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The Weather Today
PARIS & VICINITY
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 75
STRAIT OF DOVER
Partly cloudy, max. temp.: 70

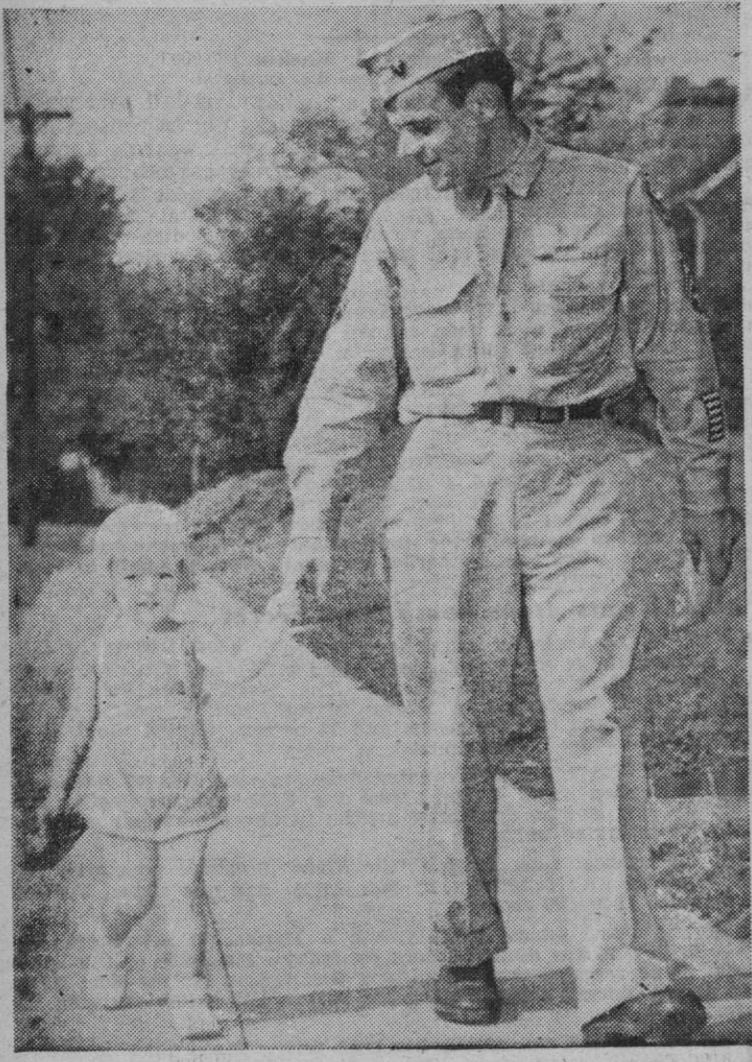
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The Weather Today
RIVIERA
Partly cloudy, showers, max.: 79
GERMANY
Clear, max. temp.: 72

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Lenore Shows Off Her Civilian Daddy



Carrying the wooden shoes he brought her from Holland, Lenore Gay, two and one-half, parades her daddy, T/5 Thomas B. Gay, around the neighborhood in Washington a few hours after he was demobilized at Fort Meade. Gay, an artist before induction four years ago, says he is planning to paint a picture of his flaxen-haired daughter.

Senate Gets GI Howls On Release

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Criticism of the Army's demobilization system mounted at both ends of the Capitol today while GIs put in a few squawks of their own.

Sen. Edward V. Robertson (R-Wyo.) read to the Senate a telegram from 70 veterans of the Eighth and 15th Air Forces now in a western U.S. camp who said they were "ready to go over the hill" because of delays in releasing them although they all had more than enough points and most were over 38.

And seven GIs from nearby Fort Belvoir, Va., who said they were kept busy "cutting grass with bayonets to keep our minds occupied" came to the Capitol in person to confer with Congressmen and ask for a chance to testify at current hearings being held by the Senate Military Committee. Pvt. George L. Mark of Cleveland, their spokesman, said they were ordered to cut the grass with bayonets "every so many days all summer."

Lawnmower Broken
"Sometimes," he added, "better than a battalion will be out cutting grass at once—that's upwards of 600 men. The lawnmower is broken. They can't get it fixed because of the manpower shortage."

In the House, several New York members issued a statement saying they had conferred on measures "to force the Army and Navy officials to retreat from their pig-headed stand on discharges." Rep. Bernard W. Kearney (R-N.Y.) said he would ask the House to order "a thorough investigation" along the lines of the Senate committee hearing.

Chairman Edwin C. Johnson (D-Col.) of the Senate committee (Continued on Page 8, Col. 4)

Millions Escape Lone Ranger As Strike Gags 2 Networks

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Last evening was a strange one for millions of Americans.

Untold thousands of youngsters went to bed without the reassuring cry of "Hiho, Silver!" from the Lone Ranger.

Housewives prepared dinner ignorant of the news of the world as explained and interpreted by Lowell Thomas, Raymond Gram Swing and H. V. Kaltenborn.

Faithful listeners never found out what "Mr. District Attorney" did about that dope-smuggling ring, and "The College of Musical Knowledge" was dark and silent and studentless.

Two of America's largest radio networks went off the air at 6 PM (Eastern war time) because of an engineers' strike, and some of the most popular programs in the business missed a performance—a development usually the result only of Presidential speeches or cataclysmic news of war and peace.

The National Broadcasting Company and the American Broadcasting Company (formerly the Blue Network) were the chains affected when about 600 engineers walked away from their control boards in response to a strike call by the National Association of Broadcast

Keynes made these points:
1—The financing Britain wants is (Continued on Page 8, Col. 2)

Interfere Little as Possible With Lawful GI Deals—Ike

FRANKFURT, Germany, Sept. 13.—Assertions concerning an imminent curb on American soldiers in Berlin from sending home more than the unencumbered part of their pay, made to The Stars and Stripes in a recent interview with USFET Finance chief, Col. Bernard Bernstein, were termed premature and not entirely correct yesterday by Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, chief of staff, USFET.

Pointing out that the form and extent of currency control was still under discussion by the War Department, Smith added that Gen. Eisenhower wishes to interfere as little as possible with the legitimate transactions of soldiers.

Ike Received by Pope
ROME, Sept. 13 (Reuter).—Gen. D. Eisenhower arrived here by air this morning and was received in private audience by Pope Pius XII.

Marine Points Now 70, Age 35

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—The Marine Corps announced today a 15-point reduction for demobilizing qualified Leathernecks.

Announcing the first liberalization of its point program, laid down Aug. 15, the Marine Corps disclosed that male officers and enlisted men 35 years of age or older or with 70 points could be discharged. The original qualification was 85 points. The qualification for Women Marines remains at 25 points, but those 35 years of age or older are now eligible. The system does not apply to Marines serving a regular four-year enlistment.

The Marine point system is like the Army's and allows credit for points to Sept. 1.

4 Home-Bound Vets Killed in Bus Crash

AYER, Mass., Sept. 13 (ANS).—Four Army men were burned to death and 12 were injured early today when an Army bus carrying 29 overseas veterans crashed into a tree on South Main Street, overturned and caught fire.

The soldiers had boarded the bus at Ayer train depot after arriving from Camp Kilmer, N.J. All had recently returned from overseas and were on their way to Fort Devens, Mass., for discharges or furloughs.

Clocks Back an Hour At 3 AM on Sunday

FRANKFURT, Sept. 13 (AP).—Clocks in France and Belgium will be turned back one hour at 3 AM Sunday, switching from Zone B to Zone A time in line with similar shifts being made in Austria and the U.S. zone of occupation in Germany. The change in Austria and Germany will take place at 2 AM on Sunday.

The change will put all of Germany and Western Europe on the same time standard.

Chanor Base Says Its 58-ers Will Be Out of ETO by Jan. 1

BRUSSELS, Sept. 13.—All enlisted men in Chanor Base section with 58 VJ points or more will be out of the ETO by Jan. 1, Chanor's Adjutant General readjustment section indicated today.

The base section, which administers 295,000 personnel, including 170,000 static, is a full month ahead of its redeployment schedule. More than 24,000 troops are on their way home and 18,000 more will be leaving before the end of September.

Over-age personnel will start leaving for staging areas on Sept. 27. The Engineer Corps, which has many specialized men in the high-point bracket, will be forced to replace its Category I (occupation) units with personnel from other branches of service, irrespective of MOS numbers, according to 1/Lt. D. L. Golan of the readjustment section.

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During this delay men and women in the 35-to-37 age group in Seine Section, which has jurisdiction over the majority of troops in Paris, have not been able to apply for discharge. At the same time, a check revealed, organizations like the Third and Seventh Armies, Chanor Base Section and XVI Corps have been receiving applications and expediting them.

Day-by-Day Chronology
Here is the chronology of the movement of SC-8909 from USFET to Seine Section:

Sept. 3—USFET sent the cable, which directed "immediate action," to major commands in the ETO. (Seine Section is not a major command. It is under TSF.)

Sept. 4—TSF received the cable through Staff Message Control in the Majestic.

Sept. 5—TSF ordered the cable sent across the street to Seine Section. A check of the records of the Staff Message Control yesterday showed that the cable was to be delivered "by hand."

Sept. 13—Yesterday afternoon—the copy of the cable arrived at Seine Section. The distance from the Majestic (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

2 Boys Fly Stolen Plane In Dark Till Gas Fails

VALPARAISO, Ind., Sept. 13 (ANS).—Two 14-year-old boys, said by state police to have stolen a small airplane from a local field and to have flown it in darkness to South Bend, have been turned over to juvenile authorities here.

The local field was without lights when the boys took off. The South Bend field was lighted. The boys said they ran out of gasoline.

Writer Fears Discharge Mess, Warns It's Wrecking Morale

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Warning that GI morale was declining steadily, Albert Deutsch writing in the newspaper PM, declared that unless "our brass hats" did something fast, "the resulting mess may create one of the gravest post-war headaches" for the U.S. and "even upset chances for domestic tranquility for the next generation."

Deutsch asserted yesterday that "ebbing morale manifested itself widely just after VE-Day" generally because of dissatisfaction over redeployment and the point discharge system.

"The hasty and clumsy improvisations that followed helter-skelter up to and after VJ-Day only served to deepen the widespread demoralization in our armed forces," he said. Deutsch pointed out that under ideal conditions millions still in the service would return home "with pride and satisfaction in their work

Another 1,200 Wacs to Sail

By Sept. 30, 1,200 more Wacs are scheduled to leave the ETO for home, USFET announced yesterday.

The announcement said that the recomputation of points under the revised VJ-Day critical score of 41 made an additional 2,000 women eligible for return to the U.S. All of them are expected to leave by Dec. 1.

Of the 1,200 Wacs scheduled to return by the end of September, 650 will assemble at the Compiegne Staging Area on Sept. 19.

Wacs eligible for discharge may volunteer for further service in the ETO. This service, the announcement said, will not extend beyond Feb. 14, but may be terminated earlier if personnel needs warrant.

Goodyear Co. to 'Can' Army's Surplus Tanks

AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 13 (ANS).—A method of "canning" surplus Army tanks was announced here today by the Goodyear Aircraft Company.

The Army has contracted with the company for the "cans," which are designed to seal completely a tank for storage. Tanks will be enclosed in a steel or aluminum box from which all moisture will be withdrawn. The system will save surplus supplies of tanks and will not require expensive storage facilities, company officials said.

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and wholesome eagerness for normal civilian adjustment." However, he added, many now may return "with deep bitterness," feeling that "they have been unjustly pushed around and treated like trapped suckers."

Deutsch contended the Army apparently "had made little or no effort to sell its forces on the need for occupying" Germany. He cited a Berlin dispatch in Monday's New York Times which carried the headlines, "Army fails to convince troops on need for occupying Germany; survey shows lack of co-ordinated effort to educate men who assert: We wanna go home; morale at vanishing point."

While they were the nation's best ambassadors in wartime, Deutsch said, servicemen "now are building up widespread resentment and antagonism against us by overbearing behavior and wide participation in black market operations."

THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Keen Observers

Never in our time in the Army have the good and the bad of one category come so close together so we could weigh one against the other. We all wish orchids and all good things to the Oise Base officers and EM responsible for the planning, setting up and operating of the Dijon Transient Camp. Scillions of scallions to those of Delta Base responsible for the St. Rambert Bivouac Area.

At Dijon the following was available: The Stars and Stripes, fast gas oil and water service, excellent Ordnance service, abundant clean latrines, good food served in a well planned mess hall, plenty of mess kit "laundries," plenty of beer and coke, loud speaker systems to let us know what was going on, reading and writing rooms and splendid Special Service facilities. Add to all this, good showers.

On the other side of the ledger; at St. Rambert we found: poor gassing facilities with no oil or water immediately available, no tents, cots or other sleeping facilities, one latrine per four columns of trucks and no urinals, fewer Lister bags and but one central water point, food served by sweating PWs without caps or shirts, really dirty kitchens, no Stars and Stripes, poor mess kit "laundry" with no soap in the first GI can, no Red Cross available. Add to all this, no shower.—(Signed by 5 officers and 52 men of 63 Sta. Comp. Sqd., Ed.)

Country Cousins

We are an ack-ack outfit in tents in a muddy field, between two villages, Brucksal and Forst, policed by units of our Seventh Army which have located themselves in buildings. When we country boys of the same American nationality get a pass to visit either village, we are told that the towns are off limits to any but their own Army.

Last night (Aug. 14) there was a Bob Hope show in Heidelberg. Our battalion scraped up enough transportation to sent approximately 250 men to see the show. We were in convoy and quiet a few of our officers were along. We were turned back at the door because we had no passes.

What burns us up is being a battalion, attached to an Air Corps or an Army. We have always been orphans. Just take the crumbs from those we are attached to.—Sgt. James B. Driscoll, 794th AAA AW Bn.

Leaders of the Flock

It's OK when the officers live in a fine hotel complete with bar, etc. It's OK when they convert a 6 x 6 putting leather chairs in so that they can ride from HQs to their hotel.

But when they take a jeep and start chasing all over the country looking for women to come to their dance, that starts hurting. We, EM don't even have anything that resembles a day room, let alone dances. I asked one of the officers before he took off looking for these women why the EM can't have dances. His classic answer: "You find a place to hold a dance and we'll run one for you." That's right, sir, you don't have time to look for a place.—GI, 3rd Reinf. Depot.

Watchwords

I sent my wristwatch for repair through the Army PX and it has been there for nearly four months. It surely seems that wherever it has to go and whoever is going to repair it sufficient time has passed.

If someone hasn't already decided to have himself a watch, I wish he would send it back repaired — or otherwise.—T/5 Lewell Colling, 971 Engr.

Gunther Gets in His Hair

John Gunther in his book "D-Day" says that "the worst thing about war is that so many men like it. It relieves them of personal responsibilities. There is no worry about friction at home or the dull necessity of earning a living."

I wonder if Mr. Gunther has overdrawn his opium ration lately. I have seen officers back from the front on leave, fret themselves into a frenzy and ask to be returned to their units, because of the weight of personal responsibility that hung over them. Despite his irresponsible beliefs, the overwhelming majority of our Army dislikes war.

He doesn't know what worry is until he's sweated out a mail call which might advise him of trouble or illness at home that he is too far away to do anything about it. As far as freedom from the dull necessity

of earning a living is concerned, I would like to ask if he doesn't think the more exciting alternative of not living justifies whatever pleasure a soldier is able to grasp along the way?

In my opinion, the worst thing about war is the ill-advised viewpoint of people like Gunther.—Lt. O. J. Hackett, 340 H.C. Co.

Foul Either Way

I an ex-member of the 6978 GFRS School Bn., take issue with the major's comment on the B-Bag letter which complained that the officers there had cut in on the EM's food on a certain day.

He's right, there wasn't any chicken on the menu for that day. However, there was canned turkey which the members of Hq. & Serv. Co did not receive. It went to the officer's party and their civilian guests that night. On top of taking the turkey, they also so kindly relieved us that night of our beer and coke we normally had at the beer garden.—Sgt. R. Myers.

Proud Pfc

I hope that this letter will serve as an antidote to the inferiority complexes that are fostered by many conscientious privates.

I've never been court-martialed nor even restricted (individually). I've made no enemies and hold no grudges. To the contrary, I've made hundreds of friends, probably half of whom are non-coms and officers, and my nose has retained it's rosy complexion.

I'll never blush nor hang my head when I state that I was a private throughout my two years in World War II. I know that I've always done a good job, both in garrison and in my 150 days of combat as a machine-gunner. Surely there are thousands of other privates who can say as much or more. So what have we to be ashamed of? If anyone ever snubs me because I was a mere private, he will only convince me of his stupidity. If my friends think less of me—they are no longer my friends. If we've done our job well we owe no one an apology.—Pfc, 508 Pchd. Inf.

GI Beggars

We moved here to do bomb disposal work in the Frankfurt-Darmstadt area. Since the unit we are attached to is about 90 miles away, we tried to mess with some others near here. First we tried the First Armored Hq. Co., which couldn't feed us because we are with Trains. We figured that being a small outfit, we could feed with the Military Government. That was no soap, too. They "simply can't feed outsiders." The Red Cross finally did the trick temporarily—doughnuts and coffee. You will agree that after the fifth or sixth meal they get tiresome.

30 Years—and Out



Stripes on Sgt. N. Pruitt's sleeve represent (top to bottom) line sergeant's rating, 30 months overseas in War II, two years overseas in War I and 30 years of service. Pruitt, who has five battle stars and a Bronze Star medal is heading home to Junction City, Kan. to retire on a pension. He was with the 647th Ord. Ammunition Co.

We all know that there is a shortage of food, but we didn't think it was that severe.

This unit is very serious about this because it has been happening ever since we hit the Continent way back in Normandy.

We don't want to claim any laurels, but the outfit that refuses us some service is usually the outfit that, on the very next day, calls us and either demands or strongly requests that we take care of a bomb or some unexploded shells on their installation.

There are only six (correct count—Ed.) signatures here instead of seven because one of the men managed to sneak through the chow line before the mess sergeant caught him and he's not as "hungry" as we are.—34 Bomb Disposal Sq.

Poor Show

A large group of civilians got wind of our BC's order to make us do close order drill in the village street, because we had missed reveille that morning.

Back and forth along a 100-yard stretch of village street we stumbled and fumbled under the mocking eyes of civilians. Most of the commands were given on the wrong foot, so we certainly lived up to the name of "ridiculous, clumsy, unsoldierly men." Meanwhile, the Germans gathered and giggled in delight as the—FA Bn. B Battery Commander relentlessly continued to display our embarrassment, making damn fools of us, of himself and of the U.S. uniform.

We didn't mind the punishment. But we do have a drill field! When are we going to stop presenting circus-masters with imperial whips, who regard their men as dogs to be displayed as we were?—T/5 G. B.

The American Scene:

Guys in Gray to Pop Cork on Bourbon in U.S.

By George J. Maskin
The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—If you're a civilian this fall, and you're a well-dressed man, you'll deck yourself out in conservative maroon and gray costumes. That will go for all wearing apparel, including your bathrobe. Civilians, you know, have those things.

The authority for the maroon and gray business is the Men's Fashion Guild of New York. The guild's boss, David A. Church, however, acknowledged that some veterans might find such clothes too conservative and declared that there also would be a flock of other colors available.

Church said that gray maroon would strike an in-between for returning servicemen. GIs have been reported as saying that the color they didn't want in their civilian clothes would be brown, while sailors have indicated future scorn for blue of all shades.

Shortages which have curtailed manufacture of many men's garments will be relieved gradually, Church said. Men are having some trouble getting white shirts but in colored varieties there are no problems, he added.

IN Washington it was predicted today that bourbon whisky shortly would be flowing again in great steady quantities from stills. It is expected that within ten days Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson will release to distillers the missing bourbon ingredient corn.

No bourbon has been made since January, causing stocks virtually to disappear. Bourbon ordinarily represents from one-half to two-thirds of the nation's hard liquor consumption.

Public Wants Atom Bomb Kept Secret

AS far as the American public is concerned it doesn't want the U.S. government to share the atomic bomb with other nations through the United Nations Security Council. The latest Gallup Poll reveals that 67 per cent asked only 14 per cent favored putting control of the weapon under the security group, and 73 per cent wanted the U.S. to keep control, while 12 per cent had no opinion.

NEWSPAPERS across the country now run long lists of names of "home-town" boys arriving from the ETO and the Pacific and there are also lengthy descriptive articles hailing the accomplishments of major returning units.

ON the musical side, Frankie "the Voice" Sinatra's popularity apparently isn't faltering. In fact, MGM has just signed Frankie to a record \$1,300,000 contract.

A second plane almost crashed into a Manhattan skyscraper last Friday, it was disclosed here yesterday. The pilot of the latest "lost" plane revealed that he mistook the Hudson for the East River and found himself almost among the skyscrapers before realizing his error.

THE average U.S. automobile has been driven 56,000 miles, according to Detroit statisticians. The same report also showed that of 24,000,000 cars now on the road one-fourth of them are at least 10 years old.

Wainwright Collects Back Pay

GEN. JONATHAN WAINWRIGHT didn't have too much of a rest yesterday while preparing to take off for today's big welcoming here. Among other things, Wainwright went down to the finance office to collect his back pay, which has stacked up since Dec. 19, 1941. He had \$41,890.45 coming, less insurance and allotments.

THE Mayors of 10 of the nation's largest cities sounded optimistic in a coast-to-coast broadcast last night in connection with the employment situation. Mayor Edward J. Kelly of Chicago said the national government was capable of the necessary broad offensive against unemployment.

Meanwhile, New York City's Fiorello H. LaGuardia asked: "Reconversion, reconversion, reconversion!"—Everybody's saying it, but is anybody doing it?

THE Army Times has dug up a year-old order that states that enlisted men should have first priority in gaining admission to entertainment provided by USO Camp Shows Inc. The instruction was contained in Circular 381, dated Sept. 21, 1944 and in an instruction repeating the injunction issued last month it is stated "Commanding officers concerned will establish such procedures as may be necessary to regulate equitably the attendance within the limits of available seating capacity."

Willie and Joe

By Mauldin



"Nifty attendants' caps—ain't they, Pop? We bought 'em from a couple air corps guys."

G.I. BILLBOARD

Paris A-aa
MOVIES TODAY
MARIGNAN—"The Woman in Green," Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce. Metro Marbeuf.
OLYMPIA—Midnite show same as Marignan, 2320
ENSA PARIS—"Lewitened," Phillis Thaxter, Edmund Jwenn. Metro Marbeuf.
STAGE SHOWS
ENSA MARIGNY—"I See Curseives," comedy; Edward Stirling, Richard Carr.
EMPIRE—"Victory Revue," variety.
MADELEINE—"Soldier Show Time Preview," revue.
OLYMPIA—Paris "engevous," variety.
EMPIRE—"Victory revue, variety.
MISCELLANEOUS
EIFFEL TOWER CLUB—Open 2000 to 2200 Bring civilian dat. EMS cny. Metro Irocadere.
LE PARLO CLUB, 41 Ave. de Wagram—Officers and guests only. Metro Etoile.
COLLETT CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers.
OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and Dinner by appointment. RIC 64-41. Hotel Louvois, Lecuvois Sq. Metro Bourse.

Troyes
THEATER—"Here Come the Coeds," Abbott and Costello.

Reims
PARAMOUNT, Rue d'illiois—"Don Juan Quilligan," William Bendix, Joan Blondell. 400, 830, 2030.
MODERNE, 89 Rue Barbate—"Pan Americana," Phil Terry, Audrey Long. 1830, 2015.
STAGE SH. S
MUNICIPAL, Place Myron Herrick—"No T O For Love," GI and English cast. Musical comedy. 2000.
SPORTS EVENTS
HQ GOLF COURSE, Gueux—Oise Section Invitation Golf. currency.

Soissons
CASINO—"Naughty Nineties," Abbott and Costello. 1430, 1900 and 2100.

Le Havre
GANGPLANK—"Anything Goes," stage show.
CAMP PALL MALL—"Alley Cop," variety.

Metz
SCALA—"Back to Bataan," John Wayne, Philip Ahn.

Nancy
CAMEO—"God is My Co-Pilot," Dennis Morgan, Raymond Massey.
EMPIRE—"Duffy's Tavern," Ed Gardner, Marjorie Reynolds.

St. Quentin
SPLENDID—"Earl Carroll Vanities," Dennis O'Keefe, Constance Moore.

Dijon
DARCY—"Her Highness and the Bellboy," Hedy Lamarr, Robert Walker.

Toul
PATHE—"Christmas in Connecticut," Barbara Stanwyck, Dennis Morgan.

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Davis Resigns, Dalton Heads Shrinking OWI

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—President Truman disclosed yesterday the resignation of Elmer Davis as director of the OWI and the appointment of Neil Dalton of Louisville, Ky., to succeed him for the purpose of liquidating that agency.

Davis' resignation came as Mr. Truman and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes studied the problem of whether the U.S. should have a post-war information service abroad to replace the OWI, which is scheduled to go out of business about Dec. 1 and have its remaining personnel absorbed by the State Department.

However, with OWI resignations pouring in from overseas and people looking for other jobs it is questionable whether there will be more than a few hundred OWI employees left when the time comes for the absorption. The war agency now employs about 5,000 persons, about 1,000 of them abroad, in comparison with an overseas staff of 16,600 before VE-Day.

The President, at a news conference at which he cleared his desk of a long series of appointments, also announced the selection of Francis Biddle, former Attorney General, as American member of the Allied military tribunal to try Axis war criminals. Judge John J. Parker of North Carolina was named alternate.

Former Senator Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri was appointed an associate justice of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, succeeding Thurman Arnold.

The President said he had not yet decided on a successor to Associate Justice Owen J. Roberts, who retired from the Supreme Court.

Truman Trend 'Wait and See'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Americans will have to wait and see whether President Truman is going to the left or to the right, but they may be assured he is a good Democrat, he said yesterday.

Asked at a news conference whether he thought of himself as a Democrat veering left or right, he said, in effect, that time would tell. He advised his questioner to work out the answer by his actions.

But when asked whether he intended to appoint Republicans to vacant posts in the government, he replied firmly that he was a Democrat. Under additional questioning, he said he considered ability rather than political affiliation in judicial appointments recently announced.

Elevator Wins Bout With Girl by Neck—Her's

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 13 (ANS).—Virginia Triplett, 17, an elevator operator in the First National Bank building, staged a contest with the automatic doors of her vehicle today and the doors won by a neck—Virginia's.

She was leaning her head outside the car on the first floor when the controls jarred loose. Passers-by lessened the pressure with their hands to keep the girl from choking while maintenance employees climbed down the shaft and freed the control from the car's top.

Few Metal Toys for Yule

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Toy manufacturers reported today that less than eight per cent of the toys available for Christmas would be metal despite relaxed restrictions.

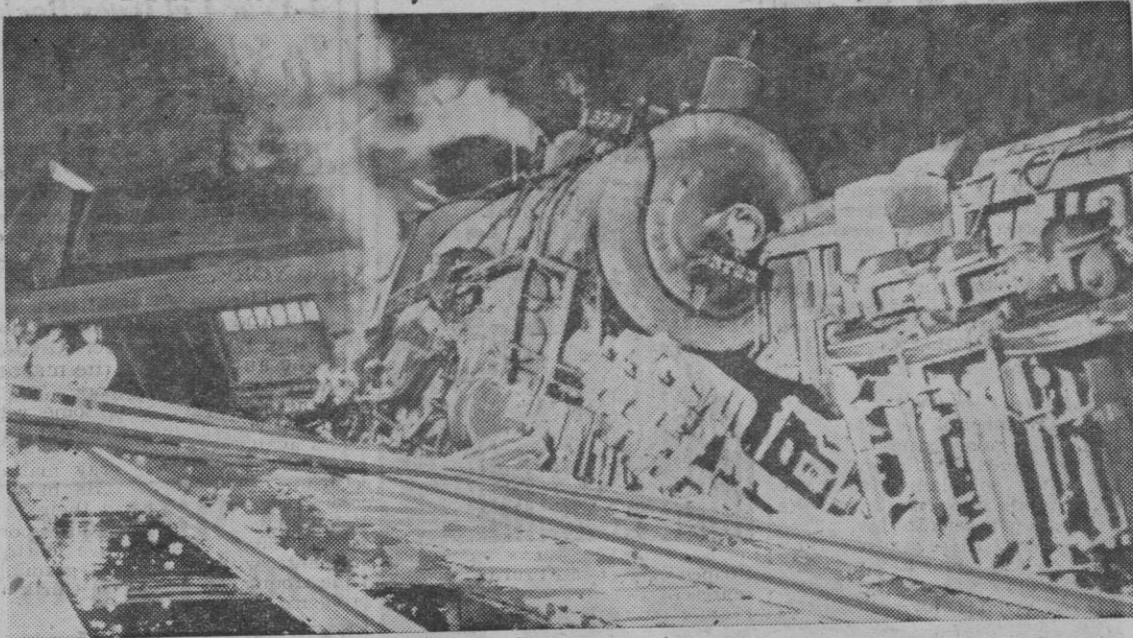
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Schug, who said he preferred not to use the term "Christian" in identifying himself, was a witness in Mrs. Vashti McCollum's suit to ban religious-education classes, described by their sponsors as non-sectarian and voluntary, from the public

Four Killed in California Limited Wreck Near Santa Anita



The engine and baggage car of the Santa Fe's Chicago-bound California Limited are piled across the rails following a crash near the Santa Anita racetrack. Four persons were killed and 30 were injured.

'42 Costs Stay, OPA Decides

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (AP).—Despite dealer protests, the Office of Price Administration said today it was going ahead with its announced plan for ordering new consumer goods priced at 1942 retail prices.

The agency said it had decided to turn down an appeal by a delegation of retailers for abandonment of its disputed cost absorption policy.

Under that policy retailers and wholesalers must absorb, by trimming their profit margins, all or in some cases part of any price increase granted to manufacturers. This is to keep prices to the public from going higher than those of three years ago.

The policy is in effect already for washing machines, aluminum ware and electric irons. It will be applied to any other consumer product coming back on the market if an increase is given to the manufacturer to compensate for higher labor and material costs.

Two weeks ago retailers meeting with the OPA called the cost absorption policy "uneconomic, unsound and inequitable." The agency is preparing a formal reply.

GI Diver Killed By Bends; 4 Ill

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 (ANS).—One soldier died yesterday of the bends and four others were hospitalized after an accident in a decompression chamber where they were practicing diving, the New York Port of Embarkation announced.

Port officers said the men were training aboard an engineer repair salvage vessel in New York harbor. The bends are caused by nitrogen bubbles in the blood.

The dead soldier's name was withheld pending notification of kin.

Pennsy Limited Crashes Into Auto; 14 Injured

BUCYRUS, Ohio, Sept. 13 (ANS).—The Pennsylvania Railroad's westbound Red Arrow Limited struck a stalled automobile yesterday and was derailed at Tiro, Ohio, northeast of here, injuring 14 persons. The locomotive and seven cars were reported to have gone off the tracks. Several cars overturned.

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URBANA, Ill., Sept. 13 (ANS).—A Unitarian minister told a three-judge circuit court yesterday that he considered both Jesus Christ and Santa Claus "folk tales, but in different categories."

"The tale of Santa Claus is not so deeply tinged with religious feeling or so implanted in the culture of many people," declared the Rev. Philip Schug, 31-year-old minister at Urbana Unitarian Church.

Schug, who said he preferred not to use the term "Christian" in identifying himself, was a witness in Mrs. Vashti McCollum's suit to ban religious-education classes, described by their sponsors as non-sectarian and voluntary, from the public

Blind Vet Drives in Traffic, Guided by Paralyzed Buddy

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 13 (ANS).—A blind war veteran's midnight drive in an automobile from downtown Boston to Cambridge—about three miles—on directions by a paralyzed companion was described in court yesterday.

The former servicemen, both unnamed, drove from Park Square in Boston, through heavy traffic, to Harvard Bridge across the Charles River, where the blind driver made a wrong turn and crashed into a tree.

Judge Abraham E. Pinanski blinked incredulously. "It was positively fantastic," he said.

The story was related by Attorney Frederick V. Menimen, counsel for the defendant, Miss Carolyn Mackinnon, 21-year-old stenographer, who had rented the car to take the veterans riding. She appealed a \$10 fine imposed in a lower court for allowing an unlicensed person to operate it. She did not accompany the veterans in their bizarre journey.

Love in Braille Spans Atlantic, Blind Pair to Wed

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Sept. 13 (ANS).—Blind Mary Mansfield, 33, and her Seeing Eye dog have started the long journey to England, where she will wed her blind fiancé—the culmination of a romance that began in Braille ten years ago.

Miss Mansfield, a Phi Beta Kappa honor graduate of Colorado College and operator of a newsstand in the postoffice here for the last seven years, has never met her husband-to-be. He is Chris Marston of Northhill, Biggleswade, an inspector in an electrical plant.

Blind since birth, Miss Mansfield formerly edited a Braille magazine. Marston, who was blinded in an accident when he was 14, was a contributor. After a three-year correspondence they became engaged, and the war then delayed their marriage for six years.

Intervention by Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) and a member of Parliament made the trip possible for Miss Mansfield and her dog, Arta.

No Court Martial Now, Says Kimmel

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (AP).—Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel was reported today to have informed Navy Secretary James V. Forrestal he did not desire a general court martial while a Congressional investigation of the Pearl Harbor disaster was in progress.

Kimmel's letter was not made public, but persons familiar with its contents said that was the tenor of it. They interpreted it as leaving the way open for a court martial at a future date.

The Navy has renewed its pleas to Senators to keep part of its Pearl Harbor file bottled up, it was reported. At a closed session of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, Cmdr. W. H. English was said to have told members that the Navy feared other nations would learn how it broke the Japanese code if the complete record were made public.

U.S. to Fit Atom Bomb For Carrier Planes

PORTSMOUTH, Va., Sept. 13 (ANS).—The Navy plans to adapt the atomic bomb to use by carrier-based planes, Artemus L. Gates, Under Secretary of the Navy, disclosed at the commissioning of the 45,000-ton carrier Midway.

Gates said the Midway, first of three super-carriers, is "evidence of our will to maintain peace."

WPB Figures 1946 Building At 6.5 Billion

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—The War Production Board estimated today that \$6,500,000,000 would be spent on new construction next year compared with \$4,500,000,000 in 1945.

Construction, always a major factor in providing jobs, will employ more than 1,000,000 in 1946, the board said, compared with more than 700,000 this year.

The employment estimate does not include employment for maintenance and repair activity expected to exceed \$4,000,000,000 in dollar volume. Likewise it does not include indirect employment such as workers needed to supply construction materials.

WPB said the vast program of new construction already was well underway. A survey of 41 selected industries covering 4,101 companies throughout the country showed expected expenditure of \$422,225,000 for construction tools and equipment during the next 12 months. This, Chairman J. A. Krug emphasized, does not cover the whole reconversion field "but merely indicates a trend."

Senate Passes Airport Plan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—The Senate approved yesterday a \$375,000,444 Federal airport program designed to do for airplanes what the building of highways did for the automobile.

The plan contemplates construction of about 3,000 new airports and improvement of some 1,600 of the 3,000 existing airports, with Federal money for the project matched dollar for dollar by state and local funds.

Chairman Pat McCarran (D-Nev.) of the Senate Commerce Committee, who sponsored the bill, said: "Such an airport program would give civil aviation a real chance to expand rapidly after the war and would, in addition, provide a ready-made public works program of nation-wide proportions."

Under the bill, which now goes to the House, the Federal government could spend \$75,000,000 yearly for the next five years on the program. The state and local agencies would put up the same amount, for a total of \$750,000,000.

Truman Doctor Takes Post

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Col. Wallace Harry Graham, Kansas City (Mo.) surgeon and former intercollegiate boxer and track athlete, assumed duties today as personal physician to President Truman.

What's Right With This Picture?



Frolicking in the foamy waters of the Gulf of Mexico at St. Petersburg, Fla., is Jean McAffry, a symphony in white. In answer to our question, Jean is one of the first bathing beauties we've seen in many a month who actually was photographed splashing in the water.

GIs' VD Rate In Berlin Dips; Still 'Serious'

By Joseph B. Fleming
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, Sept. 13.—The venereal rate among U.S. soldiers in Berlin has shown "an appreciable drop" in the last few weeks, but still is "quite serious," top Berlin medical officers said today.

Questioned on reports that the military VD rate had soared, one official said a peak had been reached and that the rate was now "leveling off."

However, he refused to reveal the number of cases reported in Berlin or to compare the rate with the incidence in the theater as a whole.

The theater rate as reported on Sept. 6 in the European edition of the New York Herald Tribune was 156 cases per 1,000 men. Officers did disclose that in the week ended Aug. 17, Berlin's VD rate was second only to Marseille.

One officer traced the decline in cases to six lectures, increased recreation facilities and the use of prophylaxis.

Another said many soldiers transferred into Berlin during July and August had been infected before shipment, but discovered and reported the disease here, thus raising the city's rate.

A determined campaign against the disease is being conducted throughout Europe, but in Berlin the Army is facing a special problem. This was explained by one officer, who said the Army's policy of tracking down diseased women is hampered by the four-power occupation of the city. He said there were many sources of infection in other sectors, but the Army was unable to take action against them as it could do in its own zone. Other powers, he said, are not as concerned with wiping out venereal disease as Americans are.

He also cited the death of German males and shortage of food and cigarets as an incentive to prostitution and loose morals among German women.

Argentina Says It Will Oust Spies

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Foreign Minister Juan I. Cooke issued an Argentine White Paper last night purporting to show how Argentina has fulfilled 25 of the most important among 58 resolutions adopted by the American republics at Chapultepec last March.

The document officially discloses that the government immediately will expel 22 Nazi spies, who presumably will be handed over to the U.S. and that several of the Chapultepec resolutions already have been incorporated into Argentine laws.

The White Paper revealed that 138 blacklisted firms were under government control. Only 51 firms actually are being liquidated or taken over, while 85 are under preliminary investigation.

Those Frauleins' GI Babies Have Army Pacing the Floor

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

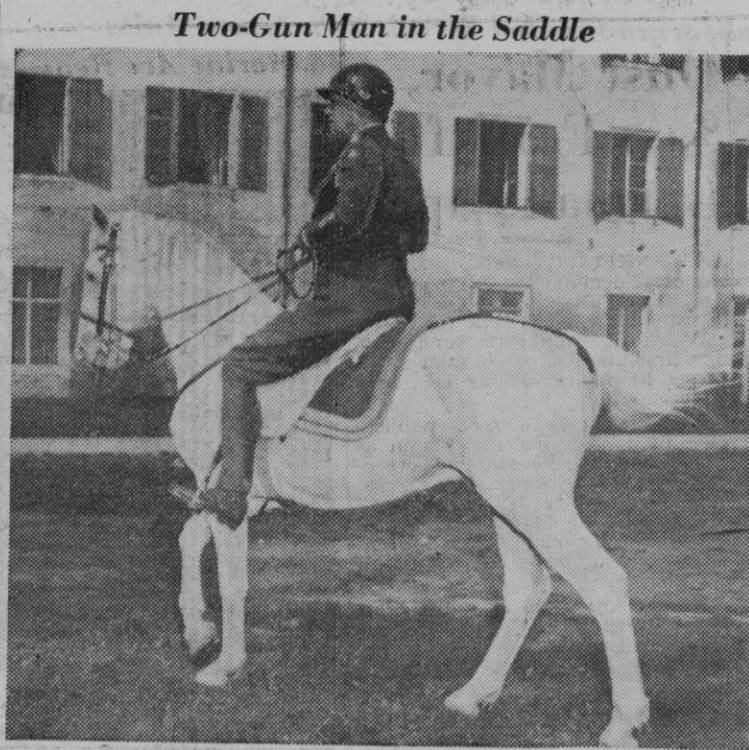
BERLIN, Sept. 13.—A high policy decision is expected in about two weeks on the question of illegitimate children born of admitted intimacies between U.S. troops and German women. The Stars and Stripes learned today.

An official of the Welfare Department of the U.S. Group Control Council said the problem of GI-German fraternization, including the possible legalization of children through marriage, was being studied following requests from American soldiers for permission to marry Germans.

Each request, it was said, concerned the expected birth of a child resulting from fraternization with German women in the first stages of U.S. conquest, when the fraternization ban was absolute. Current liberalized restrictions forbid all but public conversational contact between troops and Germans.

Maj. George B. Wood of Austin, Minn., Episcopal chaplain of the 82nd Airborne Div., said that he had several requests from soldiers to marry German girls. Under present Army regulations such request can not even be considered.

Wood told a story of how a soldier with the Second Armored Div. asked for a transfer to the 82nd when the outfits changed places as the Berlin Occupation



Two-Gun Man in the Saddle

The white horse "Favory Africa," selected personally by Hitler as a gift for Emperor Hirohito, gets a workout with Gen. George S. Patton at St. Martin, Austria. The horse was confiscated from the Riding School of Vienna by Nazis who planned to send it to Japan on Adolf's orders. The Allied drive into Germany upset their plans.

Beans Are Different, but U.S. Is Fun, French Brides Told

By Richard Lewis
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Rainbow Corner extended a helping hand to French brides of GIs here Wednesday night with the opening of a school to orient the girls on how life is lived in the U.S.A.

The young French brides got a rosy picture of how they could order their groceries over the telephone, break up a shopping tour with a sandwich and soda in the corner drugstore and run up charge accounts downtown.

"At the end of the month," explained Miss Jean Yarrow of the American Embassy, "it's the husband who pays. The men back home are like that."

They'll Be Popular

There were a dozen brides present and they all listened eagerly. Miss Garnet Thomasson, Red Cross program director, had a word of advice for the GI husbands.

"Boys," she counseled, "your wives will be popular at home because they're interesting. Your French wife will interest and intrigue your friends. You'll be jealous."

Having been told that a part of American life consists of church socials, bridge parties and women's club meetings, the girls then were tipped off on some of the grimmer realities.

True, you can pay for new hats on credit and let the grocery bill go to the end of the week, and it's the husband who pays, but... The food, Miss Yarrow said, is

not what it is—or was—in France before the war. There are green beans, but they are not French green beans. Many a little heartache like that was to be expected.

French More Demonstrative

The chief difference between the Americans and French, Miss Thomasson summarized, is that in the U.S. people love their country silently while in France people are more demonstrative. There were other differences, too.

Some of the other amenities of U.S. life, like paying the gas man, dealing with the ice man and the Fuller brush man, were skipped. The girls were told that they would be sailing to their new home soon after completion of the redeployment program in a big brides boat furnished by the Army.

Future classes at Rainbow Corner will go into more detail on how life is lived in the U.S. While only a handful of brides turned up at the first session, attendance is expected to pick up.

Rainbow Corner Director Peirce Hammond said it was a more auspicious opening, though, than the first brides' class in London, where British brides were similarly oriented. In London, Hammond recalled, they even brought the kids along.

Yanks Behind Jap Lines Set Up Vital Radio Net

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (Reuter).—American agents closely cooperating with Chinese authorities set up behind Japanese lines in China a whole chain of communication intelligence stations which supplied vital information by radio to American Forces, it was disclosed today.

They were an important factor in the submarine campaign against Japanese shipping and provided the 14th Air Force with reports on Jap troop movements, supply concentration and air field developments.

AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK

410-Paris	1214-Normandy	1231-Breims	1267-Nancy
TODAY			
1200-News	1830-Personal Album	1215-Off Record	1845-Spotlight Bands
1300-Carroll Songs	1900-Melody Hour	1315-Remember	1930-Shower of Stars
1330-You Asked For It	2000-Jubilee	1400-Modern Music	2030-Roy Shields
1430-Surprise Package	2100-News	1500-Help Wanted	2105-ATC Band
1505-Beaucoup Music	2130-Paul Whiteman	1600-Baseball	2200-Grand Old Opry
1630-Music America	2230-AFN Playhouse	1655-Prog. Highlights	2300-World Diary
1700-Duffle Bag	2315-Perry Come Show	1800-News	2330-One Night Stand
1810-Red Finley	2400-News	1815-Songs For You	0015-Midnight Paris
TOMORROW			
0600-News	0915-Ranch House	0605-Dictation Speed	0945-Strings Wings
0615-Morning Report	1000-Across Board	0730-News	1015-GI Jive
0740-Red Finley	1030-GI Bull Session	0745-Morning Report	1050-WO McNeil
0800-Dick Haymes	1100-Morning Blues	0815-Johnny Mercer	1115-Raymond Scott
0830-Repeat Perform.	1130-Viva America	0900-World Diary	1145-Melody Roundup
Short Wave 6.080 Meg			

4-Year Vet Goes Back To School—8th Grade

SUCCASUNNA, N.J., Sept. 13 (ANS).—James Horberger, 24, veteran of four years of Pacific fighting, did well in the eighth grade today, but he was worried because of rumors that townsfolk were circulating a petition to have him removed from class.

The former GI went back to school because he wanted to qualify for radar and television courses, and jobs in that field required a high-school education. Critics are reported to feel he distracts classmates ten years his junior.

500 Millions, 7-10 Years to Restore Vienna

VIENNA, Sept. 13.—Restoration of Vienna's 20,993 war-damaged buildings and public works and utilities will cost an estimated \$500,000,000 and will require seven to ten years, it was announced today at Gen. Mark W. Clark's headquarters, following meetings between officials of the four occupying powers and municipal officials.

Repairs already are under way throughout the Austrian capital to restore the electrical, gas and water works and the street and subway rail system, but lack of materials, transportation and skilled labor will delay the restoration of public and private buildings for a long time, the announcement said.

Limited electrical, gas and street and subway rail services have been established in many of the zones.

Each of the four occupying powers will assist in the rebuilding of its respective zone by furnishing machinery and equipment. In the international zone the work will be shared.

London Balks at OK For Viennese Government

LONDON, Sept. 13 (Reuter).—The British government is still unwilling to recognize Dr. Karl Renner's government in Vienna.

Official quarters here feel that Renner's administration is a competent regional authority, but not representative of the country as a whole.

Soviet Accord Aids Rumania

LONDON, Sept. 13.—Russia and Rumania have signed a treaty which implements the armistice agreement between the two nations and contains some concessions for Rumania, Moscow radio said last night.

Seen as strengthening the position of the Groza government in Bucarest, the treaty is directed at the "liquidation of Rumania's economic crisis in connection with a heavy drought and a bad harvest in the country," Moscow radio said.

Concluded during a nine-day conference in Moscow, the agreement provides for the loan of 150,000 tons of grain to Rumania, halting of money payments to Russia and the return of part of her Black Sea and Danube fleets.

Army Vehicles for Europe

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (UP).—European and Mediterranean Theater commanders have been directed to declare surplus 112,042 motor vehicles and 11,000 trailers which will become available to ease the transport problems of European countries, the War Department announced today.

OD NG for DPs, Says USFET; They Must Dye Uniforms Blue

FRANKFURT, Sept. 13.—The U.S. Army uniform once again will identify American military personnel in Europe, under a directive issued by USFET headquarters effective immediately.

The order provides that Army clothing worn by displaced persons working for military organizations and by repatriated Allied military personnel must be dyed blue and that all military buttons must be removed. The clothing, when worn by foreign military personnel, must carry the foreign state's national insignia and markings.

German civilian workers, such as coal miners, who have been is-

Nazi Damage To Russia Put At 140 Billions

LONDON, Sept. 13 (AP).—Russia's four-year war with Germany caused 679,000,000,000 rubles (almost \$140,000,000,000) worth of damage to the national economy of the Soviet Union, Moscow radio announced today.

The figures, based on 1941 prices, do not include loss of national income through reduced or abolished operation of state enterprises or the cost of "food and supplies confiscated by German troops," the broadcast said.

Before the war, the statement said, the Nazi government and the German general staff "evolved a detailed plan for the attack and rout of the Soviet Union and for the organized plunder of its national economy." Secret directives were signed by Hermann Goering, Moscow said, instructing the Wehrmacht and German economic institutions like the Krupp works, the Hermann Goering works and I. G. Farben on the "systematic plunder of Soviet property."

The broadcast went on to say that the Germans "completely or partially destroyed or burned 1,710 towns and more than 70,000 villages," rendering about 25,000,000 people homeless.

Among other destroyed items are 1,850 large industrial enterprises, 40,000 hospitals and medical institutions, 84,000 schools and research institutes and 43,000 libraries. The Germans slaughtered, requisitioned or drove to Germany many millions of horses, cattle, hogs and other livestock.

Franco Ends Fascist Salute

MADRID, Sept. 13.—The Fascist salute, which Dictator Francisco Franco established in 1937 by the Act of Salamanca, was abolished in Spain today by the Franco cabinet.

The only country in the world where the salute is still fashionable is in Argentina.

The Franco regime also sent a reply to the Anglo-French demand issued that Spanish troops leave Tangier, the international zone on the African side of the Straits of Gibraltar which Spain occupied in 1940.

Contents of the note were not disclosed, but dispatches from Tangier have reported that the Anglo-French demand was complied with shortly after it was issued.

2 Hurt as Storm Causes Panic in Circus Crowd

DALLAS, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Two persons were injured and several others received first aid treatment for shock when a flash, wind and rainstorm precipitated a rush for exits at Ringling Brothers Barnum of Bailey circus here yesterday.

A crowd, estimated at nearly 3,000, began a surge for the exits when the big tent flapped in the wind, according to a Dallas News reporter. Several dozen persons were spilled when sections of bleachers gave way.

Seine Section Vacating HQ in Place de l'Opera

Seine Section Headquarters will vacate its present offices at 2 Place de l'Opera, on or about Sept. 15. Seine Section Real Estate Office announced yesterday.

The building of the Comptoir National d'Escompte, which housed a famous bank before the war, has been Seine Section Headquarters since liberation, and will be turned over to the French Ministry of War.



Army to Speed Evacuation of ETO Property

By Frank Waterman
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Revised schedules for speedier evacuation of hospitals, hotels, warehouses and other U.S. Army operational properties and field installations in the ETO have been submitted by Service Force commanders to TSFET Hq. in Paris.

The effects of the speed-up already have been felt in some sections where a modified evacuation plan was in force before VJ-Day.

Since VJ-Day, according to TSFET G-1, 12 Paris hotels with more than 1,000 rooms have been evacuated and returned to their French owners. Included in this group were the Ritz and the Grand hotels which had been used by the Army to house visiting American civilians.

Eighty-one U.S.-built airfields, including equipment, will be turned over to the French under conditions now being worked out by the War Department and French officials, according to TSFET G-4. Further reduction in the airfields will be made as redeployment and reassignment progresses, it was said.

By Dec. 1, Army medical officers estimate, U.S.-operated hospitals with more than 50,000 beds would be evacuated and given to the countries in which they are located.

Warehouse and office space in Paris is being released as rapidly as Army needs lessen, TSFET G-4 said.

Since May 1, more than 2,665,000 square feet of covered and uncovered warehouse space in the Seine Section has been evacuated and returned. In many instances the evacuation involved the handling and restoring of thousands of tons of Army material, it was stated.

Balkan Chiefs, Byrnes Confer

LONDON, Sept. 13 (AP).—With the council of Big Five foreign ministers in a one-day recess after a long session yesterday, U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes conferred today with King Peter of Yugoslavia and Archbishop Damaskinos, Greek regent.

Damaskinos and Byrnes, it was believed, discussed internal Greek politics and terms of the peace treaty for Italy.

King Peter, it was reported, is at odds with Marshal Tito and is organizing a new Yugoslav administration. Peter is reported to have presented demands against Italy.

The question of the Italian peace treaty, already announced as being of top concern to the council, was discussed yesterday but it was not referred to in a communiqué, which said that the council had met, recessed and would meet again tomorrow.

Air Power Alone Didn't Win—Nimitz

GUAM, Sept. 13 (Reuter).—Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz said today he did not think the American people "should be thrown off their balance by the statement that air power alone defeated Japan."

In his final interview before moving his headquarters back to Pearl Harbor, Nimitz specifically referred to Japanese statements regarding the effect of air power. Air blows "spearheaded the attack," he said, "but sea power brought air power to the place where the attacks could be made."

Asked if he thought Allied troops were being too lenient with the Japanese, Nimitz stated: "The people may rest assured that Allied occupation forces will do everything necessary to enforce the peace terms."

Pershing Reaches 85 'In Good Condition'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—John Joseph Pershing, General of the Armies, was 85 today.

The man who led the American Expeditionary Force to victory in World War I is "in good condition for his age," said Maj. Gen. Shelle Marietta, commandant of Walter Reed Hospital.

But because of his years only family members were permitted to visit Pershing at his apartment in the hospital—Maj. and Mrs. Warren Pershing, his son and daughter-in-law, their two children and the General's sister.

Ally Lends a Hand



A Chinese boy helps U.S. forces hoist the Stars and Stripes over Luichow, former AF base which the Japs captured Nov. 15, 1944.

U.S. Will Ship All PWs Home Before Spring

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (UP).—All prisoners of war in the United States will be returned to their homelands before spring under an accelerated shipping schedule announced today by the War Department. There are 417,034 prisoners in the U.S.

However, midwest Senators, led by Hugh Butler and Kenneth Wherry, Nebraska Republicans, demanded PWs be retained until more servicemen were discharged to replace PWs working on farms. Wherry said he was ready to "take every legislative action to assure sufficient farm labor through the coming harvest."

Despite the Senators' demands, the War Department said that about 18,000 PWs, including 8,600 Italian service unit members, would be repatriated in September. This would leave about 353,000 Germans, 41,000 Italians and 5,000 Japanese.

2,000 a Month Slain by Mines

At the present rate of 2,000 deaths per month of French persons who wander through heavily-laden German land-mine fields, the French Ministry of War yesterday estimated that about 20,000 more lives would be lost in the gigantic task of detecting and neutralizing 100,000,000 mines still buried.

Meanwhile, additional casualties are occurring among the French civilian volunteers and German PWs who are removing mines along the coast. The Ministry of Reconstruction has reduced fatalities now to one life for every 5,000 mines removed by establishing training schools in mine detection and handling.

French officials doubt that deaths among those who venture into the mine fields without good reason will be reduced until millions more of the mines have been neutralized. The mine belts and fields are plainly marked. However, many adults still take a chance, and a large percentage of the victims are children unable to read.

Hiroshima Safe, U.S. Inquiry Shows

TOKYO, Sept. 13 (AP).—It would now be safe to live in the center of Hiroshima. There is no evidence that any one who entered the atom-bombed area died from radioactivity, Brig. Gen. T. F. Farrell reported today.

Farrell, heading an investigation group, said that the area within one-quarter mile from the point of detonation was demolished. Up to a radius of two miles everything was blasted, with some structures set afire. Between two and three miles the damage was generally slight. Roof damage was caused up to five miles and glass broken up to 12 miles.

Commenting on Japanese reports that relief parties had been injured, Farrell said that those persons were already in the area at the time of the bombing and were caught there by the blast.

He said that concrete was an effective protection from radioactivity and that air raid shelters afforded some protection.

Oust Mayor, Says Frankfurt German Paper

FRANKFURT, Sept. 13.—An editorial demand for the ouster of Dr. Kurt Blaum as Oberbürgermeister of this city was voiced today by the Frankfurt Rundschau, the first uncensored German newspaper to publish in the U.S. zone of occupation.

The demand followed publication of a story quoting Blaum as "regretting the necessity of sweeping so many Nazis with real executive ability out of office." Blaum said he had been misquoted and would clarify his position in a radio address tomorrow night.

Lt. Col. Robert K. Phelps of Saginaw, Mich., head of the Military Government section in Frankfurt, dismissed the charges as "unfortunate but unimportant." He pointed to the political differences between Blaum and the newspaper's editors, two of whom—Emil Carlebach, Communist, and Wilhelm Knothe, Social Democrat—are members of the City Council.

Democracy at Work

"This is a real democratic process at work," Phelps said. "Democracy at home begins with every man's right to abuse the government, and that's what is happening here."

Phelps added that Blaum personally had issued orders resulting in the expulsion of 4,407 Nazis from political jobs in Frankfurt. In all categories more than 10,000 Nazis have been ousted since the AMG took over in Frankfurt, he said.

In a radio address last night Blaum appealed for the support of the city's population in his plan for compelling wealthy Nazis to pay a large share of the national rehabilitation cost. He admitted the guilt of the entire German nation in bringing about the war, through giving Hitler overwhelming support in elections.

Time for Atonement

The time for atonement has come, he said, and it must be made by the whole nation. He proposed that active party members be obliged to pay a double income tax and be deprived of most of their property, while nominal Nazi party members should be taxed about 75 percent.

He appealed to the people to cooperate wholeheartedly in removing all Nazis from public office.

Blum Won't Seek Assembly Seat

Leon Blum, leader of the French Socialist party, will not be a candidate for a seat in the Constituent Assembly when the French vote Oct. 21, Daniel Mayer, secretary general of the party, announced yesterday.

The European edition of the New York Herald Tribune said that the statement of Blum's withdrawal had not suppressed speculation that he and Gen. Charles de Gaulle have "an understanding." It added that "the current rumor is that Gen. de Gaulle would prefer to have Blum succeed him in the event he finds it impracticable or impossible to succeed himself."

Marine Ace Renews an Old Acquaintanceship



Lt. Col. Gregory Boyington, Marine flier who was shot down over Rabaul in January, 1944, tried out the controls of the plane which flew him and other liberated prisoners back to U.S. territory.

'Black Sheep' Marine Squadron Welcomes Boyington Home

OAKLAND, Calif., Sept. 13 (ANS).—The flier described as the roughest, toughest, most aggressive combat leader to come out of the Pacific war—Gregory "Pappy" Boyington—was home today after 20 months in Japanese prison camps.

He was welcomed boisterously by his old pals, the surviving members of Boyington's "Black Sheep," Marine fighter squadron, who wrote a fiery chapter in combat history over Bougainville and Rabaul.

"This is the most wonderful thing that has happened to me," he shouted as he greeted them. Now a lieutenant colonel, Boyington, 32, with 26 planes to his credit,

was downed Jan. 3, 1944, over Rabaul. Up to then his "Black Sheep" had accounted for 148 enemy planes in 84 days of combat. He crashed into the sea, and four Zeros strafed him for two hours. His life jacket had 200 holes in it, he declared. That night a Japanese submarine picked him out of the water.

Then began an ordeal of cruelty by enemy interrogators and guards, he said.

"I didn't know that one could get the baseball-bat treatment without any broken bones, but now I know it is possible," he declared. He said he was beaten across the back and legs with ball clubs and rifle butts.

2nd Big Ship in Week Burns at English Dock

LONDON, Sept. 13 (AP).—The 20,000 ton Orient liner Orontes, which has been serving as a British troop transport, caught fire in London docks today and burned for nearly six hours before firemen brought the blaze under control.

This was the second major ship fire in English ports in less than a week. Last Saturday, the Empress of Russia, which was being refitted as a troop ship, caught fire near Liverpool and was damaged badly.

GI Librarians Needed From Low-Point Ranks

Low-point soldiers who have had civilian education and experience in library work are needed to fill vacancies as librarians in various organizations, Special Services TSFET (rear) announced yesterday.

Applications should be addressed to the Library Branch, Special Services, Hq. TSFET (Rear), APO 887, and should include the following information: Name, rank, serial number, present organization and assignment, the soldier's point score and a statement signed by the CO indicating that a release from the soldier's present assignment is possible.

After the Feasts on Stolen Fruits, Defeat Leaves a Bitter Taste



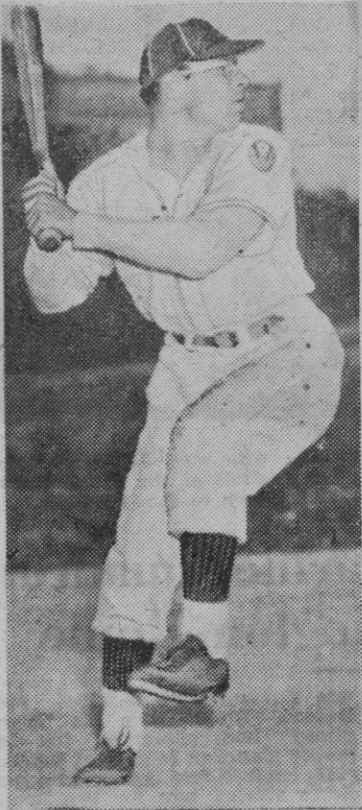
Lt. Gen. Takashiro Kawara (left) expresses obvious distaste of the task before him as he leads the Japanese delegation in Manila to confer with United States representatives on final surrender terms.

Oise Nine to Meet MTO Kings in Italy

By Walter Taylor
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Having swept all opposition and capped a successful campaign by beating the powerful 71st Division of the Third Army for the ETO baseball championship, Com Z's Oise All-Stars today trained their sights on Leghorn, Italy, and their post-season series with the diamond champions of the

Subway Sam Swings



Better-known as a pitcher, Subway Sam Nahem, manager of the Com Z Oise All-Stars, takes a cut at the ball while preparing for the big ETO-MTO three-out-of-five series at Leghorn Stadium, Italy, starting Sept. 20.

Mediterranean Theater, which will get under way Sept. 20. The Oise outfit is due to leave Reims September 18 on three B17s for Pisa and then continue to Leghorn Stadium, where it will open a best three-out-of-five series with the MTO king-pins.

It will be a stellar aggregation that totes the ETO banner on Italian soil, for Manager Sam Nahem, who toiled in the National League for Brooklyn, St. Louis, and Philadelphia before heeding Uncle Sam's call, abetted an already well-balanced roster with half a dozen stars of the vanquished Third Army club, all of them with big league or Class AA experience.

MTO Team Star-Studded

All signs point to Oise needing whatever strength it can muster, for the MTO roster likewise is studied with former major and minor league stars.

The Third Army performers added to the Com Z banner include a complete outfield of John Wyrostek, Harry Walker and Maurice Van Robays; Benny Zientara, a second baseman; Catcher Jim Gladd, and Ewell Blackwell, considered by many fans the standout pitcher in the ETO this year.

Wyrostek is a former Pittsburgh Pirate and St. Louis Cardinal fly-chaser and won the 1944 batting title of the American Association with a handy .358 mark as a member of the Columbus Redbirds.

Gladd once backstopped for the Jersey City Giants.

Van Robays was playing in the Pittsburgh outfield when drafted. Walker spent three years with the Cardinals and participated in two World Series.

Belong to Cincinnati

Zientara and Blackwell are Cincinnati chattels. The former prepped at Indianapolis and the latter was the ace of a fine Syracuse hill staff in 1942 with a record of 19 and 10.

Before the addition of this proven talent, Oise functioned sharply, with a fine mound corps vying with a well-rounded batting attack for attention.

Blackwell joins such luminaries as Nahem, Russ Bauers, former Pirate who won his spurs at Albany and Toronto; and Leon Day, late of the Newark Eagles, while Brooklyn-born Bobby Keane proved his worth in spot assignments.

Com Z's main punch has been generated by Tony Jaros of Minneapolis, who was picked up from the Seine Base Clowns for infield or outfield duty; Willard Brown, infielder-outfielder, from the Kansas City Monarchs; Roy Marion, ex-Nashville Vol and brother of the Cards' Marty at third base; Lew Richardson, husky catcher from Kentucky; shortstop Frank Smayda, owned by the Pirates; and outfielders Joe Herman and Nick Macone, the latter a veteran of the Canadian-American League.

Amateur Ice Tournaments Scheduled for Coast

SEATTLE, Sept. 13.—Al Leader, Pacific Coast Secretary, announced yesterday that amateur ice hockey tournaments again will be played on the Coast with the League winner meeting Canada's Allen Cup victor in a playoff series. Last year Seattle won the mythical title by beating the Boston Olympics, winner of the Eastern League.

Bucknell Halts Scranton, 20-6

MT. CARMEL, Pa., Sept. 13.—Bucknell opened its 1945 football campaign here last night with a handy 20-6 victory over Scranton University before 8,000 fans.

The Bisons opened the scoring when Charley Hall tossed a 41-yard pass to Bill McKay and Charley Moore kicked the extra point. Scranton retaliated with a 46-yard drive in the second quarter that ended with Jim Heilig going over from the two-yard line. The host team missed the conversion, and Bucknell led 7-6 at half time.

The Bison assault rolled under full power in the final period for scores after advances of 26 and 28 yards, respectively. Bob Camoc capped the first drive and Kelly Elmore accounted for the last touchdown. Moore was successful on one of two attempted conversions.

N.Y. Bouts Sifted By Commission

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The New York Boxing Commission yesterday announced it had completed an investigation of the Freddie Schott-Freddie Fiducia bout in the Garden last Monday night and ordered hearings on another bout.

Johnny Jones and Al Bummy Davis were told to appear before the commission tomorrow as a result of their Brooklyn fight last Tuesday night when Jones was disqualified for not trying.

Fiducia and Schott, together with their managers, were directed to be on hand for the report of the probe of Monday's bout which Schott won by a knockout in the ninth round. Immediately after the bout the commission ordered the purses of both boxers held up. Fiducia then told inspectors that he had been offered \$20,000 to "throw" the fight to Schott but had refused.

Little Three Resumes

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Sept. 13.—Wesleyan University will resume its Little Three football rivalry with Amherst and Williams in 1946, athletic director Frederick Martin announced yesterday. Six games will be on the Cardinal's schedule.

Ike Injects Special Brand of Dynamite in Non-Title Tussle



Ike Williams, NBA lightweight champ, spears Nick Moran with a sharp left in the fourth round of a bout at Madison Square Garden. Moran just couldn't keep away from the champ's speedy hooks and jabs and lost the decision in ten rounds.

A's Halt Detroit in 16th, Nats Win; Cubs Blank Phils as Cards Top Bums

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Hank Wyse finally achieved that elusive 19th victory yesterday, after six straight setbacks, by blanking the Phillies, 4-0, and enabling the Cubs to hold their 2 1/2-game edge over the Cardinals, who halted Brooklyn, 3-2.

The Bruins counted all their tallies in the fourth inning against Dick Barrett on three walks and a brace of hits, including Andy Pafko's double. Barrett yielded only seven hits—two less than Wyse—but wound up with his 19th defeat. It was the 16th time in 20 games with the Cubs that the cellar-dwelling Phils were floored.

The Cardinals stayed in the running on the right arm of 25-year-old Art Lopatka, whose first major league effort yielded the 3-2 victory over the Dodgers. Lopatka, purchased from Columbus last Sunday, had the Brooks at his mercy except for the fourth inning when they bunched three of their four hits for their runs. The Cards scored all their runs in the first inning. Rain washed out the scheduled nightcap.

The Reds registered their first success of the year against Harry Feldman as the Giants went down to a 4-3 defeat. Steve Mesner singled in the sixth and then Frank McCormick and Hank Sauer followed with successive homers to settle the issue. The Giants chased Vern Kennedy in the first inning with two runs, but Howie Fox came in and stopped them with one run the rest of the way. Roy Zimmerman, rookie first baseman, pushed all the Giant tallies across as he collected three of the seven New York safeties.

The Pirates and Braves had a scheduled day of rest.

No-Hitter for Beazley

HONOLULU, Sept. 13.—Johnny Beazley, who started in the 1942 World Series for the St. Louis Cardinals, pitched a 4-0 no-hit, no-run game in Hawaii League game here yesterday. The former right-handed pitching ace is a captain in the Army Air Force.

World Series Starts Oct. 3

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—The World Series—sports' first major post-war classic—will open Oct. 3 in the park of the American League champion and President Truman probably will attend, Baseball Commissioner Happy Chandler announced yesterday.

The opening date was set at a meeting with Chandler and representatives of all clubs in both big leagues still in mathematical contention for the pennants. Chandler said the President has been presented with a gold pass to the Series and hopes to attend at least one game in each city.

After the first three games in the American League park, the Series will conclude in the National League city.

Should St. Louis or Chicago win the National League flag, which is almost a certainty, and Detroit win in the American League, no travel time between cities will be allowed. If Washington ousts Detroit, Saturday of that week will be set aside for travel. Any postponements will be played off in the city they occur.

All eligibility lists submitted by the teams represented were approved. Additional returning war veterans will be eligible to play if they report by Sept. 30, closing date of major league play.

Umpires for the Series will be announced Oct. 1, and price scales of preceding years will prevail. For the first time since Pearl Harbor, Series receipts will go into funds of the commissioner's office. Since 1942 a substantial percentage has gone to war charities.



Happy Chandler

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Tigers yesterday saw their edge on the Senators in the American League race cut to a game and a half when they dropped a 3-2 16-inning finale to the Athletics after Al Benton and George Caster combined to fashion a 7-4 verdict in the opener.

The nightcap actually required 40 innings to decide, since it was a playoff of the July 21 marathon that went 24 innings to a 1-1 tie. Dizzy Trout, working his fifth game in nine days, was charged with the defeat, taking up the mound burden from Caster in the 16th. Mayo Smith opened the A's half of the 16th, with a single and then Bobby Estalella doubled to end the contest.

Prince Oana and Chuck Gassaway started, with Caster taking over for Oana in the 11th and Don Black relieving Gassaway in the 13th.

The Bengals battered Bobo Newson for all their runs, one a homer by Rudy York, in the curtain-raiser and then held off an eighth-inning rally when Benton wilted and Caster came in to flag the A's.

Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, watching his first major league ball game in five years, saw the Senators climb to within a game and a half of the Tigers with a 5-1 triumph over the Indians. Rog Wolff settled down after allowing three hits in the first inning and stopped the Tribe cold.

The Yanks defeated the White Sox twice, 3-1 and 9-8, the latter going ten innings. Charley Ruffing captured the opener from Orval Grove with the aid of home runs by Russ Derry and Charley Keller. The Sox moved right out in the nightcap with a seven-run lead against Floyd Bevens and Steve Rosar. But five runs exploded against Eddie Lopat in the fifth and then the Yanks drew into a tie against Frank Pappish in the eighth. Both teams scored in the ninth and then Oscar Grimes trotted home with the winner after opening the tenth with a triple when Aaron Robinson singled.

The Red Sox defense crumbled in the fourth inning and allowed six runs, five of them unearned, to cross the plate, giving the Browns a 9-2 victory.

Hoop Coach Claire Bee To Be Released Sept. 17

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Cmdr. Claire Bee, administration officer at Sheepshead Bay Maritime Training Station, said yesterday he would be released to inactive status Sept. 17 and would report to Long Island U. as basketball coach.

Rollie Williams Out

GREAT LAKES, Ill., Sept. 13.—Lt. Cmdr. Rollie Williams, Great Lakes Naval Training Station athletic director, was honorably discharged from the Navy yesterday and turned to his position as basketball mentor at the University of Iowa.

Zamperini--47 Days Adrift, 2 Years a PW

OKINAWA, Sept. 11 (Delayed).—Lt. Louis Zamperini, former University of Southern California athletic star who survived a plane crash in the Pacific, 47 days on a raft and more than two years in Japanese prison camps, today unfolded one of the war's most dramatic tales.

Resting here a few days before continuing his flight home to Torrance, Calif., the former national intercollegiate mile king and Olympic star revealed how he came back from the dead, among whom he had been assigned in a terse War Department message which read, "Missing in action," and later amended to read "given up for lost." Zamperini slowly and bitterly re-

lated how his weight dropped from 162 pounds to 87 before he was picked up by Japanese fishermen after 47 days on a raft with Lt. Russell A. Phillips of Princeton, Ind.

Their Liberator of the 11th Bombardment Group had developed engine trouble and crashed some 200 miles north of Palmyra Island on May 27, 1943, while on a searching mission. Only three men survived—Zamperini, Phillips and their tail gunner.

Zamperini said he lashed two rafts together for the two, then drifted south into the heart of enemy-held territory—the Marshall Islands—a distance the track star estimated to be more than 1,200 miles. Thirty-two days out

the tail gunner died and was buried at sea. Fifteen days later Jap fishermen spotted them and they were taken to Maelael Atoll in the Marshalls.

"That was the only place where we were treated decently," Lou said. "After that came the most inhuman treatment in the world. I had my head split open 12 or 15 times. There were continual beatings. We lived mostly on seaweed and I had dysentery continuously."

His athletic career? "It's finished," muttered Zamperini. "I'll never run again."

Zamperini achieved international fame and a Nazi admonition during the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin after climbing a flagpole and pulling down a swastika.

Japs to Yield War Criminals; Mac Halts Hunt

TOKYO, Sept. 13.—The Japanese government offered today to deliver the rest of the 47 persons listed for detention as war criminals and Gen. MacArthur accepted the offer, calling off the MPs from their manhunt.

The Allied Supreme Commander at the same time granted the Japanese permission to resume service on four airlines tomorrow to expedite his occupation.

The Japanese Cabinet, which had met in special session to consider MacArthur's promulgation of a war-criminal list, ousted Taketora Ogata as Propaganda Minister. Ogata, reputedly a member of the Black Dragon Society, was the only member of the present Cabinet on MacArthur's list.

Four More Suicides

Meanwhile Gen. Hideki Tojo, improving steadily following his attempted suicide, said in an interview that he had planned to kill himself for a long time and that when he saw the American officers outside his home on Tuesday he "knew the time had come." Four other suicides were disclosed.

Field Marshal Sugiyama, former War Minister, and his wife took their own lives, as did Gen. Seichi Tanaka, Tojo colleague and former commander in chief in the Philippines, and Col. Yodomari, public-relations officer at imperial headquarters. All shot themselves.

Other developments today were the formal abolition of Japanese imperial headquarters at noon (Tokyo time) in accordance with MacArthur's order, and a report by Domei, Japanese news agency, that Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu called on MacArthur at his Yokohama headquarters.

Cancels Interview

Sugiyama killed himself after canceling an appointment for an interview with an American newspaperman. He left documents saying he had felt "keenly" his "responsibility" for the war and was "awaiting a significant opportunity to do away with myself."

The 66-year-old commander of the Eastern Japan Defense Corps, who was the country's War Minister in 1937, had not been named as a potential war criminal by MacArthur, but there is little doubt that he was so considered.

There have been no further reports of arrests of Japanese militarists and political leaders ordered rounded up yesterday by the Supreme Allied Commander, Adm. Shigetaro Shimada, Navy Minister in Tojo's Cabinet, went quietly when he was taken into custody and announced he had changed his mind about committing suicide.

Arrest Called 'Natural'

"I calmly waited for this day to comply with the imperial command to execute the Potsdam declaration in good faith," he said. "It is but natural that I have to be detained as a war criminal."

Tojo's condition continues to improve after a blood transfusion by a U.S. Army sergeant. When asked where he got the U.S. Army pistol with which he shot himself, Tojo said he received it from the Japanese Army through the War Department.

Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, U.S. Eighth Army commandant, identified the pistol as the type issued to AAF officers and surmised that it had been taken from a captured U.S. flier. Its serial number is 535,330.

Souvenirs for West Point

Eichelberger, who has Tojo's blouse with three stars on the collar and sleeves and six rows of ribbons totaling 24 decorations, said Tojo's dagger and sword would be sent to the military museum at West Point.

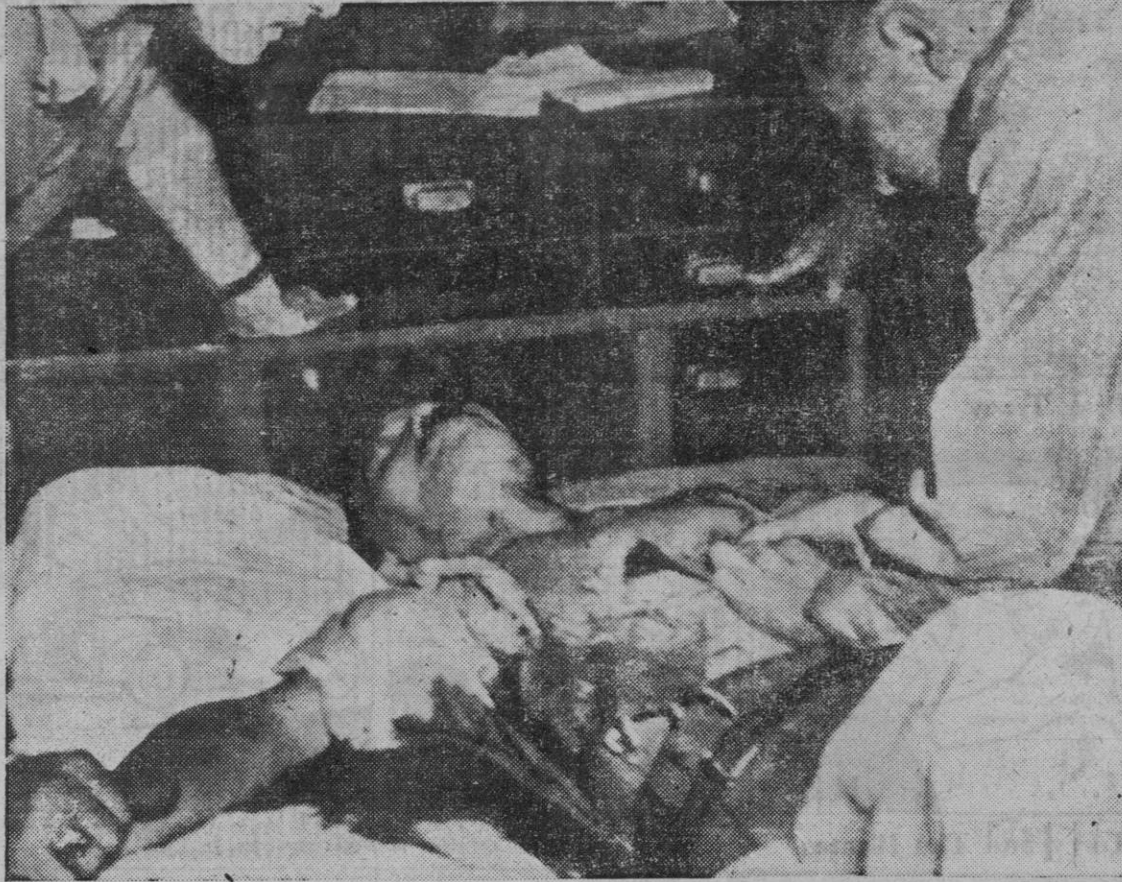
Meanwhile Japanese business leaders said Japan was beaten to her knees before the surrender by the American "aerial invasion," which virtually paralyzed industry and so completely blockaded the home islands that 7,000,000 people—one-tenth of Japan's home population—probably would have starved to death if the war had continued another year.

This was reported by seven prominent industrialists, whose spokesman declared that Japan was defeated before the first atom bomb was dropped. The militarists and industrialists realized this, they said, but the former would not admit it and they themselves were too cowardly to speak.

Spellman in Yokohama

TOKYO, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York arrived in Yokohama yesterday from Korea. He said he expected to stay in the Tokyo-Yokohama region for four or five days.

Wounded Tojo Gets a New Lease on Life



The former Jap premier receives a plasma transfusion after shooting himself in the chest in Tokyo.

Britain Seeks 3-6 Billion Aid

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three to six billion dollars, but the exact amount is subject to negotiation with the U.S. and will be shaped partly by other economic arrangements.

2—There are two extreme types of financial assistance. One is a cost-free grant and the other a straight commercial loan at usual interest rates. But Britain does not intend to repeat debt mistakes of the first World War by assuming obligations she cannot meet.

3—If adequate help on acceptable terms is forthcoming from the U.S., Britain is prepared to pursue a free trade policy.

4—The failure to obtain help would throw the British Empire into a kind of economic isolationism, which would cause friction with the U.S. and retard free development of world commerce, which the U.S. wants. The requested financing would be used over a period of three to five years to get Britain back into a peace-time trading position by building up her exports so that she can import what she needs.

5—The sudden collapse of Japan threw Britain's economic timetable off schedule so that at the moment she has no arrangement to fill the gap between the end of lend-lease and the post-war economic program.

5 GIs Killed, 6 Injured In British Gas Explosion

DEAL, England, Sept. 13 (UP).—Five U.S. soldiers were killed and six seriously injured when 3,000 gasoline cans caught fire and exploded at Walmer Station.

All of the soldiers involved were members of a labor corps who were pumping gasoline into tank cars for transit. The gasoline was part of 3,000,000 gallons salvaged from the Liberty ship James which was wrecked off Deal Jan. 16.

Pay Boosts, Civil Status Offered To GIs to Stay With MG in Reich

By Tom Hoge
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Sept. 13.—Enlisted personnel working for Military Government units in Germany will receive considerable boosts in pay when they shift over from the Army to civil service status, it was revealed today by Brig. Gen. Clarence Adcock, MG chief here.

With plans now in operation to revert MG personnel to civilian status as rapidly as possible, a civil service scale of pay is now being worked out that will range from \$1,300 up to \$10,000 a year, Adcock said.

"Frankly we are running a recruiting campaign to persuade our staff to remain with us after they get out of the Army," said Adcock. "As inducements we are offering

Radio Strike

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Engineers and Technicians, an unaffiliated union.

Jurisdiction over and wages to be paid to "disc jockeys"—the men who place recordings on turntables for broadcasting—were given as reasons for the strike by NABET officials, although spokesmen for the networks denied that a jurisdictional controversy between NABET and the American Federation of Musicians for the platter-turners had a bearing on the walkout.

Contract Breach Charged

The AFM is James C. Petrillo's union, and A. T. Powley, NABET president, charged that the companies had agreed to give jurisdiction over the record players to Petrillo "in rank violation" of the contract with NABET.

Although local stations in the chains were able to produce their own shows of local origination, network broadcasting for NBC and ABC practically ceased from 6 o'clock last night until 8 o'clock this morning, their regular opening time.

In all, 156 NBC stations and 199 ABC stations were reported affected.

At each company's headquarters in New York this morning, executives, announcers, script writers and various vice-presidents turned technicians—pulling switches, twirling dials and trying to take care of the dozens of little things which are necessary to produce a technically perfect radio show.

Neither network reported any program cancellations for today, but NBC said its 8 AM world-wide news roundup was forced to omit reports from Washington and the Pacific, leaving only London and New York.

Wavell Returning to India

LONDON, Sept. 13 (AP).—Lord Wavell left London today en route to India to resume negotiations for the formation of a new Indian government after conferences with British Cabinet ministers.

Senate Gets Howls of GIs

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reported that the Army plans to have 71 separation centers in operation by December. It now has 22 and expects to activate four more immediately.

No Facilities

"That's been the trouble," Johnson declared. "They just haven't had the facilities to turn the men out. The Japanese surrender caught them unprepared to demobilize."

Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) commented that "it's just a case of switching directions quickly. We were going 90 miles an hour in one direction during the war. We can't reverse that with the same speed."

Robertson said that he would submit the names of the 70 protesting Air Force veterans to Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson, who had told the committee yesterday that if he were advised of such cases he would see that they were attended to.

Patterson said that the Army expects to discharge 6,000,000 men by next July 1 to bring its strength down to 2,500,000, defended the point system on the ground that surveys showed the soldiers approved it, and opposed a proposal by Johnson that Congress set up a special committee to police demobilization.

'Army Competent'

"I believe it would be harmful," Patterson said. "Demobilization is the Army's task. I think that in the last five years of meeting war problems the Army has shown the competence and ability to undertake the task."

Johnson said he wanted to commend the War Department for the way it fought the war but that it did not necessarily follow that it was doing a good job of demobilization.

Patterson also said that "no men with over 45 points will be sent to the Pacific if they have been in combat in Europe. It is possible that a few men who were in combat a short time in Europe would not have the points."

Truman Flying to See 'Mama' in Missouri

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—President Truman's hankering to see "mama" will take him on a flying trip to Missouri for the weekend.

With his wife, the President will board his C54 transport. The Sacred Cow, tomorrow afternoon for a flight to Independence. After a brief visit at the "Little White House" there, the Trumans will drive to rural Grand View, where his mother, Mrs. Martha Truman, 92, lives.

Unveiled by Wainwright

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright yesterday unveiled the Japanese surrender documents in the National Archives building.

Jap Korea Rule To End Soon, Truman Hints

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (AP).—President Truman has stepped into the touchy Korean situation with a promise that Japanese administrators of that long suffering country would be removed as soon as possible.

The President's statement, made at his news conference yesterday, was interpreted generally as indicating Japanese officials would be retained for a period considerably shorter than a year, which an American Army officer in Korea had suggested as possible.

The policy of American liberating forces of keeping Japanese in office in Korea, which Japan dominated for 35 years, caused vigorous protests in Korea and among Korean groups in the U.S.

President Truman fixed responsibility for the policy directly on Gen. MacArthur, but defended as practical the plan to retain the Japanese temporarily. The President emphasized the Japanese would be ousted at the earliest moment practicable, but told reporters they would have to consult MacArthur on when that would be.

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to Seine Section Headquarters on the west side of the Avenue Kleber is 120 yards, so that if the message did go "by hand" on Sept. 5, the messenger would have been in transit eight days, moving, on an average, 15 yards a day.

The File Is Out

Movements of the cable during the eight days could not be checked exactly. While the Staff Message Control records showed that the copy was ordered sent on Sept. 5, information was lacking as to the time it left. A clerk on duty said that the time would show in another file, but that some one had the file out and that there was no way of knowing when it would be returned. Seine Section, through the public relations office, declined to say anything as to the manner in which the copy was received. Only the following statement was released for publication:

"Seine Section received authority to receive applications of 35-year-olds Thursday, 13 Sept., 1945. All Seine Section units are being notified in the Seine Section bulletin of this date. In an earlier letter Seine Section units were ordered to compile the lists of eligible men over 35 in order to facilitate the handling of applications when authority was received."

It's a Mystery

What seemed a more probable explanation than a 15-yard-a-day trek of a messenger across the Avenue Kleber was that Seine Section suddenly sent for the cable yesterday or TSP suddenly delivered it. Where it was during the intervening eight days was a mystery.

On Wednesday The Stars and Stripes, which had received many complaints from 35-year-olds in Paris saying their units would not accept applications, asked Seine Section what the reason was for such a policy. Seine Section said it had received from TSP no authorization upon which it could direct its units to accept discharge applications from men and women between 35 and 37. When a second check was made yesterday afternoon, Seine Section said that the cable had just come and that units were being notified.

Reached by telephone, G-1 officers in the Third and Seventh Armies, XVI Corps, Chanor Base and Oise Intermediate Section said that these organizations were accepting applications. Attempts to get calls through yesterday afternoon to Delta Base and UK Base proved unsuccessful.

All Work and No Play Wins Jake a Divorce

CAMDEN, N.J., Sept. 13 (ANS).—Jacob Abriola won a recommendation for divorce after testifying in court that his wife left him because he "didn't spend enough time with her."

Abriola told the court he drove a truck during the day, worked in a war plant from midnight until 8 AM and had to do housework in between.

Stimson Hints Resignation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (ANS).—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson conferred with President Truman for nearly an hour yesterday afternoon. Asked if he was going to resign, Stimson merely smiled and told reporters "this won't last forever."