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7,000 Japs killed in Baletc, Kaltenbrunner taken in Tyrol chalet. Patch thinks Japs will fold in year.

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USAF WEATHER FORECAST

NORTH & WEST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with scattered showers. Max. 55, Min. 40; SOUTH & EAST: Cloudy with scattered showers. Max 55, Min. 42; BERLIN: Same as N & W. Max. 55, Min. 42; BREMEN: Same. Max. 54, Min. 42; VIENNA: Cloudy to overcast with rain. Max. 60, Min. 42.

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Congress Extends Shackled Draft

Russia Says British Shun Ruhr Quiz

PARIS, May 15 (AP)—The Council of Foreign Ministers plunged into the German question today, with sharp words directed at the British policy in the Ruhr by Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov, and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes calling for a general German peace conference next Nov. 12.

Molotov asserted that the Russians had not been able to get information about measures the British had put into effect in the Ruhr, an American source said. The Russian minister said his country wanted to know what was going on in the Ruhr at the present time.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, of Great Britain, protested that the British had answered all requests for information received from the Allied Control Council in Berlin.

No Decision on Meeting

There was no decision made on the Byrnes proposal that the foreign ministers meet again in Paris June 15.

Georges Bidault, French foreign minister, raised the question of considering the Ruhr and Rhineland political separation from Germany and giving France complete control of the Saar.

He said economic measures affecting the Ruhr and Rhineland were not sufficient.

Bevin then insisted, American quarters said, that discussion of Germany be on the basis of the whole country, not by zones. He did not want one zone singled out for attack, an informant quoted him as saying.

Molotov followed with his assertion that the Russians had not been able to get information on what the British were doing in their zone.

Nov. 12 Meeting Urged

Byrnes then proposed that a general peace conference on Germany be held Nov. 12 and that representatives of the four powers meet immediately, draw up a treaty draft, and prepare for the foreign ministers here in June a report on Germany's economic status.

Byrnes urged the immediate and long range importance of Allied accord on Germany. In presenting a program for study he said that if the present economic situation in Germany continued it would result in chaos in the western zones of occupation by next winter.

He disclosed that the United States will have sent to the American zone of occupation by July 1, 1946, imports valued at \$200,000,000, and that another \$200,000,000 worth would be sent in the following fiscal year.

Eisenhower Flies to Iwo Jima

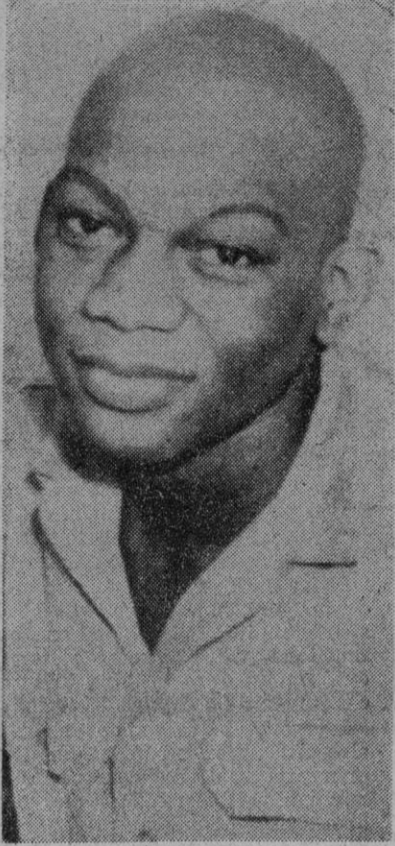
SEOUL, Korea, May 15 (INS)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower left today by air for Iwo Jima after conferring in Seoul with Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, American occupation commander.

Grace Moore Misses SOS Concert To Save Theater, but Where Is She?

ROME, May 15 (AP)—A Florence dispatch to the Mediterranean edition of *The Stars and Stripes* today said Grace Moore, American soprano, had failed to turn up for a widely advertised, sold-out concert in the Communal Theater there yesterday.

Theater officials were quoted as saying they had no cancellation from her, learning independently that she was singing in Nice, France, last night.

The dispatch said the theater, which had been running in the red,



Willie Francis . . . seeks petition for life

Execution Survivor Will Donate Eyes If Appeal Fails

DALLAS, May 15 (UP)—Willie Francis has willed his eyes to blind Rufus Allen, Dallas Negro, should the Louisiana Supreme Court decide that he must face electrocution a second time.

Francis, 17-year-old Negro convicted of a slaying, consented to give Allen his eyes in answer to a plea from Mrs. Wilmer Cox., the blind man's sister.

Francis sent his consent from his New Iberia (La.) cell and asked that petitions be circulated for a change in his sentence to life imprisonment.

Francis escaped death earlier this month when the Louisiana electric chair failed to work and merely "tickled" him.

U. S. Asks Soviets To Release Clerk

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The United States has demanded that Russia drop a charge of "hooliganism" against an American embassy clerk in Moscow, and allow him to leave the country immediately. Russia has refused.

This was learned Wednesday from American diplomatic officials who indicated that the case of Waldo Ruess was becoming a full-blown diplomatic incident involving the State Dept., the embassy in Moscow and the Kremlin.

17 Escape in Crash Landing

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., May 15 (INS)—Seventeen coast artillerymen from Fort Monroe, Va., escaped injury when their C-82 cargo plane made a crash landing here after circling for two hours with the landing gear stuck.

U.S. Strives To Halt Rail, Coal Rows

From Press Dispatches

There was no marked improvement on the U. S. labor front today, but Government and union officials were making an effort to settle the prolonged coal dispute and to avert a threatened tie-up of the nation's railroads at separate conferences in Washington.

While prospects that the more than 400,000 striking bituminous miners would return to their jobs under the 12-day truce brightened, soft-coal mine operators created a temporary stalemate in negotiations when they rejected the demand of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, for a seven per cent pay roll levy to finance a miner's welfare fund.

Called Social Theory

The Associated Press reported that operators regarded Lewis' suggestion as a social theory, the effect of which would extend to every industry in America. As such, it should be considered a national problem and not one relating to the coal industry alone, mine owners stated.

Meanwhile, President Truman acted to halt the strike of some 250,000 railroad workers scheduled to start at Saturday afternoon. International News Service reported that the President had made an urgent request to railroad executives and representatives of five railroad brotherhoods, and negotiations were resumed last night.

New York May Face Crisis

If the strike is not averted, New York City will face the worst fuel and food crisis in its history, according to the United Press. Business life in the nation's largest city, which imports three-quarters of its foodstuffs by rail, would be "tied up in a knot" within a week, the Commerce and Industry Association predicted.

The board of health already has been alerted for an emergency meeting to declare a "state of imminent peril" if the strike materialized. This would give the city power to seize all available fuel and food, and to enforce strictest rationing.

CIO Denies Red Charges

The CIO Steelworkers Union convention today unanimously endorsed the policy that Communists and Socialists would not be permitted "to infiltrate, dictate or meddle in our affairs," the AP reported from Atlantic City. The policy statement was read to the convention by Philip Murray, CIO president.

Murray, who also heads the steel workers, presented the statement at the opening session of the union's "victory" convention and made clear that the policy applied to all CIO unions.

The declaration was taken as a reply to AFL president William Green who in a speech last Saturday accused the CIO of harboring Communist elements.

Strike activity continued in Detroit, where a grand jury investigation into the AFL Teamsters Union drive to organize the city's butcher shops and grocery stores was ordered as merchants brought a \$500,000 damage suit against the union.

IRA Hunger-Striker Passes His 53rd Day Without Food

BELFAST, May 15 (AP)—Officials at the Crumlin Road Prison in Belfast reported "no change" today in the condition of David Fleming, the hunger-striking former Irish Republican Army leader.

Fleming has fasted for 53 out of the last 57 days in jail.

45-Day Bill Bars Dads, Teen-Agers From Call

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—Congress passed a stop-gap 45-day draft extension law last night less than six hours before the Selective Service Act was due to expire, and President Truman reluctantly signed the amendment-loaded measure just four hours before the midnight deadline.

Confronted with the alternatives of accepting the amendments or letting the whole wartime Selective Service law expire, the President chose the "lesser of two evils," as his press secretary, Charles G. Ross, put it.

Ross told reporters the President regarded it as a "bad bill," which had been passed because the two houses of Congress were unable to get together in time on a longer extension.

Bar Father Induction

Under pressure of time, the Senate accepted House amendments prohibiting induction of fathers and youths 18 and 19.

At the White House, Ross informed newsmen:

"The President doesn't like it at all but feels, as some of his officials do, that it will be better to

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D.-Mont.) today introduced a bill to provide up to 120 days of terminal pay for enlisted men who had not used all the furlough time they were entitled to during the war.

"Officers and men certainly are entitled to equal treatment," Wheeler said.

sign it than to have the confusion that will result from failure to continue legislative support for armed forces induction."

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said "I hope that before July 1 an extension of Selective Service for one year will be adopted by Congress in such a form as to permit the War Department to carry out the task expected of it by the nation."

None Over 26

Selective Service headquarters announced that its present ban on induction of men 26 and over would be continued, despite the fact that the act as renewed permits the drafting of men through 29.

In a telegram to state draft directors, the agency also formally halted induction of teen-age youths. It said, however, that men 18 and 19 would still be required to register.

Only men 20 through 25 will be drafted. This reduces Selective Service to a comparatively tiny reservoir manpower. Officials estimated there were only 59,000 eligibles left in this age bracket, of whom perhaps 50 per cent would be found physically unfit.

Raising the limit to include men 26, 27, 28 and 29 would provide only an additional 13,000 registrants for possible induction, they added.

Four-Hour Speech

The Senate vote came after Sen. William Langer (R.-N.D.) had talked for more than four hours opposing peacetime conscription.

While Langer still held the Senate floor, President Truman signed an executive order that would have preserved Selective Service machinery but permitted no actual inductions. The final enactment of the

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Yank Mistaken As AWOL Slain By French MP

By ALLAN DREYFUSS Staff Writer

LUDWIGSHAFEN, May 15—A member of a Negro quartermaster service company stationed in Mannheim was shot and killed last night by a French military policeman who mistook him for one of four American AWOLs who had reportedly escaped into the French zone.

The dead soldier, who was a cook with the 310th QM Serv. Co. was apparently unaware of regulations forbidding entry except on official business into the French zone, which begins on the opposite side of the Rhine from Mannheim. He crossed a bridge with a companion, 1/Sgt. James Madison, of New Brunswick, N. J., without being stopped at either the American or French MP check points on either end of the bridge.

Walked Through Town

According to Madison, the pair walked about three kilometers to the outskirts of the French-occupied city for relaxation, and then decided to return to their Mannheim camp because of the darkness. As Madison's companion walked to the opposite side of the road in an effort to hitch a ride, an unmarked sedan drove up and a French policeman jumped from the vehicle with a carbine while a French officer remained in the car.

At the gendarme's shouted order to halt, the soldier raised his hands above his head taking a few short steps backward to get out of the street and onto the sidewalk. Apparently interpreting the backward steps as an attempt to escape, the French policeman fired one shot, hitting the soldier in the chest and killing him instantly.

Military police of the 381st Bn., Co. D, are currently conducting an investigation of the incident in conjunction with French authorities

Two Shots Fired at Train Carrying Soldier Families

FRANKFURT, May 15 (AP)—Two shots were fired at a train filled with dependents of American soldiers and civilians near Giessen, Germany, last night, Army officials disclosed tonight. No one was injured, they said.

Iraq Guards Iran Border

BAGDAD, May 15 (INS)—Strong Iraqi air and ground units were reported to be guarding the frontier with Iran to prevent the reentry of Mullah Mustafa al Barzani, Kurdish chieftain who took refuge in Iran after leading a revolt in Iraq last year.

GIs May Take Home Jap Ostriches, But Not Epizootic-Laden Donkeys

YOKOHAMA, May 15 (AP)—The U. S. 8th Army has granted GIs permission to take ostriches home as pets. Nobody knows why they were permitted because there aren't any ostriches here.

The Army circular also said donkeys could be taken home on Government ships "if free from exposure to epizootic lymphangitis."

The dictionary says this is a dis-

ease caused by "cryptococcus farciminosus."

Also approved were "domestic wild ruminants." A ruminant seems to be anything with hooves and an even number of toes that chews cud.

That's as far as the Army will go. Still barred are flying foxes, five insects, birds of paradise and mon-gooses (or is it mongeese?)

Overseas Vets Show Increased TB Rates

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—Detection of "a considerable number of cases of tuberculosis or suspected tuberculosis" among troops given chest X-rays at separation centers, has been reported by the Bulletin of the Army Medical Department.

The report declared, "There are definite indications that the length of the war and cumulative effect of exposure overseas finally has taken a recognizable toll."

The report said about one man in every 1,000 examined was "found to have changes in chest X-Ray film (as compared with previous examination) requiring further study for determination of clinical significance."

PWs Susceptible

"Higher rates were found in older than in younger men in the Army," it stated, "and certain groups, particularly recovered prisoners tend to have higher rates than average."

The bulletin did not state the present hospital admission rate for tuberculosis in the Army.

The Army Surgeon General's Office said the overall admission rate since the beginning of demobilization was not yet compiled, but "spot" checks for January and February this year showed annual admission rates of 3.7 and 4.7 men per 1,000 Army strength, respectively.

Meantime, a synthetic drug which was described as the "only potential curative agent" for a type of malaria contracted by thousands of servicemen overseas has been developed at the University of Maryland.

'Breakbone' Cure

Dr. Nathan L. Drake, head of the department of chemistry, announced that the drug, now known as SN-13276, "is the only potential curative agent of vivax malaria which can be used without too great danger of accompanying toxic effects."

Vivax was described as a common and recurring form of malaria.

Further, Army scientists have developed an effective vaccine against dengue—or "breakbone fever"—a tropical mosquito-borne malady which affected more than 84,000 troops during the war, none of them fatally.

The Surgeon General's Office said the vaccine had not been employed among troops in the field, but its effectiveness had been demonstrated by laboratory tests.

Dentist Population Of Army Is Subject For Capital Debate

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—Brig. Gen. Thomas L. Smith, of the Army Dental Corps, said that a "tight manpower situation" existed on Army dentists. But Sen. Clyde M. Reed (R-Kans.) contended "the Army has at least 2,000 more dentists than it can possibly justify."

Smith, director of the Dental Consultants Division, Army Surgeon General's Office, declared that the situation necessitated maintaining discharge requirements for dentists at 39 months' service, although discharge criteria for Medical Corps doctors was recently lowered.

Reed, however, insisted that discharge criteria for dentists should be lowered to 30 months' service, same as the new criteria for Medical Corps general duty officers, announced May 1.

Reed said he had notified Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson that unless the Army "immediately makes satisfactory arrangements" for releasing reserve dental officers, he would press for an investigation of the Medical Corps.

In March, Smith said, the Dental Corps issued a call for 750 volunteers to bolster its ranks and sent emissaries to dental schools to encourage volunteering.

"But so far," he said, "we've only 15 applications."

FINAL medical examinations of the millions of veterans at separation centers have revealed that war has still another aftermath—tuberculosis. The Army says that overseas exposure is largely responsible.



Bustling Belgium Is Expensive, But Leads Europe in Recovery

By Kingsbury Smith

BRUSSELS, May 15 (INS)—Belgium today is one of the most expensive countries in Europe.

Dinner in a first class hotel in Brussels costs approximately \$8 per person without anything more to drink than a glass of beer.

An ordinary pair of woman's shoes sells for \$15 while a ready-made man's suit that could be purchased in Stockholm for \$25 costs \$75 in Brussels.

The Belgian capital is a bustling city which has an almost normal peace-time appearance, with neon lights and electric signs glittering in the night.

Production Is Up

The country is leading the rest of the Allied nations of Europe in its recovery from the war. Overall production is increasing steadily, though it still is only about 50 per cent of capacity. The cotton manufacturing industry is producing 80 per cent of normal. Coal production is up to 75 per cent of normal, although shortage of miners is hampering progress in this field. A few Italian miners, numbering less than 200 were brought into the country recently. German war prisoners are digging one third of Belgium's coal at the present time.

An American survey of Belgian industry has shown that not more than 10 per cent of it was damaged during the war, which is one of the chief reasons for the country's quick recovery.

Prices Start Down

The labor market remains fairly cheap, with skilled workers receiving the equivalent of 50 cents an hour as compared with 25 cents before the war. Wages generally are up between 2 and 2½ times prewar levels, but living costs have risen considerably more, so that the working man at present is far from enjoying prosperity.

Prices in the country are beginning to come down, especially in the industrial field. The Belgians realize they cannot compete in world markets on their present price level. They need foreign exchange to buy

such urgently required raw materials as wheat, fats and oil.

There is a food shortage in Belgium, but the situation is better than in most of the other European war-devastated nations.

Belgium undoubtedly is on the road back to recovery, and American economic observers in the country predict it will be firmly back on its feet within three years if external economic or political developments do not interfere with its progress.

Mules Come High

TIENSIN, China, May 15 (AP)—Marines in North China are finding that human life is pretty cheap in this teeming country.

In accidents involving Marine equipment the U. S. government is called on to pay about \$55 in American money at the current North China rate of exchange for each Chinese life lost.

Where a mule is killed in a similar accident the government has to pay about \$75 to the mule owner.

Ex-Pilot Hopes For 520 MPH In 'Bomb' Car

LONDON, May 15 (INS)—Lt. Robert Morgan, 26-year-old British Fleet Air Arm experimental pilot, hopes to raise the world's land-speed record from 368 to 520 miles an hour when his revolutionary racer, The Bomb, is completed.

Morgan disclosed, that his new car, now under construction, would consist of a single giant wheel 12 feet in diameter. It will have a streamlined, pear-shaped body 23 feet long and 15 feet high.

The single wheel will revolve on oil bearings, and Morgan will drive from a seat inside the wheel.

"Motive power will be provided by a jet, similar to the V-2 rocket, with liquid gases for the fuel," Morgan said.

Not a Stunt

Two small wheels at the rear will keep the car upright at the start, and will be dropped off during the run. New automatic instruments will operate stabilizing fins at the back of the car, and a drag attachment will be used for braking. Retractable skids will be used to steady The Bomb when it slows down.

"The car is not being built as a stunt," Morgan asserted. "My backers will try out new lubricants and fuels during the run. There will be instruments to test my blood and body reactions while the car is full out. I may even be able to broadcast my feelings from start to finish."

Morgan, who served on the British aircraft carrier Ark Royal, has flown many types of naval aircraft. His new car will cost \$32,000 and weigh about 2,240 pounds.

"What it really means," Morgan said, "is that I am starting where the other record breakers left off in 1939. I am taking advantage of the experience of five and one half years of war and using it to try to hold the world's land-speed record for Britain."

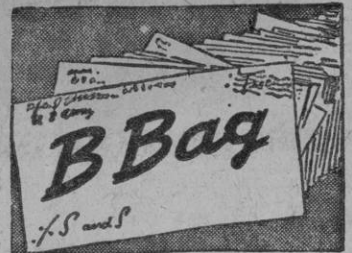
Experiments Promise End of Dental Decay

PITTSBURGH, May 15 (INS)—Tooth aches may be something you will have to tell your grandchildren about if current dental experiments are successful.

Florine, an extract of ordinary sodium, is an amazing chemical which strengthens young teeth to resist tooth decay, according to the dental surgeons at the 78th annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Dental Society in Pittsburgh.

However, doctors pointed out that the new preventive was still in the experimental stage and not available for practical use.

They declared that adult teeth were too far developed to be affected.



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Says He Was There

I don't see how the colonel who wrote the book giving Gen. Patton and the 3rd Army credit for the break-through at St. Lo could really have been there. I was in Gen. Rose's 3rd Armd. Div., and when we broke through (after the infantry punched the hole, of course), with the 2nd Armored on our flank, I saw nothing in front of us but France and lots and lots of Germans. I had a very good seat, too good, in fact, and if Patton and his Army were in front of us, then they must have had on invisible cloaks.

Incidentally, the above-mentioned armored divisions were in the 1st Army under Gen. Bradley at the time. I would be interested to know which divisions of Patton's were in front of us. I have been told my eyes are bad, but they can't be that bad.

—Ex-3rd Armored.

'Take It Easy'

I have been in Club 48 in Berlin for the past three nights, and what I've seen is a shame and a disgrace. Think back, GIs; one and a half years ago you were lucky if you even got a doughnut and some coffee out of a canteen cup.

My complaint isn't about drinking, but about the way it's done. If a fellow wants to drink, that's O.K., but please take it easy in the Berlin club. MPs are on duty there, and they are told not to go inside the plaza unless it's absolutely necessary. We don't want the guys to be conscious of an MP, but he's there to keep law and order. From what I've seen, it's a darn big job. A little more cooperation wouldn't hurt at all.

—4 Sober Pfc's, 822nd MP Co.

Antics at Show

Recently I witnessed a thoroughly disgusting incident at the Wiesbaden Opera House presentation of "Ladies in Retirement." Despite a superior performance, the EM in the audience insisted upon throwing paper airplanes (made from their programs), and generally acting in an uproarious manner throughout the entire show.

Incidents of this type do not augur well for a discontinuance of the so-called "caste system." —Cpl., 1209 Ord.

Kids and Veterans

I heartily agree that "kids" and "oldsters" should be oriented at home and abroad. Maybe we kids do disgrace ourselves and our uniform, but some of you "veterans" set a horrible example.

Let's remember that kids follow the trodden path of the oldsters, and at present that path is very crooked. Wouldn't you want oldtimers to set a fine example for your kids to follow? Well, that's all we kids want today. The actions of you older men today may be ours today AND tomorrow.

—Combat Kid.

Movie Is Back

The Army is taking great pains to send deserving veterans home. They salvage worn-out jeeps, airplanes and disabled trucks. But there are some things that go on and on, despite being broken down, beat up and suffering from terrific old age. I refer to the movies.

"A Walk in the Sun" is going to make its third appearance here since its initial showing in March. Is Dana Andrews immune to sunstroke? Maybe they are trying to show his genius as a strategist, or the durability of GI shoes, for he's been going steady since heaven knows when.

—Pic, 70th Ftr Wg.

TALES

By Hoffman



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Job Scene Brightens

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The U. S. employment service reported finding jobs for 420,500 persons in March, and declared that employment prospects are "brighter than any time since V-J Day."

The agency's director, Robert C. Goodywin, cautioned that the immediate employment situation is "still serious," noting that 2,700,000 persons are seeking jobs. He said 1,300,000 additional veterans soon will be looking for work, with another 2,000,000 veterans due to return home by early summer.

6 Army Areas Set Up in U.S. Reorganization

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The War Department has announced a reorganization, effective June 11, which will eliminate the nine service commands and convert them to six armies.

Army Service Forces headquarters will be discontinued and its functions transferred to other branches of the department.

Gen. Jacob L. Devers, head of the Army Ground Forces, will be placed in command of six armies within the U. S.

The object of the reorganization is to reduce expense and improve the Army at lower levels, the department said.

The domestic military establishment is to be divided as follows:

FIRST ARMY area, Gen. Courtney H. Hodges commanding, headquarters New York.

SECOND ARMY area, Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson, Baltimore.

THIRD ARMY area, Lt. Gen. Oscar W. Griswold, Atlanta.

FOURTH ARMY area, Gen. Jonathan L. Wainwright, San Antonio, Texas.

FIFTH ARMY area, Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, Chicago.

SIXTH ARMY area, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, San Francisco.

Under the reorganization, the Air Forces, under Gen. Carl Spaatz, will have greater autonomy among major activities. Under Spaatz will be:

THE STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND, Andrews Field, Md., Gen. George C. Kenney commanding.

TACTICAL AIR COMMAND, Langley Field, Va., Maj. Gen. Elwood R. Quesada.

AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, Mitchel Field, Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer.

AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND, Washington, Lt. Gen. Harold L. George, who is also AF director of information.

AIR MATERIEL COMMAND, Wright Field, Ohio, Lt. Gen. Nathan F. Twining.

AIR PROVING GROUND COMMAND, Eglin Field, Fla., Gen. Donald Wilson.

AIR UNIVERSITY, Maxwell Field, Ala., Maj. Gen. Muir S. Fairchild.

TRAINING COMMAND, Barksdale Field, La., Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon.

Army 'Detectives' To Seek VD Sources

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The War Department announced today that it would send a score of "disease detectives" to ferret out causes of illness among soldiers in Korea, Japan, Germany and the United States.

The "detectives" are medical officers who have just completed 32-week courses in preventive medicine at Harvard and Johns Hopkins Universities.

They will concentrate, the announcement said, on stamping out "venereal breeding dens" and will serve as "courts of inquiry in eliminating the foci of disease."

Senator Gets Court Action To Oust Persistent Tenant

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The Municipal Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia backed up Sen. W. Lee O'Daniel (D-Texas) in his fight for complete possession of a four-story apartment building he had bought for a private residence.

The court decreed that W. W. Brauer, 80, should vacate within seven days the apartment he held, while 13 other tenants were packing up and moving out.

During the court proceedings, O'Daniel declared he needed the building, for which he had paid \$52,000, to house his family and accommodate visitors from Texas.

It's an Elephant, But Not Republican

Members of the Academy of African Art and Research in native regalia present a gift of modern African art to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt at the organization's annual dance and music festival in New York.



U.S. to Buy 25 Per Cent Of Wheat Crop for Export

No Rationing Necessary Yet, Bowles Asserts

WASHINGTON, May 15 (INS)—The Government will requisition at least one-fourth of all the wheat marketed in the United States this year in order to meet its foreign commitments. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson announced yesterday.

He did not say when the plan would become effective but declared it would remain in effect "until the

NEW YORK, May 15 (UP)—Mayor William O'Dwyer asked New Yorkers to refrain from eating food containing wheat three evenings a week to help prevent famine abroad.

In a proclamation, O'Dwyer dedicated to "freedom from famine" evening meals on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Government has enough wheat from the 1946 crop to cover its export requirements of 250,000,000 bushels."

The plan will require farmers delivering wheat to elevators for storage to sell at least one-half of their stock. The buyer, in turn, will be required to sell one-half of this amount to the Government.

Export Prospects

In announcing this program, Anderson declared that he would advise foreign claimants that on the basis of present prospects, not more than 250,000,000 bushels of wheat would be available for export from this country during the year ahead.

Meanwhile, Economic Stabilizer Chester Bowles said today he would recommend wartime rationing in the U. S. if the world food situation "gets tighter."

Bowles said, however, that he did not believe rationing was needed at the present time. He added, "If it looks as if the United States won't meet its overseas food commitments, it would take 30 to 60 days to determine whether a return to food rationing will be necessary."

He said his decision would depend a great deal on the American harvest this year.

Planes to Spray DDT as Texas Cities Fight to Ward off Paralysis Epidemic

AUSTIN, Texas, May 15 (AP)—A state health officer said today the spread of a disease resembling poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) in Texas was exaggerated, but cities scattered throughout the state took no chances.

Elaborate precautions were made effective in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Rockport, Teague and in Kleberg County.

Another victim was dead in San Antonio. It was the fourth death in Bexar County and the fifth in Texas.

About 23 other cases were being treated.

Dr. J. V. Irons, of the state health department, reported that only eight cases of infantile paralysis had appeared in Bexar County and that the current alarm "is an example of what happens when people get excited and rumors begin to spread."

However, he emphasized the importance of cleaning up unsanitary conditions.

San Antonio girded to fight the spread of the disease, believed to be infantile paralysis and encephalitis (sleeping sickness).

Planes will dust the city from the air with DDT. Schools were closed. The streets were deserted by soldiers as the Army declared theaters and other public places out of bounds. City crews were draining swamps of waste water.

At Corpus Christi a road block went into effect with 300 Texas guardsmen on duty. Buses were being stopped and occupants questioned and instructed.

Arkansas County refused entry to those under 21. The Navy at Corpus Christi adopted quarantine regulations and planned to spray DDT over parts of the city. Bexar County was placed out of bounds for Navy personnel. A city cleanup was scheduled for tomorrow in Corpus Christi.

Health Policies Sold in Illinois

CHICAGO, May 15 (AP)—Establishment of a prepayment insurance plan to cover costs of medical, surgical and obstetrical care both in the home and in the hospital was announced today by the Illinois State Medical Society.

Dr. Everett P. Coleman, Canton (Ill.) society president, said the plan was under a "test run" for more than a year in the Rockford area, where 4,000 units participated. He said the test period included all cycles of disease occurring in one year.

Insurance Firm to Pay

The plan, to be operated by the North American Accident Insurance Co. of Chicago, pays a cash indemnity to the insured patient, who in turn is to forward it to his doctor. Hospital costs, as distinguished from medical or surgical costs, are not included.

Dr. Coleman said the premiums would be \$1 monthly for a man, \$1.50 for a woman and \$1 for all dependent children of the family between 3 months and 18 years of age, regardless of number.

Army Planes to Get Wac Stewardesses

WASHINGTON, May 15 (UP)—Wac stewardesses soon will be caring for passengers aboard Army Air Transport Command planes, between San Francisco and Washington, D. C., the Army Air Forces announced.

The girls are called "traffic technicians," but their duties include checking passengers aboard planes, serving meals and checking safety belts.

Wac stewardesses were first used last June on flights between London and Paris. They were so popular, that a school was set up and 75 girls were graduated.

Vet and English Bride Die From Gas Fumes

NEOSHO, Mo., May 15 (AP)—Lloyd Bruce Ennis, a discharged soldier, and his English bride who came to the United States to join him a month ago were found dead from asphyxiation in their home yesterday.

Sheriff's deputies said they apparently were victims of the same gas stove which asphyxiated a couple and their baby in the same house last October.

Judge, 69, Pins Woman-Beater

GARY, Ind., May 15 (AP)—Superior Judge Homer E. Sackett, 69, left his bench today, grappled with and twice threw to the floor Virgil Underwood, 35, 6-foot-3-inch 175-pound tavern owner of Black Oak, Ind.

Bailiff Joseph Melzer said Underwood, who was in court as defendant in a divorce case, during a conference with his wife, her attorney and witnesses, had struck a woman witness, blacking her eye.

Judge Sackett grabbed Underwood, pulled him over a three-foot railing and threw him to the floor.

Underwood got up and swung at the judge, but Sackett, who is 5 feet, 7 inches, and weighs 165, seized him around the neck and threw him again. Deputy sheriffs took charge of Underwood.

Sackett returned to the bench, fined Underwood \$200 and sentenced him 90 days for contempt of court.

Wac Replacements on Way

NEW YORK, May 15 (INS)—Two groups of Wac replacements, including 213 reinlistees, are on their way to Europe aboard the Saturnia.

HOUSE UNIT MAY STUDY RETURN OF RATIONING

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The House Agriculture Committee, which will meet tomorrow for a comprehensive investigation of the world food position, may consider the resumption of food rationing, Chairman J. W. Flanagan Jr. (D-Va.) said today.

Flanagan complained of confused reports that were circulating about the food situation.

"First," he said, "we have reports that there is mass starvation. Now, we have a report that Herbert Hoover, President Truman's special food advisor, sees only the threat of malnutrition."

Flour Mills Short

"We hear that there is plenty of grain for our needs and to meet our commitments abroad, then we hear that there is not enough grain."

Meanwhile, dwindling wheat supplies at American mills were threatening to force a six-weeks stoppage in the output of flour for consumption in the U. S.

However, Chester Davis, chairman of the President's Famine Emergency Committee, said that the Government should divert wheat for export to the mills in order to keep them operating, and that the flour should then be sent overseas.

House Group Would Extend Wartime Prostitution Control

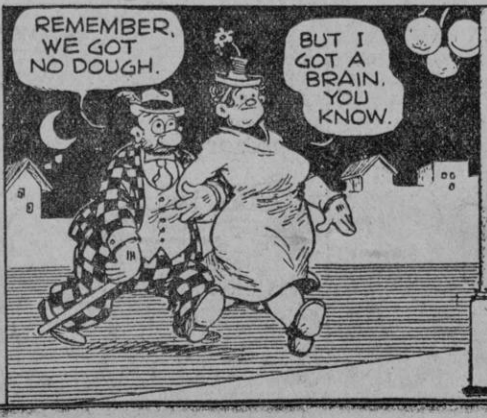
WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The House Military Affairs Committee today approved legislation extending indefinitely the wartime law setting up controls over prostitution in the vicinity of Army and Navy camps.

The present law, giving Federal authorities the right to take vice-control measures in military areas and to cooperate with local officials in suppressing prostitution, expires Wednesday.

Moon Mullins

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate Co., Inc.)

By Willard



International Agency To Care for Refugees In Europe Proposed

LONDON, May 15 (AP)—A recommendation that an international agency be established to handle Europe's gigantic refugee problem will be made to the United Nations Economic and Social Council when it meets in New York, May 25, it was reported yesterday.

A United Nations official said the Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons, which has been meeting in London for more than eight weeks, would complete its report within the next two or three days.

(The committee announced that its work must be completed by Saturday, according to The United Press.)

The report, he said, will include a recommendation to set up an international refugee commission as a specialized agency and not as an organ of the United Nations. Under the United Nations Charter, specialized agencies would work in cooperation with the United Nations but would be financed independently.

Refugees Defined

According to the committee's definition, a refugee belongs to one of the following categories:

VICTIMS of the Nazi or Fascist regimes or of regimes which took part on their side in World War II, or of the Quisling or similar regimes which actively assisted them against the United Nations, whether or not enjoying international status as refugees.

VICTIMS of persecution for reasons of race, religion or nationality, whether or not enjoying international status.

PERSONS who were considered refugees before the outbreak of World War II and who enjoy the international status of refugees.

The report will include an UNRRA estimate that there are 1,084,000 DP's in Europe who must be assisted.

Illegal Entrants Land In Haifa Under Guard As Throng Cheers

JERUSALEM, May 15 (AP)—A cheering crowd of several thousand today greeted 1,800 illegal Jewish immigrants as they landed in Haifa from the "arrested" 2,000-ton Rumanian ship Smyrna, according to telephone messages received in Jerusalem.

The ship was escorted by a British destroyer into Haifa early this morning after being sighted by British naval vessels, while making for Tel-Aviv.

The Jews have been taken in army trucks to the Athlith clearance camp.

This is the largest single batch of refugees ever to come to Palestine, and also the first from Russian-controlled territory.

The ship left Constanza, Rumania, last week and had been intercepted by the Russians at the Dardanelles, but had been allowed to go on to Palestine.

Meanwhile, a possible outbreak of violence was expected in Palestine today as a result of the Arab Higher Committee's decision to hold demonstrations coinciding with the arrival of the 2,014 Jewish refugees who were detained at La Spezia.

France Gives Weygand Provisional Liberty

PARIS, May 15 (INS)—France's supreme court decided to give provisional liberty to Gen. Maxime Weygand, 80, French commander in chief during the 1940 collapse.

The Vichy defendant's advanced age and poor health prompted this decision.

Weygand has been jailed 3 1/2 years, having been arrested originally by the Nazis when they occupied Southern France.

Jews Parade On Anniversary Of Liberation

LANDSBERG, May 15 (UP)—Two thousand Jewish survivors of concentration camps marched in a torchlight parade last night in memory of millions of murdered comrades, as Jewish displaced persons' camps throughout Germany celebrated the first anniversary of the elimination of the last Nazi horror camp.

According to the Jewish calendar, dusk-to-dusk services throughout the world marked one year of liberation.

In the town where Adolf Hitler plotted the extermination of Jews, students, laborers and family groups united in a solemn procession past a memorial to the Jews who died in Germany.

The Hebrew inscription on the plaque reads: "God shall remember all the martyrs who were killed and tortured and burned and strangled, and in the name of God their blood will be avenged."

MEETINGS, CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE IN GERMANY

FRANKFURT, May 15 (AP)—Thousands of Jews throughout Germany today continued celebrations and meetings marking their liberation from Nazi persecution.

The new "anniversary of liberation" was observed as a holiday by all German Jewish congregations and by Jews in displaced persons camps.

103 AWOLs Seized In Seven-Day Drive

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
PARIS, May 15—A total of 103 AWOL soldiers were apprehended by the U. S. military authorities in their seven-day drive throughout Western Europe which ended May 7. Only 18 of these were picked up in the Paris area.

Le Havre led the list with 29, followed by Antwerp with 22, and Rheims with 21. Eight of the AWOLs were rounded up in London and five at Marseilles.

During the week's drive, the Paris authorities impounded 79 Army vehicles which had either been stolen or should have been turned in by deactivated units.

100 Hostesses Needed To Staff New Clubs

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
FRANKFURT, May 15—Approximately 100 hostesses are needed to staff service clubs which will be opened in the next few months, Theater Special Services announced today.

Applicants must have at least three years' experience in recreational work or a similar occupation. The jobs pay \$2,100 to \$2,650 a year, plus a 25 per cent overseas bonus. Further information may be obtained by writing to the Theater Chief of Special Services, Service Club Section, Hq. USEFET, APO 757, or by applying in person.



Jeelette, M-1, Troops, For the Use of

Too late to win the war but in time to give Ford and Kaiser some competition is this secret weapon built from scrap and spare parts by T/4 Harold Skildred of Forest City, Iowa, who is shown preparing to take S/Sgt. Albert Cosgrove of Elko, Nev., for

a ride. Skildred says his brainchild can go 40 miles an hour—on the flat—and will run all day on two quarts of gasoline. Skildred is assigned to the 130th Labor Sup. Bn., near Munich, and Cosgrove to the 1894th Labor Sup. Co., Munich.

Army Returns Last Group of Russian PWs

NURNBERG, May 15 (UP)—Third Army headquarters announced today that the third and last forced repatriation of Russian prisoners of war from the Plattling camp, in the heart of the American zone, had been completed with only minor incidents.

In the final shipment, 243 Soviet citizens who had served with the Wehrmacht were transported under armed American guard to the Czech border, where they were turned over to the Russians. The movement brought the total number of persons repatriated from Plattling under the Yalta agreement to 1,833.

62 Russians Freed

The announcement added that 62 Russians had been discharged, or were awaiting discharge, after an American investigation indicated that they had not been Soviet citizens on Sept. 1, 1939, and had not actively participated in the war against Russia.

One of the prisoners attempted suicide by slashing his throat, but his life was saved, and he was placed aboard the train with the other prisoners.

To prevent riots and mass suicides which had disrupted the first repatriation effort three months ago, 3rd Army personnel kept the movement secret. Each man had his own armed escort, and all prisoners were stripped of clothing and searched for concealed weapons.

Garmisch Civilian Ban Lifted

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
GARMISCH, May 15—The ban on civilian travel over the Zugspitze railway on weekends has been lifted, due to a reduction in soldier traffic, officials here announced.

Berlin Seeks Lost Children To Repair 'Nazis' Worst Crime'

By NADEANE WALKER, Staff Writer

BERLIN, May 15—An attempt to repair "the worst crime of the Nazis" got under way this week, when the Berlin Oberburgomeister's office started a census designed to find and provide for all United Nations children in the city.

The survey may even bring to light some of the children of Lidice, who have been adopted by Germans and have almost lost their identity, a German official said.

Ordered by the four-power-Berlin Kommandatura, the census will cover not only children of slave laborers brought into Germany during the war, but children born of United Nations fathers and German mothers since the occupation, according to a Berlin District Military Government official.

Posters will appeal to the population for help in carrying out the order, and all German newspapers in the city have been requested to publish articles "telling the people that it is a duty of honor to repair one of the worst crimes of the Nazis by reporting the location of the children," the Oberburgomeister's office reported.

In some districts, a spokesman said, teams will conduct a door-to-door census. It is expected that many German families which have adopted United Nations children or children of unknown parentage will not willingly report them for registration.

Moscow Says Iceland Resents U. S. Base Claims

LONDON, May 15 (AP)—Radio Moscow declared today that Icelanders regarded the "American claim" to military bases in Iceland as "an encroachment on their independence."

"The reluctance of the Americans to leave Iceland," the broadcast added, "arouses surprise and irritation in all northern countries."

Tommies to Use Shrivenham U.

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
LONDON, May 15—Shrivenham University, which, under the auspices of the Information and Education Service passed some 8,000 soldiers through 300 university courses last year, has been chosen as the future location of the British army's military college of science.

The Berkshire school's three large barracks will be adapted and extended to take care of an expectedly enormous increase in the student body. Scientific training will be expanded both in scope and in the number of officers attending, making the college one of the largest establishments in the British army.

Present courses include gunnery, mathematics, physics, chemistry, mechanical engineering, fire-control instruments and electrical and wireless engineering.

The GI school at Shrivenham was opened on Aug. 1 of last year and closed in December. Before that, the buildings were used as barracks for American troops.

Wac Sergeant Major Gets Commendation Award

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
PARIS, May 15—M/Sgt. Buenos A. Dixon, the only Wac to serve as sergeant major for an Army headquarters command, was recently awarded the Army commendation certificate for "meritorious achievement," the peacetime equivalent of the Bronze Star.

She received the commendation for service as sergeant major of Oise Base Section from June, 1945, to January, 1946.

Sgt. Dixon now is personnel sergeant major of Western Base headquarters.

New Balance for Asia Sought

TOKYO, May 15 (AP)—Edwin W. Pauley, United States Far Eastern reparations commissioner, has informed Gen. Douglas MacArthur that his mission to Japan will try to establish a new economic balance in Asia, with Japanese control purged.

Terry and The Pirates

(By Courtesy of News Syndicate)

By Milton Caniff



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U.S. to Become Big Owner of European Land

ROME, May 15 (AP)—The U. S. Government is going to wind up its disposal of surplus Army and Navy properties in Europe by becoming the owner of lots of European real estate.

That was disclosed yesterday by Col. Daniel P. Caulkins, Mediterranean field commissioner for the Office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner. He said the State Department hoped to acquire \$50,000,000 worth of embassy and consulate buildings.

The buildings will include historic Margherita Palace in Rome where the embassy now has its offices as well as consulate buildings in Genoa and elsewhere, Caulkins said.

Property Widely Scattered

Other real estate will be acquired in Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Netherlands, Belgium, England and elsewhere, he said.

Of property valued at \$401,385,931 declared surplus so far in the Mediterranean Theater, Caulkins reported at the end of his first year of operations, material valued at \$192,935,895 has been sold for \$100,738,942 or 52 per cent of its cost to the U. S. taxpayer.

Caulkins pointed out that much of this material had been used or was adapted only for military requirements.

U. S. Halts Printing Of German's Plea For 'Mixed' Classes

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

BERLIN, May 15—American authorities have advised Horizont, Berlin youth magazine, not to publish an article by Prof. Paul Oestreich appealing to U. S. officials to mix American and German students and teachers in the same public schools, the magazine's chief editor, Dr. G. Birkenfeld, said today.

The article, entitled, "Schools of International Comradeship," was to have appeared in the next issue of Horizont. A translation of its contents was published in *The Stars and Stripes* last Thursday.

Dr. Birkenfeld said, "U. S. Information Services Control Section let us know that it might not be advisable and opportune to publish the article."

Prof. Oestreich, well-known German educator, discussed the advantages of teaching Germany "democracy in practice" by sending children of newly arrived American families to German schools.

Parcel Shipments to U. S. Restricted to 11 Pounds

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, May 15—Because of the fuel shortage in the U. S. Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan has placed an embargo restricting parcel post shipments to packages not exceeding 11 pounds in weight and 60 inches in combined length and girth, it was announced today by USFET headquarters.

No packages in excess of these specifications will be accepted by APOs in the European Theater for shipment to the U. S.

Warsaw Acts to Prevent Epidemics As Rats Feed on Dead Plague City

WARSAW, May 15 (AP)—Measures to prevent the bubonic plague and other epidemics of disease spread by rats, and nurtured in the rotting carrion of this war-blitzed city, were being put into effect today on orders of government health officials.

Rats, some described as being as "big as rabbits," and estimated to number more than 2,000,000, have overrun the ruins in bombed and heavily shelled sections of the city.

Officials said the rats presumably were feeding on human flesh—the flesh of 100,000 or more persons whose bodies still lie beneath the debris. From their horrible lairs, these rats freely roam the city and have undermined the cellars and burrowed into the rooms occupied

May 30 to Be Holiday in ET

The Stars and Stripes Bureau
FRANKFURT, May 15—Memorial Day, May 30, will be a legal holiday in the European Theater, USFET announced today.

Egypt Blasts Palestine Report, Urges Rejection by U.S., Britain

CAIRO, May 15 (AP)—The Egyptian foreign minister, Lutfi el Said Pasha, told the Egyptian chamber of deputies yesterday that "the Egyptian government and nation denounce the Palestine report."

In a debate on the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee's report on Palestine, the foreign minister said the government had instructed its representatives in London and Washington to explain to the two governments that the "report has caused tension in all Middle Eastern states and needs complete rejection."

El Said Pasha continued, "Our ambassador in London visited the foreign secretary and many other British members of parliament and high authorities and they also agreed that the report is impractical and prejudicial."

"Our minister in Washington met President Truman and told him our stand on the Palestine report," el Said Pasha declared, "and the President told him he will consider

the matter. The Arab League will meet soon and whatever the decision the League takes Egypt will support."

League officials announced today that the meeting of the group scheduled for May 18 in Damascus had been postponed until May 22. No reason for the postponement was given.

Another member in the debate said: "The Palestine report only considers American and English interests and ignores the Arabs, the actual owners of Palestine."

"If the Zionists in Palestine succeed in establishing their national home, they will expand to neighboring Arab states and will attack Iraq, Egypt and all Arab states surrounding them," he added.

A nationalist deputy suggested the establishment of an Arab army to defend Arab interests "as force must be met with force."

Deputy Abdul Malin Rady Bey blamed Egypt for not offering any practical help to Palestine in the past and because she "did not help

to keep Palestinian land from falling into the claws of the Zionists."

Premier Ismail Sidky Pasha and El Said Pasha denied reports that the Soviet Union had proposed establishment of an Egyptian-Russian air company.

The purpose of such a company would have been to monopolize the Cairo-Moscow route, it had been reported.

BRITISH TO DEFER PALESTINE DECISION

LONDON, May 15 (AP)—The British government announced today that it would defer decision on the Anglo-American report on Palestine until it had conferred with leaders of both Arabs and Jews and had consulted with the United States.

"This procedure is in accordance with pledges given by his majesty's government when the formation of the committee was announced," a brief statement issued by the foreign office said, adding that Great Britain took note of a similar intention on the part of America.

France Asked Not to Violate Siamese Rights

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—The United States and Great Britain have asked France to guard against any violation of Siamese territory by French troops in Indo-China, Government officials said today.

The request—which, it was stressed, did not constitute formal protests or demands—were sent to Paris following reports that French troops had fired across the Mekong River, damaging buildings in the Siamese town of Makhon Phanom.

Meanwhile dispatches from Bangkok today said the French alleged that the action had been taken after looting by a party of Siamese and Annamites who crossed the frontier May 5. Observers sent to investigate, however, reported that the party consisted only of Annamite guerrillas. This was confirmed by observers from the British and United States legations.

GIs in British Zone Of Pacific to Pull Out

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—Adm. William D. Leahy, President Truman's Chief of Staff, will fly to England tomorrow to arrange for "complete withdrawal" of American troops from Pacific areas now under British command.

The White House announced that Leahy would be gone about 10 days, and would consult members of the British staff on troop withdrawals and the repatriation of Japanese.

Turkey to Hold Free Election

ISTANBUL, May 11 (INS)—President Ismet Inony announced that "general and free elections" would be held in Turkey within one or two months.



No GI Husband For Her

The Iowa Wesleyan College senior who spoke loud against GI husbands in a recent college oratorical contest is Helen Braden, 20. Miss Braden, who said she wanted a prospective husband who could "think for himself," at present has no prospects—GI or non-GI.

American Express Takes Over Tours to Britain for U. S. Forces

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, May 15—Effective today, the American Express Co., under the supervision of the Army, will operate tours to Great Britain for members of the United States armed forces and their dependents, UNRRA personnel stationed in the American-occupied zone and civilian personnel employed by Government agencies and their dependents.

Some 150 military personnel, American Red Cross workers and civilian employees of U. S. Government agencies can be in London at one time. They must travel in uniform and have proper identification.

The tour price will be \$44.75 for members of the U. S. armed forces and \$53.50 for all other personnel,

and will include transportation to and from the U. S. occupied zone and London and billeting and messing facilities in Paris during the night stopover.

Currency will be exchanged at the Paris finance office, but tourist personnel were warned that this office was closed from noon Saturday to 9 a. m. Monday.

The American Red Cross will furnish accommodations in London at a slight cost. This charge is not included in the price of the tour.

On June 1 the price of the tour will be increased to \$83 for members of the U. S. armed forces and \$91.75 for all other personnel eligible for the tour. This price includes billeting and messing facilities for eight days in London.

Dutch to Elect First Postwar Parliament

AMSTERDAM, May 15 (AP)—Approximately 4,750,000 Netherlanders will cast votes Friday for members of their lower house (second chamber). The Netherlands is the last nation in liberated western Europe to choose a post-war parliament.

Politically without precedent in Dutch history, the elections are expected to chart the Netherlands' course for the next four years, and resolve to what extent she may follow Great Britain in planned economy and socialization.

Ten parties are contesting for 100 seats, but political observers unanimously agree that no single group will succeed in gaining a majority.

2 Parties Prominent

The Labor Party of Prime Minister Willem Schermerhorn and the historically powerful Catholic Party are expected to lead with 30 to 35 seats. A coalition government of these two parties is expected by many, although a cabinet of national unity is not excluded.

Third strongest party is likely to be the Conservative Anti-Revolutionary Party which attracts the Calvinist vote. This group might obtain 10 to 15 seats. Biggest question marks are the Liberal Party (Party of Freedom), the political creed of which parallels that of British Conservatives, and the Communists. Each party is expected to obtain from six to 10 seats.

Sixth major party is the Christian-Historians, another Protestant group pursuing about the same policy as the Calvinists.

Appeal to Rebuild Coventry Cathedral Issued in London

LONDON, May 15 (AP)—An appeal, signed by many famous Britons, was issued here today for funds to reconstruct Coventry Cathedral, destroyed in the German raid of Nov. 14, 1940.

The total cost of rebuilding the cathedral and the erection of a chapel of unity and a Christian center is estimated at 1,200,000 pounds (\$4,800,000).

More than a third of this is the cost of the cathedral alone, and will be furnished by the British government through its War Damage Commission.

USFET Clarifies Order on Civilians

The Stars and Stripes Bureau

FRANKFURT, May 15—Except for War Department civilian employees, Army assistance for rations, billets, transportation, hospitalization and other supplies and services will cease after June 1 in all areas outside the U. S. occupied zones of Germany and Austria, USFET announced yesterday to clarify earlier press reports of such orders.

Within the occupation zones, the Army facilities will remain available to authorized civilian personnel, but on a pay-as-you-go basis.

With certain specified exceptions, civilians affected by the change in regulations include employees of the State Department, War Shipping Administration and UNRRA and representatives of U. S. concerns such as Western Union and the American Express Co.

6 Feared Dead in Blasts

SANTIAGO, Chile, May 15 (AP)—Six persons were reported killed and many injured in a series of explosions today at a munitions factory in the town of Nos, near Santiago.

Dick Tracy

(By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.)



By Chester Gould

Lesnevich Retains Title, TKOs Mills in 10th

Yank Homers Blast Browns; Tigers Lose

ST. LOUIS, May 15 (AP)—The New York Yankees staged an old-time slugging bee as they clouted out three homers to account for all of their runs in a 6-2 conquest of the St. Louis Browns.

It was the Yanks' old guard who took care of the power show. Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio and Joe Gordon, who just returned to the lineup after a five-day layoff because of a leg injury, belted out four-baggers.

Dickey clouted his first four-master of the year with Nick Etten on base in the second inning and Gordon followed Dickey's blast with his third homer of the season to give the Yanks a 3-0 lead. DiMaggio clinched the contest in the ninth inning with a three-run circuit wallop, his seventh of the year.

The Browns nipped Floyd Bevens, who went the route for New York, for two runs in the fourth inning on four singles.

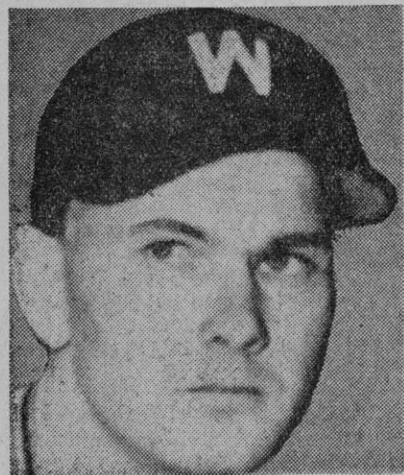
Senators 15, Tigers 1

DETROIT, May 15 (AP)—The Detroit Tigers' eight-game winning streak blew up in the face of a 20-hit Washington uprising that produced a 15-1 triumph for knuckle-baller Roger Wolf.

Wolf, coasting to his third victory of the season, had a four-hit shutout until Tiger left fielder Ansel Moore homered in the ninth.

After tagging lefthander Frank (Stubby) Overmire for three runs on a five-hit attack in the third, the Senators really went hit wacky in the fifth, scoring eight times off Tommy Bridges and George Caster, as 12 men batted and seven hit safely.

The Nats slugged out eight extra-base blows, including Buddy Lewis' three-run homer in the fifth and seven doubles, three in the ninth,



Lewis . . . Nats big gun

when four more runs scampered across.

Lewis, with a homer, double and single in six times at bat knocked in five runs and Heath drove in four with three doubles and a single in as many trips.

Red Sox 3, White Sox 0

CHICAGO, May 15 (AP)—Boston's Dave (Boo) Ferriss, with some help from Rudy York, won one of his toughest mound duels of the season as he beat Joe Haynes and the Chicago White Sox, 3-0.

The Red Sox could get only four hits off Haynes, but one was York's towering homer into the left-field stands in the fourth. Ted Williams scored ahead of York. Another was a double by York in the seventh that sent Bobby Doerr to third from where he scored on an infield out.

Jorge Seeks Female Touch

But All-American Girls Say Hands Off



Jorge and Bernardo . . . still on the prowl

CHICAGO, May 15 (INS)—Officials of the All-American Girls professional baseball league have warned Mexico's Jorge Pasquel he'd better not make any raids on their organization. Their admonition came after it was disclosed that Pasquel, in trying to lure major league stars to his Mexican circuit, had also bid for American girl players.

In a letter sent to Jorge in Mexico City, Frank Avery, president of the All-American Girls loop, said: "While we are well able to protect ourselves with our own players, we believe that for the sake of Mexican-American relations, you should forsake any plans for piracy of female baseball talent in the United States."

"But," Avery went on to say, "we believe that if you wish to develop girls' baseball in Mexico, our league setup provides for a business-like approach. I think you will find most of our girls loyal to the All-American organization because they have seen us build this league on an honest, dependable basis. It seems to me we might talk the matter over first rather than have your representatives go directly to our girls and encourage them to break contracts they signed in good faith."

Pasquel Advised to 'Stop, Look and Listen'

Avery proposed that Pasquel should "stop, look and listen" before continuing his raiding. He offered a hearing, should the Mexican magnate want to discuss the question of American girls' teams competing south of the border.

Avery's letter disclosed that Chicago agents for Pasquel have been laying the groundwork for what was described as "wholesale raids on girls' baseball and softball talent in the United States". Among the lady diamond stars contacted was Clara Schillace, of Maywood, Illinois, who said she has been approached to act as chief scout in lining up four female teams to play in Mexico.

Miss Schillace, who plays center field for the Racine, Wisconsin, Belles, said the Mexican offer included flowery descriptions of the country and predictions of great financial gain. However, she said she definitely wasn't interested.

Windover Wins at Narragansett; Earshot Captures Acorn Stakes

PAWTUCKET, R. I., May 15 (AP)—Windover, a three-year old bay gelding making his first racing start, came through to victory in the second race at odds of \$124.60 for \$2 to help set up a juicy \$684.40 daily-double payoff at Narragansett Park. Two Down, first half of the combination, won the first race at \$12.40.

William Helis' Earshot, loser by a neck to Red Shoes at Pimlico, came back to score a half-length victory over favored Bonnie Beryl in the \$10,000-added Acorn Stakes for three-year old fillies at Belmont Park. Rytina trailed the runnerup by eight lengths in earning the show position.

Ridden by Eddie Arcaro, Earshot was clocked at 1:37 1/5 for the mile. The chestnut daughter of Petrose-Hermana paid \$7.60.

Carrying a light weight of 106 pounds, Mrs. E. H. Augustus' Blue Yonder moved to the front early and stayed there to win Havre de Grace's Wise Councillor purse with a half-length margin over Mrs. E. Hineman's Blue Dream. Bomar Stables' Billy Bumps, Belmont Stakes eligible and favorite in the field of four, finished four lengths behind Blue Dream. Honeytown ran last. The winner was timed in 1:48 for the mile and sixteenth and paid \$6.70.

Davis Cup Team Chosen

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP)—Frank Parker, Ted Schroeder, Billy Talbert and Gardner Mulloy will make up the U. S. Davis Cup team which meets the Philippines in the first round at St. Louis June 14-16. The team captain will be Walter L. Pate, it was announced.

Half-Blinded Gus Floors Briton 5 Times Before Ref Halts Bout

LONDON, May 15 (UP)—Gus Lesnevich, former Golden Glover from New York, retained his world's light-heavyweight championship here last night by battering his way to a technical knockout over Freddie Mills, British titleholder, after ten rounds of gory fighting. Drenched with his own blood and blinded on one side by a deep eye-cut, Lesnevich floored the game Briton five times—three in the second round and twice in the tenth—before a terrific overhand right draped Mills unconscious across the lower strand of the ring. Referee Eugene Henderson then stepped in and stopped the fight without starting another count.

Marion's Single Trips Dodgers In Eleventh, 7-5

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP)—Marty Marion, shortstop of the St. Louis Cardinals, punched a single into center field with two out and bases loaded in the 11th inning to give the Redbirds a hard-fought 7-5 victory over Brooklyn in the first meeting between the two red-hot National League contenders at Ebbets Field.

In handing the bustling Durocher men their first defeat in their last 10 games at home, the spirited crew from the west showed the stuff champions are made of, and lefty Max Lanier pitched the rout to achieve his fifth straight win against no losses.

The loss reduced the Dodgers' lead over the Cards to a single game and gave St. Louis a chance to jam the works in the concluding tussle.

It was anybody's decision until Marion solved little Vic Lombardi, fourth Brooklyn flinger, for the pay-off punch in the 11th. The Dodgers had numerous chances in the late innings but each time Lanier bore down and stifled the hopes of 32,918 loyal adherents crammed into the stadium.

For a time it looked as though the Dodgers, who have been leading charmed lives recently, might pull another out of the fire. Trailing 0-5 after 3 innings, they came back to wallop Lanier and tie it up tight at 5-5 at the end of the seventh, thanks to some lusty hitting by Billy Herman and Dixie Walker.

Had they pulled it off it would have marked the 11th time in 16 triumphs this season that Brooklyn had saved a game from burning. But this time Eastern leaders were up against a pitcher who didn't intend to lose.

Braves 5, Pirates 1

BOSTON, May 15 (AP)—Behind the four hit pitching of lefty Jimmy Wallace, the Boston Braves won their fourth consecutive game by defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates, 5-1. It was the second night game in Boston's major league history.

Winning his second game of the season, Wallace faced only 31 batters, while striking out six and walking one.

A big fourth inning in which they scored four times salted the game for Boston.

The Pirates were dangerous in only one inning, the third, in which they fashioned their single tally. But Wallace never faltered and was aided by the perfect fielding of his mates.

Only three Bucs were able to hit his delivery last night. Frankie Gustine got two of those blows, a single in the third which drove in his team's lone marker and a double in the ninth.

The other hits were a double in the third by Hank Camelli, and a single by Ralph Kiner in the seventh.

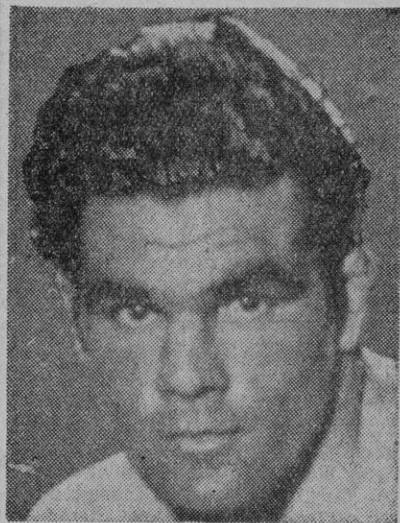
Camelli scored on Gustine's first hit and Kiner was rubbed out in a rapid double play.

Gus Starts Fast
Lesnevich started fast and almost put his opponent away in the second heat, sending him to the canvas for counts of six, eight and nine. Mills was out on his feet at the end of the round, but made an amazing recovery to completely dominate the action throughout the next six rounds.

The ex-RAF sergeant became the aggressor as he went to work on Lesnevich's face with short jabs. In the third round he started the blood gushing from the American's nose, and in the fourth, he cut Gus' vulnerable left eye—the one that cost him his match with Lee Oma.

The eye immediately began to close. From then on, although his seconds worked frantically between rounds, the swelling continued and by the eighth round, Lesnevich was fighting with only one eye.

Mills concentrated on Gus' face from the fifth round on, alternating



Mills . . . game and willing

right hooks with sharp left jabs, and every blow brought a new spurt of blood. Both boxers, the referee's shirt and the ring were well-spattered with it. Lesnevich seemed to be weakening although he still landed the heavier wallops in almost every round.

But in the tenth, Mills made his big mistake. He was a bit slow in getting around to Lesnevich's blind side, and Gus whistled a vicious right which sent him reeling to the canvas for a seven-count. When he groggily arose, Lesnevich dropped him for nine with a left uppercut.

Mills' eyes were glazed and his legs wobbly as he dragged himself erect. Gus boomed a right that knocked him halfway through the ropes, and the ref put an end to the brawl.

In his dressing room while the doctor lanced his eye, Lesnevich said, "I'm the luckiest guy in the world to have won that fight. I never saw anything like that. Mills. I hit him with everything I had before he would even start to go down."

Ex-Champ Steele Fined For Assaulting Salesman

LOS ANGELES, May 15 (UP)—Freddie Steele, ex-middleweight boxing champion convicted on assault charges today, was fined \$300 and ordered to stay away from poolhalls and liquor for two years.

Steele now a movie actor, was convicted March 13 of assaulting salesman Peter Christopher after a poolhall argument. He failed to appear April 23 for sentence and was jailed Tuesday pending a probation hearing.

Wieland Wins Walking Title

CINCINNATI, May 15 (AP)—George Wieland, 25, Detroit accountant, won the National AAU 50,000-meter walking championship, nosing out fellow Detroit William Mihalo in the final mile.

Blondie

(By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate)

By Chic Young





Baseball Box Scores

National League

Table of National League box scores for Pittsburgh vs Boston and St. Louis vs Brooklyn.

American League

Table of American League box scores for New York vs St. Louis and Boston vs Chicago.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Summary table for American League games.

Results: Boston 3, Chicago 0; New York 6, St. Louis 2; Washington 15, Detroit 1; Philadelphia-Cleveland (postponed rain).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Summary table for National League games.

Results: St. Louis 7, Brooklyn 5 (11 innings); Boston 5, Pittsburgh 1; Cincinnati-New York (postponed rain); Chicago-Philadelphia (postponed rain).

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Summary table for American Association games.

Results: St. Paul 9, Indianapolis 0; Toledo 5, Kansas City 1; Louisville 8, Minneapolis 3; Milwaukee-Columbus (postponed rain).

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Summary table for International League games.

Results: Montreal 4, Syracuse 1; Rochester 3, Newark 2; Other games postponed, rain.

TEXAS LEAGUE

Summary table for Texas League games.

Results: Shreveport 6, Dallas 4; Tulsa 11, Houston 8; Beaumont 1-6, Fort Worth 5-3; Oklahoma City 3, San Antonio 1.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

Summary table for Southern Association games.

Results: Atlanta 3, Memphis 2; Birmingham 6, Little Rock 2; Chattanooga 8, New Orleans 3; Only games scheduled.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Summary table for Pacific Coast League games.

Results: San Diego 3, Sacramento 1; Oakland 2, Hollywood 1; Seattle 6, Portland 3; Only games scheduled.

EASTERN LEAGUE

Summary table for Eastern League games.

Results: No games scheduled.

Major League Leaders

Table listing major league leaders in batting average, home runs, and other stats.

Table listing runs batted in for National League and American League.

Table listing home runs for National League and American League.

Stanford Star, Kmetovic, Joins Pro Grid Ranks

PHILADELPHIA, May 15 (UP)—Pete Kmetovic became the fourth member of Stanford's brilliant 1940 backfield to sign with a professional football team, when he came to terms with the Philadelphia Eagles of the National League.

Kmetovic, 175 pound halfback, was drafted by the Eagles in 1942 but entered military service before he was able to join the team. He was recently discharged after three years duty in the South Pacific.

Halfback Hugh Gallerneau, and fullback Norm Standlee of the 1940 Stanford team, both played with the Chicago Bears immediately after graduation. Standlee recently jumped to the San Francisco team, of the All-America Conference while their collegiate teammate quarterback Frankie Albert signed with the Los Angeles Dons.

Rams Sign Strobe

The other Los Angeles pro team, the Rams of the National Football League, signed Woody Strobe, star Negro end at UCLA for three years. Strobe teamed with Kenny Washington, who is already on the Rams' roster, to form one of the greatest forward passing combinations in West Coast Grid history.

In New York, both the NL Giants and the Dodgers of the All-America Conference announced the acquisition of new talent for the 1946 season.

Bob Kehler, Nebraska University graduate who played with the Green Bay Packers of the NFL for three seasons, signed with the Dodgers. Kehler entered the Army before the opening of the 1945 season and played with the 2nd Air Force eleven.

Edward Sexton of Hempstead, N. Y., one of the metropolitan area's all-time great fullbacks, signed with the Giants. Sexton joined the Marines in 1943 and expects to receive his discharge in the near future.

Li'l Abner



Figure—Skater

Pat Matthews, attractive Australian figure skating champion, has just been offered a contract with Icecapades, biggest ice show in the U. S. She is currently awaiting passage for her American debut.

(By Courtesy of United Features)

Old-Timers Recall Plans For First Baseball Union

LOS ANGELES, May 15 (UP)—Robert Murphy's new venture to organize baseball players into his American Baseball Guild, recalled to old timers how efforts to unionize the national past-time almost succeeded once before. T. J. Hickey, 84, who retired ten years ago as president of the American Association, said World War I and the new deal of the late Judge Landis, brought to baseball a blighted unionization campaign headed by Dave Fultz, former baseball player and now a New York attorney.

"Fultz was making real progress about 1914 in signing up major league players," Hickey said. "At that time players had reason for joining the union. Baseball was ruled by an old commission consisting of Ban Johnson and Garry Herman. "Players didn't have a chance then," Hickey admitted. "Owners had everything their way. Conditions were unsatisfactory and players suffered many injustices."

"War Changed Conditions" "Fultz's organization looked as though it was headed for places but the first World War changed conditions. Then Judge Landis came in as czar to better the players' position and the union just faded away."

Hickey doesn't believe that Murphy, a former athlete and labor relations counselor, will make much headway unionizing players under present conditions. "There isn't any reason now for the union," he argues. "I feel players are being treated as fairly as possible. Another thing, the Guild is against reserve clauses, whereby a player at the end of the season belongs to a club he last played for. You couldn't have baseball without a reserve clause. Elimination of the

rule would permit clubs with the biggest bankrolls to gobble up all of the top players."

Guild Called Impractical

Oscar Reichow, business manager of the Hollywood Stars, found the Guild "impractical" from another standpoint. The present every-man-for-himself bargaining will continue, he believes, as long as there is such difference in the ability of players and there is such wide range in salaries paid a rookie and a star.

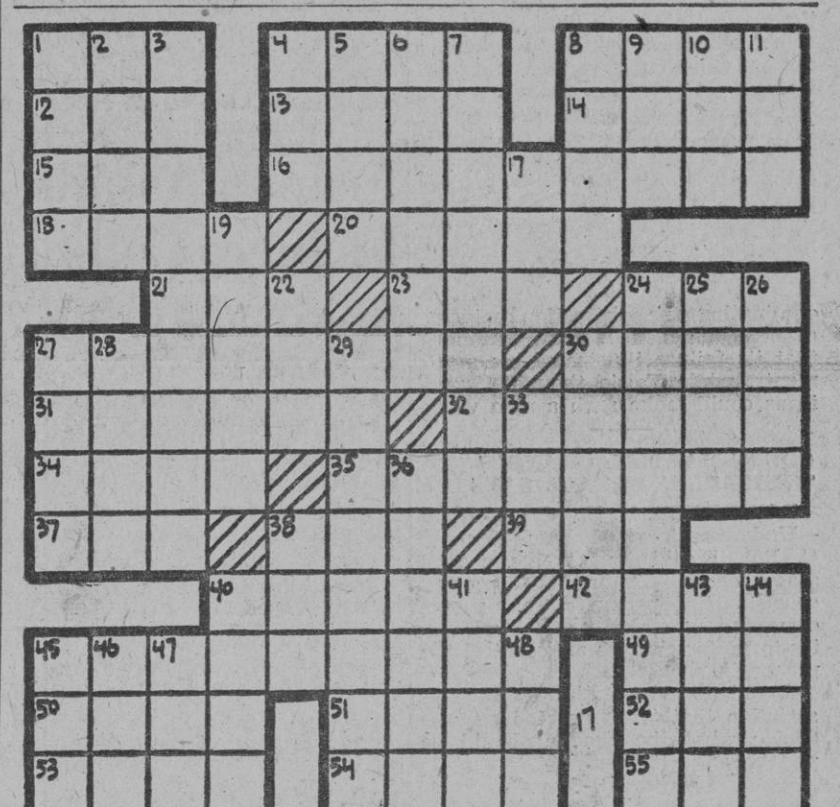
Murphy claims that 70 Pacific Coast League players sought membership and he advised the prospects that when the majority of the members on any one team wish to form a union, he would be glad to confer with the club owner on collective bargaining.

Llo-Da-Mar Squad Wins Team Title at ABC Tourney

BUFFALO, May 15 (AP)—The Llo-Da-Mar Bowl squad of Santa Monica (Calif.) won the 1946 American Bowling congress team championship early this morning.

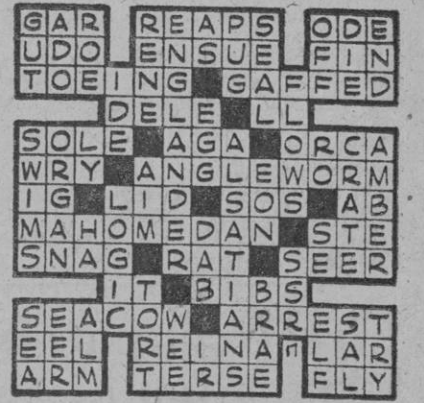
The team, sponsored by movie comedian Harold Lloyd, shot 3,032 on May 7, a score which survived the closing week's onslaught.

The team championship gave the Santa Monica squad a \$1,500 cash prize.



- ACROSS: 1-Insane, 4-Little devils, 8-Earth, 12-Mr. Olsen, 13-Blond whistle, 14-Wind instrument, 15-Twilled fabric, 16-Conducting, 18-Long fish, 20-Arouses, 21-Greek letter, 23-Skater's medium, 24-Space, 27-Waterfall, 30-Glove leather, 31-Beast, 32-Tooth covering, 34-Halt, 35-Optainers, 37-Women's party, 38-Soldiers, 39-Varnish, 40-Large artery from heart, 42-Solitary, 45-Musical instrument, 49-Bounder, 50-Drug-yielding plant, 51-Indian tribe, 52-Little goat, 53-Glimpsed, 54-Wranglers (dial.), 55-Tricky, 41-Chemical fluid, 46-Sherwood Forest, 43-Carpenter uses it beverages, 44-Little whirlpool, 47-Grain in mahogany, 48-Roman bronze.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



By Al Capp



Writers Debate Democracy in Armed Forces

NEW YORK, May 15 (UP)—Arguments for and against special privileges for officers in the Army are aired in the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post under the heading, "Should We Have a More Democratic Army?"

The affirmative was upheld by Jack Foisie, reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle, and formerly a sergeant assigned to the Mediterranean edition of *The Stars and Stripes*. The negative was taken by Dwight Gentry, Northwestern University graduate student, who was a platoon leader in the 29th Inf.-Div.

Merit Basis Urged

"Only by removing the stigma attached to the enlisted man and making his position self-respecting, will the services attract the quality of men they are now trying to induce with promises of more money, good ratings and a chance to see the world," Foisie wrote.

He urged an Army and Navy in which all men start at the lowest rank and work up by merit, and called for experiments whereby selected units would attempt a completely casteless operation, with a board of officers, enlisted men and civilians to judge the results.

Gentry answered the charges that officers take the best food, quarters and recreational facilities by saying that such officers were not undemocratic, but inefficient.

Russia's Experiment Cited

"Stopping officers from using their rank to obtain privileges would eliminate the abuses resented not only by enlisted men but also by capable officers," he said. But, he added, discipline would be an impossibility in a more democratic Army, because officers cannot live intimately with their men, and maintain the impartial and impersonal attitude which discipline demands.

Both Foisie and Gentry cited Russia's Finnish-war experiment of eliminating the distinction between officers and men. Gentry contended that its failure illustrated his arguments, while Foisie thought Americans could make such a plan work.

COURT-MARTIAL CHANGES 'DESIRABLE,' ROYALL SAYS

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 15 (INS)—Undersecretary of War Kenneth C. Royall said that "some change seems desirable" in the present court-martial system which grants commanding officers equal authority to prefer charges and control the proceedings.

Royall told the Rochester Bar Association that "it is not too easy to decide what the change should be and how far it should go."

FDR's Shangri La Visited by Trumans

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP)—President Truman may make use of the late President Roosevelt's retreat, Shangri La, from time to time during the summer, press secretary Charles G. Ross announced yesterday.

The President, his wife, daughter and Mrs. David Wallace, Mrs. Truman's mother, lunched Sunday at the rustic spot in the Catoctin Mountains, near Thurmont, Md. It was the President's first trip there.

On the way, at the Naval hospital at Bethesda, Md., the President called on Rep. John J. Cochran (D-Mo.), who is seriously ill there.

First Occupation Mother-in-Law Is Thrilled by Warm Reception

FRANKFURT, May 15 (UP)—A new regime arrived in the household of Lt. Col. Norman Sprowl last night—and it came with reinforcements. The colonel's wife arrived to join the occupation families and brought her mother.

Mrs. Mary Leitch, 76, of Cincinnati, said she was so happy to be the first occupation mother-in-law that she had left her rolling pin at home.

Her nervous son-in-law sheepishly admitted as he paced the station platform awaiting arrival of the train bringing dependents from Bremerhaven, "No kidding, she is a good old skate."

The little old lady got a big thrill out of her role. While other younger, teary-eyed dependents clutched their soldier husbands and



The Leer That Made Milwaukee Famous

Master Milwaukee (Alvin Sweeney, 2 1/2) receives congratulations from Miss Milwaukee (Judy Ann Herting, 3) after they had been adjudged winners in a health and beauty contest at Milwaukee. They were chosen from among more than 400 entrants.

Franco Assails France, Calls Spain 'Noble'

MADRID, May 15 (AP)—In a sharp attack on France for what he called her "bad neighbor policy," Generalissimo Francisco Franco yesterday accused her before a crowded session of the Cortes of not following the same "noble and generous" conduct as Spain.

France, he declared, did not have to worry about her Spanish frontier during the war, yet it was known that on entering the war she had demanded that, should Spain become a belligerent, France should receive Spanish territory and islands.

Later last night the government-controlled Radio Madrid asserted that the "internal tranquility of Spain was being threatened from France."

It had been expected that Franco would make a definite statement on a possible return of the monarchy or the holding of a referendum, but his speech was devoted mainly to a defense of his regime.

He made only one veiled reference to the monarchy with a declaration that the government, like a building, must be built from the foundation upwards. "We will finish this building," he declared, "when we are not pushed from outside."

He denied charges that his regime was a dictatorship an accusation by which "malicious persons abroad" sought to characterize his rule.

UN Committee Puts Off Action On Veto Issue

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP)—The controversial question of the veto power has been postponed by the United Nations committee of experts which met in New York today.

The Security Council has been called to meet tomorrow to consider 34 new rules of procedure.

In addition to the veto question, the experts also passed over the matter of a quorum for council meetings and a boycott of session by individual members.

It is understood that Russian insistence on a wide veto right caused delay in arriving at a decision.

Secrecy Rule Asked

Soviet policy has steadily called for the veto right, even on discussions as to whether matters before the council were of a procedural or substantive nature.

The Security Council tomorrow will consider proposal for a policy of complete privacy at some meetings and the classification of intelligence which might withhold certain "top secrets" from the 40 members of the United Nations not represented in the council.

The proposals have already been approved by the council's committee of experts on procedure.

The proposed rules for secrecy provide that, in a private meeting, the council may order the record restricted to "one single copy," which would be entrusted to Secretary-General Trygve Lie.

SOUTHWEST AFRICA VOTES AGAINST UN TRUSTEESHIP

JOHANNESBURG, May 15 (AP)—The legislative assembly of Southwest Africa has unanimously adopted a resolution requesting annexation and incorporation of the mandated territory into the Union of South Africa, instead of its becoming United Nations trusteeship.

The issue is to come before the United Nations in September.

China Liberalizes Cabinet To Avert Military Crisis

NANKING, May 15 (AP)—The Chinese government today reorganized and liberalized the cabinet in an obvious bid for national solidarity in the face of an increasingly grave political and military situation.

The government named two non-party members to two of the three ministries.

Nazis Rebuilt Navy To Meet 'Threat' of Poland, Raeder Says

NURNBERG, May 15 (AP)—Grand Adm. Erich Raeder, who was succeeded as German naval chief by Adm. Karl Doenitz, opened his defense before the International Military Tribunal today.

Opening his account of the reconstruction of the German navy, in face of the Versailles Treaty restrictions, Raeder declared that the "danger we faced was of an attack by Poland on East Prussia, and our efforts, therefore, were aimed at organizing so that we could oppose such an invasion."

He emphasized that all the reconstruction work was subject to the approval of the late President Paul von Hindenburg and, later, of Adolf Hitler.

The navy which he built had men "who were respected at home and abroad because they participated in no atrocities," the defendant testified.

Raeder's case opened after a morning devoted to a vain effort to conclude a part of the defense of Walter Funk, Hitler's economic advisor. This had been delayed from last week by the absence of a key witness, Emil Puhl, former vice-president of the Reichsbank.

33 ENTER PLEAS AT START OF TRIAL IN FRENCH ZONE

RASTATT, Germany, May 15 (AP)—Twenty-nine men and four women pleaded guilty to charges of robbing and mistreating French and British political deportees in the Neue Bremme Nazi concentration camp as the first war crimes trial in the French zone opened today.

The defendants, camp commander Fritz Schmoll and his staff, all entered pleas of not guilty to charges of murder, with the possible exception of one who said he was "a little guilty."

74 GO ON TRIAL TODAY IN MALMEDY MASSACRE

DACHAU, May 15 (AP)—SS Gen. Sepp Dietrich, veteran of the original Nazi beer hall putch, and 73 of his subordinates will go on trial here tomorrow charged with the slaughter of hundreds of American prisoners in the Battle of the Bulge.

A major phase of the case will concern the Malmedy massacre in which 71 Americans were known to have been slain and 43 wounded by SS machine guns. Six survivors, five of whom were wounded and left for dead by the enemy at Malmedy, have been brought from the U. S. as prosecution witnesses.

SALZBURG WAR CRIME TRIALS EXPECTED TO START MAY 20

VIENNA, May 15 (UP)—USFA headquarters announced today a tentative starting date of May 20 for trials of war criminals before the American Military Commission in Salzburg on charges of committing atrocities against American fliers.

HUNGARY MAY ASK U. S. FOR RETURN OF ARCHDUKE

BUDAPEST, May 15 (AP)—The newspaper Vilagossag said today the Hungarian government would ask American zone authorities to extradite Archduke Joseph of Hapsburg, former Hungarian field Marshal, to face charges as a war criminal.

15 Hurt in Trolley-Train Crash

PHILADELPHIA, May 15 (AP)—Fifteen persons were injured, none seriously, in the collision of a Pennsylvania Railroad freight locomotive and a Philadelphia Transportation Co. trolley in south Philadelphia today.

Officer Ruled Father of Child Born 355 Days After He Sailed

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP)—Lt. j.g. Robert A. Lockwood, 24, yesterday said he would appeal a New York court ruling declaring him the father of a boy born to his wife 355 days after he sailed for a 20-month tour of duty in the Pacific.

The young Navy officer and his wife, Florence Helen, were married March 12, 1944 and on April 24, 1944, he left for the Pacific. A nine-pound son was born to Mrs. Lockwood April 14, 1945.

The court ruling was made by Supreme Court Justice Peter M. Daly, in denying Lockwood's divorce

Tokyo Court Is Prejudiced, Defense Says

TOKYO, May 15 (UP)—The American defense counsel for five major Japanese war criminal suspects charged that the Far East Allied Military Tribunal was incapable of conducting a fair trial and moved for dismissal of the charges.

The motion was filed by Capt. George A. Furness, followed an attack on the validity of the tribunal's jurisdiction by Dr. Ichiro Kyose, counsel for former Premier Hideki Tojo. Furness charged that the tribunal was without jurisdiction, and members representing the nations which defeated Japan were "accusers," and not capable of conducting a fair and impartial trial.

Chief prosecutor Joseph B. Keenan asked whether the defense counsel wanted to "send to Mars" for neutrals to sit in on the trials. Keenan suggested, as an alternative, that a tribunal be made up of representatives from "Argentina and Spain."

In his oral argument supporting his motion, Furness said, "violation of a treaty might be considered a breach of contract contrary to the obligations of conscience" but that it was not a crime.

Maj. Gen. Bruce Blakeney argued for dismissal of the murder indictment on the grounds that war was legal and killing was part of war.

4 JAPS SENTENCED FOR PW CRUELTIES

YOKOHAMA, May 15 (AP)—Three Japanese employees of Fukuoka war prison-camp were convicted of mistreating United States prisoners and sentenced by an Army tribunal to 15 years each in prison.

Seizo Nagakura, the "mad corporal," was sentenced to four years for torturing Americans at Kusunokawa prisoner-of-war camp.

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bill, however, made this unnecessary.

Several senators complained they were being forced by pressure of time to accept the House ban on drafting teen-agers. But it was Langer who carried the brunt of the fight.

Sharply critical of conscription in peacetime, the hoarse-voiced North Dakotan talked more than four hours in an effort to block a vote. Democratic and Republican leaders appealed to him time and again to give up the floor.

Finally Langer sat down and Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), acting as presiding officer, gavelled the measure through hurriedly. Then O'Mahoney and House Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Texas) affixed their signatures, along with that of Leslie L. Biffle, Senate secretary, who hurried the bill to the White House.