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Jap Navy flees after losing 30 warships in Philippine battle. Red Army push into Norway threatens seven German divisions there.

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The Weather Today

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Friday, Oct. 26, 1945

UNO Born As Soviets OK Charter

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—The United Nations World Security Organization officially came into existence last night, a few hours after the Soviet Union had ratified the charter, when Secretary of State James F. Byrnes signed a protocol of deposit on the ratifications.

The necessary minimum of 29 ratifications was achieved when Russia, Poland and the Ukrainian and White Russian republics handed in their instruments of ratification. All members of the "Big Five"—Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the U.S.—have ratified the charter.

"The United Nations charter is now a part of the law of nations," Byrnes declared. "This is a memorable day for the peace-loving people of all nations."

"The peoples of this earth who yearn for peace must be organized to maintain that peace," he continued. "This charter provides organization."

Both the United Nations charter and the statute of the International Court of Justice now take effect.

However, several months will elapse before the organization actually begins to function. Present plans call for an organizational meeting in London Dec. 4, with the first General Assembly meeting likely to take place in early spring.

Senate Votes Big Tax Cut

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS). The Senate last night swiftly approved by a voice vote a \$5,788,000,000 tax-cut bill that will eliminate 12,000,000 persons from the income tax rolls and provide relief for other individuals and corporations next year.

The measure now goes to conference with the House for compromise of the Senate's disagreements with the House. The House approved a \$5,350,000,000 tax-cut measure. There are also disagreements on excess profits, excise taxes, veterans' relief and even individual income taxes.

The passage came after the Senate had given tentative approval to its Finance Committee's amendments to the House legislation and had accepted two other riders.

One offered by Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich.), would give all businesses a \$25,000 excess-profits tax exemption for this year.

The second, sponsored by Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio), would repeal the excise taxes imposed in 1941 to divert strategic materials from civilian production to the war effort.

975,000 Youths to Be Trained Yearly If Truman Plan Is Voted

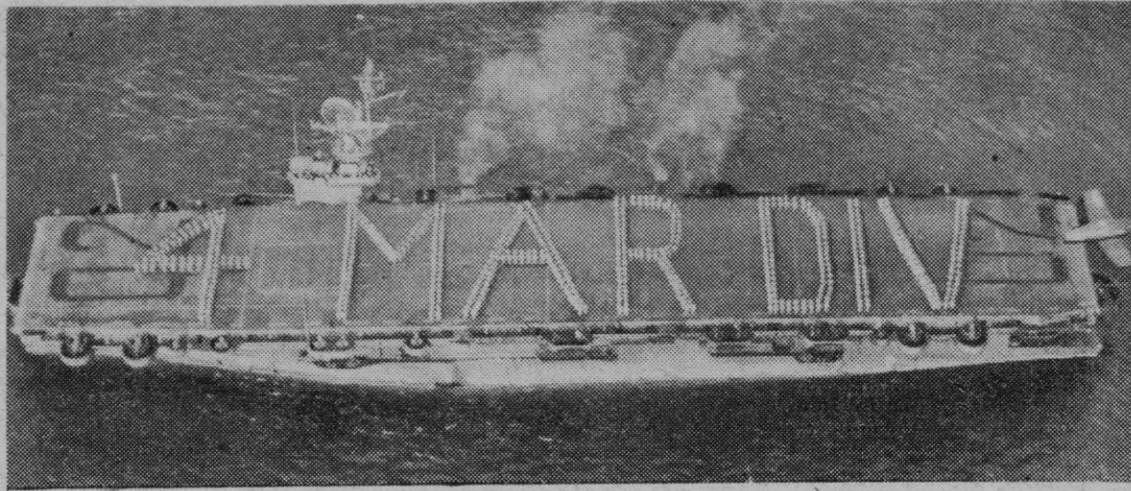
WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The Army and Navy expect to train a combined total of 975,000 civilian reserves a year if the one-year universal training program for youths between 18 and 20, recommended by President Truman, is enacted.

Although Congress has taken no action on the recommendation, Army and Navy planners have prepared a tentative blueprint containing suggestions on the size and location of training bases, uniforms, method of enrollment and holiday furloughs.

Congress meanwhile has shown plainly that it is in no hurry to act on the Presidential request. Both the Senate and House Military Affairs Committees have indicated they will not begin hearings for at least two weeks.

High military officials are represented as feeling that the request came "months too late" and that the international influence of the U.S. is diminishing as the nation's armed might shrinks. Hoping for

Leatherneck Vets of Saipan and Iwo Return Home



As the aircraft carrier Attu nears San Diego, officers and men of the Fourth Marine Div. spell out their identity on the flight deck. The division, which fought at Saipan, Tinian and Iwo Jima, is scheduled to be disbanded.

Grenades Used By Annamites In Reprisals

SAIGON, Oct. 25 (UP).—Annamite reprisals for the Anglo-French breaching of their blockades around this city were reported increasing today.

A French soldier was killed and another wounded by a Japanese-style hand grenade thrown into a French jeep column, and another grenade hidden in a basket of fruit exploded in the market place and injured several persons. A group of Annamites and a Japanese officer were arrested.

The British armored column which broke out of Saigon in the current joint Allied operations was reported to be about halfway to the city of Bien Hoa, capital of a rubber-producing district and one of the concentration areas designated for the disarming of Japanese troops.

French authorities said an Annamite attempt to burn a police station resulted in the firing of a native village between Saigon and neighboring Cholon. A French brigade prevented the fire from spreading, but did not intervene to save the village. They said they suspected anti-French Annamites were hiding there.

(In London, the Associated Press reported 56 Labor members of Parliament petitioned the government to ask France and the Netherlands to recognize the nationalist movements in Indo-China and the East Indies.)

First Boston-England Commercial Hop Made

BOURNEMOUTH, Oct. 25.—The first regularly scheduled American commercial flight between Boston and England was completed here yesterday. Elapsed flying time was 14 hours five minutes.

Air passenger service between New York and Ireland was resumed the same day when a "Skymaster" landed at Rinneanna airport, Eire, after a 15-hour flight.

2 Shiploads of Troops From Pacific at Seattle

SEATTLE, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Vice-Admiral Marc A. Mitscher's former flagship, the 26,500-ton carrier Bunker Hill, was in Puget Sound today with more than 1,000 Army veterans, most of them ready for discharge. She sailed from Hawaii.

The Army transport Gen. W. A. Haan disembarked more than 3,000 veterans from the Philippines. Included were 33 Wacs who worried over their complexions—atabrine tan, caused by repeated doses of that malaria treatment.

'Small, Efficient' Army Is Planned by Italy

ROME, Oct. 25 (AP).—War Minister Stefano Jacini yesterday said the future Italian Army would "be small but efficient."

He added that the Army's principal task will be defense "against foreign aggression."

In an interview with the Italian news agency, Jacini said the government was doing its utmost to create a well armed police.

WSA Takes Ships From GIs For Trade Runs, Union Says

Redeployment has been delayed by the War Shipping Administration's withdrawal of ships from troop transport service for commercial operations, according to a charge by the National Maritime Union, the European edition of the New York Herald Tribune reported yesterday in a Washington dispatch.

AFL Calls Off Movie Strike

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 25 (ANS).—The movies' longest and bitterest strike ended yesterday when the American Federation of Labor ordered the workers back to their jobs and picket lines were withdrawn from all studios except Warner Brothers.

The 33-week walkout, which began March 12 over a jurisdictional dispute concerning 77 studio set designers, ended soon after the arrest of some 600 pickets at two studios yesterday. More than 1,000 persons have been arrested and 200 injured in picket-line clashes.

William Green, president of the AFL, announced settlement of the strike from Cincinnati and said the 15 unions involved in the walkout

First GM Returns Favor Walkout

DETROIT, Oct. 25 (UP).—First returns today in the strike vote of more than 300,000 employees in General Motors' plants showed majorities ranging from 5 to 10 to 1 in favor of a walkout.

The workers voted yesterday under NLRB auspices to empower the United Automobile Workers (CIO) to call a strike in support of the union's demand for a 30 percent wage increase. Wage negotiations between the union and corporation have reached an impasse.

A second auto-industry strike vote was held today among 150,000 employees of the Chrysler Corp.

2 New Medals for Everybody, But No Points Go With Them

By Robert J. Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A Victory Medal and a post-Pearl Harbor service medal will be awarded to all members of the U.S. armed forces who have served honorably on active duty at any time since Dec. 7, 1941, in the United States or any theater of operations, USFET announced yesterday.

Award of the medals carries with it no additional adjusted service rating points.

While it was said the design of the Victory Medal would be similar to that of the Victory Medal awarded after the First World War, no description of this medal, the post-Pearl Harbor service medal or the ribbon accompanying the service medal was available.

USFET said the ribbon accompanying the Victory Medal was red with narrow white borders and with double rainbows at the ends. It is to be worn next to the theater campaign ribbons.

The medals and accompanying ribbons are not yet available in the ETO. They probably will be delivered first to separation centers in the U.S. for soldiers being discharged.

Union officials named nine ships as having been withdrawn from troop-carrying and criticized the allocation of 55 Victory ships to inter-coastal trade in the Gulf of Mexico and on the Pacific Coast. "Hundreds of American ships are affected by this outrageous government policy," the statement declared.

To these charges, the WSA replied that only ten ships assigned as transports were not being used in returning troops to the U.S. These ten, it said, are Victory ships assigned to the British in return for continued American use of the Queen Mary on the Atlantic redeployment route.

The conversion of Liberty and Victory ships to troop carriers—which takes two months—has been completed, the WSA said, and the redeployment program is on schedule, according to the plans made months ago by the Army and Navy in collaboration with WSA.

The WSA said it did not assign ships anywhere except under conditions ordered by the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington, since the American ships, as well as those of other countries, operate in the United Nations pool.

Frederick N. Meyerse, NMU vice-president, declared that a possible action by the union in implementing its charges would be a refusal to provide crews for ships other than those used for troop transport.

LUDLOW, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Frank Burr, theater owner, added his comment beneath the lights advertising the current film feature. Equally large lights said: "It's terrible."

USFET said no information had been received from Washington about an Army of Occupation medal.

The Victory Medal will be awarded to members of the armed services on active duty between Dec. 7, 1941, and a date yet to be announced, according to USFET. This wording left the inference that men still to be drafted might become eligible for Victory medals on induction.

This seems to be the case in respect to post-Pearl Harbor service medals, as the limiting date for the award, USFET said, is the "termination of hostilities"—a date still to be set either by treaty, by Presidential proclamation or by joint resolution of Congress. Members of the Philippine armed forces will be entitled to both medals, USFET said.

Mischiefous minds that delight in delving into such matters figured out yesterday that, with the addition of the two new medals, a soldier who was inducted before Dec. 7, 1941, and never left the U.S. might wear five ribbons: pre-Pearl Harbor service, post-Pearl Harbor service, Good Conduct, American Theater ribbon and Victory ribbon.

Hurricane Halts GI Shipments

A two-day storm in the English Channel in which winds at times reached a velocity of 100 miles an hour has temporarily halted re-deployment of U.S. troops from Channel ports. The storm was still raging late last night.

Arrivals and departures of ships, including the docking of the giant Queen Mary, capable of carrying 15,000 troops, were delayed by the storm, said to be the worst in 20 years.

The Queen was due to sail for the U.S. again on Nov. 4, but she was scheduled for five days in dry-dock before making the trip.

Rather than chance docking in the storm, the ship stood off the Isle of Wight, and officials said tomorrow would be the earliest she could dock at Southampton. Whether the day's delay would affect her departure was not known. She carried 1,000 passengers from the U.S.

Former Amerika to Dock

Late word was received that all ships set to sail Wednesday and yesterday were finally able to leave Le Havre. The USS E. B. Alexander, formerly the German luxury liner Amerika, with an estimated capacity of 6,000 troops, was unable to make port at Le Havre but would be able to dock tomorrow, officials said.

In addition to the Queen Mary, the Liberty ship Robert T. Payne was overdue at Southampton.

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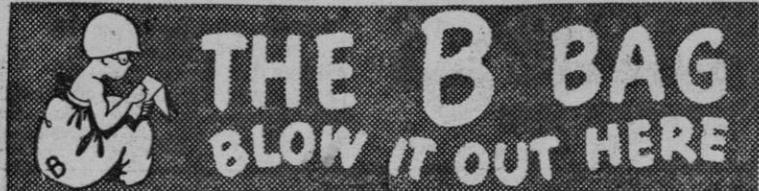
Pacific GIs Get 260 Navy Ships

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Fleet Adm. Ernest J. King was quoted yesterday as saying that the Navy is assigning to bring troops back from the Pacific "every transport, carrier, hospital ship and tender which can be made reasonably efficient for the purpose."

The admiral disclosed the policy in a letter made public by Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore.). King declared that by mid-November the Navy expected to have 260 of its own ships, 207 War Shipping Administration vessels and eight Army transports bringing men back from the Pacific.

The Navy ships, he estimated, will have a passenger capacity of 361,060 men, WSA vessels 177,000 and Army transports 13,217.

Sen. Cordon did not mention the number of ships assigned to carrying troops home from the ETO.



Army Wants Volunteers

Lots of fellows are complaining about the trouble they're having trying to get out of the Army, but if they really want a headache, they should try to re-enlist.

My battalion called for volunteers. About five men answered and expressed their desire to re-enlist. We were told to be at a central point at 0930. We were there, but the officer who was to meet us never showed up. We called battalion headquarters and were told he couldn't come but we should come to headquarters, get our records, and go to the enlistment center ourselves.

The following day I went to headquarters—22 miles away. I was told that I couldn't get the records but should wait two days and the captain would meet us. The captain was only two hours late for our next meeting.

When we finally got to the enlistment center, we were told we couldn't be accepted for 21 days. The excuse was their inability to handle more than a limited number of enlistments daily.

During this delay, some of the fellows decided it wasn't worth all that trouble to re-enlist.—Regular Army, 179th FA Bn.

Willing to Wait

In reference to pictures and paragraphs on demonstrations given by British GI brides for transportation to the States, I would like to inform you that not all brides are of the same opinion. No one wants to get to the States more than myself, as my husband has been back there and discharged since May, but we do appreciate the fact that there are many more wives in the States who have been waiting to get their husbands back for a longer period than we have.—British Wife.

As Ye Sow... Ye Reap

It's very encouraging to read of such activities as the 71st Div. baseball school for German kids and the "Baby School" for German kids 12 to 16 years old in Germany.

At the same time it's very discouraging to see an increasing number of soldiers get a kick out of throwing rocks at German kids anywhere from seven to 12 years old, cussing and otherwise showering their hate upon these kids at every opportunity. If these youngest of kids were to blame for German crimes I would be the first to back such a policy but certainly in placing the blame, these kids are the least guilty among the guilty.

The simple minds of kids can take such treatment only one way. Twenty years from now, when our occupation forces have grown tired and gone home, the minds of these grown up kids will be ripe to agree with the upstart revolutionist who rants and raves about the devils and swine from America.—S/Sgt., Ninth Div.

The Best for the Enemy

Members of the Hungarian Army in Passau, Germany, who were guards at such infamous concentration camps as Buchenwald and Dachau and who fought against us and the Russians as allies of Germany, are permitted to walk the streets of this town, to drive cars and to live in the best houses instead of being in PW cages where they belong.

How is it that a poor Jew who spent years in a concentration camp can't get a pass to cross the Austrian border to go home, while these Hungarians are allowed the freedom of the city, are permitted to wear their insignia of rank and their medals and decorations which are flouted in our faces to show how well they fought for the principles of Nazism and all it stood for?

How is it that a DP just barely exists, while an ex-enemy never had it so good—through the courtesy of the U.S. Army?—Two Baffled GIs, Third MG Regt.

Mail Must Go Through

I recently sent a book, at book rate, through the postal service to an officer. "Care of War Department," as he had moved and I did not know his last APO nor his new one. I now have a notice from the postoffice in Washington to the effect that the book cannot be delivered because the officer is "out of the country." However, it continues, if I will send his new address and stamps, the book will be sent on to him.

There will be perhaps millions of

packages having less than first-class stamping on them, which will be sent to the War Department for lack of a better address. Under the system indicated, most of those packages will be "disposed of as provided by law." That means the packages will be sold at junk prices.

The War Department should immediately take steps to see that soldiers' mail below first-class rates is forwarded by the postal authorities without further correspondence and stamping. The Army is responsible for making a soldier jump all around the globe and it should see to it that all his mail, regardless of its classification, gets to him without red tape and petty annoyance.—Lt. Col., TSFET.

Future Officers

The Army has indicated that it desires a large, well-trained reserve for the post-war years. In line with this it should train qualified enlisted men, who are eligible, or soon to become eligible, for discharge, to become commissioned officers at the Officer Candidate Schools still operating, with the understanding that upon graduation they will enlist in the ORC for three years.

At present the Army has the installations, equipment and personnel to train officers properly. Many enlisted men with valuable, actual battle experience who have not been given the opportunity to attend OCS would welcome a chance now to earn a commission; provided that in doing so they would not automatically become subject to one, two or even three years additional active service.

It would seem that a program along these lines would be a real inducement to men who possess knowledge and experience that the Army might find invaluable some years from now. Furthermore, it would seem that not only would the Army obtain a high grade of reserve officers but would obtain them rapidly and cheaply.—T 5 W. H. Campbell, 709th Ord. L.M. Co.

Sleepy

Batteries B and C of the 16 Arm'd FA Bn. have charge of the Civilian Internment Camp in Hersbruck, which holds prisoners of a dangerous nature—most of them face death sentences.

We pull guard 2 out of 48 hours and in our off time, when we are supposed to be resting, we pull details. And the officers are wondering why a few men were found sleeping on guard. On our "day off," we arise at 6:45 AM, for reveille and spend the forenoon clearing our barracks and doing maintenance work at the motor park.

We are only human and must have a certain amount of rest which we cannot have if this keeps up.—(33 signatures.—Ed.) 16 Arm'd FA Bn.

Willie and Joe



"Shut up, kid. You got no business discussin' serious matters."

By Mauldin

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Short Wave 6,080 and 3,565 Meg.

Bishop Squelches Career of New Quebec Bernadette

AMOS, Quebec, Oct. 25 (AP).—A pastoral letter has put an end to the "miracle-working" career of 13-year-old Pierrette Regimbald, of Val d'Or, whose reported visions and ability to produce physical cures were making her into a second St. Bernadette.

The Most Rev. J. A. Desmarais, Bishop of Amos, in a letter read in all the churches of his diocese, declared there was "no proof" of her reported powers, and banned the ceremonies which had been taking place at her home.

The legend about Pierrette, one of a family of nine children, began last spring when she said she had had visions of St. Francis of Assisi. It was reported also that physical cures had been obtained through her and through waters of a spring near her home.

She was likened to St. Bernadette of Lourdes, and a bricklayer built her a small shrine. As many as 500 persons had come to the shrine on a Sunday.

Ickes Fears Coal Lack Perils Regimes in Europe

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Many governments in Europe are in danger of being overthrown during the winter by popular unrest stemming from lack of coal. Harold Ickes, U.S. Solid Fuels Administrator, wrote in an article in today's Daily Mail.

New Stamps Honor Navy, Coast Guard



The new three-cent Navy stamp will be placed on sale at Annapolis on Navy Day, Oct. 27, Postmaster General Robert Hannegan announced.



The three-cent stamp honoring the Coast Guard will go on sale in New York Nov. 10. Both stamps are the size of special deliveries.

11 Pacific Troop Areas To Speed GIs' Return

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Establishment of 11 troop assembly areas in the Pacific to speed the return of soldiers bound for home has been announced by the Army.

The plan is aimed at reducing turn-around time of troopships and enabling the vessels to take on capacity loads at a single port, instead of traveling to many minor bases to pick up small detachments.

128 More Properties Returned to French

One hundred and twenty-eight properties in the Seine, Seine-et-Oise and Seine-et-Marne Departments which had been requisitioned by the U.S. Army have been released to the French since Oct. 12, Seine Section HQ announced yesterday.

The properties include hotels, billiards, office space, shops, storage lots, a recreational center and a swimming pool.

8,500 More in 6th Army Await Transport to U.S.

KYOTO, Japan, Oct. 25 (ANS).—The number of U.S. Sixth Army troops awaiting transportation to the U.S. has been raised to 10,000, with orders for an additional 8,500 to report at the replacement depot for shipment home.

The new group is due to arrive at the depot between Tuesday and Thursday. Point scores of the men run from 78 upward. Two additional ships have been assigned to move Sixth Army troops home, making a total of 12 vessels with a capacity of 29,500 men.

UK-Continent Service Inaugurated by Planes

LONDON, Oct. 25 (UPI).—Peace-time air traffic between Britain and the Continent is being restored.

The first post-war air service by Air France from Croydon Airfield to Paris, and a Belgian service from Croydon to Brussels began yesterday.



Table listing theater listings for various cities: Paris Area, Cannes, Marseille, Lyon, Verdun, Nancy, Reims, Le Havre, Brussels, Luxembourg, and Nice.

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24% Pay Boost, No Price Rise, Seen Possible

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—A basic wage increase of 24 percent can be effected by U.S. industry without raising prices, the Reconversion Advisory Board said today after a study by government economists.

President Truman is expected to announce a new wage-price policy on the basis of the report. Early formulation of such a policy has been demanded in the face of increasing demands by labor for higher wages and industry's insistence that it could not raise wages without increasing prices.

How Industry Can Save

Statistics submitted by the economists declared that industry could save 10 percent of its gross earnings when the excess-profits tax was repealed, 9 1/2 percent by partial elimination of war-time incentive premiums and 4 1/2 percent by reducing war-time overtime pay.

This total saving could be used to raise wages without reducing war-time profit, the report said. Figures also estimate 1946 profits of manufacturing corporations at \$3,300,000,000 after payment of taxes.

Restoration of hourly wage earnings of each industry to the April, 1945, level by early next year also was advised by the economists.

Prices 20% Below April

It was said also that even with the increase of industry's total wages, prices would be 20 percent below those of last April.

While CIO unions in the mass-production industries were demanding a 30 percent pay boost to maintain war-time take-home pay levels, Labor Secretary Lewis B. Schwellenbach told the House Labor Committee that he favored an increase in the legal minimum wage from 40 to 65 cents an hour immediately, and to 75 cents an hour in two years.

Dr. George Taylor, former chairman of the War Labor Board, has been appointed secretary of the national labor-management conference opening Nov. 5, the White House announced.

U.S. Polio Specialists Will Go to Brussels

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—An outbreak of poliomyelitis in Brussels brought a quick response today from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, which announced it was sending a commission of specialists to assist Belgian health authorities.

Aid from the foundation was asked by the Belgian Health Ministry. The foundation has already shipped three iron lungs to Belgium by airplane.

Civil War Vet Dies

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Charles D. Barney, 102, veteran of the Civil War, died Tuesday night.

War Hero's Neighbors Buy Him a '46 Auto

DEARBORN, Mich., Oct. 25 (ANS).—Lt. John C. Jorgen of Rockford, Mich., Army hero of the Pacific campaign and winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, received delivery of the first purchased post-war automobile—a 1946 Ford Super Deluxe sedan. The car was paid for by contributions from most of Rockford's 2,000 citizens.

Naval Reserve Flier Score Cut

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Discharge scores of Naval Reserve aviators on flying duty will be cut from 44 to 39 for fliers above the rank of ensign and from 36 to 20 for ensigns, effective Nov. 1, the Navy announced.

The cut was made possible by a surplus of that class of personnel, the Navy said. The score for officers above the rank of ensign will be cut to 34 on Dec. 1 and to 30 on Jan. 1.

The point cut, effective Nov. 1, the Navy said, will make eligible for release on that date approximately 13,000 additional Naval Reserve aviators in all ranks.

Also effective Nov. 1, the critical score required for release of members of the Navy Nurse Corps will be cut from 35 to 32. This reduction plus the previously announced release of all married nurses will make about 2,700 nurses eligible for demobilization by Jan. 1, the Navy said.

Marines Cut Points to 50, 20 for Women, on Nov. 1

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Effective Nov. 1, the discharge score for Marines will be 50 points and for women Marines 20 points, the corps announced today.

Under the new score about 62,680 additional enlisted men and women will be eligible for release. Present scores are 60 points for men and 25 for women.

Holland Seeking 50 Million More

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—A second \$50,000,000 loan to the Netherlands is being considered by the Export-Import Bank, it was learned yesterday.

A bank official said the Netherlands' request was under "active consideration" and would be acted on very soon. Holland received a \$50,000,000 loan last week to enable her to purchase goods contracted for under lend-lease but not delivered by the end of the war.

Canal Defense Probe Asked

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—Sen. Tom Stewart (D-Tenn.) yesterday introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the possibilities of increasing the security of the Panama Canal.

Truman to Give Senate Secret Merger Report

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—President Truman has promised to give Senators a secret report by four admirals and generals on whether to merge the armed services, it was disclosed yesterday.

"He assured me we would get it just as soon as they can prepare copies," Sen. Edwin Johnson (D-Col.), acting chairman of the Senate Military Committee, told a reporter.

"I told the President that the press was anxious to see it and he said it would be in such shape that it could be released to newspapermen," Johnson added.

The secret study, made under the auspices of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1944, is reported to favor the service consolidation three to one, the Associated Press said.

Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, referred to it when he urged Congress to place the armed forces in a single Cabinet department with air, land and sea branches.

Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal, opposing the merger, told the committee the staff study should not be given too much consideration.

The four who made the study are Adm. J. O. Richardson, Rear Adm. M. F. Schoeffel, Lt. Gen. Harold George and Maj. Gen. W. F. Tompkins. Senators have been told that Adm. Richardson made a minority dissent on the merger.

Landon Warns Of Third War

LAWRENCE, Kan., Oct. 25 (UP).—The U.S. is headed for a third world war "unless there is an immediate basic reorientation of our foreign policy," Alf M. Landon, Republican candidate for President in 1936, told the Kiwanis Club here today.

Declaring that the United Nations Organization had broken down "with the wreckage of the London Council of Ministers," Landon said that "if other nations refuse everything that equity in world affairs could reasonably demand and Russia refuses the proffered hand of peace-seeking nations, we must not shrink from the tragic fact that a new aggressor is on the prowl."

See Lewis Return To AFL by 1946

CINCINNATI, Oct. 25 (ANS).—A high official of the American Federation of Labor yesterday forecast to the United Press the return of John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers to the AFL by January, 1946. Other delegates to the AFL Executive Council session here said the only requirement needed would be to provide Lewis with a seat on the council.

The UMW head had been mentioned for appointment to a vacancy in the Executive Council, but it was given to David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers.

Another vacancy is expected to exist on the council before its mid-winter meeting.

MG Urges Wiping Out Of All Farben Cartels

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—The U.S. Military Government in Germany, reporting to the War Department, urged that all I.G. Farbenindustrie cartels throughout the world be wiped out as a step toward "destroying forever" Germany's war breeding chemical industrial combination.

It was estimated that there were more than 2,000 I.G. Farben cartels. It is "impracticable to dissolve these interests by the interminable process of analyzing each and taking special action in each case," the report said.

Psychiatrist Shortage Called Health Bottleneck

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The time has come to stop calling psychiatry a "cuckoo" profession and to do something about the acute shortage of trained personnel, Dr. Karl Meninger, psychiatrist and author, today told a health advisory committee of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

The shortage of psychiatrists is the No. 1 bottleneck in any successful health program, he said, adding that "more people in the U.S. are sick because of psychiatric reasons than all other diseases combined."

'Cap'n Mary' Steers a Sternwheeler



Capt. Mary B. Greene, 77-year-old Mississippi River pilot, is at the wheel as the sternwheeler Gordon C. Greene prepares to leave New Orleans for Cincinnati with 170 passengers. Her son, Capt. Tom Greene, is permanent skipper, but Mrs. Greene occasionally takes over.

Doc Says Jeeps Jolt GIs Out of Marriage

TULSA, Okla., Oct. 25 (ANS).—Spinal injuries caused from rough riding in jeeps and other military vehicles were blamed by Dr. C. A. Tedrick yesterday for thousands of divorces among discharged soldiers.

The Denver osteopathic physician told members of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association that jolting in conveyances built for sturdiness rather than comfort led to irritability and emotional outbursts.

Tedrick explained that an incessant ache in the tissues adjacent to the vertebrae might cause "any one to be just ornery and plain hard to live with."

Flying Bomb Blast Killed Lt. Kennedy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—The premature explosion of a four-engined radio controlled "flying bomb" last year killed Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., son of the former Ambassador to Great Britain. Lt. Wilford J. Willy was also killed.

The two pilots took the "bomb," a Liberator laden with 21,170 pounds of explosives, into the air over England. The target was a buzz-bomb launching site in Normandy. They intended to bail out as soon as two accompanying ships had achieved radio control of the aircraft.

Before they could do so, two explosions demolished the Liberator. The cause has never been determined, the Navy said. The accident occurred Aug. 12, 1944.

Both men, who volunteered for the mission, were awarded the Navy Cross posthumously.

Danes Plan N.Y. Airline

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 25 (AP).—Danish Airlines expects to inaugurate air service between Copenhagen and New York in January, Board Chairman Per Kampmann announced yesterday. Kampmann, who is here to buy planes, said an application is pending with the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board.

CBI Pilot and 2 Guilty of Fraud

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Maj. Walter V. Radovich of Los Angeles, 24-year-old fighter pilot with four Japanese planes to his credit in the China-Burma-India theater, and two New York thread manufacturers were found guilty by a Federal jury Tuesday night of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. of Radovich's impartial services.

Radovich, Samuel Bayer, 51, and Bayer's brother, Elias, 48, are subject to possible imprisonment of up to two years and fines of \$10,000 each, although the jury recommended clemency.

One case against the three charged the brothers paid Radovich \$7,000 to effect the transfer of two Army enlisted men to a non-combat unit.

The flier was found guilty by a court martial in June and had been sentenced to three years at hard labor and dishonorable discharge. The decision later was reversed on legal grounds, and a retrial is still pending.

French Ask Ships For Normandie

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—Administration officials are reported considering a French request for American shipping tonnage as compensation for the fire-damaged liner Normandie.

War Shipping Administration officials expressed belief that the French would be compensated for their loss. It was understood that the French were seeking ships to speed the flow of goods needed for rehabilitation.

Senate Committee OKs 5-Year Hospital Plan

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—A five-year program for building \$700,000,000 worth of hospitals won approval yesterday from the Senate Committee on Education and Labor.

Sen. Lister Hill (D-Ala.), sponsor of the legislation, predicted early Congressional approval. He said the legislation would greatly aid "needy and rural areas."

Alaska Shivers of 'Guinea Pig' Helped Winter Raids on Reich

BOSTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Because a Boston museum director served as a human guinea pig in sub-zero Alaskan temperatures, Army Air Forces crews were able to survive as many as 90 missions at 30,000 feet over the Western front last winter.

Back at the New England Museum of Natural History today after nearly four years as consultant on cold-climate equipment for the AAF, 35-year-old Bradford Washburn fervently praised flyers who benefited by his below-zero tests.

"No human beings in the history of the world ever fought under such

conditions as those boys who flew over Germany in the spring of 1943 and the winter of 1944," he said.

Washburn helped test flying clothing and AAF emergency equipment under winter conditions in Alaska. He made the third ascent of 20,000-foot Mount McKinley, highest peak in North America, and lived for nearly three weeks above 15,000 feet.

Although the average temperature was 23 below zero, the test was like a summer vacation compared to what combat fliers in theaters throughout the world went through, he said.

Lacy Days Make a Gal Feel Like Loafing



Here's Adele Jergen, all undressed-up in a black lace frammis. Adele sent the white shoulder straps to the cleaners and she's waiting for them to come back so she can return to work on the movie set.

UNRRA Aide Fired, Accuses 'British Tories'

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (AP).—John Beecher, a former UNRRA official in Germany, charged today that he and six members of his displaced-persons team in Stuttgart had been relieved of their duties Sept. 30 by their British superior "without hearing, charges or investigation."

Beecher said the removal was caused by his refusal to let UNRRA operations be used as "an instrument of British foreign policy." (UNRRA headquarters in Washington denied that the agency was dominated by the British or any other single nation.)

Blasts 'British Tories'

Beecher asserted "that UNRRA was largely controlled by British Tories of the most unregenerate stamp... of the old school-tie type, with large numbers of them drawn from the British Army and colonial service lists." He described A. T. Bernet-Ficklin, area field supervisor responsible for his removal, as "a British Foreign Office employee for 20 years."

"Although supposedly international civil servants," he added "they went by their former military titles, and in some cases they even tried to make us salute them."

Beecher told reporters that Col. Charles Jackson, U.S. Army commander in his area, and the chief Russian repatriation officer in the U.S. zone both had interceded for him, but had obtained no explanation.

Five Dismissed in Reich

Roy F. Hendrickson, UNRRA deputy director general, said UNRRA headquarters knew of only five employees, including Beecher, who had been dismissed in Germany and returned to Washington.

The charge against the five had been insubordination, he said, adding that "in Washington they were given extensive hearings (during a ten-day investigation) by myself and other senior UNRRA officials."

GI Hoboes Reach Tokyo—No Orders, No Mail, No Home

TOKYO, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Twenty-three Army orphans—20 enlisted men, two captains and a dog named Meatball—are looking for a place to call their own in Japan.

The group was shipped from San Francisco in June on verbal instructions to report to Manila for written orders. Their vessel was rammed by another American ship off Truk and was forced into drydock at Guam.

The casual detachment went to Saipan, Okinawa and then to Yokohama by thumb. They never got their orders.

Cpl. Lewis Bloomingdale of Scarsdale, N.Y., one of the wandering soldiers, said they had not received mail for five months and had been unable to establish contact with home because they had not known where they would be.

"We have three men who don't know whether they are fathers and of how many children," the corporal lamented.

Medina Backers, Troops Clash

CARACAS, Oct. 25 (UP).—Venezuelan revolutionary troops using tanks and adherents to the former Medina regime skirmished briefly last night in a fashionable suburb here.

The revolutionaries succeeded in driving their opponents into nearby mountains. The number of casualties was not known.

Theology Schools to Reopen

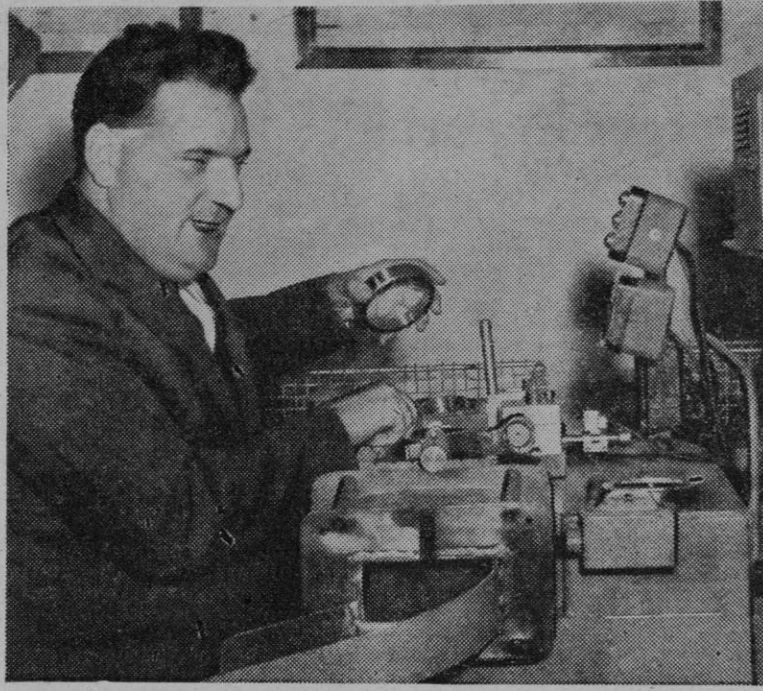
By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
FRANKFURT, Oct. 25.—Three German theological seminaries were granted permission to reopen immediately today by the Military Government. They are the Philosophical Theological College of St. Goergen, Frankfurt, the Episcopal Seminary of Priests, Limburg, and the Priester Seminary at Fulda.

Spanish Republicans Arrive

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 25 (AP).—Five Spanish Republican deputies arrived from France yesterday bringing to 30 the number here from other nations for the Cortes session opening Nov. 7.

In addition to the visiting deputies about 100 live in Mexico. Among those who have arrived are Luis Jimenez Deasua from Argentina, who will preside.

Electronic Device Aids Blind Workers



Stanley Wartenberg, employment supervisor at the New York Assn. for the Blind, demonstrates the electronic sound-gauging device developed by the Timken Roller Bearing Co. for blind employees. The operator hears three different notes, which tell him whether the article he is inspecting is normal, oversize or undersize.

U.S., Russia Beating Britain On Atom, Says London Editor

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The U.S. may have atomic-powered engines in industry within two years, the London News Chronicle said today in an article bannered "U.S. and Russia Beating Britain in Race to Use Atomic Energy."

The paper's science editor, Ritchie Calder, said that the U.S. and Russia might beat Britain by no less than eight years in the race to apply atomic energy for industrial purposes, but added if the race developed on purely national lines the U.S. would have atomic engines in two years.

He added that Russia "has the resources, and under the goad of competitive secrecy will not be long behind," and that Britain would take ten years unless plans were made and "money is provided for a large-scale diversion of industrial effort and manpower."

He urged that Britain provide \$40,000,000 in its annual budget as a "direct subsidy to atomic work," and said this sum was "chicken feed" compared with the \$2,000-

000,000, spent by the U.S. on development of the atomic bomb.

(Associated Press reported that M. L. E. Oliphant, a developer of the atomic bomb, said, meanwhile that Britain should not suspect the U.S. of withholding bomb secrets, because the "volume of secrecy that still remains is pretty negligible.")

Drop Bill for U.S. Control Of Atom, Einstein Asks

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (INS).—A telegram urging withdrawal of the May-Johnson bill for absolute Federal control of atomic energy was sent to President Truman and members of the House Military Affairs Committee today by Dr. Albert Einstein, the Right Rev. Bromley Oxnam, Bishop of the New York area of the Methodist Church, and 27 scientists.

In part the telegram declared that the bill might "promote a competitive armament race wade at the same time tying American scientific hands and brains."

'Goering' Flats For 3,000 DPs

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
REGENSBURG, Oct. 25.—Three thousand displaced persons are moving into the "Hermann Goering" housing development here to spend the winter in homes that once housed workers in the local Messerschmitt aircraft plant.

The requisition of the development, covering several blocks on the outskirts of the city, is one of the largest moves to give victims of Nazi persecution accommodations equal or superior to those of the German civilian population in conformity with U.S. occupation policy.

Previously, Regensburg DPs were scattered throughout the city and nearby rural areas, now congested as Germans from the Sudetenland move into the city from Czechoslovakia. Some DPs were billeted with German families, while others lived in bombed buildings and quarters unsuited for winter.

(Frankfurt MG officials announced that 125 German homes had been requisitioned in the suburb of Zeilsheim for 1,000 Jewish DPs. The new accommodations will almost double the living space for Zeilsheim DPs and allow a change from barracks to individual rooms and apartments.)

DBS Horsemen to Bid For Paris Race Berths

MARSEILLE, Oct. 25.—Three horsemen from the Delta Base Section will leave soon for Paris to compete for places on the American team in the 4,900-meter French National Steeplechase Nov. 11 at the Courses d'Auteuil.

Lt. Col. David B. Fitzgerald and Capt. Peter A. Tanburo, both of DBS headquarters, and Lt. Selden E. Heatley, 41st Engr. Regt., will represent the base section in qualifying events prior to the Armistice Day classic.

China Gives Ricksha Just 3 More Years

SHANGHAI, Oct. 25 (UP).—Chinese communications officials have adopted a three-year plan designed to abolish the traditional coolie-drawn ricksha as a means of conserving manpower. Bicycle-drawn taxis are replacing many rickshas.

Russians Let Reich States Issue Decrees

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Marshal Gregori Zhukov, commander of the Soviet zone of occupied Germany, has granted both federal states and provinces the right to issue laws and decrees, provided they do not run counter to those of the Allied Control Commission or the Soviet military authorities.

A Berlin radio broadcast heard here said the marshal's order was made "with a view to establishing a legal basis for the democratic changes" carried out by provincial and state administrations. The laws and decrees may be of a legislative, judicial and executive nature.

Previously issued laws and decrees also were declared valid, provided they do not run counter to those of the Control Commission or the military administration.

(From Stuttgart it was reported that 40 German industrial plants in the western Allied zone which the Russians have requested as war reparations include some of Germany's biggest plants. More than half of them are in the British zone.)

(By the terms of the Potsdam agreement, Russia is to get 25 percent of the surplus plants in the western zone.)

Allies Invited To Biarritz U.

Fifty British, 50 French and 25 Canadian servicemen have been invited to participate in the last term at Biarritz American University, with all privileges available to GIs, Brig. Gen. Paul W. Thompson, I and E Division chief, announced yesterday. The program will begin Oct. 29.

So far, 2,398 soldier students have attended the liberal arts section at Biarritz, representing more than a fourth of the total enrollment during the first semester. The commerce section enrolled 2,261; science, 1,440; agriculture, 643; fine arts, 631; engineering, 405; journalism, 403; and education, 319.

More than 100 Americans began courses as observation students in 10 industries in the Paris area Tuesday. Almost 2,000 have studied at French institutions under the Army education program.

Konoye to Drop Title

TOKYO, Oct. 25 (UP).—Prince Fumimaro Konoye, Japan's premier until October, 1941, and member of the Fukiwara family, next in line to the imperial family, plans to relinquish his title and all other court ranks and privileges to enter politics as a private citizen, Domei reported today.

Reich Envoys Quizzed on Plot In Argentina

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—Administration officials disclosed today that Allied intelligence officers were interrogating former top German diplomats to get the whole story of Nazi intrigue in Argentina.

They also are working with State Department officials sifting a mass of new evidence bearing on Nazi fifth column activities in Argentina uncovered recently in Germany.

Baron Edmund von Thermann, former German Ambassador to Argentina, is among those being questioned. Von Thermann was recalled by Hitler in 1943 and has undergone preliminary questioning on the general German plan for Nazifying Argentina.

U.S. officials are seeking to determine the names of Argentines and others who co-operated with Von Thermann and his assistants, how they operated, and who else worked with them in other parts of South America.

Nazi records already in American hands are reported extensive and detailed.

Bremen to Ship 300 GIs First

By Ed Irwin
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BREMEN, Oct. 25.—Hospital patients will form the first group of GIs to leave the U.S. occupation zone for direct redeployment home about Nov. 1. Lt. Col. Fred J. Knoblauch, Bremen Port Command surgeon, announced today.

More than 5,400 men whose illnesses or injuries cannot be cured within 120 days are being evacuated from other parts of Germany by air to the 3487th Station Hospital in Bremerhaven, from where the hospital ship J. B. Meany will depart.

No definite date has been set for the shipment home of high-pointers direct from Bremen. The Liberty ship William F. Cody, now in Bremen Harbor, will be re-converted here to a 700-man troopship, but current plans call for the ship to proceed empty to Antwerp for loading.

The hospital ship is due Saturday, but several days will be required to unload German patients from the U.S. and clean the ship before the GIs can board.

Accidental injuries, mental and operative cases are included in the list of men going home. Evacuation of battle casualties has been completed.

De Gaulle Saves Dentz From Death

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, head of the French Provisional Government, yesterday commuted the death sentence of Gen. Henri Ferdinand Dentz, former French High Commissioner in Syria, to hard labor for life, the Associated Press reported.

Dentz was convicted April 20 of treason for commanding French resistance to British forces who moved into Syria during the war to forestall German control of the Middle East country.

2 Lieutenants Buy Isle Off Leyte for \$600

KURE NAVAL BASE, OSAKA, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Lt. Eugene Moss, of St. Louis, and Lt. Albert Cassidy, of Altoona, Pa., have purchased a Pacific island for \$600, they said today, and will use it for vacations.

The lieutenants bought the island of Culumpijan, in Carigara Bay off the northwest coast of Leyte, from the "assistant mayor" of Carigara after he had shown them the 78-acre island and its 700 cocoanut trees.

Torture Device to Face Its Accused Inventor

TOULOUSE, France, Oct. 25 (UP).—Toulouse's former police chief, Jean Marty, who invented an electric machine to torture captured members of the underground, will be confronted by the machine at his trial on charges of collaborating with the Germans. He is alleged to have used the machine to shock patriots into confessing their connections with the resistance movement.

It's a Habit With Mamma Rabbit



Dionnes? Strictly amateurs, says Mamma Doe as she rounds up the 28 bunnies surviving from her litter of 30. The prolific New Zealand White is owned by Mrs. R. L. Jones of Portland, Ore., (left), Pappa Rabbit, quite unimpressed, squats on the box near Isabel Monday.



Reds Replace Commander of Vienna Troops

VIENNA, Oct. 25 (AP).—Lt. Gen. Blagodatov, commandant of Russian troops in Vienna and Soviet representative on the four-power Kommandantura, was replaced today by Lt. Gen. Lebedenko, former corps commander in Czechoslovakia, according to British Brig. Palmer, this month's chairman of the Kommandantura.

While Palmer gave no reason for the action, there have been rumors that Gen. Blagodatov was to be removed because of failure to maintain adequate disciplinary standards among Red Army troops here.

Palmer declared that military discipline among all four powers had "improved tremendously," but that crimes of violence, including murders, were still numerous.

He blamed these crimes largely on "desperate" displaced persons, and asserted that they should be dealt with by Austrian civil police.

The Kommandantura also announced that Vienna's midnight curfew ended officially yesterday.

In an attempt to eradicate the black market in Vienna, the Austrian government of Dr. Karl Renner adopted on advice of the Allied Military Commission in Austria, a law making all Austrian handlers of food supplies liable to prison sentences of up to ten years and fines of up to 500,000 schillings for irregularities.

Germans Say 6,000 Of 100,000 Taken at Stalingrad Survive

BERLIN, Oct. 25 (AP).—Decrepit German prisoners discharged by the Russians have told British questioners that of 100,000 Germans captured at Stalingrad, only 6,000 are still alive.

The Germans said some died in Russian work camps and others on trains which had 200 to 300 corpses on board when they arrived at Frankfurt-on-Oder.

Capt. J. G. Johnson, commandant of the Invalidenstrasse transit camp, where the bulk of discharged prisoners of war from the East are received, said he believed the reports were not exaggerated after seeing "the miserable wrecks coming through here."

The Russians are not releasing able-bodied men, he said. Released women of the Wehrmacht auxiliaries are either pregnant or suffering from venereal disease, he added.

Four Germans captured at Stalingrad said that on one train into Frankfurt 200 out of 2,000 died and on another 250 out of 8,000.

The men said that they started work in Russia daily at 4 AM and finished after dark, that they worked in the peat bogs along the Berezhina River and subsisted on watery fish soup and 400 grams of bread a day.

Helen Bouvier at Columbia

Helene Bouvier will sing today in the third of a series of Friday evening concerts sponsored by the American Red Cross. The concert, which will include selections from Carmen, will be held at the Columbia Red Cross Club, 2 Rue de l'Elysee, Paris, at 8 PM. Andre Navarra, cellist, will play.

30% Just a Bargaining Figure, Miss Perkins Says of UAW Plea

By Richard Fryne
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

The United Automobile Workers' demand for a 30 percent wage increase—a demand which has precipitated a strike vote among 500,000 auto workers—is really only a bargaining figure, in the opinion of Miss Frances Perkins, former Secretary of Labor, who is in Paris attending the International Labor Organization conference.

Miss Perkins made her observation in response to a question from a soldier audience which heard her speak at the Red Cross Columbia Club Wednesday night.

"The UAW asks 30 percent, the employers offer 8 percent—they bargain, arrive at a compromise figure and every one is satisfied," she said.

Cites Uncertainty

Miss Perkins also attributed much of the present labor unrest, which she described as "much overwritten," to the uncertainty affecting both employers and employees following the war.

"Because they aren't sure where

Hindu-Moslem Riots Leave Littered Streets in Bombay



No one dared clear away the stones and bottles used as weapons for several hours after the outbreak between Hindu and Moslem factions in Bombay. Residents feared that picking up a bottle might be misinterpreted by rioters as an invitation to continue the fracas.

Belsen Witness Talks Himself Reich to Get Into Arrest—Reds Want Him Own Magazine

LUNEBURG, Germany, Oct. 25 (AP).—Prosecutor T. M. Backhouse demanded the arrest of a defense witness who appeared before the court today at the Belsen war crime trials.

He accused the witness of a connection with the notorious Maidanek concentration camp in Lublin, Poland, and of being wanted by the Russians.

The witness was Dr. Heinrich Hans Schmidt, 33, a Waffen SS medical officer with the rank of Hauptsturmfuehrer (captain). He had been working in a hospital under British supervision at Belsen, where several thousand displaced persons are quartered.

Lieut. Col. D. Genn of the British

War Crimes Branch said Schmidt was in the automatic-arrest category because of his rank in the SS, but was not taken into custody when Belsen was liberated because of the "expedient need for doctors at that time."

Schmidt came from Belsen on request of the defense counsel for Erich Barsch.

In cross-examining Schmidt on his relations with Barsch, who was his orderly at Belsen, Backhouse drew from him an admission that at one time he had been stationed at Lublin. Schmidt denied any connection with Maidanek, one of the largest camps in Poland, saying he had not even heard of it.

Workers Vote In Frankfurt

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Oct. 25.—By the end of the week, 55 percent of Frankfurt's working population will have participated in elections to select shop stewards to represent workers in relations with employers, Military Government officers reported today.

Seventy-nine elections are being held this week, bringing the total to 385. New applications for shop steward elections are being received daily, and the total will probably reach 600.

Fourteen labor unions are seeking permission to organize, and their applications are being screened. Thus far, all sponsors screened were found to be either actively anti-Nazi with records of arrests for political reasons or non-Nazis.

Application was also made for the formation of a labor union council for the city. Officials said this application would be granted only after other unions were organized and indicated a desire to form a council.

UNO Unit Sets Voting Rules

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP).—The United Nations Executive Committee agreed yesterday that a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly would be required on issues of peace and security, but adjourned without decision after a four and one-half-hour night session on the composition of the general committee that will run the Assembly's business.

The question of the size of the general committee was said to be the cause of the disagreement. Russia is believed to favor a small group, while Australia, Canada, China, Mexico and other delegations want a 14 or 15-member committee.

A Russian request to abolish the Assembly's nominations committee was deferred.

In deciding that a two-thirds vote would be required for major issues, the committee also agreed that a simple majority would be sufficient for secondary topics.

Smaller nations increased their power by passage of the two-thirds rule. The large powers have special voting privileges on the Security Council, but not in the General Assembly.

The committee also approved a rule for open meetings of the Assembly and its committees. When closed sessions are decided upon for special debates, an early announcement of the results must be made, the committee ruled.

(The United Press reported that Assistant Secretary of State James Dunn and four experts were still working on problems left over from the recent unsuccessful "Big Five" foreign ministers' conference.)

(The American delegation appears to be the only one still working on the conference business, although the Soviet and Chinese ambassadors to London, both of whom served as deputies at the conference, are still in the British capital.)

German Ex-Mayor Acquitted, Rearrested

BERLIN, Oct. 25 (AP).—Friedrich Bachmann, ousted mayor of the suburb of Tiergarten in the British zone of occupation, was acquitted yesterday by a British military court on three charges of disobeying orders of the Military Government, but he was immediately rearrested by German Police on charges not yet made public.

The trial of Bachmann, who was appointed by the Russians, lasted three days.

TB in Reich Soars, 2d to VD As GI Danger

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Oct. 25.—The tuberculosis rate in Germany has tripled since before the war, making that malady second only to venereal disease as a threat to the health of American occupation troops, Military Government public health officers said today.

Even with the faulty reporting system now in use, they pointed out, 300 to 500 new cases are being reported each week.

At least 40,000 infectious cases exist among German civilians, exclusive of displaced persons and war prisoners in military hospitals.

Statistics show the TB death rate in Germany was 60 for every 100,000 persons in 1940 and 80 for every 100,000 in 1942. The rate may rise to 250 per 100,000 for 1945. This would be six times the U.S. rate.

The increasing rate, officials said, is a legacy of war. During the war, restrictions on the employment of tubercular persons in industry were abandoned, and many tubercular persons left sanatoria for factories. Thousands of slave workers also were brought into the country to live and work under unhealthy conditions without being screened for tuberculosis.

Because the disease develops slowly, the impact of present conditions will not be seen for years to come, according to public health officers.

The Military Government now requires German officials to appoint non-Nazi tuberculosis officers, improve the reporting system, increase the number and improve the equipment of dispensaries and clinics, and to provide additional beds for isolation and treatment of active cases.

Army Hostesses Arriving in ETO

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

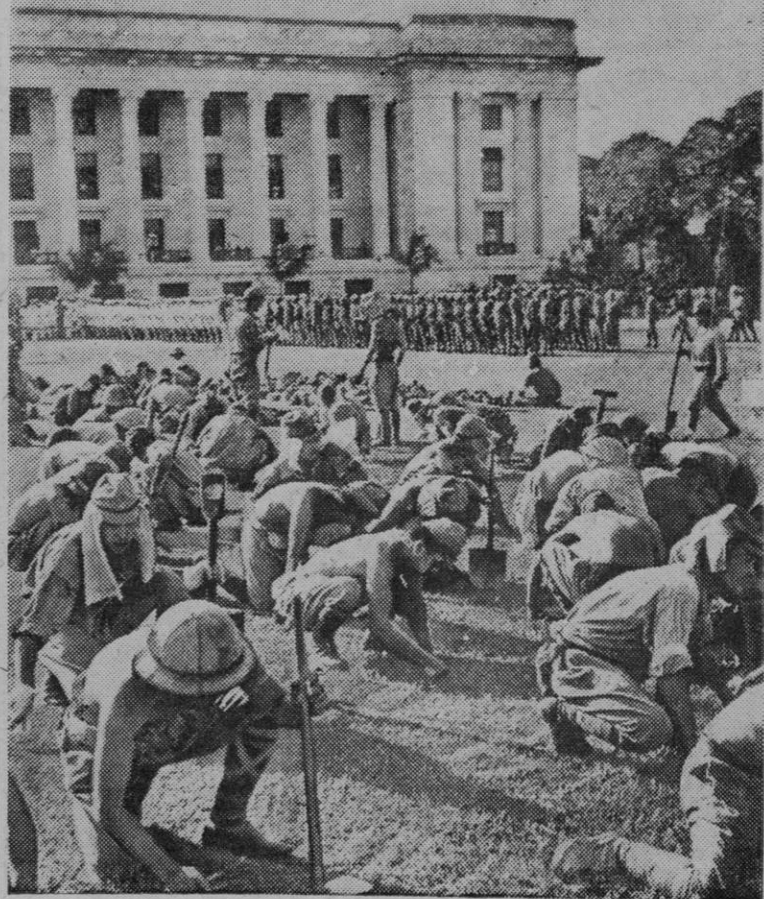
FRANKFURT, Oct. 25.—Ninety-nine Army hostesses—the girls in the bright blue uniforms with the rainbow patch—are now in the ETO, and 64 more will arrive soon, Maj. Gen. B. M. Sawbridge, TSPET special service chief, said today.

They will supervise enlisted men's service clubs, like those in Army camps in the U.S., throughout the occupation area. They will supplement recreational services of Red Cross clubs.

Sixty-five clubs are now in operation, 51 of them established since the end of the war. The primary emphasis thus far has been placed on redeployment areas, where 14 clubs have been set up.

The hostess program is headed by WAC Capt. Camilla Frank, the TSPET Special Services special activities branch.

All Hands Turn Out for Jap Fatigue Party



Jap PWs crawl around on their hands and knees to clean up the lawn in front of the municipal building at Singapore. Most of the territories re-occupied by Allied forces were found in untidy condition.

Tunney Takes a Punch At Louis-Conn Title Go

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Three persons who should know boxing if anybody does—Gene Tunney, Jack Dempsey and Jack Kearns—are miles apart in their opinions of the outcome of the Louis-Conn fight next June.

Former champion Tunney, apparently worked up in a lather about the coming match, was quoted in a column by Bill Corum as follows:

"Tunney says he will bet \$10,000 that right now Welterweight Ray Robinson can beat Conn in a 15-round bout. Tunney says Conn has been a playboy for the last five years and is in no more condition to fight than Tunney himself is.

"There is no possibility that the fight will draw \$3,000,000, and that if the boxing public is wise it won't draw a million.

"It will be the worst heavyweight championship bout since Johnson and Jeffries at Reno and that it may wind up setting boxing back 20 years as a sport. It is an outrage and travesty that Jacobs wasn't forced to hold a heavyweight elimination tournament to find a challenger.

"It's utterly ridiculous for either Joe or Billy to enter a championship match without several tuneup fights."

Here's what ex-champ Dempsey had to say:

"Louis has a tough assignment coming back after being out for three years. I had that against Tunney the first time. A puncher needs fights to get back his timing. There is a difference. Tunney had been active while I was out, and though Conn is a lot younger than Louis he has been in service a long time and has got rusty himself. But it's tough for Louis—real tough."

Kearns, Dempsey's ex-manager, said:

"Louis will get him out of there and fast. Sure, Louis has been out but Conn has been out just as long."

101st Boxers Win 4 Out of 6 Bouts

AUXERRE, France, Oct. 25.—The unbeaten 101st Airborne Div. ring team pounded out a 4-2 decision over boxers from the 508th Parachute Inf. Regt. from Frankfurt here last night.

The 101st started with a rush and reeled off its four triumphs in succession. Bill Russell, Hollywood 126-pounder, outboxed George Gelman of Brooklyn in the opener. James Enopia, Honolulu lightweight, followed with a decision over Moe Harvey of Warren, Ohio. In the welterweight division Phil Brown of St. Louis drew the nod over Leo Romero of Oklahoma City, and Leland Pillel, 155-pounder from Flint, Mich., topped John Colizza of Youngstown, Pa.

The 508th then went to work in the heavier classes. Joe Kelly, Naticoke, Pa., middleweight, decisioned Frank Brya of Pittsburgh, and light-heavyweight Whitney Roseman of Windham, Mont., edged Barney Monclovic, Detroit southpaw, in the windup.

Ordnance, Engineers Clash With Loop Lead at Stake

Top honors in the Seine football loop will be at stake tomorrow when the Ordnance Red Devils tangle with the undefeated, untied and unscored on Engineer eleven.

The Red Devils, undefeated in league games, will be sparked by speedsters Archie McGrath and Jerry Daly when they attempt to mar the Engineers' flawless record. Rolling up an impressive 72 points



Gene Tunney

Rickey Scored As 'Raider' for Signing Jackie

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Ty Baird, owner of the Kansas City Monarchs, declared today that he would appeal to Baseball Commissioner Happy Chandler for a ruling on the right of the Dodgers to take his property, namely Jackie Robinson, former UCLA Negro football ace. Robinson was signed Wednesday by the Bums to play for their Montreal farm club.

"Robinson signed with us last year," Baird said, "and we won't take it lying down." Robinson played shortstop for the Monarchs in 1942 before entering the Army.

Aside from the blast by Baird, there was another explosion that emanated from the balliwick of Clarr (The Old Fox) Griffith of the Washington Senators. The 75-year-old Nats' owner asserted that if the Dodgers want Robinson they should pay for him.

"While it is true that we have no agreement with Negro leagues—National and American—we still can't act like outlaws in taking their stars. We have no right to destroy them," Griffith said.

Meanwhile, Branch Rickey of the Dodgers voiced his displeasure because of the Monarchs' protest of the Robinson signing. The Non-Alcoholic Branch declared that he did not recognize the American Negro League as a legitimate loop.

Third Armd. 11 Bows

KUNZELSAU, Germany, Oct. 25.—The 350th FA eleven defeated the Third Armored Div.'s Train Headquarters team, 15-13, at Wafer Field today.

in three games, the Engineers have relied on the services of big Carl Stravinski, standout line performer, and Dave Tyndall, passing and running specialist.

The game will get under way at 2 PM at Buffalo Stadium (Metro: Porte d'Orleans).

The ATC eleven will meet Signal Corps in a league game Sunday at 2:30 PM at Buffalo Stadium.



Coach Walker gives his Red Devils a few pointers to use against the Engineer Atomites tomorrow. Left to right kneeling: Jerry Daly RH, Charles Hutchins C, Norm Overton RE, Tom Johnovich QB, Archie McGrath LH, Gus Carlos FB, Harry Maeda LG; standing: Art McDaniels LG, Cliff Hunt RG, Bob Stockdale EG and Herb Hansel LE.

Ex-GI Hero Paces West's Ball Toters

GREELEY, Colo., Oct. 25.—A Silver Star hero, now 32, who survived 19 months in German prison camps, picked up the college career he left eight years ago and has snatched the individual scoring leadership in Mountain region football with 44 points.

Shock-haired Elmo Cromer, Colorado State fullback, has posted six touchdowns and booted eight conversions to wrest the No. 1 position from Utah State's Ernie Groll, who last week raised his total only one point to 37.

Won Battlefield Commission The Fort Collins, Colo., back, a first sergeant, won the Silver Star and battlefield promotion to lieutenant in the Sicilian campaign. He led five companions in a heart-breaking scaling of a bloody ridge, carrying boxes of food and ammunition to mortar crews seeking to break the Germans' grip. They worked more than 30 hours.

"Our pack mules were dead so we had to lug the stuff ourselves," Cromer said. One of the mortar men was ex-Sgt. Ed Shaw of Greeley, 250-pounder now playing guard for Colorado State.

Seized at Salerno

The promotion went through, but meanwhile Cromer's outfit, the 45th Thunderbird Div., was landing at shell-raked Salerno in Italy. His second day inland he was cut off by a German panzer unit and taken captive, then sent to Germany.

Liberated last April, Cromer weighed 155 at six feet one, but he now packs 190 pounds. Coach John Hancock says he's a brilliant match student.

Can an ex-GI study? Cromer says it's tough.

"When I've read a text book paragraph, I sometimes don't know what the devil is in it. It's hard to concentrate, but I'll get past this form of 'concentration.' It's nice to forget the other kind."

GI Marksmen Fire Nov. 8-10

By Bill Briordy Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

GI sharp shooters throughout Europe are marking for the theater rifle and pistol championships to be held on the Calas range, at Marseille, Nov. 8, 9 and 10. Eastern District, Western District, USAFE, U.S. Forces in Austria, TSFET, Hq Command, USFET (Main) and U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, are figured to enter teams.

Commands are permitted to enter five-man squads for each event in the team competition and one man each in the individual shoot, except the "hand gun" affair, an individual test limited to three individuals per command.

The schedule of events for individual and team championship tests include: U.S. rifle, cal. 30 M1, as issued; U.S. rifle, cal. 30 M-1903, as issued; U.S. carbine, cal. 30 M1, sights, adjustable; U.S. carbine cal. 30 M1, sights, leaf; U.S. pistol, cal. 45 as issued, and U.S. revolver, cal. 45, as issued.

In the "hand gun" championship weapons of any caliber with open metallic sights may be used. Ammunition for this event must be furnished by contestants. Deadline for entries is Nov. 5. Participants' names must be submitted by the various commands to the Chief, Athletic Division, Special Services, Hq. TSFET (Main), APO 757, U.S. Army.

Oise Pistol Team Wins TSFET Championship

Oise Intermediate Section's pistol team captured the Theater Service Forces championship by turning back the Delta Base Section marksmen, 2,333 to 2,235, in the final shoot-off conducted at Marseille.

Horseman Banned On Dope Charge

BALTIMORE, Oct. 25.—The Maryland Racing Commission today revoked indefinitely the license of Joseph Bauer, New York trainer of Norwalk Stables, after ruling that benzedrine had been administered to Armistice Day, winner of the fourth race at Laurel Oct. 16.

The commission also ordered that all Norwalk horses be barred from competition pending further investigation. The Norwalk Stables' owner is Edward Segal, Woodmare, N.Y. Bauer was found guilty of violating state racing rules at a hearing conducted here.

Experts Busy Hunting Cadet, Middie Excuses

By George Maskin Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Next to their respective discharge systems, the most discussed items about the Army and Navy in the U.S. today are their football teams. Experts and laymen alike are springing up with one question: How good are these teams?



Felix Blanchard

Those who profess knowing—the experts—already have dug out their best set of excuses in order to ease out of their early-season predictions that Army was mightier than even last season, and that Navy, too, was a world-beating aggregation.

Both Army and Navy are still undefeated and untied, and they may come down to their Dec. 1 meeting in Philadelphia protecting perfect records. But when it comes to hailing the service teams as super-super there's room aplenty for a loud explosion.

Army thanks its lucky stars it has a couple of guys answering to the names of Glenn Davis and Doc Blanchard. They made the difference against Michigan two weeks ago, and the Cadets needed them to rally and beat a weak Melville Motor Torpedo School outfit last Saturday.

Navy holds its place chiefly because the Middies haven't run into serious opposition as yet. Against the teams they have licked, notably Georgia Tech last week, the Sailors haven't set the grid world afire, particularly when viewed from an offensive standpoint.

Navy to Risk Streak

There are many who figure Navy's streak will end Saturday against Penn at Philadelphia. The Quakers are set to match Navy's crack first line with some of their own fast, big, experienced forwards. Heading the Penn line will be George Savitsky, a 250-pounder, already hailed as an All-American tackle.

Penn's top back is Bob Evans, fresh from 33 fighter missions over Europe. Besides being speedy and shifty afoot, he has tossed six touchdown passes among the ten out of 18 he has completed. In addition, he has kicked over 50 yards on three occasions. Bob Deuber, Don Schneider, and Jack Martin are three others Navy will have to watch.

The Middies will counter with at least two of their own aces, Bob Kelly and Bob Hoernschmeyer. There's a remote possibility that halfback Clyde Scott, who suffered a recurrence of an arch injury against Georgia Tech, will be available.

Meanwhile, Army has a date with Duke at the Polo Grounds Saturday, and so long as Davis and Blanchard are in shape the Cadets have little to fear. The story may not be the same, however, the following Saturday when Notre Dame's Irish storm into New York. The Ramblers currently rate No. 2 in the country.

Hawks Beat Bruins With 3-Goal Rally

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Scoring three goals in the final period, the Chicago Blackhawks defeated the Boston Bruins, 5-4, last night in the opening game of the 1945-46 National Hockey League season. A crowd of 13,000 fans saw Red Hamill tie the score at 4-all with a pair of so-called dashes and Doug Bentley drive home the clincher.

Conti Rejoins Eagles

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Enio Conti, veteran guard of the Philadelphia Eagles, has been declared physically fit by doctors and will play against the Cleveland Rams Sunday. Conti announced his retirement at the start of the season because of high blood pressure.

Ex-Pilot Favors Ending Kick-Off At Second Half

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 25.—Edward B. Cochems, coach of the St. Louis University football team that lost only two of 31 games from 1906 through 1908, touched off a red-hot football argument when he declared he was in favor of eliminating the kick-off at the start of the second half.

Opinion among coaches and officials was evenly divided, with those favoring elimination pointing out that football as now played is actually two games instead of one. Some affirmative opinions:

Duke Duford, St. Louis coach—"It certainly would have changed our game at Miami, Fla., where we reached the 15-yard line with one minute left and to pass, pass, pass to try to beat the clock."

Bob Kinnan, Washington University athletic director—"Why put a premium on the middle of the game? Why nullify by time a team's efforts possibly twice in a game—at the half as well as at the final gun?"

Roy Newson, official—"Many times the kick-off thrill would not be lost if you permitted a team to keep the ball, for many times it would go on to score. I believe the change is worth trying."

Negative opinions:

Jimmy Conzelman, former coach of Chicago Cardinals and Washington University—"I don't believe in taking all the tradition from the game. Besides, the change would eliminate present strategy, whereby near half-time a team may allow a first down where it doesn't hurt, deploying its defense to protect against a long, injurious pass."

Ellis Veech, official—"I like the present rule. Yes, the time element is there, but in an effort to beat the clock at the half the offensive team tends to open up its play. That gives the crowd a thrill and the defensive club a chance to run back an intercepted pass."

Yanks Buy Duhart

BOSTON, Oct. 10.—The Boston Yanks today purchased Halfback Paul Duhart, former University of Florida star, from the Pittsburgh Steelers for the waiver price. Duhart played with the Green Bay Packers last season.

Tomorrow's Grid Slate

EAST	SOUTH
Army vs Duke	Alabama vs Georgia
Boston College vs Merchant Marine	Auburn vs Georgia Tech
Brown vs Columbia	Florida vs Southwestern La
Bucknell vs Lafayette	Kentucky vs Cincinnati
Coast Guard Academy vs Harvard	LSU vs Vanderbilt
Colgate vs Holy Cross	Mississippi vs Arkansas
Cornell vs Yale	Richmond vs Catawba
Dartmouth vs Syracuse	Tulane vs SMU
Maryland vs West Virginia	Virginia vs VPI
Navy vs Pennsylvania	
NYU vs Brooklyn	
Pittsburgh vs Temple	
Princeton vs Rutgers	
Villanova vs Tennessee	
MIDWEST	SOUTHWEST
Illinois vs Michigan	Baylor vs Texas A&M
Indiana vs Tulsa	Rice vs Texas
Iowa vs Notre Dame	Texas Tech vs W. Texas St.
Kansas vs Wichita	Oklahoma A&M vs TCU
Kansas State vs Oklahoma	
Michigan State vs Marquette	
Minnesota vs Ohio State	
Missouri vs Nebraska	
Northwestern vs Purdue	
ROCKY MOUNTAIN	FAR WEST
Denver vs Utah State	California vs Nevada
Utah U. vs Colorado AC	Idaho vs Washington State
	Oregon vs UCLA
	So. California vs Washington



1,000 Bikes Go To Dutch Who Aided Fliers

By Robert B. MacGregor
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

About 1,000 bicycles, abandoned by American airmen and ground crews at closed-out fields in England, have been delivered to Dutch who gave their bikes to escaping American airmen during the German occupation, G-2 TSFET disclosed yesterday. The Dutch, who needed the bicycles badly, had not asked for replacements but only for some way to buy them.

The delivery of bicycles is one of the ways in which the Allies are attempting to show appreciation to those who risked deportation, torture or death, to help downed Allied fliers to return to their bases in England.

A special American section, known as MIS-X, co-operating with similar British and French units, by interviewing returned fliers has compiled a list of around 30,000 French and 20,000 Belgians, Luxemburgers and Dutch who gave aid. About 18,000 of these people have been interviewed and thanked by American and Allied officers.

When the files are complete, probably toward the end of winter, all who helped Americans will receive letters of commendation signed by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, and several thousand will be given civil and military decorations. The British already have awarded high orders to some of the outstanding "aiders."

The American section discovered by accident that a man who had aided fliers was unable to buy medicine he needed. It was able to find a six-month supply for him.

A Pyrenees guide, who had conveyed 200 aviators into Spain, was shot in the leg by the Germans. His fractured leg was badly reset and is two inches shorter than the other, and the British and American Armies are arranging an operation for him.

The daughter of a man who had given great aid was badly disfigured by an accident. While a French resistance organization is supplying free surgical services, the Allies are helping defray her hospital expenses.

A limited number of clothing and food parcels and some cloth have been given by the American Red Cross and the British to the most needy, particularly those returning from concentration camps where they were sent for helping the Allied fliers.

One woman, when asked if she needed anything, wrote back wondering if it would be possible for her to meet "a dashing young American officer," and if one were not available, "an intellectual type." MIS-X refused to say how it handled this request.

Big Chinese Drive Set at War's End

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, American commander in China, told a press conference that the Japanese surrender came barely in time to head off a Chinese offensive, aimed at driving to the coast and liberating Canton and Hong Kong.

Start of the offensive, he said, was scheduled for Aug. 18.

"We had hoped to take these objectives by Nov. 15, but I do not know if we could have done it by then," he said.

Forces for the offensive were 20 Chinese divisions equipped and trained by Americans and commanded by Chinese, supported by U.S. air and ground elements. The general said there were 19 Chinese divisions in reserve, partially equipped, which could have been committed by spring.

U.S. Developing Electronic Arms

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson disclosed last night that the Army had now in operation a program to develop a new radio fuse and other electronic weapons designed to make the United States invulnerable to attack.

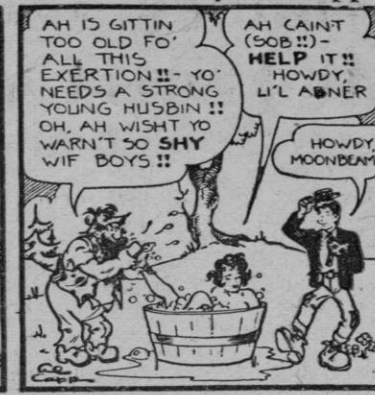
The program, which was devised last October and began operating on VJ-Day, will be supervised by the National Bureau of Standards, whose scientists developed the proximity fuse for World War II.

Wistful Vista Is No More

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Oct. 25 (ANS).—Fire of undetermined origin yesterday destroyed the nearby ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jordan, the Fibber McGee and Molly of radio. Loss was estimated at 8,000.

Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features



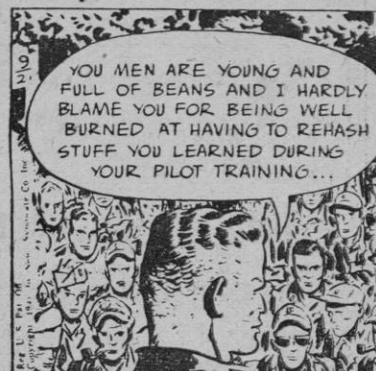
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Terry and The Pirates

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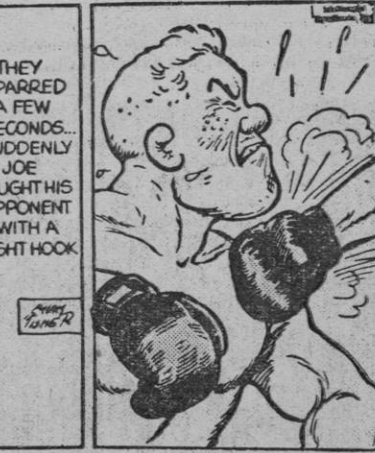
Blondie

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Joe Palooka

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Churchill to Visit Belgium

BRUSSELS, Oct. 25 (AP).—The semi-official Belga news agency reports that Winston Churchill, Mrs. Churchill and their daughter, Mary, will arrive in Belgium Nov. 15 for a two-day visit.

Calling All Theta Delta Chis

Members of Theta Delta Chi fraternity now in the Paris area have been requested to get in touch with G. E. Otis (Com Z 3158) by Monday to arrange for a Founders' Day meeting.

Norway Gets U.S. Coal

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Ten thousand tons of coal, the first shipment direct from the U.S., is to arrive here tomorrow on the Norwegian motorship Kronprinsessen from Baltimore.

Belgian Women Win Vote

BRUSSELS, Oct. 25 (UP).—The Belgian government has granted women the right to vote, but the new law does not go into operation until January, 1947, thus excluding women from the 1946 elections.

Mac, Pressed By Allies, Ends Jap Diplomacy

TOKYO, Oct. 25 (AP).—Acting "at the direction of the Allied powers," Gen. Douglas Mac Arthur isolated Japan diplomatically today in one of the most drastic directives he has issued.

The order, which followed recent criticism from the Soviet Union and other sources that the Allied Supreme Commander was too soft on the Japanese, directed the Japanese government to transfer all its diplomatic and consular property and archives throughout the world to the Allied powers.

Tokyo also was ordered to recall its diplomatic and consular representatives in neutral countries and cease all relations with foreign governments, except for routine matters.

Must Surrender Property

The long order specified that any property or archives belonging to Japan in Allied countries would be turned over to the respective governments. Japanese property found in such neutral countries as Sweden and Switzerland, where the property was protected, will be turned over to representatives of the four Allied powers.

Meanwhile, Supreme Headquarters told Japanese editors that if they could not establish a free and independent press they would have to make way for papers which would.

The editors were charged with failure to permit "full and frank discussion" of the war-criminal problem and to explain adequately to the Japanese people the aims of the occupational forces.

Defend Emperor System

A committee of 183 Diet members, seeking to reform old-line party elements, called yesterday for "absolute and unqualified defense of Tenno"—the Emperor system.

Diet committees also asked for "a determined fight against Communism and liberalism," while the new Japanese Liberal party pledged to "uphold and defend Japan's unique national structure."

France Angry: No Nazi Ships

By Richard Lewis
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

The French Provisional Government made public yesterday its irritation over Allied failure to heed its plea for a share in the Nazi fleet.

After repeated demarches to the Quadripartite Council in Berlin, the French Foreign Ministry called a press conference and made it known that the disposition of captured German ships is "incomprehensible" to France.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman said that France had presented "modest" demands to the council for warships, cargo ships and submarines of the former German navy to replace the 285,000 tons of ships France lost in combat.

The spokesman charged that the Inter-Allied Naval commission had already started to sink submarines, which France needs.

As her share, France asked 23 ships totaling 30,000 tons. These include six heavy destroyers, six light destroyers, six submarines, three cargo vessels and two refueling vessels for submarines.

Patton and De Gaulle Dine at War Ministry

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton Jr. and Gen. Charles de Gaulle, French provisional government head, exchanged toasts at a War Ministry luncheon in Paris yesterday where Patton was guest of honor.

Patton arrived in Paris yesterday from his 15th Army headquarters at Bad Nauheim. He is en route to Rennes, where he will be given honorary citizenship Saturday to that city as well as to Avranches, Angers, Laval and LeMans which were liberated in August, 1944, by the Third Army he then commanded.

Final Loire Trip Monday

The free three-day excursions to the Loire River valley and the chateau country under auspices of COFBA (French-Allied Good Will Committee) will terminate with the trip starting Monday. Tours of the Louvre in Paris and trips to Lourdes and the Pyrenees will continue. Information can be obtained at the information desk, 11 Rue Scribe.

Showdown at the Studio: Cops Hold Clubs But the Lady Raises Ten



A woman picket waves un ladylike defiance to police keeping a path open into Warner Bros. studio at Los Angeles while the man at right gives cops a Hollywood version of the Bronx cheer. The sign carried by pickets in the background reads: "End lockout, says U.S. Govt. to producers."

High-Pointers At Marseille

By Dean Pohlner
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

MARSEILLE, Oct. 25.—First elements of 15,500 high-point troops, whose arrival threatened to slow redeployment of the 66th Inf. Div., began moving into the staging areas today, Sixth Port headquarters announced.

Approximately 3,000 men, who were brought from numerous units in the ETO in an effort to get them home as soon as possible, comprised the first elements of the 80-point-and-up contingent. They are members of hospital and quartermaster units, along with advance parties of some field artillery, and combat engineer outfits.

It was not known how long it would take to process the new arrivals and get them on ships, but Sixth Port said they would be handled as quickly as possible and would be given priority over troops now in staging areas who had later readiness dates.

It was suggested yesterday the influx of these troops might slow sailing of some units of the 66th Inf. Div., but the Chapel Hill Victory carrying nearly 2,000 66th Div men sailed this afternoon. The SS Sea Owl, with more than 2,000 high-point casualties aboard, also left.

Meanwhile, Sixth Port announced that advance elements of the 75th Inf. Div., which will be the seventh division to sail from Marseille, were expected in the staging areas Saturday.

Shanghai's Japanese To Hold Election

SHANGHAI, Oct. 25 (AP).—Shanghai's "Little Tokyo" is preparing for what is probably the first democratic election ever held by Japanese in Asia.

Japanese civilians segregated in the area across Szechow Creek from downtown Shanghai tomorrow will elect a secretary general for the self-governing committee which handles problems of housing and feeding more than 80,000 Japanese under guard in the Chinese Third Army area.

Buried Fellow Prisoners Alive On Jap Orders, Says Bataan Vet

SEATTLE, Oct. 25 (ANS).—Lt. John Hummel, who survived three and a half years in Japanese prison camps, said his captors forced him to help bury fellow prisoners alive.

"That was more horrible than starvation, beatings or torture," Hummel said, adding that men of Corregidor would never have surrendered had they known what was in store for them.

Hummel escaped from the Japanese on Bataan and swam four miles to Corregidor, only to be captured there in Malinta Tunnel.

Dockers Still Out in Britain

LONDON, Oct. 25 (AP).—There was no sign of a break today in Britain's dock strike, now involving 41,000 stevedores, despite their union's latest back-to-work appeal.

Union leaders, nevertheless, instituted a new attempt to end the strike, which has left British ports clogged with unloaded ships.

Mass meetings of striking dock workers were called in London and Birkenhead, but whether the men would attend remained uncertain. Strikers are demanding an increase of eight shillings in daily wages.

In London, 65 ships—half of them ocean-going vessels with big cargoes—awaited unloading. Yesterday 500 more British soldiers were sent to London, bringing to 5,000 the total of troops now discharging cargoes of 35 ships and loading another 14.

Byrnes Denies U.S. Put Red Finance Plan Aside

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (AP).—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes yesterday characterized as completely untrue a report that Russian financial proposals had been ordered laid aside pending improvement in U.S. and Soviet relations.

He indicated at a press conference that President Truman was still awaiting a reply from Generalissimo Stalin on the President's proposals for smoothing difficulties between the U.S. and Russia.

13,000 Poles in Italy To Return Home Soon

ROME, Oct. 25 (UP).—Thirteen thousand Polish troops in Italy who chose to return to Poland will leave soon, Stanislaus Kot, Polish Minister to Italy, told the press today.

What was to happen to the 87,000 left in Italy was a problem between the Polish mission to London and the British government, Kot declared.

AFL Calls Off Movie Strike

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had been given 30 days to settle their differences. Green and the AFL executive council had been negotiating with union and producer representatives.

Herbert K. Sorrell, strike leader, hailed the settlement as a victory and said the producers had agreed to return the strikers to their studio jobs "with all contracts re-established as of the time they left."

Striker spokesmen said pickets remained at Warner's because the studio had withdrawn from the Motion Picture Distributors group and they did not know whether it would adhere to the Cincinnati agreement.

Air-Line Strike Spreads, May Hit Overseas Service

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (UP).—The strike of American Export Airlines employees here spread to Chicago and St. Louis today, and a spokesman for the United Automobile Workers (CIO) predicted a tieup of the entire line, including the overseas division.

The strike of 600 New York employees was supported by 155 ground-service personnel in Chicago, where all flights by the line were suspended. Jack Winter, member of the UAW negotiating committee, said line employees in St. Louis also struck "100 percent."

Similar action was expected at Burbank, Calif. Winter predicted the strike would spread to the line's overseas division in London and prevent immediate return of two land planes which inaugurated service between New York and London Tuesday.

U.S. Plans to Open 4 Consulates in Reich

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Oct. 25.—The U.S. State Department plans to open four American consulates in the U.S. occupation zone of Germany, the Military Government announced today.

Until offices can be established, all the civilians in the zone desiring to present claims of U.S. citizenship are advised to remain in their present localities and not to move to Frankfurt, Munich or other crowded places where consular offices existed before the war.

Consulates will be able to handle claims for citizenship in the U.S., Egypt, Iran and Latin American countries.

15-Year Thefts Charged

Paul Boutibonne has been living for 15 years off the proceeds of money orders stolen with the aid of a long iron hook from mailboxes, Paris police told United Press yesterday. Boutibonne was said to have stolen 50,000 letters from which he extracted 9,000 checks and money orders before his arrest.

British in Java To Take U.S. Label Off Guns

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Instructions to remove U.S. labels from lend-lease military equipment in Java, where an atmosphere of conciliation prevailed yesterday, have been given the British commander in Batavia, it was announced today.

A British Foreign Office spokesman said the order had been given in compliance with a request by U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes.

In Batavia yesterday steps were taken to bring the Dutch East Indies and the independent Indonesian governments together for informal talk after the latter appealed to the U.S.

Hope for Compromise

Although no official statement was forthcoming from the Dutch government, persons close to Lt. Gov. H. J. Van Mook were hopeful that the talks might produce a compromise which would prevent further bloodshed when more Dutch troops landed on Java.

The unrecognized Indonesian government of Dr. R. I. Sukarno was expected to ask that the meeting take place at a neutral location and to suggest that the U.S. Consul act as intermediary.

In a newspaper interview, the Indonesian leader said he would invite committees from the British House of Commons and the U.S. Congress to visit the islands and "see for themselves the true situation here."

30 Javanese Killed

Despite efforts at conciliation, 30 Indonesians were killed yesterday in a clash with Dutch soldiers at Kebajoran, six miles south of Batavia. One Dutch officer was wounded.

The Dutch commander in chief, Lt. Gen. L. H. Van Oyen, acknowledged that conditions at the Batavia prison were "somewhat below standard." A British Army spokesman had called the prison a "horror jail."

Hurricane Halts Sailings

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Scheduled to sail today from the British port are the Liberty ships King S. Woollsley, with 581 troops, and George W. Campbell, with 580. Both had been scheduled to sail yesterday.

An Army spokesman said the Stetson Victory had been halted on her way to Antwerp. She was at a holding point on the Channel coast. The ship was scheduled to pick up 1,950 U.S. troops in the Belgian port.

Twenty miles off St. Nazaire, the U.S. Liberty ship Charles C. Glover was wrecked on a submerged reef. A French ship went to the rescue of the crew of the Liberty, which was carrying coal to France, but no further word had been received last night.

French Ships Stand By

A French tug and trawler had stood by but were unable to assist because of heavy seas. The Glover went hard aground Wednesday night, stove in her hull and then drifted off on the morning tide. Her engines were flooded, and French rescue crews said she was so badly damaged she probably could not be saved.

Meanwhile, the gale was causing havoc throughout the British Isles and was buffeting the entire French Channel coast. As far south as Brest all vessels had taken shelter inside breakwaters.

British Flee Inland

Many British families fled homes along the coasts to safety from mountainous waves. Householders were evacuated yesterday at Chiswell-Portland near Weymouth because of hazards from marine mines, 20 of which had been washed ashore in the storm.

The worst sea flood in 20 years hit Hastings, where transportation was clogged and rowboats were used to rescue women shoppers stranded in downtown buildings.

In London, a 200-foot television pole snapped like a matchstick and crashed on six homes. In Ireland, six bridges were washed out, marooning a number of school children at Glentogher.

Spain Arms Civilian Groups

MADRID, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Establishment of civilian armed groups similar to the "Somatenes," an ancient Catalan organization co-operating with the police, was decreed by the Spanish government today. The groups will operate throughout Spanish territory under the Ministry of the Interior.