

It was a great day for the Japanese when they pulled down the American flag at Corregidor in May, 1942—but it wouldn't stay down. This is one of a series of exclusive photographs made by the Japs, which have just been released. Other pictures on page 5.

Uniform Violators to Be Sent To Germany 'In Lieu of Punishment', Says O'Hare

By Brooks McClure

Transfer of troops stationed in Paris to "less desirable" areas, including Germany, "in lieu of punishment" for uniform and discipline violations was announced last night by Brig. Gen. J. J. O'Hare, deputy chief of staff, TSFET (Rear).

In a memorandum sent to lower commands, O'Hare directed that "a standing operating procedure will be established between Seine headquarters and the G1 Section of TSFET (Rear)" for transferring men to "the various base sections or Germany."

"The order, now in effect, does not intend to transfer men as a means of punishment, but is an action in lieu of punishment," he remarked in a statement explaining the memorandum.

In order to execute the order, the statement said, "officer patrols, in addition to the military police, will be detailed from time to time to circulate in those parts of Paris where military personnel gathers in great number."

'High Standards of the Army'

O'Hare said the transfer policy was "designed to improve the conduct and appearance of a minority of American soldiers in the Paris area who have consistently broken the high standards of the Army. We must and we will improve the conditions now existing in Paris among this minority group," he said, "for they have been far too long bringing discredit upon the Army as a whole."

"It is obvious that Paris is a convenient station in which to be assigned," the general said, "and its advantages for people stationed here are naturally beyond those of other bases, including Germany."

The policy, he added, is "intended, aside from our problems of lawlessness, to re-establish in the entire theater the high standards of the American Army among those soldiers who refuse to maintain them without more stringent action."

Refers to Original Memo

Gen. O'Hare's statement referred to the original memorandum which he sent to Gen. Frank Allen, commanding general of Seine Section, detailing measures to be taken to curb uniform and conduct violations of men who have brought "discredit upon the Army as a whole."

The order described in detail the proper military uniform, and urged commanding officers to "impress upon your subordinates that morale

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U.S. Names Envoy to Hungary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP).—President Truman yesterday nominated H. F. Arthur Schoenfeld as minister to Hungary. Schoenfeld served in London during the war as chargé d'affaires to the governments in exile.

Efforts Rushed By Both Sides To End Dispute

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 6 (AP).—The United Automobile Workers (CIO) "is determined to fight a total war" with General Motors to gain a 30 percent wage increase, Walter Reuther, union vice-president, told a mass meeting of GM strikers today.

(From Detroit, the United Press reported that management and union representatives were working against time to settle their differences. The wage-increase demand was being discussed for the first time since the walkout started 16 days ago, and there was even speculation, the UP said, that the wage issue might be settled by the weekend, with the union accepting 15 percent, five percent more than GM offered before the strike started.)

Bill Introduced

Reuther's comments included the statement that differences between the company and the union "are just as fundamental as the things for which we fought on the battlefields of the war."

Meanwhile, in Washington, a bill was introduced in the House to carry out President Truman's recommendation for a 30-day "cooling-off" period and operation of a Federal fact-finding commission before any strike could take place in an industry of primary national importance. The bill bore the name of Rep. Mary T. Norton (D-N.J.), chairman of the House Labor Committee, and was referred immediately to that committee.

The measure faces opposition from the three major union groups—the CIO, the AFL and the United Mine Workers—which fear the right to strike may be sacrificed, and from management, which fears "fact-finding" may mean opening books to the public.

With representatives of the 175,000 striking GM workers scheduled to meet Saturday to vote on Mr. Truman's back-to-work plea, it seemed likely any return to work would have to be based on agreement with the management rather than on the President's proposal. UAW officials have expressed opposition to accepting the Presidential plan.

Paris Officers May Be MPs

Because of the shortage of military police personnel, TSFET officials are considering a plan to employ Seine Section and TSFET officers in Paris as "auxiliary" MP officers, putting 20 of them on the streets of the French capital every weekend, it was disclosed last night.

Lt. Col. K. G. Pavey, Seine Section Provost Marshal, said he had drawn up the plan at the request of Brig. Gen. Frank A. Allen, Seine CG, and turned it over to him for forwarding to TSFET.

Under the plan, Pavey pointed out, the "auxiliaries" would concern themselves not just with uniform violations but with all the normal duties of MP officers.

4,000 Graduated From GI U.

SHRIVENHAM, England Dec. 6.—A total of 4,000 Army students were graduated today from the Army university here—the second and final graduation.

Arrest of Konoye, 7 Others Ordered

TOKYO, Dec. 6 (AP).—The arrest of Prince Fumimaro Konoye, three times Premier of Japan, as a suspected war criminal was ordered today by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, along with the apprehension of seven other statesmen and industrialists in the highest Japanese circles.

Konoye, a golf enthusiast who sent his son to Princeton, has the reputation of a political "moderate" and was quoted in recent dispatches as undertaking the revision of the Japanese constitution at MacArthur's request—a statement that drew a prompt denial from MacArthur. He was also recently reported contemplating the formation of a popular political party under the U.S. occupation.

Also marked for arrest and trial were Marquis Koichi Kido, Emperor Hirohito's close adviser; Shigeo Odate, economist; Taketora Ogata, vice-president of the Asahi industries; Viscount Masatoshi Okochi, industrialist; Count Tadamasu Sakai of the House of Peers; Yari-chiro Suma, diplomat, and Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, ambassador to Germany since 1938, who has just arrived from abroad.



Prince Konoye

In the Japanese Diet, Premier Kijuro Shidehara declared his government was not in a position to criticize the lists of wanted war criminals recently published by occupation forces.



Lt. Gen. Gerow, before his promotion.

Gerow Accepts Part Blame for Pearl Harbor

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP).

—Gen. George C. Marshall testified today that there was nothing in the Allied staff conferences before Pearl Harbor that committed the U. S. to go to war unless it was attacked in the Pacific. Marshall's testimony was elicited to clear up the contentions that the U.S. was committed to war before Dec. 7, 1941, when the Japanese struck Pearl Harbor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP).—Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, who headed the Army's War Plans Division in 1941 and later commanded the 15th Army in Germany, has accepted partial responsibility for the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor four years ago tomorrow.

Testifying here yesterday before the Congressional committee of inquiry, Gerow said he was willing to accept responsibility for the War Department's failure to send to Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, then Army commander in Hawaii, additional warnings to put the great naval base on the alert.

Gerow contended that a Nov. (Continued on Page 8, Col. 4)

Truman Sees Accord Aiding World Trade

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP).—Washington and London announced tonight that Anglo-American financial experts had signed yesterday an agreement under which a total of \$4,400,000,000 would be lent and credited by the U.S. to the United Kingdom, repayable in 50 years.

The agreement, which does not become effective until approved by both Congress and Parliament, provides for a \$3,750,000,000 direct loan plus a \$650,000,000 credit to enable Britain to wind up her lend-lease account and purchase surplus American war materials.

86 Days of Talks

The agreement was reached after 86 days of discussion among leading American and British trade and Treasury officials.

President Truman announced completion of the conversations, and said: "This credit would make it possible for the United Kingdom to relax her import and exchange controls, including exchange arrangements affecting the sterling area, and generally move forward with the U.S. and other countries toward the common objective of an expanded multilateral trade."

It was reliably learned that no agreement had been reached on the troublesome issue of whether Britain must transport in American ships all goods bought in the U.S. with loan funds.

Secretary of the Treasury Fred M. Vinson, one of the principal American negotiators, predicted the agreement would make possible a marked expansion of trade directly with the United Kingdom and the sterling-area countries.

(The United Press reported that chances of Congressional ratification of the agreement were reasonably good.)

Churchill Asks Labor Rebuke

LONDON, Dec. 6 (AP).—Winston Churchill asked Commons today to censure Britain's Labor government for failure to keep pace with peace. The leader of Britain's opposition forces assailed socialism in Whitehall with sarcastic rebuke and scathing denunciation.

Churchill opened the second day of debate on the opposition censure motion which, although foredoomed by Labor's overwhelming majority in Commons, has engaged both sides in the first full-scale battle of principles since the war's end.

Churchill charged that Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee's Labor government was aggravating the divisions in Britain.

The First Atom Bomb: 1/10 oz. Uranium

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6 (UP).

—Only one-tenth of one ounce of uranium was exploded in the test of the first atomic bomb in New Mexico, Dr. Conway Snyder, of the California Institute of Technology, revealed yesterday.

Conway added that plutonium, which replaced uranium as the explosive charge in atomic bombs, now is being manufactured by the pound in the government's bomb plant at Hanford, Wash.

Jap Ship, Loaded With PWs, Hits Mine, Reported Sinking

SINGAPORE, Dec. 6 (AP).—A Japanese ship, loaded with Japanese prisoners, struck a mine and was reported sinking fast outside Singapore breakwater this afternoon.

The vessel was carrying Japanese soldiers from Malaya to the island of Rembang off the coast of Java, where prisoners must make their home until they can be repatriated.

1941

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Pearl Harbor

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1945



Day of Infamy

An Editorial:

Four Years Ago Today...

It couldn't happen to us, but four years ago today it did. Without warning we were thrust by a treacherous enemy blow into the greatest war in history. Our prospects were very dim.

In America, on that never-to-be-forgotten Sunday, we went around with a dazed look in our eyes. "Well, it's come," we said. "We'll beat them in three months," we said. But we didn't believe it. What were we going to beat them with?

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The news was scarcely a few hours old when we heard that most of the Pacific Fleet had been sunk. Then came the story of Wake, the invasion of the Philippines, defeat, defeat, defeat. We listened to our President as he rallied the nation. We watched our armed forces grow from nothing into the most powerful military machine in history. We saw the nation coalesce in unity, labor, management, soldier, sailor, civilian all acting with one purpose—ultimate victory.

Then we landed on Guadalcanal, and the tide began to turn. We invaded North Africa and learned the true mettle of our foe. Then came the bitter bloodshed of Italy, and finally D-Day and the liberation of Europe.

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In May, the German lay in the muck of defeat. Blow on blow fell on Japan. One day a single plane flew over a Japanese city. There was a blinding flash, a tremendous black cloud, and the age of the atom had arrived. A few days later, the Sons of Heaven gave up.

With peace came the transition—the dangerous period of change. Once again management and labor are calling each other names. Our military might is disintegrating. Each one of us now is trying to pick up where he left off, to insure his own place in this new world.

We have still a lot of work to do—work to do so that never again will we have a Pearl Harbor to remember.



West Point for Diplomats

Much is being said in regard to the erection of memorials to individuals and organizations that took part in World War II. For example, some citizens of Texas are considering the erection of an expensive temple to house the trophies earned by the Texas Division in this war.

I advocate the creation of a "West Point of Diplomats," where young men of the highest caliber can be trained as diplomats. With an understanding of international affairs they could settle matters by discussion before any fight could begin.

Can't you visualize "The World War II Memorial"—buildings with the latest equipment, the world's finest texts, courses in politics, customs, languages, etc., of the various foreign nations.

At present our country has many great financiers, domestic politicians, military leaders, etc., but is lacking in leaders qualified to handle international problems. Such a memorial would go a long way in helping to fulfill our greatest desire—keeping our children out of future wars.—Capt. G. B. O'Connell, 94th FA Bn., Med. Det.

Spam Bonanza

We want to know why our company of 112 men is supplied with only two pounds of Spam for a meal. That is about .28 of an ounce per man. We were getting more to eat during the war. Lend-lease has stopped, so why should we be getting less to eat? In fact we don't get enough—not even enough of good old Spam.—Famished Fifty, 18th Inf, Reg.

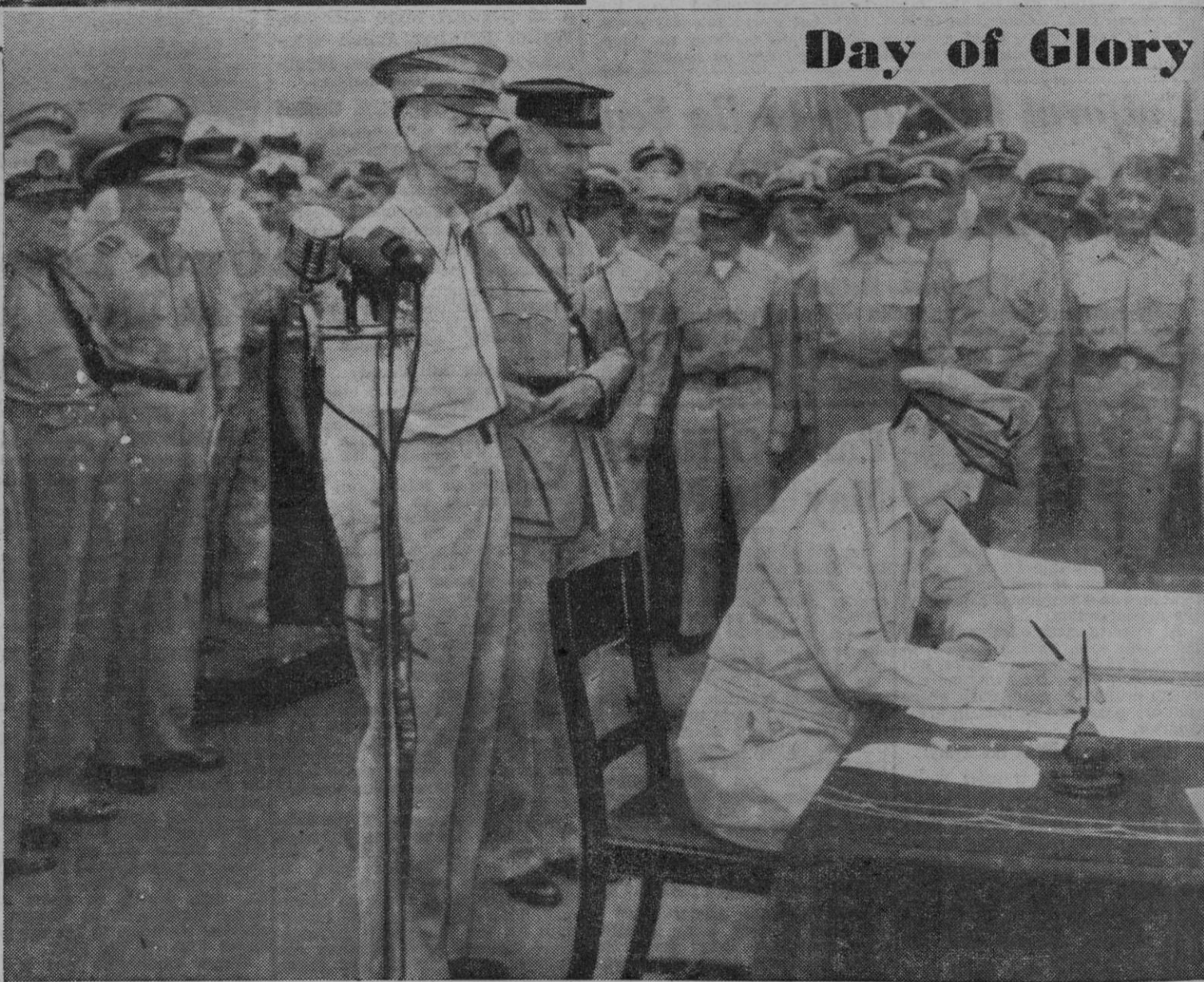
Editor's note: This letter was referred to the Theater Chief Quartermaster, who replied that an investigation revealed the following: Two days before the complaint in question, the First Div. was entitled to an issue of 130 cans of pork luncheon meat (Spam). Due to a typographical error at a supply point only 13, instead of 130, were issued. This error was corrected immediately and 117 additional cans of Spam were issued.

In Defense of I & E

In answering Capt R. B. Palmer's B-Bag letter Nov. 14, in which he called the I and E program farcical. I would like to say that two hours of "wasted time" that the captain refers to are a great help to all the EM of my organization.

We have had help in changing our GI insurance to civilian insurance; we have been oriented on the reasons for occupation, the employment situation in the U.S., and several other topics.

In addition to this we have a division university that is the closest thing to Yale on this side of the Atlantic. Plans are now in the making for battalion schools, and it's beginning to look like every man will have a chance to get ready for civilian life.—Pfc C. H. Ayer, I and E Officer, 242nd Inf. Regt.



Day of Glory

Toys Wanted For Allied Tots

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
FRANKFURT, Dec. 6.—Christmas parties and toy distributions for children of Allied and liberated countries are authorized and encouraged for all military units by USFET Headquarters, it was announced here today.

The Frankfurt headquarters itself is sponsoring such a project, the announcement said. Soldiers and non-military personnel are urged to repair or make toys for distribution to children of the countries adjacent to the occupation zone or for those in which the unit is particularly interested.

Excess toys should be reported to the chief of Special Service, TSFET Main to assure timely distribution.

Polish Workers Party Meets

LONDON, Dec. 6 (AP).—The first congress of the Polish Workers (Communist) party opened today, Warsaw radio announced.

Looney's Mushy Letters Drove Wife to Captain, Her Ma Says

LONDON, Dec. 6 (ANS).—"Slushy" love letters from former U.S. Army Lt. Harold Carbone to his red-haired British wife Jean got the blame yesterday from the girl's mother for a situation which now finds Jean living in the U.S.—but not with her husband.

After Carbone returned to the U.S. he wrote what Mrs. E. G. Gloor, Jean's mother, described as foolish letters full of "slushy sentiments" and without any news.

"Jean couldn't stand it," her mother said, explaining that in her opinion that was what drove the young woman to seek solace in the arms of U.S. Army Capt. Darrell Beschen, who, Jean says, is the father of her unborn child.

Jean flew to America from England last week to join Beschen in Dubuque, Iowa, and to get a divorce from Carbone, now a

student at the University of Rochester (N.Y.).

Jean, yesterday, was still with Beschen in Dubuque. As for the divorce, Carbone, a Catholic, said there wouldn't be any as far as he was concerned. This news put Jean in her bed in Dubuque, where, she said, she would stay "until things straighten out."

400,000 Army Tires Will Go to Civilians

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (ANS).—The first new tire casings to be released to civilians by the Army and Navy—about 400,000 of them—will reach the market in about a month.

The release of casings will be followed by surplus offerings of auto, truck and tractor tires.

Nobel Winner Dies

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 6 (ANS).—Dr. Thomas Hunt Morgan, 79, regarded by men of science as the world's foremost authority on heredity and winner of the 1933 Nobel prize for medicine, died Tuesday.

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The American Scene:

Vets Deserve Homes Not Dregs, Bowles Says

By David A. Gordon
The Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Price Administrator Chester Bowles yesterday asked Congress to enact home-building control legislation to prevent "the same crippling building boom and collapse" which followed the last war. He also recommended preference for veterans who want to buy or rent new homes.

Appearing before the House Banking and Currency Committee, Bowles recommended that the job of administering price controls and veterans' priorities on home construction be assigned to existing Government agencies. He disagreed with a proposal by Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.) for a housing stabilization authority to handle the work.

He endorsed provisions to establish price controls and to give veterans preference in buying or renting new homes in housing-short areas.

VETERANS are entitled to something more than the "right to scramble for the dregs of an almost-exhausted housing supply," Bowles said. He opposed the new agency because "we are all trying to streamline and simplify the Governmental structure."

"The Lost Weekend," a movie dealing with an alcoholic, won glowing reviews from film critics in New York who consider it one of the most honest and gripping pictures produced in years. The critics commented that the film's honest treatment of the tortures and temptations of a drunk produced shivers, particularly the section of the film dealing with the DTs, but felt that its vivid, truthful portrayal would promote understanding of the problem of alcoholics.

Farm Blue Bloods on Parade

BLUE BLOODS went on parade at the Chicago market Fat Stock Show, when boys, girls and adults from U.S. farms, combed, brushed and marceled 714 steers, 116 hogs and 60 lambs before judges' examinations. So great was interest in the show this year that a preliminary judging was necessary to eliminate hundreds of entries.

The Cowichan Indians in British Columbia remembered that President Truman borrowed a hand-knitted Indian sweater from Gov. Wallgren in Washington State last year while on a fishing trip. Now they have presented U.S. Consul Troy Perkins, of Victoria, B.C., with a heavy handmade sweater for the President. Accompanying the garment was a request that the President accept the title of "Thaigtethe Seiy," which, freely translated, means "Chief of Peace."

CEREMONIES celebrating completion of a project to beautify the approach to Brooklyn Bridge were held recently in New York, dur-



Brooklyn Bridge Approach Beautified on N.Y. Side.

ing which a "re-unveiling" took place. The elevated railroad station near City Hall Park was removed.

THE eternal fight against hayfever continues, with the latest development an announcement by the University of Illinois College of Medicine that a new drug, which brings "marked symptomatic relief" from hayfever, asthma and other common allergies, has been discovered. The drug is benadryl, discovered by Dr. Earl R. Loew, and has been used on both animals and humans in the test. The announcement warned that the drug was not a cure and that three doses a day would be required for continuous relief of symptoms.

Gardenia..Mother..and War..

..Then Came Death..and a Memory..

CAMP WHEELER, Ga., Dec. 6 (ANS).—In the spring of 1943, Lt. Harold E. Winn picked a flower from a gardenia bush here and pinned it on his mother's coat.

Soon after he was off to war. At St. Lo he was killed in action. His mother, Mrs. George Winn, of Marion, Ky., recently wrote Army officials here that memories of her son were now closely woven with the fragrance of gardenias.

"If I could but have a plant of gardenia to grow outside my house," her letter said.

The Army lost no time in finding the precise plant from which the young lieutenant had picked the farewell gift to his mother. An entomologist was called to inspect the bush, then it was packed, for delivery to Mrs. Winn this week.

U.S. Unblocks Assets of All But 8 Lands

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP).—The U.S. will lift its controls tomorrow on current financial and commercial transactions with all except eight foreign countries, the Treasury Department announced yesterday. Old or existing assets of the countries taken off the "blocked" list will remain under control temporarily.

The freezing controls will still apply to Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Tangier, Germany and Japan. In the case of the first five of these, the Treasury said:

"These countries cannot be accorded privileges being made available to other countries until they have taken effective action to search out, immobilize and control all enemy assets within their jurisdiction."

Only Routine Controls

In effect, the new order provides, first, that all foreign nations, with the eight exceptions, as well as nationals of those countries, will be able to transact business with the U.S. and accumulate assets here free of all but routine controls and restrictions.

Second, as soon as the U.S. can work out arrangements under which existing assets of these virtually unblocked countries can be shown to be owned by the countries or their nationals and are proved not to be camouflaged enemy holdings these will be freed, too.

Among the nations unblocked by the order, Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary and Romania will be treated in a separate category as to the unfreezing of old assets because of the U.S. declaration of war against them.

Hubby Was Pally With Others, Sobs Triangle Slayer

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Mrs. Annie Irene Mansfeldt, testifying at her trial for the slaying of Mrs. Vada Martin, a nurse, said yesterday that her husband, Dr. John Mansfeldt, was intimate with her own best friend in 1941. She refused to identify the friend.

"He promised me he would never give me cause to doubt him again," she sobbed.

Dr. Mansfeldt committed suicide by swallowing poison a few hours after Mrs. Mansfeldt shot and killed Mrs. Martin on Oct. 4 because she believed the nurse was having an affair with the doctor.

It was Mrs. Mansfeldt's second day on the stand. Earlier she had told a story of a life haunted by fear of hereditary insanity, and a girlhood in Fresno, Calif., where she said she was forced to sleep with an insane grandmother who once tried to throttle her.

Dizzy Doings in Land of Free

Bosses, Coppers, Actress, Even a Captain Involved In Zany Headlines

STAMFORD, Conn., Dec. 6 (ANS).—Fourteen executives of the strike-bound Yale and Towne Manufacturing Co. yesterday were virtual prisoners in their own plant, sleeping on crude bunks, eating canned salmon and soup and trying to rig up a bath in a boiler room.

The striking International Association of Machinists (AFL) had no objection to the executives leaving the plant, but they warned them that once they left the grounds they would not be permitted to pass picket lines to re-enter.

Fourteen decided on self-imposed imprisonment because it was necessary to have maintenance men on hand. The plant has been on strike since Nov. 7.

Caught Red-Handed But Not in the Act

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Police didn't catch Edwin La Fumée in the act, but they had him red-handed.

To catch whoever made a series of petty thefts at a women's goods store on Eighth Avenue, detectives sprinkled white powder on eight \$1 bills. When the culprit washed his hands, the powder would turn red.

When they spied La Fumée

trying to keep his red fingers out of sight, they arrested him.

Captain Finds It Pays To Be a Sarge Again

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Here is the man who would rather be an enlisted man than an officer—Capt. Hal W. Freeman, of Boise, Ida., who gave up his Army commission to re-enlist as a master sergeant to qualify for a pension.

Freeman, who has been in the Army more than 30 years, was not entitled to retirement allowance except for disability. Now as a master sergeant he can request immediate release and retire at 75 percent of his base pay, plus longevity pay. In his case it adds up to about \$155 a month for life.

Bettejane's Too Sissy, She's Plain Jane Now

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5 (ANS).—Bettejane Greer Vallee flounced

Truman Lauds Industry Effort

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (ANS).—In a letter to the National Association of Manufacturers read at the opening of the "Golden Anniversary" Congress of American Industry in Washington, President Truman declared that American industrialists and their workers had "provided the tools for victory in the war."

Reconversion disputes, he added, were "due to many factors, some unavoidable perhaps, but all capable of orderly and speedy solution."

Jack the Zipper Slips a Cog

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6 (ANS).—A judge and jury decided yesterday that Charles Gramlich, 30, was mentally unbalanced because he made a determined but unsuccessful effort to unzip the black tights of Carole Landis—while Carole was still in 'em.

Superior Court Judge George Dockweiler first decided Gramlich's action showed he was mentally ill. Gramlich asked for a jury trial, but the jury backed up the judge.

Courtroom spectators gave Gramlich an A for effort, however.

into court in a can-can costume, fresh from a movie set, and told the judge that for purposes of sophistication she wanted to change her name.

"Mine is a sissy name," said Bettejane, former wife of a crooner, Rudy Vallee. "It's too Bo-Peepish for the type of role I've been playing."

The judge allowed her to drop Bette and also Vallee. She left the courtroom as Jane Greer.

A Big Box of Nothing Arrives From Japan

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Dec. 6 (ANS).—A big wooden box with the top securely nailed down arrived here from Japan, and mother and daughter of the house worked half an hour with hammer and chisel to pry it open.

All the box contained was a note from the U.S. Customs Office: "Removed—one Japanese machine gun."

Istanbul Bans Meetings After Anti-Red Riot

ISTANBUL, Dec. 6 (AP).—In the wake of Tuesday's riotous anti-Communist demonstrations, in which several buildings were wrecked, all mass gatherings have been prohibited by Istanbul municipal authorities, the Ankara radio announced last night.

Today a communiqué of the official government press bureau at Ankara contradicted reports of the Soviet Tass Agency describing the disturbances as Fascist.

(The Soviet radio, heard in London, attributed the demonstrations to "pro-Fascist students, cadets from military schools and other elements." The broadcast alleged there were indications the demonstration "had been prepared by the authorities beforehand.")

The press bureau communiqué reported the demonstrators had "attacked libraries having on sale Communist literature," but had waved banners denying any Fascist or Nazi connections.

Chiang Forces Near Mukden

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6 (AP).—Dispatches from Manchuria today said that Nationalist forces had pushed up the Peiping-Mukden railroad from the Great Wall of China to within 20 miles of Mukden.

The troops were said, however, to have refrained from entering the city until Russian approval could be obtained. Russian troops are still garrisoning the city, but no Chinese Communist forces are now there.

A dispatch to the "Szechwan Daily" alleged that Communist troops were poised for entry into Harbin. It also said the Communists had gained possession of a "great number of planes, while the Nationalists had none."

The dispatch said that the Communists destroyed all Japanese planes at Chih-sien before they withdrew from that town, which is now Nationalist headquarters.

China, Russia Exchange Ratifications of Alliance

LONDON, Dec. 6 (AP).—Ratification documents covering the Sino-Soviet treaty of friendship and alliance signed in August were exchanged yesterday by Soviet and Chinese diplomats, according to Moscow radio in a broadcast heard here today.

Polish Troops Reach Home

KOZLO, Poland, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The first 1,000 Polish troops to be repatriated after serving in the British Army were welcomed back to their country Sunday after crossing Europe by train.

Gen. Strazewski, Polish Deputy Minister of War, told them to forget their association with Gen. Wladyslaw Anders, commander of the Second Polish Corps in the British Army, and become good citizens of the new Poland.

There are 13,000 more Polish troops to be returned, an operation that is to be completed by the end of this month. The men were told they would be demobilized immediately and given free travel passes to their homes.

Britain Tops Coal Quota

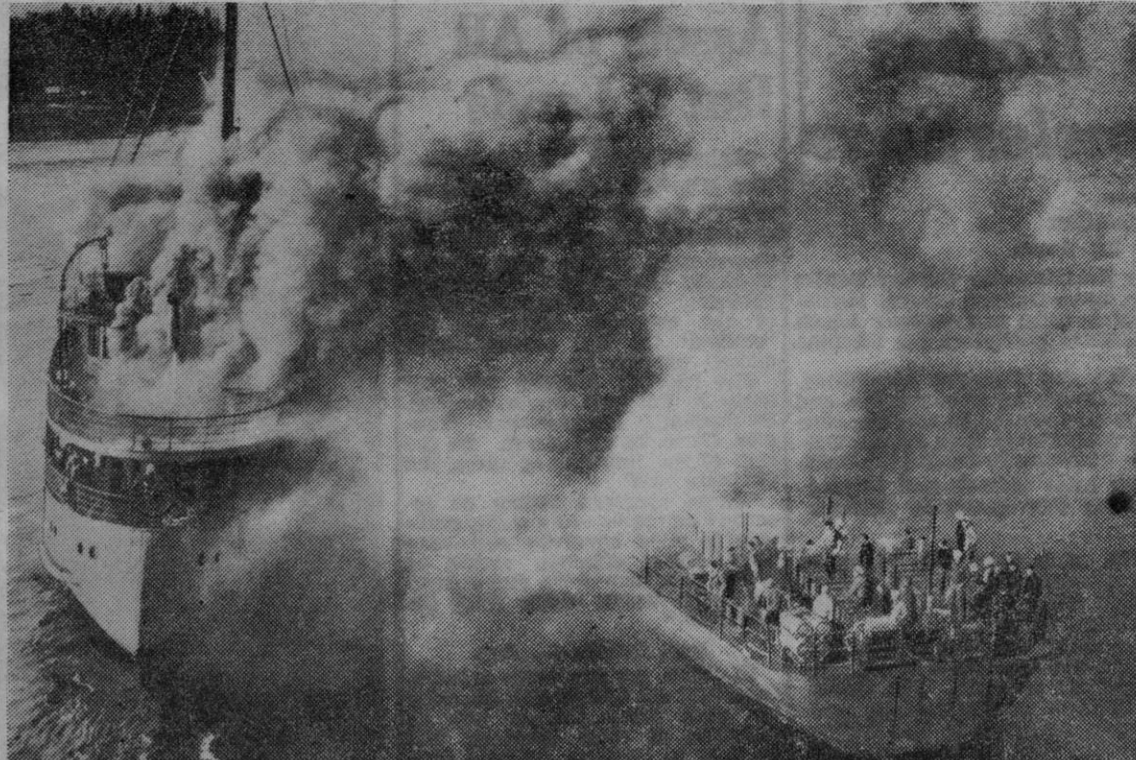
Britain sent 134,000 tons of coal to France in November—15,000 tons more than scheduled—an official French source quoted by Reuter said yesterday.

Gales Halt Marseille Sailings, Tear 2 Ships From Moorings

By Joe Mackey
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

MARSEILLE, Dec. 6.—High winds which tore two Liberty ships from their moorings during the night continued today and caused a cancellation of ship departures until tomorrow. A U.S. Army transport, a Victory ship and three Liberties carrying almost 6,000 troops were affected.

The John Jay smashed into a "Y" boat, a harbor craft, and ripped a hole in it when she broke loose



At a coast guard base in Ketchikan, Alaska, the Coast Guard-manned frigate Annapolis maneuvers to tow the blazing liner Prince George downstream and away from the town. The liner now lies a blackened hulk on Gravina Island. One of her 100 crew members was lost.

Raving Hitler Directed Ghost Army As Reds Closed in, Aviatrix Says

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

OBERURSEL, Germany, Dec. 6.—An eye-witness story of how three successive "betrayals" by trusted colleagues reduced Adolf Hitler to a gibbering maniac fighting tabletop campaigns with buttons as the Red Army closed about his luxurious Berlin air-raid shelter was told here today.

The story came from a little, blonde, round-faced German aviatrix who escaped from the Reichschancellery bunker only a few hours before the Fuehrer and a group of his fanatic followers presumably joined in a mass-suicide pact.

The woman who told the strange story was Fraulein Hanna Reitsch, a famous European pilot and glider expert who once toured the U.S. The Nazis she named as getting out while the getting was good were Hermann Goering, Heinrich Himmler and SS Obergrouppenfuehrer Fegelein.

Dodged Russian Planes

According to the story she told at the interrogation center here, she found herself a witness to the last stand of the Nazi chieftains when she piloted Lt. Gen. Ritter von Greim to Berlin from Munich April 24 through a swarm of Russian fighter planes.

Hitler greeted them with streaming eyes and fluttering hands, she related.

"Do you know why I have called you?" he asked Greim. "Because Hermann Goering has betrayed and deserted me. Against my orders he has gone to save himself at Berchtesgaden. He sent me a disrespectful telegram. He said that I had once named him as my successor and that now as I was no longer able to rule from Berlin, he was prepared to rule from Berchtesgaden in my place."

Prepared for Suicide

The flier said Hitler played the scene in a typical "Et tu, Brute" manner, full of remorse and self-pity. He told Greim he was to succeed Goering as Luftwaffe chief.

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from her moorings in the night. The Rebecca Boone, a Liberty cargo ship, also broke loose but was returned to her dock without damage. Average wind velocity here today was about 40 miles an hour, with gusts up to 50.

Port officials said today that nearly 24,000 troops had sailed from here in December up to midnight last night. Today's load, including more than 5,000 36th Div. men, would have brought the figure up to 30,000.

Coast Guard Ship Tows Blazing Liner

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

OBERURSEL, Germany, Dec. 6.—An eye-witness story of how three successive "betrayals" by trusted colleagues reduced Adolf Hitler to a gibbering maniac fighting tabletop campaigns with buttons as the Red Army closed about his luxurious Berlin air-raid shelter was told here today.

The story came from a little, blonde, round-faced German aviatrix who escaped from the Reichschancellery bunker only a few hours before the Fuehrer and a group of his fanatic followers presumably joined in a mass-suicide pact.

The woman who told the strange story was Fraulein Hanna Reitsch, a famous European pilot and glider expert who once toured the U.S. The Nazis she named as getting out while the getting was good were Hermann Goering, Heinrich Himmler and SS Obergrouppenfuehrer Fegelein.

Dodged Russian Planes

According to the story she told at the interrogation center here, she found herself a witness to the last stand of the Nazi chieftains when she piloted Lt. Gen. Ritter von Greim to Berlin from Munich April 24 through a swarm of Russian fighter planes.

Hitler greeted them with streaming eyes and fluttering hands, she related.

"Do you know why I have called you?" he asked Greim. "Because Hermann Goering has betrayed and deserted me. Against my orders he has gone to save himself at Berchtesgaden. He sent me a disrespectful telegram. He said that I had once named him as my successor and that now as I was no longer able to rule from Berlin, he was prepared to rule from Berchtesgaden in my place."

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France Dismayed by Warning Of U.S. on Centralizing Reich

Secretary of State James F. Byrnes' blunt warning that France's opposition to centralization of Germany might lead the Big Three to go ahead with such plans without the French caused a wave of dismay in French Government circles yesterday, the United Press said. The matter was expected to come up for urgent examination at Gen. Charles de Gaulle's next cabinet meeting.

A French spokesman said he hoped for a compromise solution. He expressed the French viewpoint, however, that as long as the Potsdam agreement remained in effect, France had a right to a say in action taken even in the other three zones of Germany, unless the whole principle of uniform Allied action in the Reich was to be thrown overboard.

Meanwhile, the defining of French policy on the occupation of Austria and on Russia's eventual participation in the proposed internationalization of the Ruhr was reported by Foreign Minister Georges Bidault to the Foreign Affairs Commission of the National Assembly.

This report said the French had no objection to Soviet participation in an internationalized Ruhr if the Western Allies would be permitted to join in the control of areas so far occupied by the Russians alone, such as Upper Silesia. On the question of Austria, Bidault was reported to have said that the French occupation would end whenever occupation by the other Allies ended.

Bidault was said by the Associated Press to have re-emphasized France's desire for an Allied decision on her proposals for the Ruhr and Rhineland before consenting to a centralized Germany. He was reported also to have expressed his government's willingness to resume full diplomatic relations with Spain if that country became more democratic.

Greek Cabinet Split On Election Date

ATHENS, Dec. 6 (AP).—The first serious split in the new Greek Cabinet concerns the date of the coming elections, it was learned today.

Foreign Minister Sophianopoulos and Vice-Premier Cafandaridis were reported to have sent cables to Britain, France and the U.S., urging that the elections be postponed beyond the scheduled date of March 31, 1946. Premier Sophoulis indicated he had not assented to such a request and declared the elections would be held on March 31.

Russia Boosts Civilian Output

MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (AP).—A great new production drive in Russia is succeeding, although the nation has gone back to an eight-hour working day after an 11-hour wartime day, the economic correspondent of the "Moscow News" said in an article published yesterday.

"Soviet industrial and factory workers are responding to the production speedup drive, designed particularly to give the country more consumer goods," the writer stated. "The new drive has assumed a scale that outstrips all wartime highs."

Betrayer of Czechs Hanged

PRAGUE, Dec. 6 (AP).—Alfred Bauer, a German, was hanged publicly at Litomerice yesterday after being convicted by a people's court of betraying 13 Czech students to the Gestapo.

Small Nations Gain in Move For Louder Voice in UNO

LONDON, Dec. 6 (AP).—Increased support was shown here today for a proposal that all 51 of the United Nations be represented on the steering committee which will guide the work of the General Assembly.

A split among the big powers swung a victory to the small nations, who favor the big committee as more democratic and tending to limit dominance of the big powers. In a vote on a U.S. proposal for establishment of a committee to name candidates for the steering committee, the plan was defeated, 37 to 3, with three other delegates abstaining.

Three delegates of smaller nations—Egypt, Mexico and the Lebanon—yesterday supported the Cuban proposal for a 51-member committee.

Officer Lack Delays Their Redeployment

By Johnnie Brown
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Because of a critical officer shortage, particularly in Chanor Base Section, the Army will "ration" the redeployment of officers who became eligible for release Dec. 1, it was disclosed at USFET (Rear) Headquarters yesterday.

This is not an officer "freeze," as had been rumored persistently. The plans are to let the officers go "economically" over a period of 60 days as provided for in a recent War Department cable to the theater. It means an officer who became eligible for separation Dec. 1 may be held until Jan. 31.

It affects officers in the 73-74 point bracket and those who became eligible Dec. 1 on length of service—four years and three months.

Category IV Units

TSFET redeployment officials made it clear they would carefully place eligible officers with home-going Category IV units so that there would not be a surplus in some units and a shortage in others.

Recent investigations in the Chanor section revealed that in one instance an officer worked on the docks 26 hours without rest because there was no one to relieve him.

Camp Philip Morris' assigned officer strength is 50 percent short. Camp Herbert Tareyton is authorized 121 officers, has but 81 assigned and 41 of these have 80 or more points and will be going home shortly. In one of the redeployment areas a chaplain conducts five masses each Sunday because there is no one to relieve him.

Ports Need Officers

The ports and staging areas can't be operated properly without officers, G-3 authorities insisted, and unless the operation is carried out successfully the troops can't be redeployed. Authorities said the "rationing" of officer redeployment will have no effect on home-movement of Category IV units.

The latest unit to be alerted for shipment to the U.S. from Le Havre is the 94th Inf. Div. which was switched from Category 1-T to Category IV. Its January shipping strength will be approximately 13,000 including men with 55 or more points. The division will be made up of troops from the 94th, the Third U.S. Army and U.S. forces in Austria.

Three thousand low-pointers of the 94th are being transferred into a TSFET regiment and will probably be used as graves registration crews to locate remains of U.S. soldiers buried in various sections of Europe during combat.

Emergency Leave Policy Clarified

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 6.—Emergency furlough application made in the ETO before Nov. 28 will not be affected by new regulations and will be processed here under old procedure, the USFET Adjutant General's office announced today.

The current policy, which was announced Sunday, does not provide for application made in the theater. A person in the U.S. must request the return of a soldier through the local Red Cross chapter. A report is then made by the chapter to national headquarters, which refers the case to the Adjutant General in Washington for final decision.



First Photos of Philippine Campaign Recorded by Jap Cameramen



The Japanese believed that the winning of one round meant the decision in the whole fight. So they were jubilant when they captured this big American gun on Bataan during the Philippine campaign. When the bell rang for the end of the final round, there was no cheering. These are the Japs' own photos.



These American and Filipino prisoners, captured after the fall of Bataan and Corregidor, are resting on the long march of death to the hell camps of Capas and O'Donnell. They were forced to sit in the burning sun without food or water, and any who were too weak to continue the march were slaughtered.



The little men of the Orient felt big, indeed, after their victory in the Philippines, and the vaunted Japanese "bushido" (chivalry) proved to be a myth. A Jap, dwarfed by the Americans, searches his prisoners.

Swedes Will Aid German Children

HERFORD, Germany, Dec. 6 (UP).—The Swedish Red Cross is preparing to come to the aid of German children in the bomb-ravaged Ruhr cities and Hamburg

in the British zone, according to Count Folke Bernadotte, head of the organization.

"We are going to help children—and only children," he said. "Teams will probably leave Sweden for the British zone early in January and they will provide food and medical aid and a limited quantity of clothing."

Pole Court Condemns 12 as Nazi Collaborators

WARSAW, Dec. 6 (AP).—Special courts in Torun, Lodz and Radom yesterday sentenced 12 Poles, Volksdeutsche and Ukrainians to die for collaborating with Nazis and the persecution of Poles during the occupation.

Iran Premier Denies He'll Quit, Tells of Aim to Settle Dispute

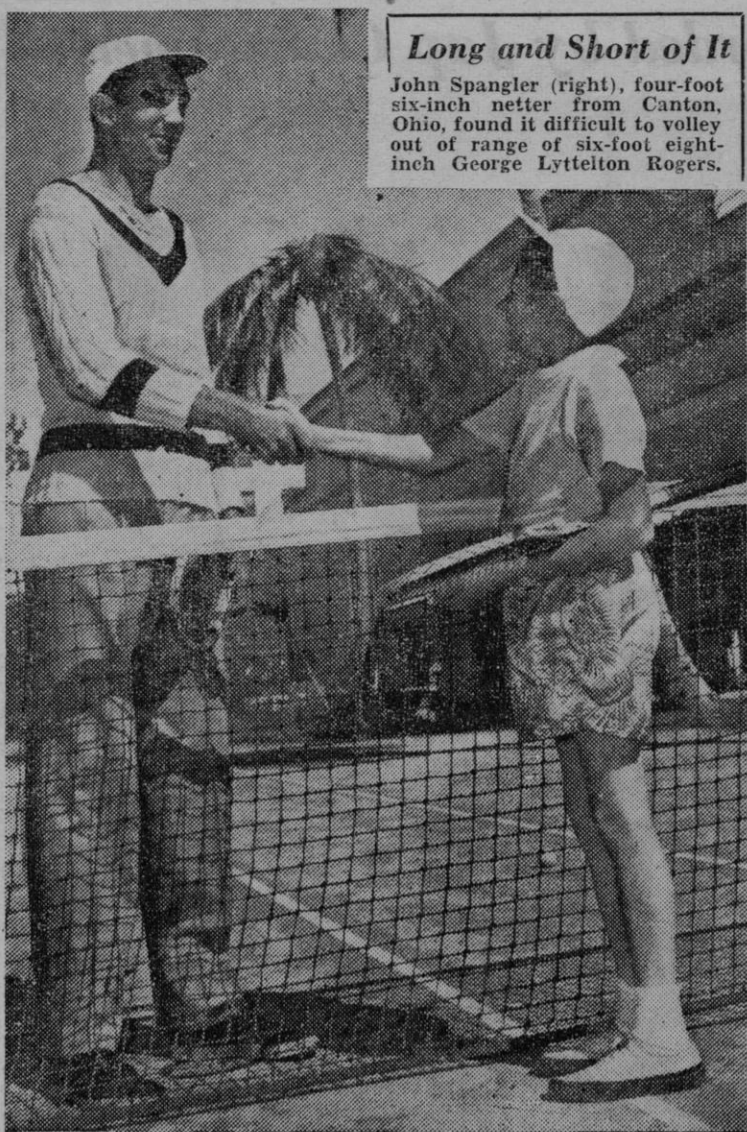
TEHERAN, Dec. 6.—Premier Ibrahim Haakimi today bluntly denied rumors that he planned to resign and, at the same time, told newspaper correspondents that he had no definite information of Russian oil installations in the northern provinces, but in any case they were not supposed to be there. Previously reported to have pledged his resignation if he were unable to negotiate an understanding with Russia over disturbances in Azerbaijan, Haakimi declared that he had no intention of such action but that he was still determined to settle the dispute.

Iranian troops sent to put down a separatist revolt in Azerbaijan, which forms Iran's frontier with the Soviet, have been held up by Russian authorities on the ground that there are already enough

Iranian forces in the provinces to handle the situation. "I have no definite information about Russian oil installations in northern Iran," Haakimi said. "There are some installations in the north, but I am not clear whether these are for oil or for water. Water is short in that area. Whatever installations there are, however, are without the permission of the Iranian government."

Switzerland to End Rationing Next Year

BERNE, Dec. 6 (AP).—Switzerland plans to lift all forms of rationing within the next year. M. A. Muggli, rationing administrator, revealed today.



Long and Short of It

John Spangler (right), four-foot six-inch netter from Canton, Ohio, found it difficult to volley out of range of six-foot eight-inch George Lyttelton Rogers.

Minor Leagues Gird for Battle Over Bid for Triple-A Rating

Trade Talk Is Rampant At Meeting

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Club by club, here are today's deals and rumored transactions among the baseball chiefs attending the minor leagues' convention in Columbus:

Brooklyn—Announced the promotion of Clay Hopper from manager of the Southern Association farm club in Mobile to manager of the International League team in Montreal and the selection of Al Todd, former Pittsburgh and Brooklyn catcher, as the pilot of Mobile. Also reported talking with Cincinnati concerning possible trade of Dodger outfielders Luis Olmo or Dixie Walker and Reds' catchers Ray Laman and Ray Mueller.

Phillies—Interested in Lammanno and Mueller as well as Cincinnati first baseman Frank McCormick.

Cubs—Would like to obtain shortstop Eddie Miller from the Reds and a left-handed pitcher from the Cardinals.

Chicago White Sox—Reportedly landed outfielder Jeff Heath from Cleveland in exchange for either Taft Wright or Thurman Tucker.

Philadelphia Athletics—Sent shortstop Edgar Busch to Oakland of the Pacific Coast League in part payment for shortstop John Caulfield and sent pitcher Steve Gerkin and outfielder Mayo Smith to Portland of the Coast League in part payment for pitcher Wendell Neser.

New York Giants—Interested in Cardinal catcher Walker Cooper, who is still in Army.

Detroit—Bidding for Ray Mack, Cleveland second baseman.

Basketball

Wednesday's Results

- Dartmouth 49, Otis Field 26
- Hamline 51, Simpson 43
- River Falls Teachers 40, St. Olaf 31
- Texas Christian 55, North Texas St. 45
- Baker 33, William Jewell 32
- Ohio Wesleyan 61, Denison 46
- Capita, 71, Wilmington 35
- Wright Field 47, Ohio State 45
- Panzer 61, Yeshiva 42
- St. Sheridan 67, Mayo Gen. Hospital 48
- Macalester 55, Carleton 45
- Camp Peary 39, Duke 35
- Baldwin Wallace 44, Akron Goodyears 38
- DePauw 39, Franklin 37
- Butler 45, Wabash 37
- Manhattan 60, Alumni 36
- California 71, San Francisco State 26
- Washington State 40, Whitman 33
- Carroll Shamrocks 34, UCLA 31

Coast Asks Major Loop Designation

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Opposition to the proposal to jump the International League and the American Association from Double-A to Triple-A circuits was assured today as the 44th annual convention of the National Professional Baseball Leagues (the minors) got under way here.

Southern Association delegates were instructed by their club owners to vote against the amendment that would give the International and the American Association higher classifications but leave the Southern group still an AA loop.

The Pacific Coast League reportedly also will seek an AAA rating if its bid for a major league status, entered yesterday before the meeting started, fails. Neither president Will

Harridge of the American, nor Ford Frick of the National League, would comment on the Coast League's request for a big league classification.

After a long floor debate the convention approved a recommendation that clubs be permitted to sign high-school players before graduation under certain conditions.

The chief condition was in "unusual cases where a boy's principal and his parents jointly agree that the emergency circumstances are such that the boy's best interests would be served." The recommendation now goes to the major league meeting in Chicago next week for concurrence.

Rebuff Chandler
The minor leaguers delivered a rebuff to Baseball Commissioner Happy Chandler when they approved his idea for a \$50,000 foundation to protect and develop sandlot and school prospects but voted that the office handling the foundation "be apart from any other office now in baseball."

Chandler, who had wanted the foundation directed by his office, said he thought the minor leaguers were "trying to do something that won't work," since "everything in baseball should come under the commissioner's office."

The Texas and Three I Leagues rounded out the day's doings by announcing they would be in operation in 1946 after the wartime suspension.

Georgia, Tulsa To Collide in Oil Bowl Game

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Tulsa and Georgia Universities, both twice-beaten during the 1945 football season, yesterday accepted invitations to meet in the Oil Bowl game here on New Year's Day.

The acceptances were subject to the approval of the Missouri Valley and Southeastern Conferences, but sanction in each case was considered a mere formality.

It will be the fifth consecutive bowl appearance for a Tulsa team. Coach Henry Frnka's Golden Hurricanes beat Texas Tech in the 1942 Sun Bowl, lost to Tennessee in the '43 Sugar Bowl, lost to Georgia Tech in the '44 Sugar Bowl and beat Georgia Tech in the '45 Orange Bowl.

Previous Georgia bowl teams smothered Texas Christian in the 1942 Orange Bowl and beat UCLA in the '43 Rose Bowl.

Ted Williams Reaches U.S.

MIRAMAR, Calif., Dec. 6 (ANS).—Lt. Ted Williams, former Boston Red Sox slugger, reported yesterday for reassignment at the Marine Air Base here after 20 months overseas. He said he hoped to rejoin the Red Sox for the 1946 season.

Increased Prices Keep Peoria Keglers Idle

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 6 (ANS).—The Midwest strike of bowlers over increased playing rates spread to this city yesterday with keggers in virtually every league remaining away from the larger alleys.

Topping Shifts Dodger Eleven From NL to All-America Loop

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (ANS).—The All-America Professional Football Conference scored an important victory yesterday when Dan Topping, part-owner of the New York Yankees and owner of the Brooklyn franchise in the National Football League, announced that he was transferring operations from the NFL to the new circuit in 1946.

Topping, whose Brooklyn team merged with Boston for the 1945 campaign, said his team would be known as the New York Football Yankees and would play its home games in the Yankee Stadium.

Announcing he was ready to cast his lot with the new loop because he had failed to reach an agreement on playing dates with Tim Mara of the New York Giants, the wealthy sportsman said there was "no question of the success" of the All-America loop.

"I am willing to work with Mara to avoid conflicts in home dates as much as possible," Topping said. "If Mara doesn't want to work with us, we will just take our chances."

Biff Succeeded By Masterson

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 6 (ANS).—The University of Nebraska obtained a successor to Lawrence "Biff" Jones as head football coach today in the person of Bernie Masterson, former Cornhusker and Chicago Bear quarterback and onetime gridiron mentor at Stanford and UCLA.

The 32-year-old Masterson, now on terminal leave from the Navy, signed a five-year contract but salary terms were not disclosed. He will serve only as the football coach, since Al Lewandowski will continue as acting athletic director.

The resignation of Jones, who held both jobs before accepting an Army commission and assignment as the West Point graduate manager of athletics, was announced a few days ago.

Bruins Overcome Hawks To Annex Second Place

BOSTON, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Boston took over second place in the National Hockey League last night by downing the Chicago Black Hawks, 6-3, before a capacity throng of 14,000.

The defeat left the Windy City sextet in a third place tie with idle Detroit. The game was featured by the inability of Chicago's Max Bentley and Mosienko, the league's leading scorers, to rack up a goal.

Nova, Sparlis to Try Hand at Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Boxer Lou Nova and All-America football Guard Al Sparlis, of the current UCLA eleven, were signed today for roles in a forthcoming movie.

The 20th Century-Fox studio said that Nova and Sparlis would play "tough mug" parts in a film entitled "Somewhere in the Night," which stars John Hodiak and Nancy Guild.

Spinach Deficiency, No Doubt

A left hook to the jaw sends Walter "Popeye" Woods diving to the canvas in the seventh round of his fracas with Jake Lamotta, New York, in a Boston American-Record-Advertiser Veterans' Fund bout at the Boston Garden. In the next round, Lamotta put "Popeye" away for keeps with the same type of punch.



Atomites Enter Unit Playoffs

Special to The Stars and Stripes
REIMS, Dec. 6.—The hard-hitting Engineer Atomites, Seine Section unit champions, will collide with the Blue Devils of Oise Saturday, at 2 PM, at the Municipal Stadium, in the opening game of the TSFET Unit playoffs.

Undefeated in league competition, the star-studded Engineers will be sparked by Dave Tyndall, former LSU back; Russ Eastburn, Santa Clara; Al Ohlenforst, St. Joseph U., and Carl Stravinski. Their forward wall averages slightly better than 200 pounds and has allowed their toes scored 151 points compared to only six points all season, while the Atomite backs were rolling to 151.

Line Coach Ed Barner, of the Ordnance aggregation, says that he is ready to hurl two full lines against the Atomites, one averaging 207, the other 191 pounds. L. F. Lermiar, a 201-pound back, will lead the Devils on the attack.

The winner of the game will meet the 761 FA Bn., Chanor Base unit champion, Dec. 15, to determine the TSFET unit titleholder.

'No Frosh, Let's Cancel' Moans Bernie Bierman

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 6 (ANS).—Minnesota University "might as well cancel next year's grid schedule" if the Big Ten votes to forbid the use of freshmen in 1946, coach Bernie Bierman lamented today.

