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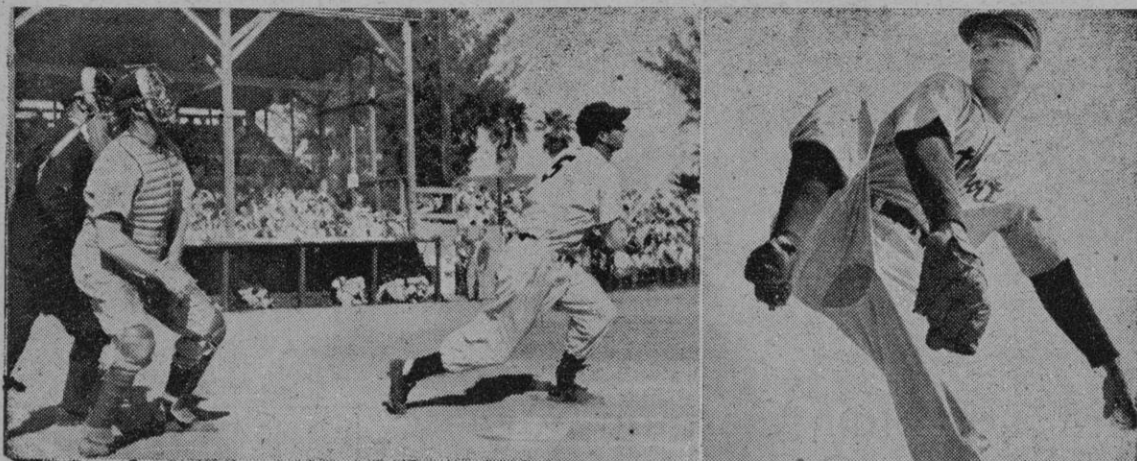
One Year Ago
Nazis hold before Berlin.
Ruhr trap cut. Bordeaux
pocket hit. Reds capture Saint
Poelten. First town falls in
Gironde push.

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Ball Season to Open Today



PLAY BALL! Joe DiMaggio, Yankee outfielder; Hal Newhouser (upper right), Tiger pitcher, and Bob Feller, Tribe hurler, start in today's games.

Record Crowds Wait Return of GI Players

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)—Genuine prewar baseball returns to the major leagues tomorrow with all the hip-hip-hurrah of a welcome-home parade down Main St., as Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams, Johnny Vander Meer, Terry Moore and hundreds of other former GIs return.

With a golden sports boom already spiraling toward a new peak, record crowds are expected all around the National and American leagues.

(Probable pitchers, as reported by the United Press, for the major league openers today:

American League: St. Louis, Galehouse; Detroit, Newhouser; Cleveland, Feller; Chicago, Rigney; Boston, Hughson; Washington, Wolff

Catholic Vets Protest

NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—Catholic war veterans protested to the New York Yankee baseball club requesting postponement of the American League opening in Yankee Stadium on Good Friday.

of Leonard; New York, Chandler; Philadelphia, Newsome.

National League: Brooklyn, Gregg; Boston, Cooper or Sain; Pittsburgh, Ostermueller; St. Louis, Beazley; Philadelphia, Judd; New York, Voiselle; Chicago, Passeur; Cincinnati, Vander Meer.)

The opening-day schedule lists: National League—Brooklyn at Boston, Philadelphia at New York, (Continued on Page 6)

Bad Timing Spoils Cripple's Last Wish

OAKLAND, Calif., April 15 (INS)—The final wish of an Oakland cripple to give the cornea of her eyes to a blind veteran was foiled today by bad timing of her suicide.

Miss Grace Jewett, 65, bed-ridden with arthritis, wrote a note bequeathing the cornea of her eyes to some blind veteran might see.

Then she ended her life by firing a bullet through her mouth. However, late finding of the body made the plan unfeasible.

Jerries May See 'Great Dictator'

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP)—Charles Chaplin's "The Great Dictator" which caricatured Hitler and Mussolini will be shown to German audiences if the film can be obtained, Brig. Gen. Robert A. McClure, director of information control in the U.S. Military Government of Germany, said today. McClure said he had been trying to obtain the picture but "for some reason we haven't succeeded yet."

CIO Asks End Of Draft Law

WASHINGTON, April 15 (INS)—The CIO called upon Congress to vote against the draft extension bill and substitute voluntary enlistments for compulsory military training.

The position of the labor organization was set forth in a letter from CIO Legislative Director Cowan to House Speaker Sam Rayburn, of Texas, House Majority Leader John W. McCormack, of Massachusetts, and House Minority Leader Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts.

Cowan said: "We believe the U. S. should maintain sufficient forces to fulfill our occupation duties in former enemy territory and to discharge our duties under the charter of the United Nations. We believe sufficient men can be raised for these tasks by the voluntary system, providing obstacles to recruitment are removed."

Cowan described these obstacles as "the low pay scale and discrimination."

"Our inducted GIs who have been serving at home or abroad these last months or years ought to be relieved and discharged at the earliest possible moment. We oppose compulsory military service in peace," he said.

Snakes Kill 'Cobra Woman'

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 15 (AP)—Miss Elsie Marks, 58-year-old "cobra woman" in a reptile show, died in the hospital of rattlesnake bites suffered Saturday during her performance.

Truman Hits Wars' Causes

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—President Truman today called upon American republics to help eradicate "the poverty and despair" which breed wars.

In an address prepared for the Pan-American Day observance, the President declared willingness to use force if necessary to prevent even the threat of aggression.

"Underneath Nazi madness was material distress and spiritual starvation born of poverty and despair. Danger of war will never be completely wiped out until these economic ills are themselves eliminated," the President said.

Russian Complaint Withdrawn by Iran

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)—Instructions to withdraw Iran's complaint against Russia reached Hussein Ala, Iranian delegate to the United Nations Security Council, from Teheran six hours before the Council was due to convene today.

There was no immediate reaction from the delegates to the latest decision from Teheran, but it had previously been expected that Russia's demand that the Iranian case be dropped would bring a two to one split in the Big Three. Authoritative American and British sources had said that the U.S. and British delegates would firmly oppose the insistence of Soviet Ambassador Andrei Gromyko that the Council reverse its position.

Language Barrier Foils Chicago Cops, Lost Tot

CHICAGO, April 15 (AP)—For two hours, 3-year-old Goelle Moreau had police at the Hyde Park Station in a state of anxiety.

The tot was lost. She could speak no English; the police could not understand a word of French. Then her mother appeared and explained that they had come from Paris only five months ago.

Manchurian Area Open Battlefield, Communist Says

CHUNGKING, April 15 (INS)—Hope of a quick cessation of armed clashes in Manchuria appeared dim today on basis of reports telling of the troubled situation in Changchun, the capital of China's northeast province.

A General News Agency dispatch said that Chi Fe-se, garrison commander at Changchun, invoked martial law after the Russians completed evacuation of the city yesterday as previously agreed upon.

(Associated Press correspondent Spencer Davis in Mukden reported the arrival there of a three-man peace commission which is holding conferences with senior truce team representatives.

(While their mission is to obtain information to present to Gen. George C. Marshall upon his arrival in Chungking, Davis said neutrals in Mukden regarded the presence of the trio as likely to prolong negotiations and possibly avert increased hostilities between Communists and Government troops.)

The Chinese commander estimated that 30,000 Chinese Communist troops were massed around Changchun awaiting an opportunity to seize the city in the wake of the retiring Soviet troops.

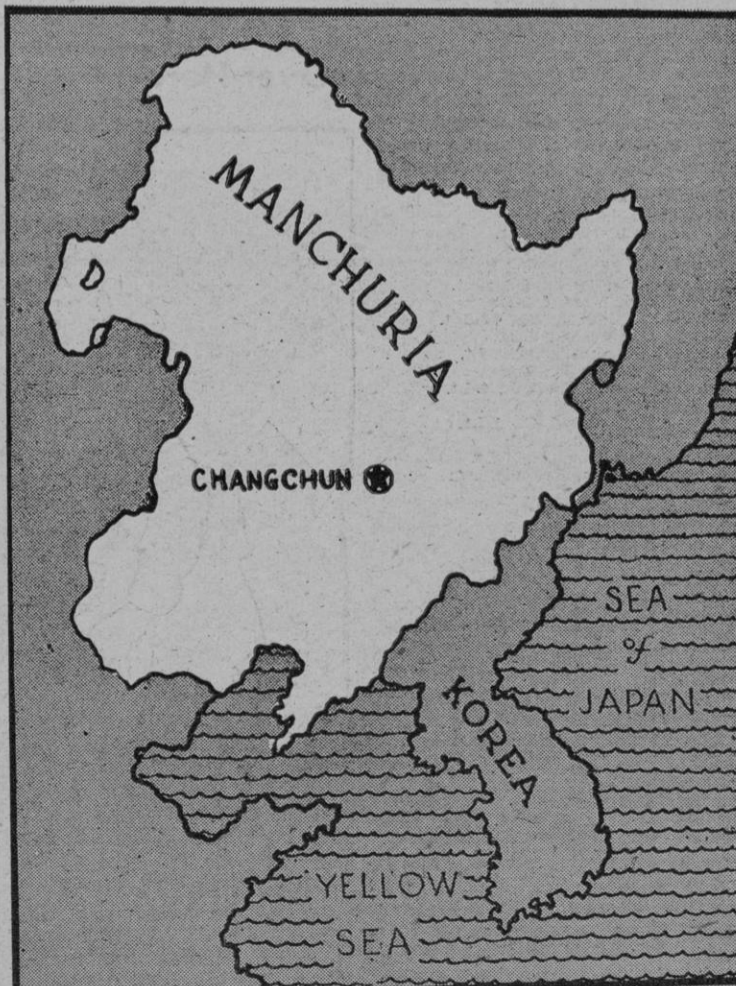
The attitude of the Communists on the Manchurian situation was set forth yesterday by Communist Gen. Chou En-lai who told a news conference that the area now is an open battlefield.

Chou charged that the Nationalist troops are using their authority in Manchuria to launch a civil war.

The Communist leader insisted that his forces have the right under the Sino-Soviet treaty to participate in taking over Manchurian areas. Chou added his specific belief that the Communist troops have the right to enter Changchun following the Russian evacuation.

Chou, however, emphasized that the Communist factions are willing to cease hostilities if the Nationalists also will cease them and begin political discussions on the disputed issues in Manchuria.

Chou also expressed his belief that Marshall's return to China will ease the situation.



HOT SPOT: Changchun, scene of controversy between Chinese Government and Communist troops, is centrally located as capital of Manchuria, from which Russian occupation troops are presently withdrawing. —S & S Map by Bob Clark

Official Bulletin

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STATE DEPARTMENT EXAMINATION FOR FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, UNCLASSIFIED

The following is a list of personnel who successfully completed the State Department examination for Foreign Service Officer, unclassified, which were held last fall. The oral examinations will be given within the next 60 days; the dates of the oral examinations will be publicized thru The Stars and Stripes and AFN.

- Baron, Samuel H., 1-Lt.
- Beigel, Edgar James, Sgt.
- Bernstein, Samuel, Pfc
- Bradshaw, John Alden, Capt.
- Breed, George, Cpl.
- Cameron, Brodnax, 1-Lt.
- Cleveland, Stanley, M., T-5
- Colton, Joel G., 2-Lt.
- Conte, Samuel Daniel, Pfc
- Cook, Earl Ferguson, Cpl.
- Cotter, Thomas P., Pfc
- Donovan, Thomas A., 1-Lt.
- Dunlap, Henry A., S-Sgt.
- Emont, Milton D., Pfc
- Fischman, Leonard I., WOJG
- Fox, John J., Sgt.
- Franklin, Mayer J., 2-Lt.
- Frizzell, Russell B., 1-Lt.
- Goldman, Meyer L., Maj.
- Gooder, David MacDonald, Capt.
- Groner, Samuel B., 1-Lt.
- Hollowell, Robert E.
- Hassan, Abraham H., T-5
- Hilliker, Grant G., 2-Lt.
- Howes, Robert G., 1-Lt.
- Kelly, William F., T-5
- King, Stanley K., T-Sgt.
- Kozak, Stephen A., 1-Lt.
- Lerche, Chas. O., Capt.
- Lowry, Roy Llewellyn, T-4
- McTaggart, Arthur J., 2-Lt.
- Manbey, David J. S., T-3
- Marrinac, Albert A., 2-Lt.
- May, Alvin J., Pfc
- Moberly, Robert E., 1-Lt.
- Montenegro, Daniel W.
- Moore, Warren S., Jr., Pvt.
- Neumark, George A., Capt.
- Otten, Alan L., 1-Lt.
- Paddock, Arthur L., Jr., Capt.
- Pecci-Blunt, Ferdinand L., 2-Lt.
- Pierson, Howard, Pfc
- Posner, Daniel B., Pfc
- Pratt, James W., Cpl.
- Pringle, Bruce M., Pfc
- Quinn, Thomas S., S-Sgt.
- Reddington, Robert J., 1-Lt.
- Scammon, Richard M., 1-Lt.
- Scoggin, James F., Jr., 1-Lt.
- Seaman, Norman J., Cpl.
- Solboddin, Martin H., T-5
- Smith, Humbert A., Pfc
- Smith, Rufus Z., 2-Lt.
- Stauffer, Thomas B., 1-Lt.
- Swift, Richard N., 2-Lt.
- Tapman, Walter P., Capt.
- Treadgold, Donald W., 1-Lt.
- Troxel, Oliver L., Jr., T-4
- Vance, John K., Sgt.
- Ward, John J., 1-Lt.
- Wise, Daniel M., 1-Lt.
- Wood, Robert C., Sgt.
- Wyman, Parker D., T-4
- Aran, Israel, Pfc
- Bateman, Walter L., Lt.
- Beaumont, Roy, Cpl.
- Benjamin, John P., 1-Lt.
- Bergman, Redward B., 2-Lt.
- Bhumenson, Martin, 2-Lt.
- Bovarnick, Murray E., M-Sgt.
- Bowling, John W., 1-Lt.
- Burton, Clark Woods, 2-Lt.
- Counts, Walter B., Pfc
- Cunningham, Robert J., 2-Lt.
- Davis, Robert D., T-5
- Desmond, Richard C., 1-Lt.
- Feldman, Julianni, Pfc
- Galambos, Tibor A., 1-Lt.
- Gingerich, Wm. Francis, Pfc
- Heater, Russell C., Pfc
- Heyburn, Henry R., 1-Lt.
- Hirsch, Philip J., 1-Lt.
- Jacobs, Julius, 2-Lt.
- Jacobson, Berton, 2-Lt.
- Jacoby, Bernard E., Pfc
- Jensen, J. Allen, Capt.
- Johnpoll, Alexander C., WO
- Maestroni, Frank E., 2-Lt.
- Marvin, David K., Pfc
- McFarland, James H., Jr., 1-Lt.
- McKierman, Thomas D., 1-Lt.
- Olds, David M., 1-Lt.
- Orenstein, Frank E., 1-Lt.
- Paul, John G., Jr., Capt.
- Pitcher, David E., Jr., 2-Lt.
- Purcell, Duncan (Sp. Agt., CIC)
- Ross, Donald G., 1-Lt.
- Schwarz, Eli, Pfc
- Scott, Wallace P., 2-Lt.
- Stevenson, Douglas F.
- Stockey, Robert W., Capt.
- Tietelbaum, David E., 1-Lt.
- Weil, Leonard, Cpl.
- White, George C., 2-Lt.

FDR Statue in London

LONDON (AP)—Grosvenor Square, where the U. S. embassy now stands, was proposed by the London Times as the site for a memorial statue of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Insanity Rise Of Reds Seen By American

PORTLAND, Ore. (INS)—An epidemic of mental breakdowns in Russia was forecast by Leo Grulio, representing the American Society for Russian Relief.

Grulio told of talking with the chief surgeon of a Leningrad hospital while touring Russia.

"The doctor was alarmed at the obvious mental breakdowns of his people since the fighting had stopped," Grulio said.

"He told me that during those two years when the war uprooted half of Russia's people, there was almost no mental breakdown.

"The doctor's explanation for this was that the struggle for survival brings out reserves of nervous energy. The Russians kept going through the strain.

"But when the fighting ended they let down. Now there is trouble ahead."

Grulio said 800,000 Russian men and women have lost arms or legs, more than 60 times as many as America's 12,000 amputees. He declared that he never could have imagined the "one long string of destruction" he saw in the USSR. In no city or village he visited were more than 20 percent of the houses left.

Limb Experts Leave ETO

FRANKFURT (AP)—Five American experts on amputation, who toured Europe in search of better methods for aiding limbless war veterans, have left for America after consulting leading German surgeons.

The commission of three Army officers and two civilians spent five weeks in research in orthopedic hospitals and artificial limb factories in Britain, France, Switzerland, Sweden and Germany.

In Berlin they discussed with Prof. Ferdinand Sauerbruch his technique of "riveting" artificial limbs to shoulder and hip muscles for greater ease of movement.



British Explain German Success In Running Gauntlet of Channel

LONDON (INS)—After four years, the top secret now is told how the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau successfully ran the gauntlet of British planes, ships and shore batteries in the English Channel in 1942.

A 38-page white paper was issued disclosing that the German battlewagons were successful because the British forces were inadequate and dispersed and also because the stand-by bomber force was cut down.

It disclosed that the bomber command altered an agreed plan which included use of 310 bombers without informing the admiralty.

The escape was also attributed to the breakdown of night patrols, the weakness of the forces available, the omission to send out a strong morning patrol, failure to appreciate the importance of German radio jamming, insufficient training of air crews and the weather conditions prevailing.

Frank Pleads Insanity

NEW YORK (INS)—London radio reported that Karl Hermann Frank, former Nazi protector of Bohemia-Moravia, pleaded insanity at the war crimes trial in Prague.

Nice Statue Is Restored

NICE (INS)—The huge marble monument to Queen Victoria, sabotaged by the Nazis and members of Doriot's French Popular Party, has been restored by the city of Nice.

Restoration work by the sculptor Joseph Gozlan has cost 2,500,000 francs (\$21,000). The head and an arm of Victoria's effigy were broken by French Fascist youths. A 20-foot rope hung from the neck, but the cement foundation proved too durable for the vandals who failed to topple it over.

British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin, French Premier Felix Gouin, French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and the Duke and Duchess of Windsor will attend the unveiling ceremony May 24. The monument which stands in the Cimiez district of Nice where Queen Victoria spent several winter seasons was inaugurated in April, 1912, by President Raymond Poincare and British Ambassador Sir Francis Bertie.

Swiss Rail Service Starts to Austria

BERN (UP)—Direct passenger traffic between Switzerland and London will reopen this week, the Swiss federal railways announced in Bern.

At the same time, a new Swiss railway service will be opened to Prague by way of Austria.

THE INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

The Question:

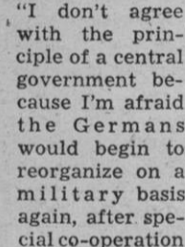
What do you think about a centralized government for occupied Germany?

Pvt. Elmer Doyle, Hq. Sqd., 441st Trp. Carrier Gp., Los Angeles.



"It has to start sometime if Germany is ever to be reconstructed again. Even with a central government, civilian operation could be no more efficient than the policy of occupying powers. If a central civilian government is set up, it seems to me that we would need a central commission of Allied powers, such as the Berlin council."

Pvt. B. K. Stroud, Hq. Sqd., 441st Trp. Carrier Gp., Arcadia, Kan.—



"I don't agree with the principle of a central government because I'm afraid the Germans would begin to reorganize on a military basis again, after special co-operation first to get the occupying powers out sooner than the Allies have figured on staying."

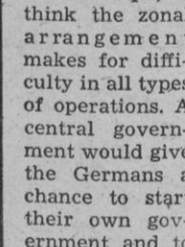
Pvt. John Carbonell, 32nd Trp. Carrier Sqd., Philadelphia.—



"At present I don't think the Germans are ready for it. But eventually, if they are to reconstruct, they'll have to work through their own people, or directors, to do it on their own."

They brought about their own downfall and they should be responsible for their own future.

2-Lt. Roger N. Lund, 32nd Trp. Carrier Sqd., Glendale, Calif.—



"I think the zonal arrangement makes for difficulty in all types of operations. A central government would give the Germans a chance to start their own government and to begin reconstruction on a larger scale. I think most of the military prowess has been lost by the majority of Germans."

Over Here

By Bob Clarke



"Just practicin!"

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World Roundup

U.S. to Get First Saint

By the Associated Press

VATICAN CITY, April 15—The U.S. will be given its first saint on July 7 with the canonization of Mother Cabrini in St. Peters, the Vatican City press service has announced.

LONDON—Melbourne radio heard here yesterday said 40,000 Japanese will be repatriated from Rabaul within the next 30 days.

MOSCOW—Hungarian Premier Forenc Nagy yesterday placed a wreath on Lenin's tomb in Red Square. Earlier Nagy was the honored guest at a reception given by Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov, after Nagy had been received by Premier Stalin.

JERUSALEM—Four leaflet bombs exploded in the center of Jerusalem, scattering pamphlets issued by the Jewish extremist organization Irgun Zvai Leumio.

LONDON—Belgrade radio announced the Yugoslavian government had decided to recognize the Giral Spanish Republican government as the only legitimate Spanish government.

MOSCOW—New airline services are to be inaugurated shortly which will link Moscow with London, Paris and Rome, irregularly with Warsaw, Bucharest, Belgrade, Sofia, Budapest, Prague, Vienna, Berlin and Teheran on an augmented basis during the summer; and with Tirana, the Albanian capital, for the first time, Soviet aviation officials have announced.

BUDAPEST—The newspaper Vilagossag reported that 1,000 rioters in the village of Tiboldaroc broke into a flour mill Friday and took large quantities of flour which had been impounded by the food minister. The paper said 40 persons were arrested.

PANAMA—U. S. Ambassador Frank T. Hines said that negotiations have been concluded with the Panama government for the return to Panama of defense sites formerly used by American forces as air warning stations.

LONDON—A trade agreement was signed by Russia and Poland, it was announced by Moscow radio. The broadcast said the agreement regulates the exchange of goods valued at \$196,000,000 for the period April 1, 1946 to April 1, 1947.

MEXICO CITY—The resolutions committee of the third inter-American Labor Conference approved a resolution opposing "unjust discrimination directed against workers by reason of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, in respect to wages and other labor conditions."

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Leftists Win In Labor Riot, Iran Reports

LONDON, April 15 (INS)—The News Chronicle reports from Teheran today the first sign of impending flareups throughout the country when Iran will hold her general elections.

Tempers rose so much that it resulted in bloodshed in Isfahan, 250 miles south of Teheran.

In 48 hours of rioting the left wing Freedom Party and trade unionists won a victory over right wing union men who were hitherto in the saddle.

About 15,000 mill workers were involved in the change-over which resulted in one killed and 20 injured in the clashes.

Since the coup d'etat in Azerbaijan with which province the Isfahan mills did 50 per cent of their trade, the mill owners lost that market but were prevented by the government from closing down.

Last week the Freedom Party, which in reality is the Tudeh Party, telegraphed Tudeh headquarters in Teheran stating that the moment was ripe now for return of the Tudeh leaders.

Uniate Heads Rap Vatican

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—Three leaders of the Greek Catholic (Uniate) Church Assembly, which recently severed its 350-year-old tie with the Roman Catholic Church, were quoted by Moscow radio tonight as accusing the Vatican of "lust for power and satanic pride."

A broadcast Tass dispatch, heard by the Soviet monitor here, said the three churchmen, Dr. Gavril Kostelnik, proto-presbyter, and Bishops Autonius and Mikhail were in Moscow to "consolidate loyalty" to the Russian Orthodox Church, which the Uniate Church rejoined after breaking with Rome.

They were quoted as saying the Uniate action "put an end to the dissension among our people artificially provoked and sustained by the Vatican which, moved by its lust for power and satanic pride, always acted in violation of the holy truth."

Texas A&M Muster Planned Saturday

FRANKFURT, April 15—The 44th annual muster of Texas A & M will be held Saturday, at the Special Services Hotel in Bad Homburg near Frankfurt, it has been announced by the muster committee.

The ceremonies which are held on San Jacinto Day by alumni throughout the world will be dedicated this year to the more than 700 Texas Aggies killed in the war.

Alumni wishing further information may call Capt. Charles Ball at Frankfurt Military 23620.

Liverpool Fire Burns Jeeps, Trucks, Cotton

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—Fire raged through a British ministry of transport depot outside of Liverpool Sunday, destroying more than 300 jeeps and trucks and 13,000 bales of cotton for a total damage estimated at \$4,000,000.

No one was injured in the fire, which is tentatively blamed on spontaneous combustion.

Moslems Rip Screen

BOMBAY, April 15 (INS)—Moslems in a theater in the Hindu quarter of Bombay yesterday ripped the screen when a film ended with the Congress flag flying over a map of India.

Low Disease Rate in Germany 'Remarkable,' U.S. Doctor Says

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP)—Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon general of the U. S. Public Health Service, said today the health of the German people "seems to be standing up remarkably well," but he declined to comment on their low food ration.

"I could not speak authoritatively on that subject after only a week in Germany," Parran said. "Mr. Hoover is studying that problem and he and the Military Government officials know more about it than I."

Parran called it "remarkable" that no major epidemics have followed in the war's wake and said "the most critical period for disease has now passed."

Observing public health conditions and practices in Germany Parran has visited Berlin, Nurnberg, Munich and Frankfurt.

He returned to Berlin and said he planned to start back to the U. S. in a few days.

Russia's Stand on Food Aid Not Yet Officially Defined

MOSCOW, April 15 (AP)—Russia's exact position in the world food program, and what role she intends to take have not been officially defined here.

There are indications that the Soviet Union will have a good grain crop this year, but not a yield comparable to prewar seasons.

Assertions abroad that Russia may stand aside from international co-operation in the food shortage are described in informed quarters as "probably not correctly representing the situation."

A country which occupies one-sixth of the surface of the earth, they pointed out, cannot have all its statistics at hand in a moment. When the figures assaying grain yields are in, they say, Russia is expected to uphold her end of the burden.

They mentioned Russia's aid to France, and that she shipped considerable wheat into Berlin last winter.

Dispatches from the Kuban, Russia's richest grain area, say that laborers work in the fields in day and night shifts to speed spring sowing.

2 PWs Stow Away On Liberty Ship

ST. NAZAIRE, April 15 (INS)—Two German PWs today stowed away on the Liberty ship Edelberg a few minutes before she left for the U. S.

Their evasion was discovered two hours later and a speed launch of the French navy was sent to bring back the boat. However, it did not succeed in finding the ship.

PW-Beaters Face Trial in Germany

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP)—Trial of German guards and officials accused of mistreating American soldiers in prisoner of war camps will begin soon, U. S. Army war crimes prosecutors said today.

Defendants in the first trial will be Eduard Hermann, Karl Schickler and Rupert Lang, charged with key roles in operation of "Dulag 377" where in the winter of 1944-45 more than 1,000 American prisoners were crowded into a small building with no beds, fed starvation rations and worked long hours under spur of frequent beatings.

Italian Office Raided By Unemployed, Vets

CASERTA, Italy, April 15 (AP)—Thousands of unemployed and returned war veterans stormed the municipal offices at Sessa Aurunga yesterday, carrying away papers and furniture which they burned in the public square.

Carabinieri were called from Caserta after the local police had been overpowered. They quelled the demonstration and arrested 25.

Daily Worker Reports Atom Work in Spain

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—The Daily Worker, Communist Party organ, reported today under a Paris dateline that secret information had established the existence of an atomic research station staffed by German scientists at the Spanish mountain village of Portugalete, five miles south of Bilbao.

The factory is situated outside the village and is guarded constantly.

Authoritative reports from Madrid on April 12 said France shortly would ask the United Nations to send a commission to Spain to investigate rumors that research on atom bombs was being conducted there.

Quoting Spanish resistance sources on the Portugalete report, Daily Worker correspondent Derek Kar-tun wrote:

"Lorries travel to and from this secret hideout every day with heavily armed guards traveling beside the drivers. They never stop in the village, and it has been impossible to establish detailed information of their loads."

Danes Release Stored Meat

COPENHAGEN, April 15 (AP)—The Danish government announced today that part of the meat held in storage for the summer would be offered to France, Belgium and the Netherlands under existing trade agreements.

The announcement accompanied a denial of newspaper reports that Danish stores are filled with meat for which no foreign market can be found.

"The storing of beef," the announcement declared, "is not due to lack of demand or other export difficulties, but to assure supplies for the Danish market in the summer months."

The Danish government decided, however, to export part of the meat, the statement added.

Weather Outlook

U. S. Zone: Continued clear and warmer. Maximum and minimum temperatures: North and west—70, 43; south and east—73, 45; Berlin—65, 46; Bremen—65, 40.

Feminine and Bewildered . . .



SOME OF THE 43 American girls are shown above assigned to secretarial and typist duties in Frankfurt and Berlin to ease ETO administrative problems. South Station yesterday morning. They will be

—Signal Corps Photo by Bob Merritt

Auto Magnates Plan for New Low-Price Car

DETROIT, April 15 (AP)—Formation of a low-priced car division, in line with plans made public in 1944, was announced by Henry Ford II, president of the Ford Motor Co.

Ford said the new smaller car will be presented to the public following introduction of his regular postwar line sometime after January, 1947.

The announcement signals another entry of industry's big three into the "under \$1,000" field.

General Motors was first with the announcement of a new model Chevrolet. But because new vehicles will take up an entirely new competitive field, industrial circles expect both Ford and Chevrolet to present them at about the same time.

Chrysler has not yet announced its plans for a car to compete with the smaller models, but, they are expected to bring one out if a sizeable market can be established.

Other entries in the low-price field were seen in Kaiser-Frazer's Kaiser car, and Willys-Overland's Willys.

Gangs Wreck Butte Houses

BUTTE, Mont., April 15 (AP)—The peace of Palm Sunday was shattered here by roving gangs of men, women and teen age youths who raided and damaged a dozen private homes, wounded two persons and terrorized entire neighborhoods.

Authorities said most homes damaged by ax-wielding raiders belong to copper miners who continued to work after a strike began last Tuesday. Union spokesman denied the violence was connected with the strike.

Disorders began Friday, continued Saturday night and early Sunday and were renewed last night as a crowd of 3,000 to 4,000 persons joined in or watched.

Churchill Must Give Old Shirt for New

NEW YORK, April 15 (UP)—Winston Churchill will have to come across with an old shirt before he can have new ones. Even then it isn't certain he'll get immediate delivery, for there is a shortage of materials for ex-prime ministers too. When Churchill wore his out at the elbow he left his neck size and sleeve length with Newells, Ltd., shirt makers, and went home.

Newells cabled the former prime minister to please send one old shirt as model.

Mail Courses OK'd for Vets

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Veterans eligible for educational benefits now may take correspondence and extension courses.

The Veterans Administration announced it has signed contracts with 38 educational institutions throughout the country to furnish mail courses ranging from academic subjects to a wide variety of trades and professions.

The original GI Bill of Rights ruled out correspondence courses by requiring attendance at a school or other training institution but this was changed last December to authorize study by mail.

The veteran will receive no subsistence allowance.

Film Star Arrested For Hit-and-Run

HOLLYWOOD, April 15 (INS)—Film actor Jack Larue was arrested by San Fernando Valley police on a suspicion of a hit-and-run felony charge, according to the booking report at the police station.

Police records showed that Larue, 43, was charged with running down 10-year-old Robert Card in front of the child's home in North Hollywood.

Investigating officers said that Larue was recognized by motorists who reported to the police that the actor failed to stop even after he had been told that he struck the boy.

GI Bride to Contest Divorce

Former Wife of Swindler Arrives in U.S. as GI Bride

NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—Life has been a series of extravagant ups and downs for one GI war bride who arrived in New York from France today.

She is Mrs. Arlette Stavisky Cook, widow of Alexandre Stavisky, the central figure in France's famous pawnshop swindle and many other big "business transactions."

She was one of 402 war brides aboard the Army transport George W. Goethals.

Mrs. Cook is on her way to Puerto Rico to join her husband, Capt. Russell T. Cook. She wants to become an American citizen and a New York dress designer.

Mrs. Cook's first series of ups began when she left a farm to become a top Parisian model. Then she married Stavisky with a hoard of jewels and a \$12,000 annual dress allowance.

Then the Stavisky scandal broke and she was thrown into prison, reviled by the public and finally acquitted.

She came to New York, was billed as a \$500 per week star in a night club but actually got \$50 a week.

Her down days continued when she returned to Paris. She lived in a dingy flat and worked as a dressmaker to support her two children.

She met Cook during the war.

With her today was her daughter Michele, 16, while her son Claude, 18, remained in France.

Navy Posts in U.S. Reduced One-Fourth Since V-J Day

WASHINGTON, April 15 (UP)—Navy and Marine Corps installations in the U.S. have been reduced by one-fourth since the end of the war, the Navy has reported. Naval and Marine stations, posts, camps, bases and airfields in the country were cut from 4,400 on V-J Day to 1,052 on April 1.

In addition, approximately 500 facilities in European, Pacific and Asiatic areas already have been inactivated, the Navy said.

The report gave the following picture of Navy and Marine Corps demobilization:

Ships—over 5,000 vessels of various types have been declared surplus since July, 1944. One hundred ships have been inactivated.

Planes—construction of approximately 29,000 planes on contract have been halted since V-J Day. Fifty per cent of planned reduction in aircraft has been completed.

Contract terminations—value of terminated agreements totals \$12,300,000,000. Total value of uncompleted public works construction has been cut back 42 per cent.

Industrial plants—82 plants formerly engaged in supplying war materials and equipment have been declared surplus and permitted to resume production of civilian goods.

Surplus materiel—over 2 billion dollars worth of materiel declared surplus.

103,273 Dollar Tax On Bookie Voided

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)—State Supreme Court Justice John E. McGeehan ruled that the city lacked the right to collect gross business taxes on "illegal book-making."

The decision was made in denying a motion to hold Frank Erickson, by his own account bookmaker-turned-florist, in contempt of court for failure to answer questions concerning \$22,000,000 which the city claims he and associates banked.

Although McGeehan did not so specify, legal observers said the decision nullified the \$103,273 levy placed on Erickson's bank accounts by the city treasurer's office.

Two Wildlife Refuges Planned in Panhandle

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Secretary of the Interior Julius Krug announced the establishment of Tishomingo and Hagegan as national wildlife refuges on 23,000 acres in the Panhandle area of Oklahoma and Texas.

The refuges are in part of the Texhoma lake area formed by construction of the Denison dam on the Red and Washita rivers.

British Girl to Sue For Allowance, Damages

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)—An irate GI bride, Mrs. Bridget Waters, 28-year-old English girl, arrived in New York yesterday by transatlantic plane to contest her husband's divorce proceedings at Las Vegas, Nev.

Mrs. Waters, who is the mother of a year-old son, said her husband, Frank Waters, of Los Angeles, had sent "papers" stating that the divorce would be based on "mental cruelty."

"He can have his divorce," she stated flatly and emphatically. "But he'll have it on my terms and I'll do the suing. I will sue him for \$8,000 damages and a monthly allowance—and anything else that's lying around loose."

"Too many British brides are getting divorce papers in the mail these days. I'm going to fight this case and show the world that these men can't just change. Do they consider we are just a convenience?" she asked.

Bridget said her husband had been shipped to France six months after they were married early in 1944 in England.

"After I wrote him that I had a baby," she said, "he replied saying the marriage was a mistake. He added he would send me \$50 a month. I've got those letters and others. He can't get away with this."

Mrs. Waters was one of several GI brides who called on U.S. Ambassador John G. Winant in London last February. She asked him to arrange an inquiry into the legal position of British brides after their husbands had informed them of contemplated divorce proceedings.

Man, 75, Held In Wife-Killing

HARRISONVILLE, Ind., April 15 (INS)—Charles H. Rigdon, 75-year-old Cass County farmer, indicated today that he will fight the first-degree murder charges in connection with the fatal shooting of his 72-year-old wife.

Although authorities said that Rigdon signed a confession admitting he shot Mrs. Minnie Ritter Goodwin Patterson Hinkle Folger Rigdon.

Rigdon first maintained that his third wife committed suicide. Later he told authorities that she "threatened to get rid of me" so he shot her with a rifle.

The white-haired farmer said he quarrelled with his wife over a pre-marriage agreement under which she was supposed to share with him her property and bank account.

Rigdon was her fifth husband. They married 13 months ago.

Auto-Office Telephone Ready in West by June

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15 (AP)—Dashboard radiotelephones for communications between motorists and their homes or offices will be a reality here by June, the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. said. Automotive equipment will include ordinary telephone switches for turning transmitter and receiver power on and off, and bell and light signals to announce calls.

Tire Trust Is Alleged

WASHINGTON, April 15 (INS)—Attorney General Tom C. Clark announced today he has authorized a nationwide investigation of the rubber tire industry in connection with an alleged violation of the anti-trust laws.

Pirate Treasure Found in Jersey

BAYVILLE, N. J., April 15 (AP)—Tales of buried pirate treasure, which long colored south Jersey folklore, were revived with the uncovering of a crockery jar filled with old coins.

A repair crew working on the Harbor Inn Road unearthed a jar of coins dating from 1700 to 1850, including Spanish pesos, French francs, dollars, half dollars, and quarters.

Burns Prove Fatal After Plane Crash

CHICAGO, April 15 (AP)—Mrs. Mary Pazdyka, 53, died of burns suffered when an Army plane crashed and exploded near her home on the northwest side of Chicago Saturday. The pilot, 1-Lt. Arthur V. Robitschek, Jr., of Chicago, and a passenger, Albert Schultz, also of Chicago, were killed instantly.

Mrs. Pazdyka and her son, Henry, 30, residents of an apartment building, were sprayed with gasoline when the plane's gas tank exploded. Henry Pazdyka is still being treated for burns.

Express Flies Melon To Aid Suffering Girl

SPOKANE, April 15 (AP)—A nationwide search for a watermelon to be used in the treatment of a seriously ill girl, 2, ended today when air express officials in Miami dispatched by air a melon flown from Cuba.

The Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Deibler, of Spokane, sought melon seeds to be used in preparing tea for their daughter, Lois, who is suffering from acute nephritis, a kidney ailment.

Mary Beth is Reno Bound

HOLLYWOOD, April 15 (UP)—Actress Mary Beth Hughes and her husband, actor Ted North, have separated, friends say. Miss Hughes expects to leave for Nevada for a divorce. They were married Dec. 12, 1943, three years after they first met on a movie set.

Foamless Refreshment



JIM NEARHOS, Mobile, Ala., tavern keeper draws a sudless substitute during the current beer shortage. Nearhos says the "draw" is a good thirst quencher, and costs only half the price of a bottle of beer.

Price Control Is Threatened By OPA Fight

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The Congressional uprising against the OPA became so severe that one of the agency's severest critics, Rep. Fred A. Hartley, Jr., (R-N.J.) urged "moderation lest price control be destroyed."

Meanwhile, a committee of 63 House members, organized "to fight inflation," issued a statement calling on people to let their representatives in Congress know how they feel about price control.

A month ago Hartley announced the formation of a coalition of Republicans and Democrats to trim OPA powers. But Saturday he told newsmen that the "revolt has become so overwhelming I've got to warn that we must not wreck price control. I'm going to urge moderation lest price control be destroyed. We need the OPA for the time being. Its continuation is essential. We should correct its abuses, not destroy it."

BILL IS DEBATED

Legislation to continue the OPA for a year beyond June 30 came to the House floor for debate today.

Paul Porter, OPA administrator, told Chairman Brent Spence (D-Ky.) in a letter, that amendments already put into legislation by the House Banking Committee, if approved by the House and Senate, would cost American consumers \$2,000,000,000 in the next year, including a 10 per cent increase in clothing prices and an over-all \$425,000,000 jump in retail prices in automobiles.

Rep. Aime J. Forand (D-RI.), chairman of the committee of 63 "to fight inflation," declared the "committee will not stand by and see the American people cheated" and that amendments already put in the bill by the Banking Committee "simply means more profits for a few already prosperous industries," at the expense of consumers.

Chicago Union Bars Barmaids

CHICAGO, April 15 (INS)—The Chicago Bartenders Union (AFL) served formal notice on tavern owners today to eliminate women bartenders by April 30.

Union president James Crowley said that during the war it was necessary to admit 125 women members, 30 of whom still remain as bartenders.

He added that the failure of returning servicemen who are union members to find work caused the ban on women.

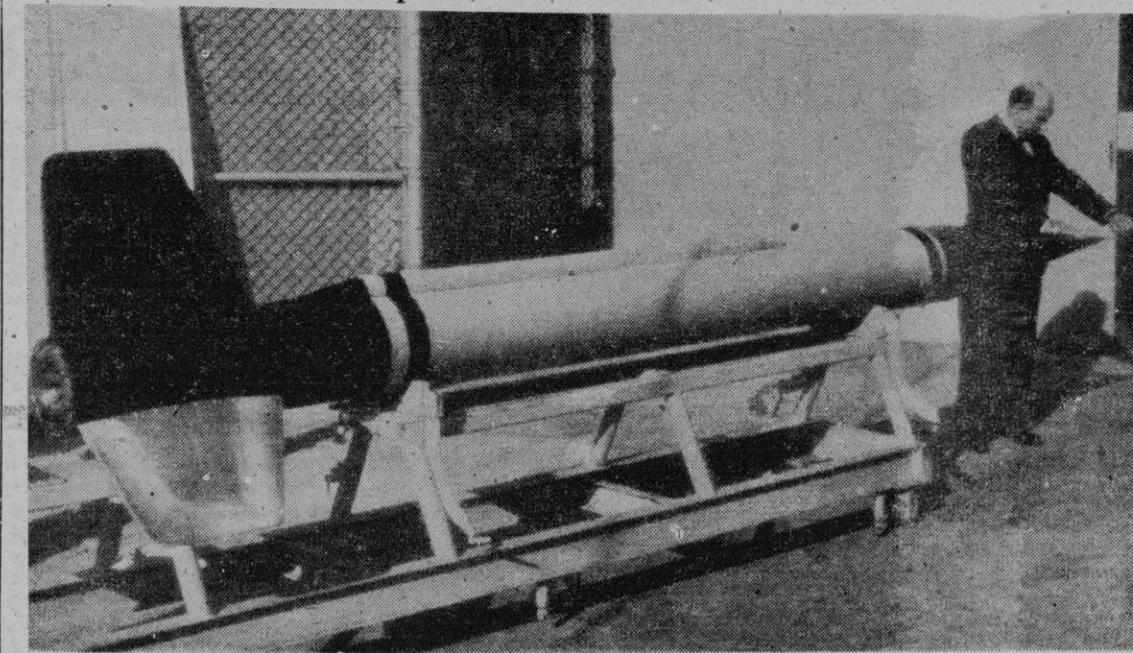
The only exceptions to the union ultimatum will be for women who own taverns and for the wives of the owners.

French Stowaway 'Danny' Gets Immigration OK to Stay in U.S.

NEW YORK, April 15 (AP)—Stowaway "Danny" Le Conte, 16, walked out of Immigration Department offices today hand in hand with his GI "father," Dales Goss, and headed for his new home in Lafayette, Ind.

"But you sure spilled a washtub of tears when you saw me though, didn't you, kid?" Goss said. The pair were reunited when authorities released the French-born, pint-sized lad from Ellis Island into Goss' custody. Goss, who picked him up in Cherbourg when he was footloose and uncared for, expects to adopt him—legally immediately following his return to the Goss home in Lafayette.

The boy, in a cutdown uniform given to him by German prisoners



A NEW IONOSPHERE ROCKET, which has soared to a new U. S. altitude record of 43 1/2 miles is examined by Glenn Bassett, assistant project engineer of Douglas Aircraft Co. at Pasadena, Calif. The rocket is used to search out weather secrets. It has a parachute attachment to bring it back to earth.

Rocket Goes Up 43 Miles to Get Weather Secrets

Vets to Carry Glider Freight

PHILADELPHIA, April 15 (UP)—Three veteran combat pilots, headed by a 29-year-old colonel who shot down 14 Japanese planes and sank five ships, prepared to inaugurate a glider freight service between Philadelphia and Puerto Rico.

The new airline, Winged Cargo, Inc., received the first Civil Aeronautic Authority licence granted for commercial glider-tow operations. Col. Fred P. Dollenberg, president of the Philadelphia company, said the gliders would be loaded at Philadelphia and dropped off at destinations along the eastern seaboard, Gulf of Mexico and Puerto Rico. Gliders will be loaded with products for Philadelphia on their return trips, Dollenberg said.

Partners in the venture are former Capt. Raymond W. Baldwin and Carl W. Herdic, both of Williamsport, Pa.

Scholar Ridicules World Atom Fear

NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of Harvard Observatory, warned recently that the "people in the world are being bullied so much by atomic threats and fears that they have become resigned to disaster."

He told 150 college honor students at the third annual college forum, sponsored by Mademoiselle magazine, that "all people are like sheep going down the runway to oblivion."

of war, arrived here with Goss on the Sea Scamp early in March as a stowaway. A special board of hearing waived the illegal method of entry yesterday, and Goss caught a train right away to get his new "son."

"The wife hasn't seen him yet, but she thinks it's a fine idea," Goss said.

"Everything will be okay," Danny said. "Think I'll learn to be a jockey."

Goss said he called the boy "Danny" and sometimes "Joe" because he found his given name too French. He said the boy had a bankroll of \$368 presented to him by troops on the Sea Scamp and some "chicken feed" given him by GIs overseas.

Catholic Bataan Vets Plan Pilgrimage to Church Shrine

CHIMAYO, N.M., April 15 (AP)—Catholic veterans of the 200th Coast Artillery Regt., who survived Bataan and Corregidor, plan a Holy Week pilgrimage to Chimayos el Santuario, Cpl. Conrado Vigil, 28, is fulfilling a vow he made during his Japanese imprisonment, by completing a 125-mile pilgrimage afoot from his home in Belen to the little church in this mountain village.

As he plodded the last miles, barefooted, Catholic members of the regiment joined the pilgrimage. The group plans to walk 30 miles from Santa Fe sometime this week without food or water to offer prayers for members of the regiment who died in the defense of the Philippines or in prison camps.

Denison Waits Return of Ike

DENISON, Tex., April 15 (INS)—Denison completed plans today for the first visit of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in nearly 53 years.

More people are expected to flock to the Army Chief of Staff's birthplace next Saturday than ever before—even more than when President Roosevelt visited in 1936 or for the dedication of the dam.

The visit to the scene of his birth will be a new experience for Ike. But he can be sure that the home in which he was born will look much the same as when he and his parents moved to Abilene, Kan., a few months later.

World Corn Crop Smallest Since '41

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The Department of Agriculture estimated the 1945-46 world corn crop at 5,050,000,000 bushels, smallest since 1941.

The estimate was 4 per cent below the 1944-45 crop, with declines noted in Europe and North America.

In the face of this, import needs have increased, notably in Italy, the Balkans and South Africa.

Training Plane Crash in Maryland Kills 2

SALISBURY, Md., April 15 (AP)—An Army training plane from the Dover, Del., air base crashed in a wooded section near Pittsville, fatally injuring the pilot and a passenger.

Army officials identified the pilot as Lt. Arnold Rosenberg, of Rosbury, Mass., and the passenger as M-Sgt. Walter C. Duke, of Greenwood, Del.

Nurnberg Officer Calls Notre Dame

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 15 (INS) Lt. Francis O'Hara, of Brooklyn, serving with the Army of Occupation in Germany, has his heart set on attending Notre Dame University.

And he will go to any length, he says, to get there by September.

He has lined things up with the Army through his large collection of points and this week telephoned the university registrar from Nurnberg.

The registrar said it was the first telephonic transatlantic request for admission to Notre Dame that he had handled.

Blast of Dynamite Mangles 2 Youths

PLENTYWOOD, Mont., April 15 (AP)—Two boys were blown to bits when a small powderhouse containing more than two tons of dynamite exploded, Sheriff Albert Erdahl reported.

He said the boys were identified by relatives as Fergus Koser, 14, and William Willard, Jr., 11.

The explosion was seen 10 miles from this north-eastern Montana community, the sheriff said, adding that pieces of Koser's body were found from 12 to 1,000 feet from the powderhouse. The torso of Willard was found 150 feet from the building.

Child Dies From Blaze When Scared Under Bed

STRASBURG, Va., April 15 (AP)—A 5-year-old boy died after he became excited during a fire at his home and ran upstairs and hid under the bed.

Firemen found the lad, David Wilson, Jr., unconscious, but were unable to revive him.

Pappy's Ex-Wife Files Suit

SEATTLE, April 15 (AP)—Mrs. Helene Marie Gilbert, former wife of Lt. Col. Gregory (Pappy) Boyington, has started suit to divorce George Lewis Gilbert, Seattle news vendor.

Senators Seek British Bases For U.S. Loan

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The demand that Britain yield title to Atlantic bases in exchange for financial credits developed support today among backers as well as critics of the proposed \$3,750,000,000 loan.

Sen. John H. Bankhead (D-Ala.), who joined the Banking Committee majority last week in recommending Senate passage of loan legislation, announced he intends to support the proposal which would require Britain to turn over bases leased to the U.S. for 99 years in a deal made by the late President Roosevelt.

"I think it is greedy and hoggish of Britain to ask for this financial assistance and be willing to give nothing in return," Bankhead said. "I think she ought to turn over those bases to us."

NOT FOR COMMERCIAL USE

Under the wartime leases the bases cannot be used by the U.S. for commercial purposes.

Sen. Ernest McFarland (D-Ariz.), whose base exchange proposal was denied by the committee, said he would reintroduce the proposal when the loan bill comes before the Senate, probably Tuesday. McFarland voted against the committee's action sending the measure to the Senate.

The base proposal attracted attention among prospective supporters of the loan, including Sens. Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.) and Styles Bridges (R-N.H.). Neither has announced his position but the Administration is counting on their votes for passage of the measure on which the Senate is sharply divided.

A check showed 24 senators have announced support while 26 have voiced opposition.

College Rolls To Set Record

CHICAGO, April 15 (INS)—Educators today expected two million students including 500,000 veterans to seek admission to colleges and universities in 1946.

Delegates to the National Conference on Education made the prediction of this new high.

The former all-time high in 1939-40 was 1,500,000 students.

Educators said that at least three million students are expected to ask for admission to universities by 1950.

They added that increased enrollment would require from 7,000 to 10,000 new faculty members with the next year.

Denies Engagement to Gable

PALM BEACH, April 15 (UP)—Mrs. Jay O'Brien, of Palm Beach, denied rumors of impending marriage to Clark Gable saying "that would be rather difficult since Clark Gable is in California and I'm in Palm Beach."

Doggie Snaps Teeth For Cashier Check

ATLANTA, Ga., April 15 (INS)—When Miss Louise Coker, manager of the Western Union counter in Atlanta's Terminal Station, cashes a check she asks for positive identification.

Today when a soldier asked her to cash a check, Miss Coker got her positive identification right from the doggie's mouth.

The soldier snapped out his dental plate—on which he had engraved his name, serial number, blood type and religion.

Miss Coker cashed the check.

League Parks To Hear Cry Of 'Batter Up'

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Chicago at Cincinnati, Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

American League—St. Louis at Detroit, Cleveland at Chicago, Boston at Washington, New York at Philadelphia.

Although more than 11 million customers watched wifling but often inadequate wartime players do their stuff last year, even more are due this season, according to pre-opening-day jams at ticket windows. Brooklyn reports more than \$400,000 in the till and the Yankees may well have \$600,000 before they open the gates, with the new stadium club plan for selling season boxes.

Two new managers will be on the job in Boston and St. Louis. Eddie Dyer, lean, drawing Texan, has been imported from Houston to boss the favored Cardinals, and Billy Southworth has moved to Boston from St. Louis under the impetus of more gold.

The Boston owners have installed a lighting system at the Braves' field to give Boston its first taste of night ball.

Larry MacPhail of the Yanks has put in an expensive lighting plant at the big stadium in the Bronx, leaving only Fenway Park in Boston, Briggs Stadium in Detroit and Wrigley Field in Chicago without arcs.

Buffalo Takes 3rd AHL Title

BUFFALO, April 15 (AP)—The Bisons won their third American Hockey League championship in four seasons by defeating the Cleveland Barons, 5-2.

The victory climaxed an uphill fight for the Bisons, who took the last three games to nip the Barons, 4-3, in the seven-game playoff series.

Barons' centers Tommy Burlington and Les Cunningham were unable to play because of injuries suffered last night in Cleveland.

Stanley Cup Players To Split Record 90Gs

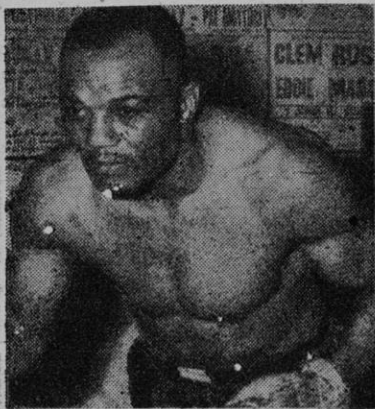
MONTREAL, April 15 (AP)—National Hockey League players who took part in the Stanley Cup playoffs will split \$90,160—the largest playoff pot in NHL history, it was learned.

Although the official breakdown has not been disclosed, it is estimated that the Montreal Canadiens, Cup winners and NHL champions, will divide at least \$35,000—giving the players approximately \$2,000 each.

Tulsa Ties USHL Playoffs By Beating Pla-mors, 4-3

KANSAS CITY, April 15 (AP)—The Tulsa Oilers deadlocked the U.S. Hockey League championship playoffs at two-all by defeating the Kansas City Pla-mors, 4-3, in their overall struggle.

Surging Heavy



JERSEY JOE WOLCOTT, 190-pound Negro veteran of boxing, is surging back to the top of the heavyweight picture. In NBA's recent quarterly ratings, Wolcott was pointed out as one of the outstanding boxers of the game.

Police Scratch Turf Fans With Scratch Sheets

NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—Scratch sheet readers perused their favorite literature alone today for word spread that police were arresting students of horse racing lore when they "congregate" to scan lists of selections and probable odds.

Although police officials refused to say what provision of penal code was being invoked to stop mass reading they pointed out that a group of two or more persons on a street corner constituted an impediment to the flow of traffic.

Similarly they said groups in bar-rooms or drug stores might well be indulging in "loud and boisterous" language.

The decision resulted yesterday in 24 arrests made on disorderly conduct charges stemming from group reading of the sheets.

14 Records Fall In Women's Swim

SEATTLE, April 15 (AP)—The National Women's AAU Indoor Swimming Championships concluded with 14 records shattered and only the 300-yard individual medley mark still standing.

The Multnomah Club's 300-yard medley relay team from Portland, Ore., set new meet and American marks at 3:27.8.

The old American mark was 3:28.6, set by the Women's Swimming Association of New York in 1940.

Crystal Plunge of San Francisco won the team championship with 52 points, to 43 scored by Multnomah.

Andy Publis to Coach

SOUTH BEND, April 15 (AP)—Lt. (jg) Andy Publis, quarterback on Notre Dame teams 10 years ago, will return as football coach at Proviso High School, Maywood, Ill., next season.

Record Boston Crowd of 33,279 See Red Sox Trounce Braves, 19-5

BOSTON, April 15 (AP)—Scoring all but two of their runs in three big innings, the Red Sox trounced the Braves, 19-5, in the concluding game of the intra-city series before a record crowd of 33,279. The triumph at the expense of five Braves' pitchers deadlocked the five-contest series at two victories apiece and one tied game. Bobby Doerr made three

Pasquel Signs Red Hayworth

MEXICO CITY, April 15 (AP)—Myron (Red) Hayworth, former Browns catcher, signed a three-year contract to play in the Mexican League, Jorge Pasquel, president of the circuit, said. Hayworth was released to Toledo of the American Association early this year by the Browns.

Pasquel said Hayworth will catch for Torreon. He is expected to make his first appearance against Mexico City on Thursday night.

Meanwhile, Mickey Owen, who put his signature on a five-year Mexican League contract yesterday, wore his Vera Cruz uniform for the first time as he was presented to the fans during the game between Mexico City and San Luis Potosi. The former Brooklyn backstop was given a big hand by the fans.

Pitcher Sal Maglie, who jumped the Giants to play in Mexico, has been assigned to Puebla and will join the team tomorrow, club president Castor Monoto said.

Maglie, a righthander with a 5-4 record for New York last season, was signed for the league two weeks ago by Jorge Pasquel.

Snead, Harper Tie For Virginia Lead

VIRGINIA BEACH, April 15 (AP)—Cool and deliberate slender Chandler Harper, of Portsmouth, overcame a nine stroke disadvantage on the last 18 holes to tie Slamming Sammy Snead today for the Virginia State Open golf championship. Both players wound up with 72-hole scores of 275.

The two players will meet again next Sunday in an 18-hole playoff to decide the 1946 title.

Harper's 63 for the afternoon's 18-hole set was a new competitive record for the Cavalier course, besting the old mark of 64 set by Harry Cooper about 14 years ago.

Baseball to Headline ETO Athletic Program

FRANKFURT, April 15—Baseball, the national pastime here as in the U.S., will headline the summer sports program for GIs in the ETO.

With new plans that call for a reclassification of teams, the stress is upon regimental clubs rather than divisional teams. After the major command champions have been determined they will meet in the ETO tourney Aug. 25-31 in Nurnberg.

errors at second base but overcame those fielding lapses by driving in seven runs as he collected two singles, a double and a triple in five trips.

Rudy York was another big sticker for the winning Sox, slamming two doubles off the distant centerfield wall.

CHICAGO—Extra base power gave the White Sox an 8-2 win over the Cubs in the windup of their city series and spring exhibition season before a Wrigley Field turnout of 24,911.

The Sox backed 45-year-old Ted Lyons and Joe Haynes with an eleven-hit attack that included six doubles and a homer by third baseman Bob Kennedy. Lyons went the first five innings, yielding one run and five blows.

CLEVELAND—Mel Ott hammered a ninth-inning double with the bases loaded to score two runs and give his Giants a 7-5 exhibition victory over the Indians. A crowd of 9,734 watched the exhibition finale of both clubs.

Charles (Red) Embree held the Giants in check for seven innings as his mates piled up a 5-1 lead off Harry Feldman and Dave Kilsno, but Ernie Lombardi cracked a two-run double in the eighth which chased the fire-balling redhead.

ST. LOUIS—The Cardinals came from behind with a ninth-inning uprising to down the Browns 4-3, in their second and final game of the annual city baseball series. A crowd of 23,868 saw pitcher Ken Burkhardt win his own game by driving across the winning run.

George Kurowski, who recently ended a long holdout seige, went in as a pinch-hitter and drove across two Redbird runs to tie the score in the last inning.

BROOKLYN—Joe McCarthy's Yankees turned loose a 15-hit attack on four Brooklyn pitchers to smother the Dodgers, 12-2, in the final game of the spring exhibition series before 33,187 paying fans.

Joe DiMaggio poled his 19th homer of the training season, and Oscar Grimes and Aaron Robinson also hit for the circuit.

LOUISVILLE—The Tigers unleashed a 13-hit barrage and slammed out a 9-2 win over the Louisville team of the American Association in their last exhibition game prior to the American League opening.

Fred Hutchinson and Ruffus Gentry had little trouble with the Colonels, but George Caster, who pitched the last three innings for the Bengals, was touched for eight hits and both Louisville runs.

Nats Champs Of Citrus Play

NEW YORK, April 15 (UP)—The Washington Senators finished as undisputed champions of the Citrus circuit but experts still maintained that manager Ossie Bluege's south-paw sluggers would fall far behind after playing the Yankees and Red Sox for keeps during the regular American League season.

All 16 teams were up North on beaten big league tracks winding up last exhibition games. Practically all serious pennant contenders were around the top of the "fruit loop" standings. The standings:

	W	L		W	L
Washington	23	9	Cubs	17	17
Cardinals	22	11	Browns	20	21
Yankees	41	22	Pittsburgh	19	20
Athletics	21	14	Brooklyn	19	20
Red Sox	22	17	White Sox	14	15
Detroit	21	17	Cincinnati	17	20
Phillies	17	14	Giants	11	13
Cleveland	13	13	Braves	14	19

Dodgers Purchase Catcher; Lavagetto to Get Operation

NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—The Brooklyn Dodgers announced today the purchase of Farrell Anderson, who will replace Mickey Owen, from their Montreal farm club, and Cookie Lavagetto, third baseman, who has been troubled with a sore arm, will undergo an operation at Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore next week.

Cleveland Casts Off Vet Hurler Eisenstat

CLEVELAND, April 15 (AP)—Harry Eisenstat, veteran southpaw pitcher obtained by the Indians in 1939 from Detroit, was released unconditionally today, reducing the Tribe roster to 36 players.

The lefthander, 30, recently was discharged from the Army.

3 States Dominate K of C Bowling

DETROIT, April 15 (AP)—The Knights of Columbus national bowling tournament ended with top honors going to the entries from Michigan, Illinois and Ohio.

Larry Strugarek, of Toledo, took individual honors with a 1,937 score in the all-events division and 702 in the singles.

The Brunswick Mineralities, of Detroit, won the team title with a 2,907 pinfall, while the combination of M. Kass and J. Burke of Chicago, hit 1,235 to win the two-man event crown.

Baltimore Stops Spas To Win Pro Cage Meet

BALTIMORE, April 15 (AP)—The Bullets scored a 54-39 triumph over the Philadelphia Spas to capture the playoff finals of the American Professional Basketball League.

The Baltimore team annexed their third straight playoff tilt against the Spas in this encounter, after dropping the first tilt of the best three of five elimination series.

N.Y. School Rifle Champs

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The Christian Brothers Academy rifle team No. 1, of Albany, was declared the winner of the Alamo Trophy of the National Rifle Association as the best scholastic rifle team in the country. The Albany team scored 747 out of a possible 800.

BLONDIE



By Chic Young

Allies Foster Squeeze Play To Ax Franco

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Franco, Spain's dictator for nearly a decade, has found himself in the most difficult diplomatic position since wartime years when the Axis demanded a payoff for past favors. He was pinned there by Poland's demand for UNO action against his government on the grounds it constituted a menace to world peace.

The Security Council probably will weigh Poland's request this week. Just what action it will take caused brisk speculation, but a full-fledged review of Franco's rule appeared assured.

Regardless of what disposition the Council eventually makes of the Polish charges, the coming discussion seemed certain to contribute to the pressure campaign by the Allies to force a bloodless change of rule in Spain.

High American diplomatic officials expressed the hope this could best be accomplished by instilling within the army the firm conviction that Franco's continuance in office would serve only to alienate Spain further from the rest of the world. It was the army, with Nazi and Italian aid, which placed Franco in power.

Franco sidestepped active participation in World War II except for the "Blue Division" which he sent to fight Russia alongside the Germans.

Economically, Franco also helped his Axis friends from 1940 to mid-1944 when Spain's exports to Germany mounted to twice that of all other nations.

PX, ARC Clubs Fold in Paris

PARIS, April 15—The huge Opera PX, formerly the largest in the entire Paris area, is one of 14 properties being turned back to former owners by the U.S. Army, it was announced.

The Mayflower Officers Club will close tomorrow, and nine other ARC installations will be closed by May 1, it was announced by Western Base Section. These include installations at Ile St. Germain, Vincennes, three at Camp Herbert Tareyton, and one each at Camp Philip Morris, Le Havre and Metz.

WBS also announced that final papers for the release of the Coulonniers airstrip were completed. This property, which was turned over to the French last December on a temporary basis, will now be released outright.

Thefts Cost U.S. 800,000 Dollars

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP)—Approximately \$800,000 worth of U.S. army supplies were stolen in Europe in the month of March, Army headquarters disclosed.

Most of the pilfering—\$530,000 worth—occurred in countries liberated by the Allies and only \$270,000 worth in occupied enemy countries.

Chief losses were in food and clothing, most of the stealing being done while the supplies were in transit.

Mrs. Roosevelt Denies French Adoption Rumor

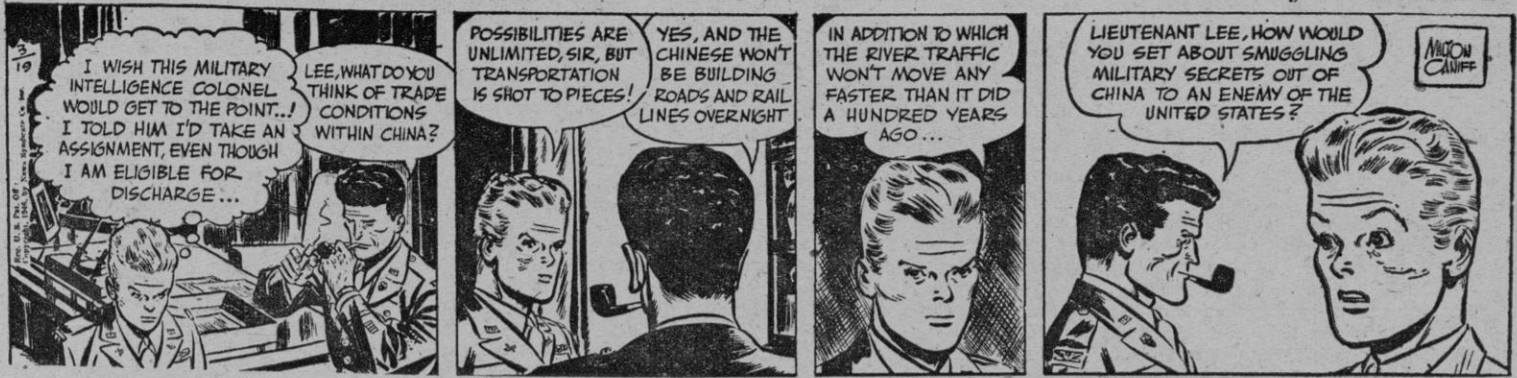
NEW YORK, April 15 (INS)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt denied today that she planned to adopt a French child as reported by the Paris newspaper France Soir.

In Washington, the White House said that Mrs. Harry Truman also did not know anything about the French report that she, too, was planning to adopt a French child.

TERRY AND THE PIRATES

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Devers Says Machines Will Never Replace 'Joe'

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Gen. Jacob Devers, chief of Army Ground Forces, asserted that machines failed to lessen the importance of the man who fought hand to hand in World War II and suggested that the same may be true in the event of another conflict.

Devers said in a report published by the War Department that "this most technological of all man's struggles put just as much emphasis on the ground soldier as did those wars waged with a short sword and musket."

The ground forces absorbed 81 per cent of the American Army's battle losses, captured nearly all prisoners and won the overwhelming majority of medals for heroism, he said.

"The infantry, which comprised only 20.5 per cent of the total strength overseas, took 70 per cent of the total casualties," Devers reported.

"The ground Army captured and disarmed 8,150,447 enemy troops and made more than 40 major landings on hostile shores.

"Of 276 men thus far granted the nation's highest award of the Congressional Medal of Honor, 239 have been members

of the AGF, almost all from the infantry. Nearly half died in their heroic service.

"Of some 3,700 DSCs granted, more than 80 per cent went to Army ground personnel."

Advising that the GI proved a worthy successor to his ancestors-in-arms, Devers predicted that "if this country should ever again be forced into combat, the ground soldier will them as before mark our progress along the path of victory."

Devers' report covered operations of AGF from its formation early in 1942, as successor to General Headquarters, U. S. Army, until V-J Day. In the period of some 40 months, he said, the AGF did the following:

Organized, trained and sent overseas 89 divisions, of which all but one saw action.

Administered affairs of 4,194,000 men and 230,000 officers. In realistic conditioning of men for battle fired more than 687,365 tons of live ammunition.

Expanded an amateur Army of 28 poorly-equipped, partially-organized and widely-scattered divisions into the

force which took the measure of the best Nazi and Japanese units facing them.

Divisions which saw action included 65 infantry, five airborne, 16 armored, one cavalry and one mountain division.

Of these, 37 were formed in the peak years of 1942 and 1943. The ground Army was able to carry the fight to the enemy on 10 fronts of the global conflict. By comparison, the Army formed 58 infantry divisions in World War I but only 42 got overseas and 12 did not function as combat units.

Two devices of organization played major parts in the AGF record, Devers noted. One was the cadre system in forming new units by which a battalion was organized and trained, and then furnished key men for still more battalions. The other was the system of furnishing a constant stream of individual replacements to fill vacancies left by casualties.

In the war's early stages, the ground soldier was handicapped by a shortage of weapons and equipment but ultimately in the Garand rifle, the flame-thrower, bulldozer, jeep, cub plane and 2½ ton truck, he possessed arms which were superior to the enemy's.

Black Market at Lichfield Charged

Mother Says Son Wrote Her of Dealings

GILAN, O., April 15 (UP)—An alleged victim of brutality at the Army detention camp at Lichfield, England, charged in a letter home that brutality was committed to cover up black market activities of certain officers and guards at the camp, his mother said today.

Mrs. Otto C. Holt, Sr., said her son, Pvt. Otto C. Holt, Jr., 22, had written her he was mistreated because he knew too much about black market operations.

Holt, an infantryman, was confined at Lichfield on a charge of AWOL, his mother said. He was one of seven enlisted witnesses who refused last Thursday to testify in the court martial in London of S-Sgt. James M. Jones, a guard at the camp who was charged with brutality. Holt told the court he was being mistreated in his present confinement in London and feared he would be further distressed if he testified against Jones.

WENT TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Holt said he had been removed to a hospital in England from the Lichfield camp. A nurse reported the alleged mistreatment and brought about the entire investigation, Mrs. Holt said.

She said in a letter dated Jan. 15, 1946 her son said he was "about the worst one beaten up at camp."

"I haven't told you about it before," the letter said, "because I was afraid you might worry, but the tables are turned now. You remember when I was in the 10th Reinf. Depot. That's when it all took place. For no reason at all guards beat everyone with clubs and sometimes with just fists. Four or five of them would jump on you all at once, and didn't give you much of a chance. The first night there I got beaten up so badly I could not walk back to my cell. They beat me in the back with clubs, and beat my head against a brick wall until it cut all the hair off the top of my forehead and cut my head in three places."

The nurse in the hospital took his statement and sent it to Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters. He got it by luck and sent a major to the guardhouse to investigate. Mrs. Holt said the letter had not been censored.

McNarney Cites Need To Re-Educate Germans

FRANKFURT, April 15—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, in a speech to Army personnel gathered at the Palm Garden Red Cross Club for Passover services here tonight, told GIs "we must teach these people—the Germans who outlawed religion and freedom—something about democracy. This is a job that will take many years and one to which—we must give our utmost devotion."

Three Yanks Still at Large After Armed Escape in UK

LONDON, April 15—Three U. S. Army general prisoners are still at large in England after an escape Saturday in which they held up their military police guards, transferred their handcuffs to the guards, and fled with the MPs' truck, wallets and brassards.

London area PRO did not reveal the names of the prisoners, who are credited with later stealing a jeep that disappeared near the place they abandoned the MP truck in London.

Prisoners and guards were on their way to Southampton about noon Saturday when one of the prisoners produced a gun and held up the guards. They got the key to their handcuffs, removed them, then handcuffed their guards and left them on the roadside, 50 miles from London.

Before leaving, the prisoners took wallets from two of the guards and decked themselves out with the MP brassards and badges.

One of the guards produced another handcuff key and the guards released themselves, then went to a telephone to spread the alarm.

The truck was found Sunday morning in the center of London at about the same time a jeep was reported missing from the same neighborhood.

Tattoo Hiding Probed by MG

DARMSTADT, April 15—Attempts by former SS members to conceal "blood-type" and other tattoos are being investigated by MG members. Burgel Rech, registered nurse of this city, was given a six month jail sentence this afternoon by Capt. Noel Laird, legal officer for the MG, after she admitted that she had obliterated a tattoo mark from the arm of Erhard Osterech, former SS member.

The trial brought out that she had helped also to have a blood-type tattoo mark removed from her brother's arm. Laird found her guilty of aiding a member of the enemy forces from escaping capture and upbraided her for violating her professional responsibilities as a nurse.

The defendant claimed that this was the first and only time she had obliterated tattoo marks, she said she did it at the instigation of her brother and to prevent Osterech from slashing himself with a razor in an attempt to remove the symbol himself.

4 Japs Sentenced For Fliers' Deaths

SHANGHAI, April 15 (AP)—Three Japanese officers, charged with war crimes in connection with the execution of three of Doolittle's airmen here in 1942, were sentenced to five years at hard labor. A fourth defendant was sentenced to nine years at hard labor.

The five-man military commission which heard the trial blamed higher governmental and military officials for the executions, in explaining the surprisingly light sentences.

Sentenced were: Lt. Gen. Shuguru Sawada, former commander of the Japanese 13th Army; Capt. Sotojiro Natsuta, Capt. Kuswi Wako and Lt. Ryuheo Okada.

Rosenberg Opens Self-Testimony

NURNBERG, April 15 (AP)—Nazi philosopher Alfred Rosenberg, former commissioner for conquered Soviet territory, took the witness stand in defense of his life before the International Military Tribunal this afternoon. Testimony pertaining to Ernst Kaltenbrunner was completed earlier.

Rosenberg told of contributing articles to the Hearst press in 1934-35, a connection he said which terminated after he had met American publisher William Randolph Hearst in Bad Nauheim. Rosenberg said he "got the impression the Hearst press could get into difficulties because of my articles."

Hermann Goering returned to the prisoners' box today after recovering from a cold which kept him away three days, but Joachim von Ribbentrop was absent, suffering from "fatigue."

Berlin Unity Party Meets for 1st Time

BERLIN, April 15 (AP)—Berlin Social Democrats favoring an immediate merger with the Communists sat yesterday for the first time in joint session with the Communists as "the Socialist Unity Party."

An executive board was elected and delegates appointed for Easter Sunday's Russian Zone merger convention.

The American, British and French authorities are permitting the anti-fusion Social Democrats to continue functioning as a separate party in their respective sectors where 82 per cent voted against a merger.

Rail Strike Hits Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, April 15 (AP)—Jerusalem was without train service today as railway workers joined a series of Palestine-wide strikes.

First Lady



NEW FIRST LADY of Argentina is blond Eva Duarte, recently-acquired movie-actress wife of Col. Juan Peron. She is 28; Peron is 50.

Frankfurt Gets Second Paper

FRANKFURT, April 15 (AP)—Frankfurt became the first city in the American Occupation Zone of Germany to have two newspapers with the licensing today of the Frankfurter Neue Presse, which will publish twice weekly. The other Frankfurt newspaper is the Frankfurter Rundschau.

Brig. Gen. Robert A. McClure, MG director of information control, said second newspapers would be licensed soon in other large cities because "a competitive press is a main cornerstone of a free press just as a free press is the main cornerstone of democracy."

Publishers of the Neue Presse are Dr. Hugo Stenzel and August Heinrich, both of whom have anti-Nazi records.

Ernie Pyle Memorial Scheduled at Okinawa

OKINAWA, April 15 (AP)—Base Command memorial services for Ernie Pyle, killed on Ie Shima last April 19, will be held tomorrow in the military cemetery of that little Ryukyu island.

Bremen Port Unit Closes; Is Replaced by 17th Port

By BOB WILLIAMS, Staff Correspondent

BREMEN, April 15—The Bremen Port Command will close at midnight tonight and will be replaced by the 17th Major Port, under command of Continental Base Section, Col. E. H. Connor, Jr., 17th Port CO announced here today.

Operating headquarters for the Bremen Enclave will move from Bremen to Bremerhaven and the 317th Inf., formerly operating BPC, will be attached to 17th Port. The majority of the 11,500 men and 1,285 officers of BPC will be assigned to

Farms Hoard German Food, MG Charges

MUNICH, April 15 (AP)—American Military Government authorities admitted today that Bavarian farmers are hoarding tens of thousands of tons of needed foodstuffs while German city dwellers go hungry and ask larger imports from the U. S.

"The German farmer's belly is full," one American food expert said unofficially, "but because of our policy of democratization we can't use strongarm methods and collect his hidden food."

Quite apart from other vital foods, Bavarian farmers are holding out an estimated 25,000 to 30,000 tons of bread grain, Germany's greatest want, other officers conceded. They stressed they were speaking unofficially.

This amount, the officers said, is not enough to solve the critical food shortage but if it was rounded up it would cut by 10 per cent the total tonnage of grain imports needed to carry the American Zone through until next fall's harvest.

The officers said there was no visible evidence of a farmers' conspiracy to starve the cities, win American sympathy and gain larger imports from America.

League Owed By 25 Nations

GENEVA, April 15 (UP)—More than \$2,000,000 is owed to the League of Nations in the form of contributions from member nations which have fallen into arrears.

Only nine nations, including Great Britain, were up-to-date with their contributions when the present assembly started. Ten more have paid or have agreed to pay their arrears since then, but that still leaves 25 more nations which owe money to the League.

Argentina will be the latest to pay. The Argentine delegate to the assembly was expected to sign an agreement today to pay the League.

other units in the enclave. Military Government will be controlled by OMGUS, it was reported.

BPC was activated in Paris and moved to Bremen May 8, 1945, three days after the British captured the city. Commanded until Feb. 13 by Maj. Gen. Harry B. Vaughn, BPC restored the demolished ports of Bremen and Bremerhaven to operating condition last October, when the port started functioning as the sole U. S. port in Germany.

Col. Thomas J. Weed assumed command when Vaughn went home.