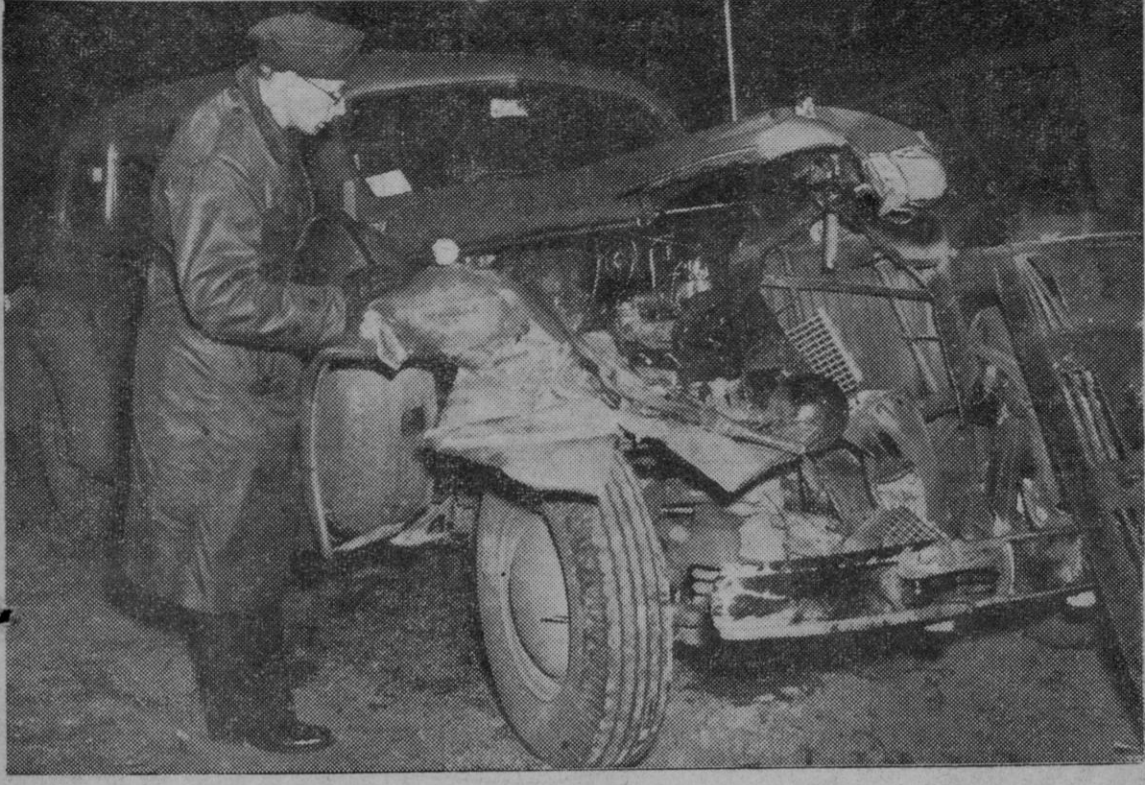


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One Year Ago
 Third Army repulses heavy Nazi counter-attacks north and south of Metz. Seventh Army gains all along 35-mile front from Lunéville to Bruyères.

The Weather Today
 PARIS: Cloudy, precipitation—36
 S. FRANCE: Fine—59
 DOVER: Cloudy, rain, sleet—39
 GERMANY: Cloudy, rain—38

Front End of Patton's Automobile Smashed in Crash With Truck



Associated Press
 A correspondent examines the automobile in which Gen. George S. Patton, commander of the U.S. 15th Army, was critically injured when it crashed into an Army truck near Mannheim Sunday. The radiator and hood of the 1938 Cadillac sedan were wrecked.

Patton Is Holding Own; Wife Reaches Bedside

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—The condition of Gen. George S. Patton Jr. was announced as satisfactory today in a medical bulletin issued by the 130th Station Hospital in Heidelberg. The text of the bulletin said:

"General Patton has had a good night. His general condition has been maintained at a satisfactory level. Neurological condition showed a slight improvement, but prognosis remains guarded."

Mrs. Patton, who had been flown from the U.S., reached her husband's bedside at 4:30 PM.

"I've seen Georgie in these scrapes before—he always comes out all right," she told Maj. Gen. Albert W. Kenner, theater chief surgeon, who was attending the general. "You can tell me all about it."

Fog Delays Arrival

Accompanying Mrs. Patton was Col. R. Glenn Spurling, one of the Army's foremost specialists on neuro-surgery. Already in attendance on the injured general was Hugh Cairns, professor of neuro-surgery at Oxford University, who flew to Germany from England yesterday. Patton, commanding general of the 15th Army, was critically injured Sunday when his sedan collided with a two-and-one-half ton Army truck on the autobahn near Mannheim. The original diagnosis issued yesterday said he suffered severe spinal injuries, with complete paralysis below the third cervical vertebra.

Seine 60-64s Head for Port

By Johnnie Brown
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 More than 75 percent of approximately 4,000 Seine Section men in the 60-64 point group will go to Le Havre for home shipment within a week and the remainder may expect port calls a few days later, Seine's G1 Section reported yesterday. Seine is now processing the transfers to Category IV units of men

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 with 57 and 58 points. Under present quotas, however, the section does not expect to transfer all of the 55-59 group by the end of the year. Theater redeployment authorities said soldiers who became eligible Dec. 1 on four years' service or because they have three or more dependent children were being processed on the same priority as the 55-59 bracket. A man becomes eligible for discharge whenever he completes four years' service. All Seine men with 65 or more points have transferred out of the section except volunteers or those delayed because they were in a hospital or on furlough when their number came up. Seine reported an increasing number of volunteers. As of Dec. 10 the section had 1,872 eligibles who ordinarily would have been transferred. G1 of Seine reported a few instances of men going AWOL after transfer to Category IV units. Theater redeployment authorities said GIs who don't want to go home don't have to go AWOL to miss a boat. All they have to do is tell their CO they will remain on the job or re-enlist.

Big Airliner Reported In Crash Off Azores

PONTA DELGADA, Azores, Dec. 11 (AP).—It was reported here early today that a big airliner, possibly a Clipper, crashed into the sea 90 miles off the Island of San Miguel shortly before dawn yesterday. American search planes took off from Santa Maria.

6 U.S. Planes Lost in China

PEIPING, Dec. 11 (AP).—Six U.S. Marine dive bombers were missing in North China today, where fliers said they had been engaged in an American "big stick" display to impress warring Chinese Communist and Central Government forces.

The planes took off from Tsingtao on Saturday and were last reported over Taku, river-mouth port for Tientsin, where, the Navy believes, the 12 airmen were forced down by bad weather.

The planes were to have swept up the river in formation in what evidently was a show of force.

U.S. Equipment Burns

Other developments in the Far East included a fire of unknown origin yesterday which destroyed an estimated million dollars in American equipment at Peiping, and a report by the Chinese Central News Agency that Moscow and Chungking had completed an agreement on problems concerning the flying of Chinese Government troops into Manchuria.

On the fighting front in China, outnumbered Central Government troops were said to be defending the Tientsin-Pukow railroad town of Lincheng against a force of 120,000 Communists.

Marine Shot in Face By Chinese Civilians

TIENTSIN, Dec. 10 (AP) (Delayed).—An unarmed U.S. Marine sergeant was shot from a horse on the outskirts of Tientsin late Saturday and wounded painfully in the face, Marine headquarters said yesterday.

The announcement said the Marine encountered three Chinese civilians at a narrow bridge spanning an irrigation ditch. The Marine smiled and greeted the Chinese who also smiled and at the

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Missing Witness Snarls Defense In Lichfield Trial

By Ed Rosenthal
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The mysterious disappearance of a key defense witness in the trial of Sgt. Judson H. Smith, former Tenth Reinforced Depot guard accused of brutally mistreating prisoners in the Lichfield Depot last winter, may delay his general court-martial, now entering its second week.

Nazis Viewed Foes' Children As Part of Loot

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NUREMBERG, Dec. 11.—The Nazi program for exploiting occupied countries even contemplated kidnaping children and raising them as Germans, it was revealed today at the war-crimes trial.

Quotations from speeches by Heinrich Himmler to his SS generals in Poland and Russia in 1943 were read before the International Military Tribunal.

"What nations can offer in the way of good blood of our type we will take, if necessary, by kidnaping their children and raising them here for us," Himmler told the SS leaders. "We must be honest, decent, loyal and comradely to members of our own blood and to nobody else. What happens to the Russian, to the Czech does not interest me in the slightest."

"Whether nations live in prosperity or starve to death" (he used the German word "verrecken," which is used only to refer to the death of cattle) "interests me only in so far as we need them as slaves for our culture; otherwise it is of no interest to me."

"Whether 10,000 Russian females fall down from exhaustion while digging an anti-tank ditch interests me only in so far as the anti-tank ditch for Germany is finished." And, he said, if there is a protest that this is murder, "I have to say you are a murderer of your own

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Eastern U.S. Hit By Severe Chiller

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (ANS).—The most severe and longest cold spell of the season chilled most of the eastern half of the nation yesterday, with no real relief expected until late tomorrow.

A solid cold belt, with temperatures ranging down to 18 degrees below zero at Minot, N.D., extended from the Rocky Mountains almost to the Appalachians with the exception of the west Gulf coast. Chicago, where a high of 60 degrees was recorded Saturday, had a low reading of 12 by yesterday morning. All official readings in Minnesota were zero or colder.

Nazis Tested Deadliest Gas on Humans

Japanese Employed Chemicals Against U.S. Troops in New Guinea

By Associated Press
 A disclosure in Washington today that Germany had developed "the deadliest poison gas in the world" by tests on human guinea pigs in concentration camps was followed by the revelation in Tokyo that the Japanese occasionally had used gas against U.S. troops.

Col. Bernard Bernstein, director of the Division of Cartels and External Assets of the U.S. Military Government in Germany, told the Senate Military Affairs Committee in Washington of the development of the deadly poison gas in Germany.

Explaining that the Germans destroyed many plants and all stocks of gas before the Russian occupation, he said: "But at least one of the terrible secrets the Germans

hoped to save for the next war was uncovered. Our investigation disclosed that an I. G. Farben (German chemical combine) official at Wuppertal-Elberfeld developed the deadliest gas in the world. This gas, unknown to military authorities of the Allied nations, could penetrate any gas mask in existence."

Brig. Gen. Charles E. Loucks, a chemical warfare officer on Gen. Douglas MacArthur's staff in Tokyo, disclosed that the Japanese had used gas in their warfare against U.S. troops "in a few isolated instances."

He said the latest gas attack was on March 5 when a Japanese patrol discharged vomiting gas candles in the Signal Corps area at Biak, New Guinea. Several Americans were made severely ill, but none died.

Gas grenades were tossed at American concentrations at Biak and gas was used against Chinese troops in China, Loucks added.

He disclosed that the Japanese had a modern, well-equipped chemical-warfare school at Narashina, but abandoned manufacture of poison gas in 1943 because, as questioned Japanese officials told him, "we believed the Allied statement that gas would be used only in retaliation."

Loucks, who is going to Washington soon to become assistant chief of Chemical Warfare Service research and development, asserted that poison gas was more human than the atomic bomb or "a bayonet in the abdomen," adding: "If we had used gas at places like Tarawa and Iwo, we would have saved many lives."

Last Seen in Chicago

Col. James A. Kilian, former Lichfield CO who was listed on the same movement orders and subsequently testified at the London hearing, declared that he had last seen Maj. Bluhm in a Chicago rail

S & S Readers Punished

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 LONDON, Dec. 11.—Four Lichfield inmates found with a copy of The Stars and Stripes in their cell were forced to stand with their nose and toes against their cell walls and go without supper, according to the testimony of General Prisoner Leslie J. Chavez, who testified for the prosecution at the Lichfield prison trial here today.

Previous witnesses had indicated in their testimony that it was considered an offense to be caught with an issue of The Stars and Stripes.

way station, and that the major had remarked then that he was either going to or coming from a military hospital.

Another witness, 2/Lt. Mayer Colbert, who is supposedly accompanying Bluhm, is also missing. Kearney said that he has been in communication with USFET Hq. by teletype and telephone, requesting information on the missing witnesses. USFET, he said, has sent "two or three" cables to the War Department in Washington, asking for information on the missing witnesses, but as yet there has not been a satisfactory reply.

1/Lt. Frank M. Johnson Jr., chief defense counsel, maintained today that Maj. Bluhm's testimony might have vital bearing on the case.

Smith on Stand

Meanwhile, the defendant spent eight and one half grueling hours on the witness stand, starting his testimony at yesterday afternoon's session, and testifying through this morning and afternoon.

Smith painted a picture of comparative tranquility at Lichfield guardhouses, telling the court that he got along well with most of the 700 to 1,000 prisoners, and that in most cases it was not even necessary for him to carry a billy. He said he did not punish prisoners, but rather settled any disagreement through private conversation.

Firing questions at the perspiring defendant was Capt. Earl J. Carroll, who left his assignment as a representative of the judge advocate general at the Nuremberg trials to

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High Court Defers Move On Yamashita Plea

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—The Supreme Court yesterday deferred action on the request by Japanese Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita that it intervene in the war-crimes case which brought his conviction and death sentence. Yamashita had requested the Supreme Court to grant a writ of habeas corpus and a writ prohibiting continuation of his trial before the military commission in Manila.



May, Vinson Ask Separation Of Air Forces

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Chairmen of the House Military and Naval Affairs Committees introduced bills yesterday to make a separate department of Air Forces in lieu of merging the Army and Navy.

"This is our answer to the unification proposals," Reps. Andrew J. May (D-Ky.) and Carl Vinson (D-Ga.) said in a joint statement.

"We believe that unification of the Army and Navy is not the answer to the problem of national defense under modern methods of warfare. In our opinion the answer is to be found in creation of a separate and independent air force."

The two chairmen offered identical bills which called for:

- 1—Creation of a new department of the Air Forces headed by a secretary who would be a cabinet member.
- 2—Establishment of an aviation academy which would be a counterpart of West Point and Annapolis and would train air officers.
- 3—Establishment of the joint chiefs of staff—Army, Navy and Air Forces—in the executive office of the President.
- 4—Abolition of Army Air Corps and Army Air Forces and transfer of their property and equipment to the new department as soon as the President proclaims the new air arm sufficiently organized to operate as an efficient force.

May and Vinson told reporters the legislation was their own idea and did not necessarily reflect views of the Army or Navy.

They said that since Naval aviation presents an entirely different problem of national defense, the legislation would not in any way affect the air arm of the Navy.

Admiral Says Merger Might Slow U.S. Science

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—A flying admiral said yesterday the merger of the Army and Navy might slow this country's scientific development.

The assertion came from Rear Adm. Luis de Florez in testimony prepared for the Senate Military Affairs Committee. Assistant chief of the Navy's Office of Research and Inventions, de Florez said he considered competition between the services the single factor that did most to bring forth radar, the atomic bomb and other war-time discoveries.

Jap Is Flown To Navy Trial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Comdr. Ike Hashimoto, captain of the Japanese submarine reported to have sunk the U.S.S. Indianapolis last July 30, arrived yesterday to testify at the court-martial of Capt. Charles B. McVay III.

McVay, who commanded the Indianapolis, is charged with negligence and inefficiency in the loss of the heavy cruiser.

Hashimoto arrived by naval air transport from Japan.

The Navy explained the Japanese naval officer was brought here to testify in an effort to establish definitely whether the Indianapolis was sunk by torpedoes.

Survivors of the ship have expressed belief that torpedoes were responsible.

N.Y. Can Toast '46 All Night

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (AP).—For the first time since before the war, New York's bars and night clubs will be permitted to operate all night for New Year's, it was announced today by State liquor authorities. The only requirement is a special \$10 permit.

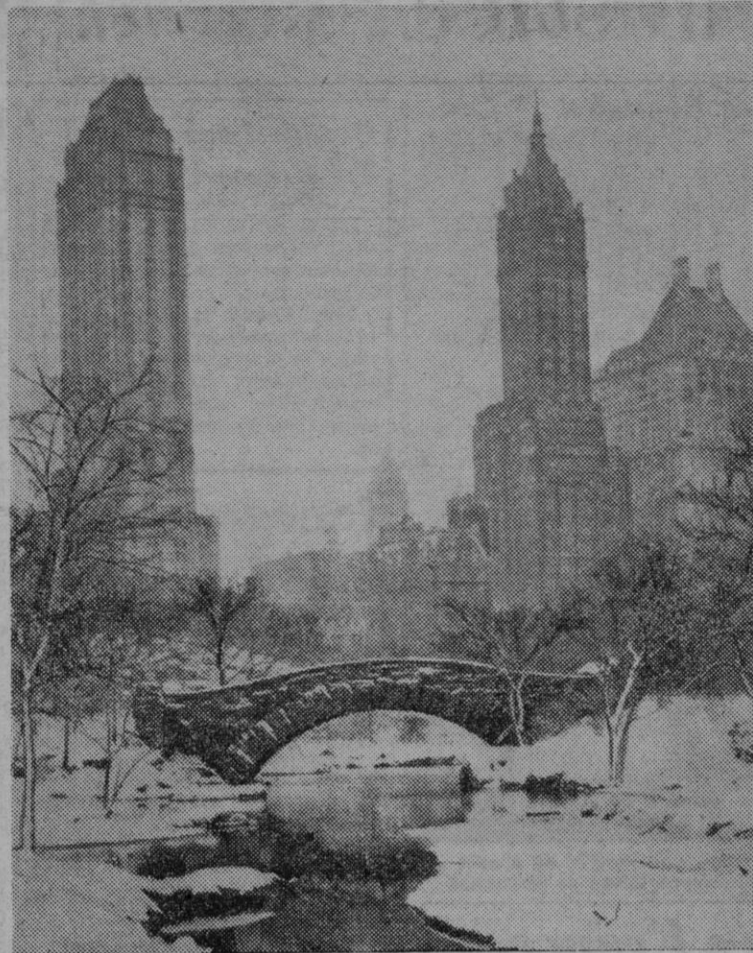
Navy Quits Hunt for 6 Planes; No Clues in Florida Mystery

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 11 (ANS).—The Navy last night called off its mammoth special search for 27 Navy airmen who disappeared in six planes last Wednesday.

"Planes and surface craft which travel the area where the airmen are believed to have disappeared will remain on the alert indefinitely," the Navy reported, "but the special search is being ended as of today."

The Navy announcement came a few minutes after a Coast Guard cutter raced seaward when one of

First Snowfall Blankets Central Park



Central Park, in the heart of New York, is blanketed with white after the first snowfall of the season.

Army Knew Japs Might Force Fight 10 Days Before--Marshall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP).—Gen. George C. Marshall, former Army Chief of Staff, acknowledged last night that the Army knew more than ten days before the Pearl Harbor attack that a Japanese move in that direction might take them past the deadline where the American military chiefs believed the U.S. should fight.

Testifying before the Congressional Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee, Marshall said that the move was the embarkation of about five divisions aboard 40 to 50 transports at Shanghai, headed south, which was reported by the U.S. Army intelligence, Nov. 25 and 26, 1941.

Sen. Homer Ferguson, (R-Mich.) recalled that Marshall and Adm. Harold Stark recommended Nov. 5 that no military action be taken against the Japanese unless they moved south of the ten degrees north latitude.

The senator then asked if it were not a "fair statement" that the Army knew that the Japanese move might take their troops across that line.

"Yes, sir," Marshall replied. Marshall also testified:

1—He and Adm. Stark had repeatedly urged the U.S. to "play for time" in its diplomatic negotiations with Japan.

2—In his opinion it would have been "catastrophic" for the U.S. simply to have stood by had Japan moved into the South China Sea without directly attacking America.

3—Arrangements were worked out before the war for landing strips to be constructed for American bombers at Rabaul, Port Moresby, and Singapore.

4—The U.S. Army intelligence correctly forecast Japan's strategic moves. "What we foresaw and what actually did happen was a general move south," Marshall said, adding that the Pearl Harbor attack was simply a raid to prevent the U.S. fleet from interfering with the movement south.

5—He authorized air reconnaissance over Japanese-mandated islands in November, 1941, but added that the planes never left Hawaii.

Romance Again for Fala

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Fala has taken a bride again, this time a lively seven-month-old Scottie named Frannie from Pittsburgh.

Frannie is a fit companion for the famous Presidential dog. Her father, Shieling Signature, was named best at the Westminster Kennel Club show in Madison Square Garden, New York, last February.

The "bride" was delivered to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in New York last night and will be taken to Hyde Park soon.

Ex-Sarge Admits He's Nazi Spy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Discharged "without honor" from the U.S. Army, and described by Attorney General Thomas C. Clark as a "full-fledged German spy," Frederick E. Bauer, onetime Army sergeant, has been interned as an enemy alien.

A Fifth Service Command Officers' Board at Indianapolis discharged Bauer yesterday after he admitted entering the U.S. as an enemy agent.

Ordering his imprisonment pending a hearing on repatriation to Germany, Clark said "voluminous data including Bauer's own confession" exposed the former German Army lieutenant as "a full-fledged spy who came to the U.S. on an espionage mission for Hitler, and was equipped with invisible inks and other paraphernalia for his work."

Clark added, however, that "no overt acts implementing his training and equipment are reported."

Bauer testified before the Officers' Board that he entered the U.S. as an espionage agent, but contended he never had helped the Germans and had never intended to.

He said that he had joined the Third Reich intelligence "because it was the only way I could get out of Germany," and that he had "made no contacts whatsoever" once he had arrived in the States.

The American Scene:

Dead GIs' Folks Seen Mediums' Newest Bait

By David A. Gordon

The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—A ghoulish exploitation of the families of deceased servicemen by phony dabblers in mysticism is predicted by John R. Saunders, associate curator of the American Museum of Natural History, who has studied the racket for the last 15 years. Saunders warns that the medium will prey on the families and promise contact with the spirits of dead soldiers.

"Mothers and wives of soldiers and sailors who died for their country will be appealed to emotionally by the practitioners of the crystal ball, the palm, the stacked deck and tea leaves," Saunders cautions in an interview with Pat Mitchell, former Stars & Stripes correspondent now with the New York World-Telegram.

OUT in San Diego, a seagoing Navy tug developed a yen to go ashore and see what landlubbers are doing. The tug ripped out about 12 feet of the city's fire station pier after a short circuit set fire to the ship's control board and signals failed to reach the engine room.

Buttons and Trimmings Foil Clothing Ceilings

A survey in New York City by the Community Service Society shows that low-income families are paying two and three times more now than in 1937 for many clothing items. Mrs. Louise Addiss, the Society's home economist, said: "Higher-priced clothing does not necessarily mean better clothing. Frequently it is actually inferior, but because a few extra stripes or a few buttons or trimmings have been added, previous prices no longer apply."

Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Veterans Administration head, has appealed to radio and the movies to publicize the need for citizens participating in the "human reconversion" of returning servicemen and women. Some networks had felt until recently that the topic of veteran rehabilitation was a dull one, but CBS took the lead a year ago with its program, "Assignment Home." Most of the script-writing for the program, which gives vets a chance to discuss their attitudes and reactions upon resuming civilian life, is done by vets.

EFFECTIVE tomorrow, doghouses, lipstick brushes, flagpoles, fishnets, inlaid chess boxes, handcuffs and all clocks will be exempt from ceiling prices. Other items in the exempt category are portable fire escapes, hat racks, toothpicks and lawn-mower scrapers.

Trouble is brewing at No. 5842 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles. In the last 30 months, 244 bowling balls have disappeared from Max Stein's bowling alley there. That's a lot of bowling balls, and represents, says Mr. Stein, \$4,270.

Newark's Sanitary Santas Play Beau Brummell

NEWARK, N.J. has launched a drive to clean up Santa Claus. The city feels all the Santas who will suddenly appear in the next few days should be spick and span, and so it has established sanitary rules: Santa must not kiss, he must wear clean undergarments, his whiskers must be white as snow, he must not wipe his nose or mouth with his gloves and his gloves must be spotless. The nice clean Santa gets a sanitary card from the city.

Girl students at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., believe their husbands should have control of the family finances. Of 672 girls interviewed, only 183 thought sewing was essential to a home, while the majority expressed the view that success in marriage had to be "worked for." P.S.: Three girls objected to studying about marriage, on the ground that it might "kill romance."

THE Army came to the rescue of the Miami police force which was badly in need of automobiles. It lent the cops six staff cars. Meanwhile, the force is impatiently awaiting the delivery of some 40 other vehicles.

What newspapers need today is youth, says Louis B. Seltzer, editor of the Cleveland Press. Too many U.S. newspapers are being edited with the heavy hand of the past. Seltzer declares that too many newspapers are slugged together with syndicate and wire service material, comics and other forms of modern boiler plate. He thinks that newspapers must re-emphasize local news.

ALLEN LA FEVER, 17, of Somerville, N.J., has lifted his 164-pound calf, Phoebe, 63 times. La Fever weighs 150 lbs. and began his daily weight-lifting program with Phoebe last Oct. 9, when Phoebe weighed 75 pounds. Everybody is waiting anxiously to see what Allen will do when Phoebe hits the 1,000-pound mark as a full-grown cow.

Army Secrets Bared



When an Army admirer of Actress Evelyn Keyes presented her with several waterproof air force maps, until recently classified as secret material, she had one of the studio designers fashion the swim suit she wears here.

Big 3 to Get Italy Armistice Plan from Byrnes

Soviets Asking Same Deal for 2 Balkan States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP).—A plan for the modification of present Italian armistice terms will be presented at the forthcoming Moscow Big Three meeting of foreign ministers by U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes. It was learned reliably today.

Proposals for Big Three agreement on a guarantee of present Italian armistice modifications, which are, as yet, informal, are already in the hands of diplomats at London and Moscow, but the Soviet is said to be withholding its approval until parallel modifications are agreed on for Bulgaria and Romania. The Russians also seek for those former German satellites the same recognition accorded Italy.

(A Moscow dispatch by the AP said today that observers in the Russian capital expected the foreign ministers to deal with these subjects: Atomic energy, peace treaties, the Far East situation, with emphasis on control of Japan, conditions in the Balkans and the future of Germany and Italy.)

Some circles considered that the question of atomic energy would be the most important on the agenda, especially since the U.S. and Britain had proved their good faith by inviting the Soviet to participate in a discussion of a subject regarded as responsible for a great amount of Soviet suspicion.

(No hard-and-fast agreements or sharply defined decisions are expected to emerge from the conference, but it is felt that progress will be made, particularly if America and Britain are able to convince the Russians that their desire to exchange information on the question of atomic energy is sincere.)

German Children Help Rustle Fuel For Cold Schools

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—Scrounging has become an important subject on the curricula of the German schools as below-freezing weather intensifies the effect of the fuel shortage. Military Government education officers said here today.

Every stick of wood that will help heat schoolrooms has become treasure, and several programs have been set up to help collect fuel.

The Minister of Culture of Baden-Wuerttemberg has given school authorities permission to declare coal-shortage holidays if the situation becomes acute. In the meantime, suggestions for keeping the schools running include a proposal for each child to bring one stick of wood to school each day, stress on handicraft work involving physical activity, and holding of classes in homes and community houses.

In Greater Hessen, plans have been made to have children report daily to school only for a short session at which the teacher will correct homework and make assignments for work to be handed in the next day.

Christmas Bundles for France

Grateful Families of U.S. Fliers Send Gifts to 'Underground Railroaders'

By Harlan Althen
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

With a cold and hungry Christmas facing most of France, needy French people who risked their lives to aid U.S. airmen escape from occupied France will receive parcels of food and clothing from grateful U.S. families.

The first parcel was presented yesterday to a heroic French nurse, Mlle. Lucienne Leroy of Paris, who suffered Nazi torture after aiding 11 Allied fliers—nine Americans—to escape from France and return to the fight.

'Underground Railway'

(The Army, the Associated Press reported, yesterday revealed details of a vast "underground railway" which carried some 5,000 airmen across occupied Europe and over the Pyrenees to freedom. French patriots, said to number 40,000, will be decorated by the U.S. and Britain for the help they gave, the Army said. About 3,000 of the airmen were Americans.)

Old Glory Flies at Shanghai



A U.S. sailor stands guard under The Stars and Stripes on a unit of the Seventh fleet moored in the Whangpoo River at Shanghai.

De Gaulle Pictures France In U.S.-Russia Buffer Role

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, President of the French Provisional Government, pictured France as standing alone between the world's two greatest powers—the United States and Russia—in a nationally-broadcast radio speech Monday night.

"In the world, such as it is today, two great powers exist and we are between them," he said. "France intends to try to be friendly toward both these powers," he added.

De Gaulle said he believed the world eventually would realize France's importance as a link between the U.S. and Russia, although he pointed out bitterly that when these two powers confronted one another they might agree "to keep France at a distance," and "we regret these mischances for them, for us and for the world."

However, De Gaulle continued, France is confident that "after some oscillations, . . . the fulcrum of balance will eventually fix itself."

Masaryk Raps 204,118 Enlist As of Nov. 21

LONDON, Dec. 11 (AP).—Jan Masaryk, Czech Foreign Minister, charged today that the question of a permanent home for the United Nations Organization had become a political one and that delegations advocating a European location were "using pressure" to win their point.

Masaryk said he would speak for an American site for UNO.

Meanwhile, it became evident that unless a large number of delegates abstained from voting, the U.S. probably would not be able to obtain the two-thirds majority necessary to place UNO in America.

This was the consensus of delegates to the Preparatory Commission polled yesterday at the close of three days of debate.

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—More than 10,000 men enlisted in the Regular Army in the European Theater in the two-week period from Nov. 22 to Dec. 5, USFET revealed today.

Latest available figures from the War Department showed ETO enlistments as of Nov. 21 comprised 9.29 percent of the total of 204,118 enlistments in all theaters.

These figures put the ETO in fifth place among 25 theaters and service commands in the current recruiting drive. At the end of October, this theater stood in eighth place. In making figures known, the War Department congratulated the theater on its record and urged renewed efforts to put the ETO on top of the list.

Dough Looks Good To Crown-Up Look

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Actress Lauren Bacall has discovered that it pays off to grow up.

Judge Emmet H. Wilson ordered war bonds released to her which had been impounded from a ten percent salary deduction made while she was still a minor. She became 21 last Sept. 16.

Renegade Japs Slay 3 Marines In Guam Trap

GUAM, Dec. 11 (UP).—Elements of the Third Marine Div. were scouring jungle areas here today for renegade Japanese troops who, the Navy said, killed three marines and seriously wounded another from ambush Saturday.

Bodies of the three Americans, stripped of weapons, were found lying in a gully.

Yamashita Diehards Menace Filipinos

MANILA, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Armed Japanese soldiers still are menacing Filipino civilians in northern Luzon and Mindanao.

Military Police reported today that ragged remnants of Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita's command even challenged Filipino guerrillas to a fight recently.

Japanese are in desperate need of food, clothing and medicine but are afraid to surrender despite repeated appeals by pamphlets and loudspeakers. Some are believed to be wanted as war criminals.

Japanese twice last month ambushed trucks on Highway 5, main route into the Cagayan Valley. Nine Philippine Army soldiers and a woman were shot and bayoneted to death Nov. 18 near Solano.

Japanese stripped clothing from bodies.

Army Story of Supply Is Ready for Readers

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—A unit history entitled "From the Sahara to the Rhine," detailing the exploits of supply organizations that operated in North Africa, Italy and southern France, has been completed and may be obtained from Lt. Col. Charles H. Scott, Military Government Civil Administration Branch, Hq. USFET.

The booklet tells the story of outfits that were known successively as the Services of Supply NATOUSA, Communications Zone MTOUSA, and finally as Southern Line of Communications, ETO.

Actress' Husband Released from Army



Tom Lewis rejoins his wife, screen star Loretta Young, after being returned to civilian life. Lewis served in the Army as a colonel, providing radio entertainment for troops.

Italy Cabinet Sworn In With Little Praise

ROME, Dec. 11 (AP).—Members of the Italian Cabinet formed by Alcide de Gasperi, the fourth government to be formed since the armistice, swore allegiance to the State last night.

The political complexion of the new Cabinet, whose formation early Monday ended a 16-day government crisis, was little different from that of Ferruccio Parri's government six parties of the Committee of National Liberation continuing to share power equally.

Three former independent Premiers, Orlando, Bonomi and Nitti refused to join the new Cabinet.

Must Await Elections

Pietro Nenni, Socialist Vice-Premier, declared that it would be a continued aim of the government to broaden its basis, but the impression prevailed that little could be done on these lines before the expected elections next spring.

The most important change, apart from that of the Premiership from Actionist Parri to Christian Democrat De Gasperi, was the transfer of Parri's former portfolio as Minister of the Interior to Socialist Giuseppe Romita.

Asks Confidence

Many of Rome's 25 daily newspapers censured the political maneuvering of the recent days of crisis. The Leftist Il Mondo declared last night: "This country has witnessed a spectacle which has been anything but edifying."

De Gasperi, who faces the same problems as his predecessors—arrangements for elections and the provision of food and clothing for hungry, cold Italians—told the press: "If I err—for it is human to err—tell me. But do not doubt my conscience."

U.S. Will Promote Gardens in Reich

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Plans for an extensive home-gardening program to make the U.S. zone of Germany more nearly self-sufficient in food production in 1946 were announced today by the food and agriculture section of U.S. Military Government headquarters here.

The program, which will receive German press and radio publicity, will be carried out through German authorities.

At the same time, Brig. Gen. Hugh B. Hester, who heads the food and agriculture section, announced the zone would meet its 1945 potato quota of 689,950 tons. The crop represents the yield of 1,039,337 acres.

Defendant Weeps at War-Guilt Trial



The singer Leo Marjane, accused as a collaborationist, breaks into tears on the witness stand during her trial at the Palace of Justice in Paris.

Paris Dancer, Doriot Mistress, Sent to Jail, Loses Civil Rights

Pretty Ginette Garcia, 23-year-old former dancer at Paris' gay Lido club, was sentenced yesterday to one year in prison and loss of civil rights for life by a French court which found her to have been the mistress of Jacques Doriot, French collaborationist editor, and to have fled with him into Germany, the Associated Press reported.

Doriot is missing and presumed to be dead.

Miss Garcia said she bore a son by Doriot—and told the court she cared nothing for politics but "had the impression with Doriot I was not beloved by a mere man but by a superman."

She testified Doriot died in a bombardment Feb. 22 along a road across Baden. She said she had not seen his body, but she knew he was

buried in a cemetery near Meiningen.

Once in the trial the prosecution asked: "Have you never wished yourself avenged of Doriot for having been unfaithful to you?"

Miss Garcia blushed—and it was the president of the court who interposed:

"There are these sentimental incidents in the lives of all women—alas, in the lives of all men."

Man Nazis Sought to Behead Will Defend Abetz in Court

Vincent de Moro-Giafferi, famous French criminal lawyer condemned to death by the Germans but never caught, was chosen by a French court Monday to defend Otto Abetz, Hitler's Ambassador to occupied Paris, at his war-crimes trial in Paris. No date was set for the trial.

"I could not refuse the assignment," Moro-Giafferi said, "but it seems an irony of fate that I should have to defend the case of a Nazi—I, who was condemned to death by the Germans and whose head was to have been cut off with an ax."

Moro-Giafferi, who is nearly 70, was condemned by the Germans in 1941 after he had defended David Grynzpan, young Polish Jew who

shot the German counselor Ernst von Rath in the German Embassy in Paris in vengeance for his parents' death.

Before the war Moro-Giafferi represented defendants accused of various spectacular crimes, including Eugen Weidmann, accused of six murders, who was the last person guillotined in France.

WAC Xmas Parties For Reich DP Kids

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—WAC detachments in Frankfurt, Wiesbaden and Heidelberg are planning Christmas parties for homeless displaced children of 22 Allied nations. For many of these children the parties will be the first Christmas celebrations they have known.

There are several thousand children in displaced persons' assembly centers operated by UNRRA. Many have no known parents or relatives, and in some cases even their nationality cannot be established.

Boxes have been set up in WAC mess halls, post exchanges and day rooms to collect gifts for the children. The USFET WAC detachment's arts and crafts workshop is producing small wooden wagons and leather wallets.

British Recognize Hodja in Albania

LONDON, Dec. 11 (AP).—Britain has recognized Gen. Enver Hodja's Albanian government, a Foreign Office spokesman announced in the House of Commons yesterday.

Hector McNeil, the Parliamentary Undersecretary, said London advised Tirana Nov. 24 that it was prepared to recognize the Hodja administration as a provisional government and to proceed with the exchange of diplomatic representatives.

Greece to Release Political Prisoners

ATHENS, Dec. 11 (AP).—In a Cabinet session last night it was decided in principle that all KKE, EAM and ELAS detainees would be released except those charged with murder and execution.

Minister of the Interior Constantine Rentis said detainees in Greek prisons totaled 17,984. Of these 2,388 have been tried.

MG Repeals Nazi Law Banning Kosher Meat

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—Repeal of the Nazi oppressive law forbidding the kosher slaughter of meat was ordered today in a Military Government directive sent to the Minister Presidents of the three states in the U.S. occupation zone.

Last week in London Dr. Isaac Lewin of New York told the International Congress of Orthodox Jews that the American Military Government in Germany had deprived thousands of Jews of kosher meat as a result of the Nazi law. Lewin, who recently returned from a three-month survey of Jewish conditions on the Continent, said there were many religious Jews living in camps in Germany who had not eaten kosher meat since 1934. He said the same situation did not exist in the British zone.

26 Industrial Units in Germany Divided Among 19 United Nations

By T. Norman Palmer
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—First allocation of German plants and industrial equipment to meet reparations was agreed upon late today by the Allied Control Council. The list of approved plants comprised 26 units situated in the three Western zones with a value of 231,912,405 marks.

The allocation represented division between Russia, including Poland, on the one hand, and Western nations entitled to reparations under the Potsdam agreement on the other.

Social Democrat Chief Denies All Germans Share War Guilt

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—A leader of the Social Democratic party told 1,000 delegates of the party's organization here yesterday that the Social Democrats would not acknowledge the collective guilt of the German people for the war.

Addressing the first meeting of the party on a "land" level, Wilhelm Knothe declared it was time the world became "fairer" to German Social Democrats who had known and predicted that National Socialism would lead to war and from whose ranks thousands had become concentration-camp victims.

"How could it be demanded that the Social Democrats should have overthrown Hitler when the combined might of all the United Nations had been needed to achieve this aim?" he asked.

Declaring that the Western powers had not moved to stop Hitler when he re-armed, entered the Rhineland, supported Generalissimo Francisco Franco in Spain or invaded Austria, Knothe said he could have gone on enslaving workers and torturing Jews indefinitely if he had avoided "foreign imbroglions."

Peronistas Blamed As Four Are Shot In Argentine Riot

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 11 (AP).—Four persons were wounded yesterday when shooting broke out near Chacarita cemetery, following burial services for four members of the Democratic Union killed at a political rally here Saturday.

During the services, shots rang out at a nearby subway station, and an unidentified man shouted, "Viva Peron!" The shooting occurred just before a crowd attending the funeral started to leave the cemetery.

(Reuter reported that Montevideo Radio charged today that the new clashes were engineered by followers of Col. Juan Peron, former Argentine Vice-President now running for the Presidency.)

Woman Accused Of Dismembering, Cremating Dad, 93

ALCESTER, England, Dec. 11 (AP).—A 65-year-old woman today was accused of dismembering and burning the body of her 93-year-old father after dragging it outdoors by a rope around the neck.

A statement read by the prosecution in the court quoted the woman, Mary Jane Brown, as saying: "He told me he wished to be cremated and I carried out his wishes. It is nobody's business."

Held for trial on a charge of "failing to give her father a proper Christian burial," the woman also was quoted as saying she severed her father's head before placing the body on a bonfire.

"The whole thing took three hours, and when I had finished I felt like a pickled cabbage," the statement said.

Plants valued at 111,250,811 marks, or approximately 47.8 percent of the total, were allocated to the Soviet Union, including Poland, and plants valued at 120,661,594 marks, or approximately 52.2 percent of the total, were allocated for division among 17 Western nations. These nations included the U.S., Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Egypt, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, India, Denmark and Norway.

An inter-Allied reparations agency will be formed and will convene at Brussels for the purpose of allocating portions of the total reparations value.

Buildings Not Included

Allocations and valuations announced apply only to movable industrial equipment and do not include buildings in which plants are housed. However, the initial allocation represented only one step in a process which eventually will strip Germany of all its heavy industrial equipment except that required to sustain its people on a standard of living no higher than the European average.

Russia received all or part of seven plants, while all or part of 21 plants were allocated to the western nations. Fourteen of the plants were in the U.S. zone, 11 in the British zone and one in the French zone. Total values of plants situated in each zone were: British, 120,933,915 marks; U.S., 110,699,000 marks and French, 279,490 marks.

Lords Delay Haw Haw Ruling

LONDON, Dec. 11 (INS).—The House of Lords adjourned yesterday without taking any action on William (Lord Haw Haw) Joyce's appeal from his death sentence for high treason. Legal circles expressed belief the former Nazi radio propagandist had only the slightest chance of winning this final appeal.

Report Armed Javanese Mobilizing

BATAVIA, Dec. 11 (UP).—While several thousand armed Indonesians were reported mobilizing in villages around Batavia, presumably for an attack upon the capital, Sutan Sjahrir, Indonesian Premier, warned today that the arrival and use of additional British troops in Java would be met by armed Indonesian resistance.

Sjahrir's statement was based, he told newsmen, on unofficial reports from the Allied conference at Singapore which indicated military action was planned against extremists.

"There can hardly be a thing like war against extremists," Sjahrir declared, adding that "if the British bring in more forces and are plan-

ning large-scale action, the consequence will be that all Indonesians will resist to the best of their ability."

Asserting that Indonesian independence had been won, Sjahrir urged the Singapore conferees for a statement as to whether or not armed intervention was planned "so that the whole world may know just how matters stand."



Members of the Workers party picket the British Consular offices on Fifth Ave., N.Y., in protest against British interference in the Dutch East Indies, where Indonesian Nationalists are striving to break away from Dutch colonial rule.

Chandler's Power Slashed in Surprise Major League Vote

CHICAGO, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Major league executives in a surprise joint session voted last night to curb Commissioner A. B. Happy Chandler's veto power over minor leagues, thus giving Chandler one of his most serious setbacks since he took the Commissioner's job last April.

The big league leaders on the first night of their annual three-day meeting supported the proposal made by the minor leagues at Columbus, Ohio, last week by cutting the Commissioner's veto over legislation passed by the minor leagues.



Happy Chandler

Chandler called the minors proposal "obnoxious" at Columbus but the minor leagues passed the veto bill in spite of his strong appeal against such action. The majors adopted the same major-minor league agreement last night that was in effect last year except for the amendment which states "Baseball legislation shall not be considered to be detrimental to baseball but the Commissioner may require reconsideration of it."

The authority to overrule anything he considered detrimental to baseball gave the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis power to rule the game with an iron hand for 23 years. Now Chandler is blocked if the minors vote for legislation after reconsidering at his request.

Chandler, when informed of the owners' action, said, "I had not expected this but I maintain that I still have the same power with which Mr. Landis ruled."

Chandler still has the power to fine or bar organizations or individuals whose conduct he terms "detrimental to baseball," but he does not have his former control over legislation. The new amendment is the same as was written into the major league agreement before the former Kentucky Senator took the Commissioner's job. It applied only to the majors then, whereas now it applies to minor league legislation as well.

Jack Kearns on Trial For \$150,000 Swindle

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Jack Kearns, 63, manager of Jack Dempsey in the days when he was heavyweight champion of the world, went on trial yesterday on the charge of mulcting the public of \$150,000 through the promotion of the purported manufacture of fire extinguishers.

Co-defendant Harry Lennon, a former boxer, entered a plea of guilty to Federal Judge Byers who raised his bail from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Kearns was accused along with Princess Zulieka, an astrologer.

Eastern Football Squad Bolstered by Quartet

HAMILTON, N.Y., Dec. 11 (ANS).—The addition of four more collegiate gridirers to the Eastern squad for the New Year's Day East-West game in San Francisco was announced today by coach Andy Kerr of Colgate.

Latest to accept bids were center Bronco Kusanovich and back Charlie Drzenovich of Penn State and backs Allen Dekdebrun of Cornell and Meryl Frost of Dartmouth.

Mehre Quits Football Coach, Athletic Director at Ole Miss

OXFORD, Miss., Dec. 11 (ANS).—Harry Mehre, head football coach and athletic director of Mississippi University, announced his resignation effective Feb. 1, 1946. He would not say whether he had any offers to coach at other colleges, but added he had no definite plans at the present.

During his eight years at Mississippi, he coached the Rebel State teams to 39 victories against 26 defeats and one tie. His 1938 team won nine games and lost two and he had seven-two, nine-two, and six-three records the following seasons before hitting the skids in 1942.

Affable Mehre came to Ole Miss after 14 years of coaching at the University of Georgia where his

15 Saliva Tests Show 5 Horses Were 'Hopped'

BALTIMORE, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Five of 15 saliva samples from horses at Maryland's Pimlico race track showed the presence of morphine, Dr. James C. Munch testified at a hearing for trainer Clay Sutphin of Indianapolis.

The hearing was the first of six scheduled on stimulation charges resulting from the Pimlico meeting which ended on Nov. 30. Sutphin was the trainer of the horse Shakeo which won the sixth race on Nov. 19.

Scheme Denied

The inference that the State Racing Commission had "schemed" to manipulate saliva tests was denied angrily by Chairman George P. Mahoney. The question arose when Philip B. Perlman, one of Sutphin's attorneys, asked the commission witness if he knew of any samples of saliva which were impregnated with some drugs before they were sent for analysis.

The hearing was highlighted by the introduction of a statement from the Maryland Horsemen's Protective Association declaring it believes the commission had "gone too far" and that "it will destroy" the racing industry in Maryland.

"It is obvious," the statement continued, "that the owners of fine horses are not going to enter them in Maryland races where there is some chance of unscrupulous persons stimulating horses without the trainer's knowledge."

Big 10 Keeps War Eligibility

CHICAGO, Dec. 11 (ANS).—The Big Ten voted to return to a peacetime schedule for championship events yesterday but took no immediate action on the cancellation of war-related eligibility rules.

The Conference, at its annual winter meeting, approved dates and sites for six championship events including indoor and outdoor track meets.

Faculty representatives will study recommendations by the athletic directors for possible tightening of the eligibility code, but no action is expected before next spring.

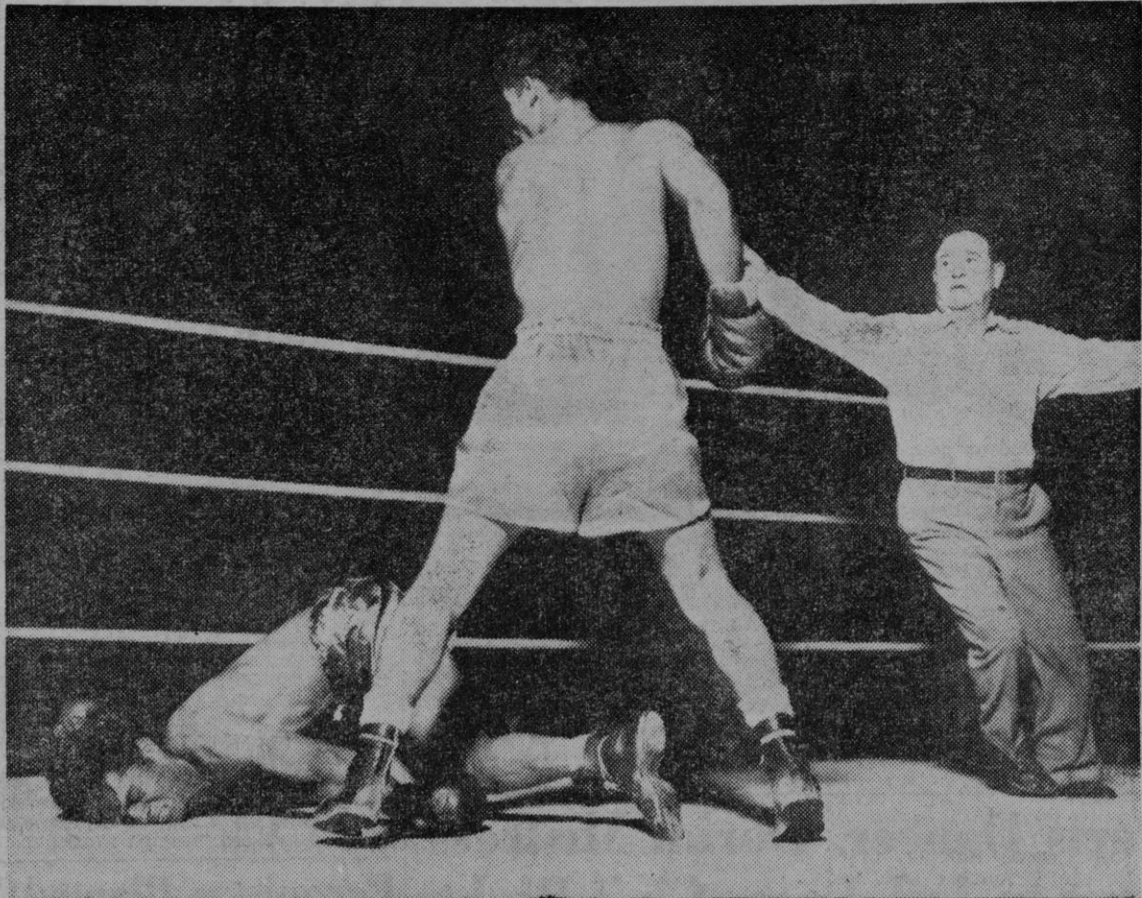
The only other important development at yesterday's session was the sanction by faculty representatives of a recommendation by the athletic directors that official conference champions be determined in football, baseball and basketball.

'Good Will' Grid Tilt Set

FORT PIERCE, Fla., Dec. 11 (ANS).—The Fort Pierce Naval Amphibious football team will play the University of Cuba in Havana in a "Good Will" game on Dec. 15. A 30-man squad will make the trip by air from Miami.

teams stymied Georgia Tech in seven of nine games. Mehre learned his football under the late Knute Rockne at Notre Dame and played with Rockne teams for three seasons, two of them when the Irish were undefeated. He was a teammate of the immortal George Gipp as a sophomore and was all-pro center during the early days of professional football. Among Mehre's famous pupils were Parker Hall, Junior Hovious and Merle Hapes.

Getting a Prod to the Land of Nod



Willie Costa wound up a right, let it fly and connected square on the button of Valente Angel and that gentleman was knocked flat on his kisser, as this remarkable action picture shows. Referee Joe Gorman was on the gallop to end proceedings right then and there. The action lasted for two rounds, with this right-hander the coup de grace.

Sammy Angott Decisions Kapilow

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Former lightweight champion Sammy Angott of Washington, Pa., continued his successful comeback last night by slamming out a unanimous ten-round decision over Danny Kapilow of Brooklyn.

Prices Down: Peoria Bowlers at It Again

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 11 (ANS).—The Peoria bowlers' strike ended after one week yesterday when the alley proprietors scaled down the demands for 90 cents for three games of league play. Over 6,500 bowlers had remained out of competition in protest against the increase in prices from 67 cents for night play and 52 for day. The operators agreed to reduce the original 90-cent demand to 82 and 75 cents for night and day bowling but the players rejected them for 75 and 68 cents.

Tiger Ace Injures Back

MT. VERNON, N.Y., Dec. 11 (ANS).—Hal Newhouser, the Detroit Tigers' ace southpaw, suffered an injury to his back last night when he participated with other baseball stars in a bowling match for the Victory Bond drive.

After rolling 315 in two games for the Western All-Stars, the World Series star and the American League's most valuable player was forced to sit out the third game because of a pain in his back.

The Westerners led by the Cleveland Indians' Jim McDonnell, beat Babe Ruth's New York All-Stars, 2,444 to 2,295 and two games out of three. McDonnell totaled 516 in his three games while his Indian teammate Steve Gromek rolled 513.

Ruth, one-time king of swat, bowled 447. The high man was Anton Carl, the Philadelphia Phillies' relief pitcher, with 523. Other New York stars included Hank Borowy of the Chicago Cubs, Charley Drensen of the Brooklyn Dodgers and Eddie Mayo of the Tigers. The Tigers' Dizzy Trout and the Indians' Jack Salveson also performed for the Westerners.

Northwestern Names Conners Top Player

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 11 (ANS).—Dick Conners, who averaged 5.5 yards each time he carried the ball, was elected the most valuable football player of Northwestern University by his teammates last night.

Conners now is eligible for the Chicago Tribune's trophy for the most valuable player of the Western Conference. All the other schools of the conference have elected their most valuable players.

Ex-Rambler Kelly Still at Annapolis

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 11 (ANS).—Bob Kelly, former Notre Dame football star, has not resigned nor shown any intent to resign, a Navy spokesman said yesterday. The Navy statement followed a disclosure by Rep. Edward A. Kelly of Illinois, Bob's father, who said his son would resign if he were released and would return to Notre Dame.

Grid Crowds Soar in 1945

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Collegiate football, given impetus by the sudden ending of the war, enjoyed a boom season this year with attendance 35 percent over 1944 and all-time records were established in at least two conferences.

Fans numbering 7,264,147 streamed into the stadia of 75 leading colleges from coast to coast, an increase of 1,886,536 over 1944.

Pennsylvania copped individual team honors by playing before 477,000 home game fans compared with 379,000 last year. Army and Columbia virtually doubled their home attendance while Navy showed an increase of 26,000 customers.

A total of 1,983,683 persons flocked to Big Ten games, surpassing the previous record of 1,811,308 set in 1941, while the Southeastern Conference attracted record-breaking crowds totaling 1,211,500 persons.

'Horse of the Year' Label Is Pinned on Mayer's Busher

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (ANS).—Busher, the sensational three-year-old filly which won ten of her 13 races in 1945 and ran her total money earnings to \$334,035, has been unanimously voted the "Horse of the Year" in the annual poll of 30 experts of Triangle Publications Inc., publishers of racing papers.

This marked the second straight year that a filly has won top honors in the poll, Twilight Tear having gained the distinction in 1944. In winning \$273,735 this year, Busher proved herself one of the greatest buys in racing history. Last March, during the war-time racing blackout, Louis B. Mayer,

Hollywood movie magnate, purchased her from Col. Edward R. Bradley for \$50,000. The previous season she had been voted the queen of the juvenile fillies.

The chestnut daughter of War Admiral lost only three decisions this year, finishing second twice and third once. She was victorious in such outstanding events as the Arlington Handicap, Washington Park Handicap and the Hollywood Derby, all \$50,000 races.

Mail Warning: Advise Senders To Use APOs

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—Considerable mail intended for military personnel is being returned to senders because they used geographical locations for addresses instead of proper APO numbers, Col. S. G. Schwartz, Theater postal officer, said today.

Schwartz pointed out that this returned mail carried postage paid at low rates applicable to matter addressed to APOs. When geographical addresses are used instead, he said, higher international rates must be paid.

Returns for deficient postage result in considerable delay in delivery. Schwartz urged all ETO personnel to caution their correspondents against addressing mail to geographical locations instead of the appropriate APO number, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

He added that military personnel on leave, furlough or duty in a region where Army postal service was not operating were authorized to use civilian postoffices except in Germany and Austria. Such mail, however, is subject to international postage rates and is transmitted through international civilian postal channels.

To obtain the benefit of Army postal rates, addresses must include name, rank, serial number, unit designation, APO number and the words "U.S. Army" for correspondence within the theater or in care of the appropriate postmaster for correspondence between theaters.

AS I LEANED AGAINST THIS WAGON—SOMETHING LIKE INK DROPPED ON MY FOOT.

IMMEDIATELY UPON DICK TRACY'S ARRIVING ON THE SCENE, HE AND TESS ARE ATTRACTED BY A BARKING DOG AS THEY GO IN SEARCH OF JUNIOR.

I DON'T SEE WHAT CONNECTION THERE COULD BE BETWEEN THIS AND JUNIOR'S DISAPPEARANCE, BUT LET'S LOOK IN THE WAGON.

TESS!

NOT ON YOUR LIFE! DO YOU WANT TO GET YOUR HEAD BLOWN OFF?

DICK! I DON'T GET IT!

Truman Hint On Drivers Hit

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (ANS).—President Truman's suggestion that the Federal government may have to take a hand in regulating automobile drivers to enforce highway safety was challenged Sunday by the American Automobile Association.

"We want full co-operation from the Federal government in a safety program," said a spokesman for the association, "but this is a matter that can be handled by the states."

"The association would be strongly opposed to any legislation that would bring the Federal government into this field," he said. "All but three states, Wyoming, South Dakota and Louisiana, now require drivers' licenses, and 34 states, the District of Columbia and Hawaii have enacted highway safety responsibility legislation."

274 More Freighters Are Put on Inactive List

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (ANS).—An additional 274 merchant ships have been placed on the inactive reserve fleet list in the last few months as a result of decreased cargo shipping needs.

The Maritime Commission said the list included some new vessels launched after VJ-Day but not completed for service. Others were severely damaged in war service while some have become outmoded.

Christmas, New Year's To Be ETO Holidays

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 FRANKFURT, Dec. 11.—Christmas Day and New Year's Day have been officially designated as holidays, with major commands in the theater authorized to make Dec. 24 and Dec. 31 holidays, too.

Theater Commander Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, in a message to major commands, directed that "maximum opportunity be provided military personnel to enjoy the holiday period." Only "minimum personnel" are to be maintained on duty for the holiday, he said.

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1205-Off the Record	1930-Joan Davis	0615-Morning Report
1300-Help Wanted	2000-Kay Kyser	0715-Hill Billy Show
1305-Sports Review	2030-Jack Carson	0730-News
1315-Remember	2100-News	0745-GI Jive
1330-You Asked for It	2105-Great Music	0800-Fred Waring
1400-Your Love Song	2130-AFN Playhouse	0830-Repeat Perform.
1430-Science Magaz.	2200-Hall of Fame	0900-News
1500-News	2230-Frank Sinatra	0905-Modern Music
1505-Beacoup Music	2300-What's the Deal	0930-What's the Deal
1600-Symphony	2315-Spotlight Bands	0945-String Serenade
1700-Duffie Bag	2330-Merely Music	1000-Ranch House
1800-News	2400-News	1030-Morning Interl.
1815-Personal Album	0015-Midnight Paris	1045-Easy Does It
1830-Supper Club	0200-Sign Off	1100-Carroll Sings
1845-Magic Carpet		1115-Across the Board
		1130-At Ease
		1145-Melody Roundup
		1200-News
		1205-Off the Record
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		1400-Your Love Song

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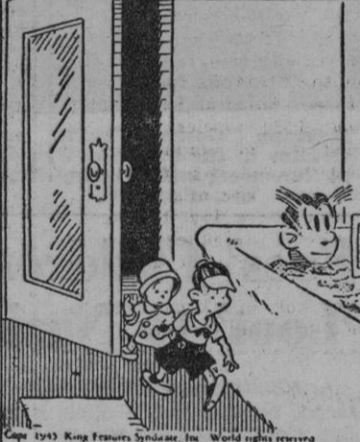
Dick Tracy



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Joe Palooka



GI's to Celebrate Christmas New England Style in Berlin

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
 BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Christmas in Berlin for American personnel will center around the New England setting of church, town meeting hall and home, according to holiday plans announced today by Berlin district headquarters and headquarters of the 12th (Lighting) Div.

Construction of the buildings, slated for completion Saturday, is now in the hands of engineer units. The setting is designed to picture three elements in American life—freedom of religion, freedom of assembly and the right of the individual in his own home.

Around a 50-foot Christmas tree

Vet Affairs Talks At Columbia Club

"Where does the veteran fit in?" will be discussed by four soldier members of the American Veterans Committee at 8 o'clock tonight at the American Red Cross Columbia Club. S/Sgt. Peter Prouse, of Pasadena, Calif., will speak on veterans' benefits; 1/Lt. Franklin Schultz, of Cincinnati, will discuss full employment; Sgt. Richard Pryne of Los Angeles will talk on the community, and Cpl. Ralph Bennett of Washington will discuss international cooperation. Cpl. Sheldon Klein of White Plains, N.Y., will be moderator.

The club's celebrity concert Friday night will feature Genevieve Touraine, soprano, and Lucienne Caffaret, pianist.

Bata Plants Resume

BELGRADE, Dec. 11 (Reuter).—The Belgrade radio announced today that production of shoes and clothing for national consumption had been resumed by the Bata Company factories in Yugoslavia.

in front of the display, a mixed choir of 60 Wac and soldier voices will present a nightly carol program starting Dec. 20. AFN will broadcast the carols nightly and on Christmas Eve will beam the broadcasts to the States.

Christmas Eve religious services for military personnel will be held in Titania Palast.

