol at the home of a girl friend. She was taken to a hospital, where the bullet was extracted in a two-hour operation.

The surgeon, who asked that his name not be used, said that many similar operations have been performed by military doctors and that it would be unethical for him to take any credit.



This Happened in America Yesterday:

# Crowds Enjoyed a Dry Run Celebrating False V-E Day

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Lines and bulletins touched off joyous demonstrations in many cities. Here are some of the reactions:

**NEW YORK**—Thousands of persons jammed Times Square in preparation for a victory celebration. Mounted police were on hand in large numbers to handle the cheering mob, which sported carnival hats and ticker tape.

When President Truman's denial of the report was announced, the crowd broke up swiftly and dejectedly. Men and women, including some in uniform, wept unashamedly as the nation's highest official made it clear the good news was without foundation.

At Carnegie Hall, where Fred Waring and his band were giving a concert, Waring himself grabbed the microphone and announced: "I hate to interrupt this concert in this fashion because I believe you already have heard the news. In case you haven't—here it is—Germany has surrendered unconditionally. We are now waiting for President Truman to go on the radio and make the official announcement."

Waring's Pennsylvanians immediately struck up "God Bless America," and the cheer that went up was the greatest the hall had ever heard.

In Jack Dempsey's restaurant the manager quieted the orchestra while the news was read. Patrons cheered and some kissed each other; the more reserved shook hands, but practically all drank a toast to victory.

A holdout against the celebration was an unidentified man standing at the corner of 42nd street and Broadway. Prior to Truman's denial of the surrender report, the man was asked: "Aren't you happy it's all over?"

"I haven't heard the air raid sirens which are supposed to officially announce the end of the war," he replied. "Until I hear the sirens I'll just believe the war is still on."

**CHICAGO**—Loop district crowds were surprisingly quiet and subdued. People surged into stores and other buildings but without demonstrations. All police leaves were cancelled but that order was rescinded after the President's announcement. At service-men's centers, sailors were ordered back to their stations by shore patrol units, but were allowed to gather again after the official denial.

The Chicago Tribune appeared on the street with a big "Germany Gives Up" headline, while the Times put out a "Victory Extra" which screamed "Germany Quits."

**TWIN CITIES**—Minneapolis and St. Paul received the surrender story without major demonstrations, but in hotel lobbies, railroad stations and downtown streets excitement ran high. The Minneapolis Sunday Tribune bannered the story "Germany Surrenders, High U.S. Official Says," while the St. Paul Pioneer Press streamer read "Surrender Reported."

**ATLANTA**—On Peachtree street, where the end of two other wars had been celebrated, thousands gathered in a premature celebration of V-E Day. Both The Atlanta Journal and the Constitution were on the street with "Surrender" editions. The Rialto and Rhodes Theatres emptied their audiences after announcing the news, while in the Paramount, a minister went to the stage and led the audience in prayer. Elsewhere, church congregations gathered swiftly for prayers of thanksgiving. Liquor stores and bars throughout the city were closed.

**ST. LOUIS**—Downtown crowds bent on ordinary Saturday night entertainment got the news first from a Post-Dispatch extra based on the false report, which bannered: "Surrender of Germany Is Reported."

**INDEPENDENCE, Mo.**—President Truman's home town Mayor Roger Sermon gave the signal. Stores closed immediately and most of the community flocked to churches. Even after the President's statement, crowds continued to celebrate.

**LINCOLN, Neb.**—Liquor stores and beer taverns closed shortly after 8 PM, according to V-E Day plans, when The Lincoln Sunday Journal and the Star published an extra bannered the surrender report from San Francisco—"Germany Surrendering!"

**MIAMI**—Rejoicing over the surrender story was highlighted by a celebration at Pan American Airway's giant terminal, when hundreds of passengers and employees turned the field into an uproar of cheers and shouts. The news was broadcast over a loud-speaker covering the vast field, and all air traffic was stopped for several minutes.

Miami newspapers did not publish extras, but all news sources were swamped with phone calls. In nightclubs, entertainment was suspended briefly while customers sought further news.

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.**—The Nashville Banner brought out an extra with this streamer: "Nazis Quit, U. S. Official reports!"

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.**—The News-Sentinel did not get out an extra. It was awaiting confirmation of the story. The Knoxville Journal, however, splashed the one word "Surrender" ten inches deep across its front page.

**LOS ANGELES**—Mayor Fletcher Bowron issued a statement asking civilians to conform to the V-E Day code of conduct which had been set up earlier to keep war production going. Public address systems in aircraft plants were kept open for the official announcement, which never came, and none of Los Angeles' newspapers published extra editions.

**SPOKANE, Wash.**—The Spokane Chronicle published an extra with the headline: "Surrender." The Spokesman-Review's first edition had a headline saying: "Germany Gives Up—No Strings." But there were no major celebrations in Spokane and most citizens heard the news with a "wait-and-see attitude."

**BOSTON**—Most people refused to believe the report. There were no extra MP or SP patrols, but police were alerted. Nor was there any mass movement on public transportation lines before the President's denial was made public. The telephone company reported a 50 percent increase in calls between 8 and 10 PM.

**HOUSTON, Tex.**—A Chronicle extra hit the streets at 8 PM, with a big, black streamer saying: "War in Europe Is Ended."

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**—Crowds gathered along the mile-long expanse of pavement from the White House, up Pennsylvania Avenue to Capitol Hill. The question on nearly everybody's lips was: "Is it true?" Many of those asking that question held newspaper extras reporting that Germany had surrendered. "It's too bad President Roosevelt didn't live long enough to make this announcement," a soldier said. And then he added: "If it's really true."

## The Surrender Report Flash by Flash

FLASH!

0218/29 LONDON RELAYING  
RUSH APC---SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 29 (AP)---GERMANY HAS SURRENDERED TO THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS UNCONDITIONALLY AND AN ANNOUNCEMENT IS EXPECTED MOMENTARILY, A HIGH AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAID. THE OFFICIAL SAID THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE SURRENDER PRESUMABLY WOULD BE MADE THROUGH GENERAL EISENHOWER. THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS EXPECTED IN WASHINGTON AT 1600 BUT WAS DELAYED. (AP)

(MORE)

FLASH!

0328/29 LONDON RELAYING  
RUSH APC---WASHINGTON, APRIL 29 (AP)---PRESIDENT TRUMAN SAID RUMORS OF GERMANY'S UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER ARE UNFOUNDED. (AP).

(MORE)

0314/29 PARIS S&S

PSS 135---GEN. EISENHOWER'S HQ., APRIL 29---GEN. EISENHOWER SAID EARLY THIS MORNING THAT HE KNEW NOTHING OF ANY SURRENDER OFFER. PSS 0316

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## Phony Surrender Flash Just Another Rumor to Yanks

In Paris hot spots and GI clubs the false surrender flash was relayed by excited MCs and eager couriers. The French kissed, joined hands, ran into the streets, sang songs, but the Yanks had heard rumors before.

"Hell," the captain said in a cellar night club, "I phoned SHAEF and they don't know anything about it. SHAEF doesn't know anything about it, but I'm supposed to believe a drunken entertainer in a drunken night club trying to sell beer."

"La guerre est finie" they told Cpl. Samuel H. Margolin, of Danville, Ill., in the lounge of Rainbow Corner. "You guys are drunk," he said. "Let me sleep."

### War Over, Now What?

For those who believed it, the report had a sobering effect. They had been in the Army a long time. The war was over, but now what?

"Maybe it's true, but let's be realistic about it," said Lt. George Martin, a regular Army man from Chicago. He pointed to the paratrooper's wings on his blouse. "If we don't jump here we'll jump some place else."

"Maybe it's true," he continued, looking at the milling crowd on the small dance floor, "but the people doing the fighting aren't doing the dancing."

With four years behind him in the Army—three of it overseas—the infantry sergeant sat and heard the war was over and watched the dancing.

Did he know the war was over? Hell, yes, he'd heard it twice—once in French and once in English. It meant the same in both languages, he said. "Finie la guerre, the war's over, now we go to the Pacific."

## Parley in Uproar As Delegates See Extras on 'Peace'

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—The phony peace looked pretty real for a while in San Francisco, where the United Nations conference is now under way.

San Francisco was the source of the reports—later denied by President Truman and Gen. Eisenhower—that Germany had surrendered unconditionally. Rumors snowballed all day.

Delegates to the conference, listened to speakers with one ear and gathered in excited groups to take in the latest rumors.

Yes, it looked pretty good. And it looked even better when a delegate rushed in with extra editions of the San Francisco Chronicle and the San Francisco Call-Bulletin.

"Nazis Quit," the Call-Bulletin said in white, five-inch letters on a red background. "Nazis Surrender, Says U.S. Official," the Chronicle said in a two-line banner of two-inch letters.

All the delegates who could read English climbed upon their seats and a deafening uproar started.

## French Hold First Election In Nine Years

By Paul Green

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

More than 600,000 local officials were elected yesterday throughout France as some 23,000,000 voters went to the polls in the first French election in nine years. For the first time in the nation's history, women took part.

The election was marked by calmness and lack of excitement, and no disorders were reported. No conclusive results in the balloting were expected until today.

Taking advantage of this opportunity to practice democracy again after four years of Nazi occupation, long lines of voters formed outside the election booths from the opening time at 8 AM.

Women outnumbered the male voters by almost 14,000,000 to 9,000,000.

"Women have fought with men to free the nation," commented one citizen, shrugging his shoulders. "They have a right to the vote."

French municipal elections are usually of little importance outside the country, but since this is the first election in any liberated country, political observers wondered to what extent the population would swing to the left. Some national changes may be made to conform with the trend.

As in pre-war days, a huge list of candidates confronted the voters. This was particularly true in Paris, where proportional representation was being tried for the first time.

## AP Pins Surrender Report on Connally

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ican official said today that Germany had surrendered unconditionally. News of the acceptance is expected hourly.

Sen. Connally added, the AP said, that an announcement on the surrender was to have been made during the afternoon in Washington, but had been held up. Connally, the AP said, gave the report to one of its reporters with the stipulation that "it be used without attribution pending the formal announcement he predicted." However, the Texas senator removed the restriction after Washington flatly denied the report.

The AP said that Connally, when informed that Mr. Truman had said such reports were unfounded, again said he expected "momentarily" an announcement of surrender.

Then Connally was interviewed by reporters of the Associated Press, United Press and International News Service.

The Associated Press version of the interview said Connally asserted that his statement and quotations had been reported correctly.

[The United Press reported that Connally had denied he had



Sen. Tom Connally

any official information on the reported end of the European war or that "he had made any

statements on which false reports could be based.]

The UP reporter then asked if it was not true that Connally had made his statement on the basis of rumors and information current at the United Nations conference during the day.

Connally said that he knew what everybody knew, adding that he had "no official information."

The reporters at the conference were Jack Bell, of the Associated Press; Charles Degges, of United Press, and William Theis, of International News Service.

## Allied Aircraft Drop Food Supplies to Dutch

Allied aircraft yesterday dropped food supplies in The Hague, Rotterdam and Leyden areas of occupied Holland.

The food will be collected and distributed by Dutch officials, according to a message from SHAEF broadcast to Holland.

Germans were warned that unescorted Allied bombers would drop food and that they were not to be interfered with.



# Wyse of Cubs Hurls One-Hitter; Bosox Cop

## 8th Inning Hit By Bill Salkeld Only Buc Blow

NEW YORK, April 29.—A single by Bill Salkeld, rookie catcher, in the eighth inning with one out slammed the door in the face of Hank Wyse's bid for no-hit fame as the gangling Cub right-hander twirled his mates to a 6-0 victory over the Pirates at Chicago yesterday.

Salkeld's hit, a low liner to right-center, was the only solid blow off Wyse. The Cubs, meanwhile, pounded Max Butcher for 12 hits and all their runs in the first five innings before Al Gerheuser and Fritz Ostermueller came to the mound for the Bucs. Bill Nicholson counted Stan Hack with a single in the first, while doubles by Mickey Livingston and Ed Sauer and singles by Phil Cavarretta, Nicholson, Peanut Lowry and Don Johnson produced five runs in the fifth.

### Marion Sprains Ankle

The Cardinals suffered a double setback at Cincinnati yesterday, losing to the Reds, 1-0, on an unearned run in the ninth and losing the services of Marty Marion, their brilliant shortstop. Marion suffered a severe ankle sprain when he tried to steal home in the ninth and will be sidelined for several days.

Arnie Carter of the Reds and Blix Donnelly were engaged in a scoreless pitching duel until the lower half of the ninth when Donnelly lost his control and walked Steve Mesner, Kermit Wahl and Dick Sipek. Then, with two outs, Dain Clay lifted an easy fly to Jim Mallory, who muffed it, allowing Mesner to score with the winning run.

### Rosen's Hit Downs Giants

Three runs in the ninth enabled the Dodgers to shade the Giants, 4-3, and haul their bitter rivals out of the National League lead. Van Lingle Mungo was coasting behind a 3-1 lead when he walked Frenchy Bordagaray and Bill Durrett to open the ninth. Ace Adams replaced Mungo and issued passes to Luis Olmo and Ed Stanky before giving way to Ewald Pyle. Goody Rosen, the first batter to face Pyle, lined a single that ended the game. Vic Lombardi, who spelled Ben Chapman in the seventh, was the victor.

Joe Mack's single with the bases full in the eighth handed the Braves an 8-7 verdict over the Phillies as Tom Early outpitched Vern Kennedy in relief roles. Both starters, Charlie Sproul of the Phils and Charlie Barrett of the Braves were taking showers by the third inning. Buster Adams and Jim Wassell homered for the Phils, while Carden Gillenwater homered for the Braves.

## Dana Bible Protests To Happy Chandler

AUSTIN, Texas, April 29.—Dana X. Bible, popular athletic director of Texas U., sent a strong protest to Happy Chandler, new high commissioner of baseball, and urged organized baseball to adopt a rule similar to pro football prohibiting the signing of college players.

Dana became perturbed when Henry Culp, 28-year-old war veteran and Texas U. mound ace, left this week to sign with Memphis of the Southern Association. "I realize I have little basis for a protest since there is no rule regarding the signing of college players by professional baseball teams as there is in professional football," said Bible. "But I hope my protest will start a movement to prevent other such cases."

### Majors Adopt New Rule

CLEVELAND, April 29.—A rule, which provides that a player discharged from the armed services would not be placed on the active list until 15 days after his first game, has been approved by the major leagues.

## Swim Pool Opens In Paris ARC Club

An indoor swimming pool in the Columbia Red Cross club is now open to enlisted men daily from 1100 to 2230 hours. Swim trunks are available at the club, and the pool can accommodate 90 persons.

Wacs will be admitted Wednesday evenings from 1830 to 2230 hours.

## Gunder Runs 4:12.7 Mile

PHILADELPHIA, April 29.—Gunder Haegg, the Swedish tie salesman and world champion miler, ran a sizzling 4:12.7 mile—but finished fourth—in a special handicap event at Franklin Field yesterday that highlighted the windup of the 51st annual Penn Relays.

The Gunder, starting from scratch, uncorked the fastest race of his 1945 American tour, but reached the tape behind Jimmy Howe of West Point, who had a 140-yard handicap. At that, Howe beat the Swedish star by a scant 20 yards. Phil Stilwell, high school ace from Lower Camden, N.J., who enjoyed a 90-yard handicap, finished second, and Johnny Fisher of West Point, who was given a 140-yard handicap, captured third place.

Haakan Lidman, Haegg's countryman, made a surprise appearance in the 120-yard high hurdles, which was run on the grass, and nosed out Morris Wilson of Delaware College by a foot. Lidman's finishing kick produced victory after the Swede had bumped into the ninth hurdle and lost his stride momentarily.

Michigan, with the Hume twins Bob and Ross leading the way, won two more major relay titles, marking the Wolverines as the only team to annex four Penn Relay crowns since Pittsburgh turned the trick in 1932.

Pvt. Barney Ewell sped to victory in the 100-yard dash.

## Bangert Stars In Drake Meet

DES MOINES, Iowa, April 29.—Bill Bangert, opera singing athlete from Missouri, dominated the 36th annual Drake Relays by winning the shotput and discus events here yesterday.

Bangert tossed the discus 151.9 feet, 14 feet farther than his winning performance last year. His shotput heave of 51 feet 5 5/8 inches was 1 5/8 inches farther than the winning distance recorded by his teammate Ed Quirk in the Penn Relays yesterday.

The Bangert-Quirk sweep was the second time in history one school won the same event in both relay meets. In 1923, Tom More and Emerson Norton of Kansas walked off with the Drake and Penn high jump titles, respectively. Illinois monopolized the relays, grabbing first prizes in the half-mile relay, the sprint medley and the John L. Griffith Memorial mile relay. Miami of Ohio raced to victory in the college 880-yard and college sprint medley events.

Drake, the host team, won three titles. Fred Feiler, National cross-country ruler, took the two-mile run and anchored the winning distance medley relay team, while Paul Ware, Negro star, won the invitational 220-yard test.

### Steelers Sign Leonard

PITTSBURGH, April 29.—James R. "Big Jim" Leonard has been appointed head coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Football League, Art Rooney and Bert Bell, co-owners of the club, announced. Leonard was assistant coach and talent scout for the club last year.

# THE SCOREBOARD

National League				American League			
Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 0	Brooklyn 4, New York 3	Boston 8, Philadelphia 7	Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 0	New York 2, Washington 1 (13 innings)	Boston 8, Philadelphia 4	Detroit 5, Cleveland 1	Chicago at St. Louis, postponed, rain
W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct	W L Pct
Chicago..... 7 2 .778	Brooklyn..... 4 5 .444	New York... 8 3 .727	St. Louis... 3 4 .429	Detroit.... 5 2 .714	St. Louis... 2 5 .286	Philadelph. 6 3 .667	Cleveland... 1 6 .143
Boston..... 5 4 .556	Pittsburgh. 2 7 .222	Cincinnati. 5 4 .556	Philadelph. 2 7 .222	New York 6 3 .667	Boston..... 1 8 .111	Chicago at St. Louis (2)	Detroit at Cleveland (2)
New York at Brooklyn				Washington at New York			
Philadelphia at Boston (2)				Boston at Philadelphia (2)			
Pittsburgh at Chicago (2)							
St. Louis at Cincinnati (2)							

### Major League Leaders

Leading Hitters				Leading Pitchers			
W L Pct	G AB R H Pct.	G AB R H Pct.	G AB R H Pct.				
Ott, New York..... 11 35 14 15 .429	Mayo, Detroit..... 7 27 7 12 .444	Hockett, Chicago... 5 23 4 10 .435	Christopher, Philadelphia, 3-0; Benton, Detroit, Borowy, New York, and Trout, Detroit, 2-0.				
Holmes, Boston..... 9 38 9 16 .421	Dickshot, Chicago... 5 23 3 10 .435	Michaels, Chicago... 5 19 3 8 .421					
O'Brien, Pittsburgh... 8 29 2 11 .379	Culler, Boston..... 9 41 11 15 .366	Byrnes, St. Louis... 6 23 2 9 .391					
Stanky, Brooklyn... 8 25 5 9 .360							

## 9th SC Crowns 8 Champions As Two-Day Fight Meet Ends

By Ray Lee  
Stars and Stripes Sports Writer

Pvt. John Worship, dusky 200-pounder from Cleveland, alley-brawled his way to the Ninth AF Service Command heavyweight title at the Palais de Glace, Paris, Saturday night when he drew the nod over T/5 Henry Fisher, Negro from Corpus Christi, Texas, 190, in an unorthodox slugfest that kept a capacity crowd cheering throughout.

Seven other champs also were crowned, one—Pvt. Clarence Moore, 120-pounder from Ft. Worth, Texas—without donning the gloves because he failed to find any opposition in his weight bracket. Pvt. William MacArthur, of Philadelphia, won the light-heavyweight title on a freak TKO when Pvt. Robert Gantt, of Buffalo, N.Y., dislocated his shoulder throwing a left hook at 25 seconds of the opening stanza.

Pfc Fred Pisz, of Moosup, Conn., drew the only other short-time decision in his consolation bout with Pfc Joe Lewis, of Greenville, Miss. Referee Frank Marcella stopped the scrap at 1:48 of the first round when Lewis hit the canvas for the third time.

In two added attractions, Billy Conn, No. 1 threat to Joe Louis' world's heavyweight crown, clown-ed through a three-round exhibition with his brother, Jackie, and two hefty 50-pounders—Gerard Bescancon and Guy Marque—used 16-ounce gloves to battle to a draw for "the favors of Pigalle's seven-year old society queen."

In other bouts: S/Sgt. William Menta, Trenton, N.J., outpointed Pfc Joe Torres, Laredo, Texas; Pvt. Herman Parker, Huntington, W.Va., outpointed Pfc Theodore Zagula, Chester, W.Va.; Sgt. John Farrel, Denver, Col., outpointed Cpl. Stanley McCarron, Belleville, Ill.; S/Sgt. Roland Nutter, McPherson, Kan., outpointed Pvt. Curtis Neal, New Orleans; Pvt. San Logan, Rokey M., N.C., outpointed T/5 John Zilka, Allquippa, Pa.

## Dutch Bergman Signs New Redskin Pact

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Arthur "Dutch" Bergman has signed a new contract with the Washington Redskins of the National Football League as assistant president and scout. This is Bergman's fourth year with the club.

PHILADELPHIA, April 29.—Bitsy Mott, the Phillies' sensational rookie third sacker, has been inducted into the Navy after having previously been rejected and classified 4F.

## Red Sox Drub Athletics, 8-4, For First Win

NEW YORK, April 29.—The Red Sox snapped their eight-game losing streak and entered the American League win column for the first time this season by defeating the Athletics, 8-4, at Philadelphia yesterday.

Rex Cecil turned back the A's with four hits, but two walks, Irv Hall's double and Ben Steiner's error, gifted the Mackmen with three runs in the ninth. Frank Hayes homered for the Athletics in the fourth, while Bob Johnson slapped a four-bagger for the Bosox in the sixth.

Don Black forced out in the seventh when a line drive injured his pitching hand. Jittery Joe Berry finished for the A's. Pete Fox contributed four hits to Boston's cause.

Al Benton, who was discharged from the Navy too late for the full spring training period, registered his second victory of the season by pitching the Tigers to a 5-1 triumph over the Indians. Benton stifled the Tribe with two hits, a pop single by Pat Seery in the third and Manager Lou Boudreau's single in the ninth. Jim Bagby, Bill Henry and Ed Klieman tolled for the Indians, with Bagby being charged with the defeat.

Nick Etten swatted a single to score Herschel Martin in the 13th inning with the run that enabled the Yankees to shade the Senators, 2-1. Etten also accounted for the earlier Yankee run, clubbing a homerun in the sixth frame, while the Griffs counted their run in the second on a triple by Gil Torres and Jake Powell's single. Chick Pieretti travelled the route for the Senators, yielding ten hits, 11 walks and stranding 19 runners on the bases with crafty clutch pitching. Ernie Bonham started for the Yanks, but was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the ninth, and Jim Tobin was the winner.

The White Sox and Browns were rained out.

PITTSBURGH, April 29.—Infielder Al Rubeling has requested the Pirates to put him on the voluntary retired list. He plans to remain at his war job at Parkersville, Md., for the duration, he said.

## Runs for the Week

American League							Total
Boston	X	P	P	1	3	8	12
Chicago	X	P	P	X	0	0	0
Cleveland	X	P	P	3	P	1	4
Detroit	X	P	P	P	0	5	5
New York	X	P	5	4	2	11	11
Philadelphia	X	P	7	5	4	16	16
St. Louis	X	P	4	X	0	4	4
Washington	X	P	4	6	1	11	11

## Minor League Standings

International League				American Association			
Buffalo 14, Jersey City 6	Montreal 13, Newark 3	Toronto 10, Baltimore 6	Rochester-Syracuse, postponed, rain	Toledo 5, Indianapolis 0	Milwaukee 8, St. Paul 3	Others postponed, rain	
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Jersey City... 7 1 .875	Rochester... 3 3 .500	Montreal... 5 3 .625	Buffalo... 2 5 .286	Little Rock... 4 3 .571	Syracuse... 1 3 .250	Newark... 4 4 .500	Toronto... 1 5 .167
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Births

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- L. T. Gilbert L. Gaumer, Houston-Gilbert L., Feb. 24; Cpl. James H. Meyers, Bedias, Tex.-James Foster, April 5; Lt. Jack E. Howe, Yorkshire, N.Y.-Maria Jean, April 21; Pvt. Edward L. Bunn, N.Y.-boy, April 21; Sgt. Paul C. Nugent, Camillus, N.Y.-boy, April 9; Cpl. Kenneth L. Schultz, Detroit-Nan Elizabeth, April 20; Cpl. Arthur Swartz, N.Y.-girl, April 23; T/5 William C. Carlson, Kalispell, Mont.-Robert William, April 21. PFC Robert S. Hayes, Buffalo-Lynda Lorene, April 23; Capt. Edwin M. Cleveland, Dallas-Robert Harris, April 23; Lt. George G. Greenleaf, Ionia, Mich.-boy, April 9; Sgt. Albert J. Lemire, Ipswich, Mass.-Jeffrey Michael, April 22; Pfc John Schutt, Chicago-Gail Dinae, April 14; S/Sgt. Melville Samuels, N.Y.-Ronald, April 22; Sgt. Burnell J. Naes, St. Louis-Carol Susan, April 19; M/Sgt. Eugene B. Moore, Baltimore-girl, April 22; Lt. Edward A. Benson, Westfield, N.J.-Edward A., April 22. PVT. John W. Cameron, Glendale, L.I.-Shirley Ann, April 21; Pfc Jerry N. Young, Sacramento, Calif.-girl, April 19; Sgt. David Goldstein, Brooklyn-Michael Stuart, April 22; Capt. H. D. Hutchinson, Decatur, Ala.-boy, April 24; T/5 Elliott M. Ray, Westchester, Pa.-boy, April 20; Pvt. Pasquale Franciosi, Groton, Conn.-boy, April 20; Sgt. Robert S. Vore, Oklahoma City-Will Roger, April 22; Pvt. Frank J. Pilutik, Hollis, L.I.-Harold Joseph, April 8; 1/Lt. R. D. Thompson, New York-Peter Gordon, April 24; T/5 David C. Jerram, Anderson, Ind.-Susan Jane, April 25. L. T. James E. Cornish, Arkansas City, Ind.-Christine, April 25; Pvt. George Daniel, Newark, Ohio-Judith Ann, April 2; S/Sgt. Gilbert Vogelpohl, Saginaw, Mich.-girl, April 21; S/Sgt. Joseph D. Friedman, Brooklyn-Warren Lewis, April 7; Lt. Irwin S. Bloch, Philadelphia-boy, April 22; Lt. John N. Medinger, Baltimore-John L., April 24; Pfc Thomas I. Cook, Murphysboro, Ill.-boy, April 21; Sgt. James C. Lawson, Monroe, La.-Suzanne Elizabeth, March 27; Pfc William D. Hall, Rome, Ga.-boy, April 5; Cpl. Samuel B. Dahmer, Akron, Ohio-Marcella Jo, March 23; Pfc John Hayden, Auburn, N.Y.-Michael, April 12.

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# 5th Smashes Into Milan; 100,000 Nazis Captured In 3-Week Offensive

Troops of the Allied Fifth Army smashed into Milan yesterday as Nazi Germany's holdings in northern Italy tottered on the verge of utter collapse. Milan already had been reported cleared of most Germans by Italian patriots.

More than 100,000 Nazis have been captured in the offensive launched by the Fifth and Eighth Armies three weeks ago, and tens of thousands more face entrapment as the result of an Allied thrust that reached the Italo-Swiss frontier and virtually cut northern Italy in half.

### Spearheads at Como

American tank spearheads of Lt. Gen. Lucian Truscott's Fifth Army were at Como, at the lower end of Lake Como, three miles from the border of Switzerland, after a 60-mile dash in pursuit of German forces seeking to escape through the Brenner Pass. Other Americans, members of the 10th Mountain Div., reached the northern end of Lake Garda, in the foothills of the Alps.

Gen. Eisenhower revealed that French units under his command were at or across the Italian frontier for a stretch of 50 miles northward from the Ligurian Sea. The French had penetrated as much as 10 miles into Italy, and their linkup with Fifth Army forces pushing beyond captured Genoa was considered imminent.

On the Eighth Army front, the German garrison at Venice was virtually isolated as Allied forces captured Padua, some 20 miles southwest of Venice, and Italian patriots asserted that Treviso Province, bordering Venice on the northwest, had been liberated. Forty-five miles west of Venice, Vicenza, so-called gateway to the Brenner Pass, fell to Fifth Army elements.

A Rome radio announcement said that patriots had won possession of most of Venice.

Bad weather hampered Allied air activity over northern Germany, but tactical planes of MAAF were credited with the destruction or damaging of 700 German vehicles.

## Austria . . .

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Social Democratic, Christian Social and Communist parties. Renner was the last president of the free parliament of Austria, dissolved in 1938.

Inside Germany, according to a Svenska Dagbladet report from Berne, remnants of the German navy were rioting in the Rostock harbor district. The Stockholm newspaper also reported that Propaganda Minister Josef Goebbels had been killed and that Hitler had been seriously wounded.

Munich radio reportedly had been taken over by anti-Nazi elements Saturday. Hamburg radio broadcast an order to the Munich station to relay its pro-Nazi news bulletins, but the Munich station failed to comply.

The clandestine anti-Nazi Radio Atlantic reported that riots were breaking out throughout Bavaria, with many Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe officers taking part.

## 2-Power Peace Bid Spurned

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cause discord between the western Allies and Russia."

Heinrich Himmler, the BBC reported, was said by Moscow to have made the offer with only one objective—to gain time. The Russians also reiterated their stand that the three major Allied powers were welded together in long-term agreements which such enemy efforts cannot break.

Himmler, according to an earlier report from San Francisco, said that Hitler was dying and would not live more than 48 hours after Germany's capitulation was announced. The Stockholm Tidningen reported yesterday that "reliable sources" had said that Hitler suffered a stroke and died April 24,

## Underground Turns Town Over to Yanks

By Peter Furst

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

AUGSBURG, April 28 (Delayed).—A German underground anti-Nazi organization came into the open this morning and handed over the city of Augsburg to the Third Div. just as the news of the Munich revolt against the Hitler government swept through the city like wildfire.

German civilians crowded the streets, cheering and waving to the first Americans who entered the town almost unopposed early this morning. The Yanks were guided across bridges and along safe roads by members of the German revolutionary movement in what appeared to be the first effective organized action on the part of German civilians against the Nazi party.

1/Lt. William C. Leopold, of Ottawa, Ill., and the 15th Regt., who this morning captured Gen. Fehn, German commander of Augsburg, and his entire staff, after being led to his headquarters by civilians, said that the underground group had apparently been extremely well organized.

### Civilian Contacts Lieutenant

"This morning, a civilian drove up and asked me if I'd like to have Augsburg surrender to me," Leopold said. "This man said he was a member of a citizens' group. He told me that all the bridges were being guarded by members of his organization and that the soldiers in town wanted to surrender. He said the men were ready to guide us into the town and that the mayor of Augsburg, Josef Mayr, was ready to hand the city over. He also informed us that he would guide us to Gen. Fehn."

"I contacted my commander, Maj. John O'Connell, to tell him the story. We were all a little skeptical at first."

### Didn't Lose a Man

"However, we took the civilian at his word. First, he tried to contact the German general in the town by telephone, but all the lines were cut and he was sent into Augsburg to see what the situation was. He came back after 20 minutes to tell us that all the bridges were intact and that his men were on the job."

The Yanks went into this great city of almost 200,000 with 90 men and three tanks and three tank destroyers, but they didn't have a single casualty.

but the news had been kept secret.

The reports of the offer to the U.S. and Britain by the commander-in-chief of Germany's armed forces drew immediate statements from the offices of President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill, that no information could be given on any peace offers, but that only surrender to all three major powers would be acceptable.

### Brig. Gen. Braun Killed

ROCHESTER, N.Y., April 29 (ANS).—The War Department has notified Mrs. Anne Hoesterey Braun that her husband, Brig. Gen. Gustav J. Braun, previously reported missing in action, was killed in Italy, March 17, when his observation plane was shot down by anti-aircraft fire.

## Wrapping Up Remaining German Resistance in Pockets.



The two main fragments of Hitler's empire are being whittled down by a dozen Allied drives. In the north, the British are closing in on Hamburg, the U.S. Ninth Army is driving beyond the Elbe and the Russians are stamping out Berlin resistance. In Bavaria, U.S. Seventh Army troops are in Munich, while the U.S. Third and French First Armies press down on the Redoubt. In Italy, the Allied Fifth and Eighth Armies have split the Nazis in two, clearing Milan and entering Venice.

## 7th Army Enters Munich After 20-Mi. Gain

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the Nazis—so swift that it seemed German resistance here, too, was beginning to disintegrate.

Munich itself, according to reports coming through neutral countries, had been the scene of anti-Nazi riots in the last few days as the American columns approached.

Fighter and fighter-bomber pilots returning from support missions yesterday reported that roads and railways south of the Bavarian capital were jammed with German transport, which they attacked repeatedly in spite of bad weather.

The fliers, from First TAF, reported they had knocked out more than 100 motor vehicles and had damaged rail lines and locomotives. They also attacked eight airdromes in the Munich area, destroying 44 planes on the ground and damaging 43.

Three units of the Seventh Army—the 45th Inf. Div., and the 101st and 106th Cav. Gps.—were reported earlier to be advancing on the city from the west, northwest and southwest, while Third Army troops were driving down from Regensburg directly north.

Troops of the 45th had pushed

15 miles to enter Tandern, 20 miles west of Munich; the 106th slashed 15 miles to Pfaffenburg, 25 miles northwest of the city, and the 101st reached Fuming, 24 miles to the southwest.

Other Seventh Army troops, meanwhile, closed to the Lech River—which runs northward from Austria's Alpine frontier—along a 55-mile stretch south of Augsburg. Augsburg itself was captured Saturday. The 10th Armd., 103rd Inf. and Fourth Inf. Divs. were on the Lech, SHAEF said.

### Drive Toward Alps

Less than 25 miles northeast of Munich, two Third Army infantry divisions—the 86th and 99th—were driving down toward the Nazi Alpine defenses, spearheaded by the 14th Armd. Div., which was last reported attacking 27 miles southwest of Regensburg.

On the Third Army's eastern sector, 90th Inf. Div. troops advanced toward the Czech border, while 26th Inf. Div. men were clearing the left bank of the Danube River to a point 10 miles northwest of Passau, one of the principal gateways to northeastern Austria.

Between the Danube and Isar

Rivers, three columns of the 13th Armd. Div. knifed east of Regensburg to capture three towns in the general area of Straubing, a communications town and rail center. Straubing itself fell to the 71st Inf. Div.

### Ninth in New Attack

In northern Germany, Ninth Army troops launched a new attack eastward from their Elbe River bridgehead—the first aggressive action by U.S. forces beyond the river since the linkup with the Russians.

In the early stages of the assault, Gen. William H. Simpson's troops took Zerbst, five miles east of the Elbe, then swung southeastward to overrun the towns of Justtrichau and Bias along the Magdeburg-Dessau railroad.

Simultaneously, the British Second Army hurled a strong assault force across the Elbe, east of Hamburg after an artillery barrage of 400 guns which began at 0200 yesterday.

### Finland Reported Free of Nazis

The last German units have been driven from Finnish territory and fighting in Finland has ceased, BBC said yesterday, quoting a Finnish communique.