

One Year Ago Today

First and Nilt' mop-up on Roer west bank. Third crushes savage counter-attacks in Saar sector. Seventh enters Enchenberg on Alsatian-Saar frontier.

The Weather Today PARIS: Cloudy-32 S. FRANCE: Fine to clear-53 DOVER: Cloudy-38 GERMANY: Cloudy, snow-32

Vol. 2—No. 146

1 Fr.

1d.

Sunday, Dec. 9, 1945

Big 3 Ministers to Meet

PET'S RETURN COSTS \$65-115

By Robert Marshall Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 8.—Dogs and cats were declared eligible for redeployment today. The first shipments are scheduled to sail from ETO ports Monday.

Animal redeployment, USFET announced, will have no effect on repatriation of soldiers. The four-footed dogfaces will be transported in cargo ships not suitable for troop movements.



The cost of the fare, incidentally, will be deducted from the shipper's Currency Control Book balance. About \$15 of the cost will cover crating, inoculations and food provided by the Army.

mals to the reception kennels at Southampton, Antwerp, Le Havre or Marseille, complete with T/E equipment, consisting of collar and chain furnished by the owner.

Army veterinarians will tag, examine, appraise and inoculate the pets at the reception kennels. Shippers will sign a certificate declaring the animal is being sent into the U.S. for his personal use and will not be disposed of by sale or gift and will not be used for herding sheep or livestock.



Then charges will be calculated and paid, and that's the last the soldier will see of his pet until he arrives Stateside.

A few owners will be able to accompany their pets by volunteering as caretakers, officials said. About one caretaker per 20 pets will be chosen from volunteer officers and enlisted men who are eligible for shipment home. Caretakers will be relieved of their duties when the ship arrives in New York and will go to the reception center to which they would normally report.

Byrnes, Molotov, Bevin to Discuss Atom in Moscow

The Big Three will come to grips with the world problem of controlling atomic energy at a meeting in Moscow next Saturday of Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov.

The conference, announced yesterday in Washington, London and Moscow, will afford the Russians their first opportunity to present their views on how to go about working out a formula for the control of atomic power within the framework of the United Nations Organization.

This, according to a London spokesman, will be the main topic of discussion, but a disclosure that the three foreign ministers would also exchange views on "other matters" concerning their governments threw open a wide range of other issues beclouding Allied brows.

Issues to Be Discussed

Among those issues are the future control of Germany and Japan, the peace treaties, the role of Russia in the Balkans and Iran and the whole plan for the United Nations Security Council, particularly the recently-disputed question over the abandonment of the veto power.

However, it was indicated, the three ministers would not discuss questions directly affecting France, presumably because of their failure to invite a French representative to the conference.

The Moscow meeting was described in London as being in accordance with the Yalta declaration that provides for quarterly reunions of the three-power foreign ministers.

First Meeting Unsuccessful

It will mark the first time the Big Three will have sat over a conference table since their London negotiations, also attended by the French and Chinese Foreign Ministers, broke off in October with nothing to show but suspicion and ugly rumor.

Since that meeting was disrupted, London sources said, the big powers have been working generally in close collaboration. All three recently went on record with statements placing great hopes in the future of the UNO as the salvation of a world "cursed" with the atomic bomb. These sources said Byrnes, Bevin and Molotov would try to pick up the threads of their October meeting. They pointed out that the Moscow conference would not have been considered if there was not a better than even chance of successful agreement this time.

The conference was not expected to interfere with plans for the meeting in London of the UNO Preparatory Commission or for the holding of the first UNO Assembly

Truman Seeks Quick OK of British Loan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (UP)—Assurance that ratification of the proposed \$4,400,000,000 loan to Britain will be sought without delay was made by President Truman at a press conference yesterday when he said he would soon send a message to Congress asking its approval of the loan pact.

Congressional leaders are confident the agreement will be approved following debates in both the Senate and House. These debates are likely to be heated, however, and there may be attempts by opponents of the plan to introduce amendments designed to cripple the whole scheme.

The outlook for passage of the loan agreement was improved following a statement in favor of the pact by Cordell Hull, who was President Roosevelt's Secretary of State.

"I believe that the government's over-all plans set forth the prerequisites to economic prosperity and improved standards of living in our own and all other countries," Hull said.

Opposition already has been voiced by Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.), who said: "Unless the (Continued on Page 8, Col. 1)"

Report Marine Killed, China Village Shelled

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (UP)—U.S. forces shelled a Chinese village near Asham after a Marine was killed and another wounded in that vicinity, according to a report received today by the National Broadcasting Co. from its correspondent in Shanghai.

The order was reported given on Dec. 4 by Gen. Keller E. Rockey, commander of the Third Amphibious Corps directing American Marines in North China.

The report said Marines fired 24 rounds of mortar shells into the village when natives refused to surrender two men suspected of an attack on Marines.

(The International News Service reported yesterday from Chungking that 6,000 Nationalist troops, en route to Manchuria, had boarded U.S. vessels at Haiphong.)

Chiang Forces Seize City On Communist 'Lifeline'

CHUNGKING, Dec. 8 (UP)—Chinese government troops thrusting a second wedge from the south into Communist forces, seized today the Great Wall pass city of Kupehkw, 40 miles southwest of Changteh, on the Communist "lifeline."

(Meanwhile, Nationalist forces striking north in the original drive toward Mukden had gotten to within ten miles of that city according to a Central government announcement reported by INS.)

Kupehkw an ancient stronghold 70 miles northeast of Peiping on the Great Wall which has been fortified at strategic points by the Communists to turn back Nationalist forces attacking from the south was the scene of a desperate Communist defense before it fell to an army attacking from Peiping

500 Political Prisoners Riot in Italy; One Killed

PADUA, Italy, Dec. 8 (AP)—Guards fired on 500 rioting political prisoners in the penitentiary here killing one of them.

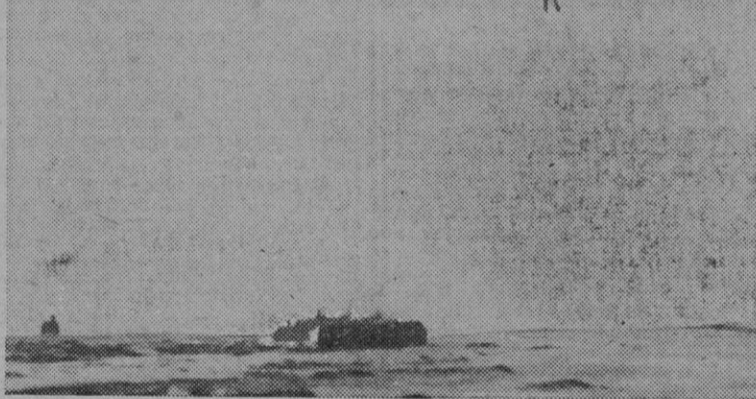
The disturbances started with protests over food, which an Allied investigating body later found to be excellent.

AP All-America Team In S & S on Tuesday

The Associated Press All-America football team of 1945, based on a poll of AP writers throughout the nation, will appear with pictures in the sports pages of Tuesday's Stars and Stripes.

Dramatic Rescue From Doomed Ship

Crew members on a ship which floundered on a reef along the northeast Atlantic coast were saved by a helicopter. One of the men dangles from a rope which was let down to the doomed vessel.



Ordering Hour's Double-Time Admitted by Lichfield Officer

By Art White Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 8.—1st Lt. Leonard W. Ennis, formerly a prison officer at the Tenth Reinforcement Depot, admitted today that he had ordered prisoners to stand "nose and toes" against a wall and double-time for as long as one hour as punishment. He was testifying for the defense as the trial of Sgt. Judson H. Smith former provost sergeant at the Lichfield guardhouse who is accused of brutal treatment of prisoners.

Yesterday, Col. James A. Kilian, former CO at the depot, testified that guards had no authority to double-time prisoners against a wall, nor did they have authority to strike prisoners with clubs, although they were issued clubs as "protective weapons."

(On Tuesday, Sgt. Saul L. Russ, a 29th Div. combat infantryman, testified that Smith had beaten him with a "billy" while he was made to double-time for 25 minutes against a brick wall.)

Ennis Trial to Come

Ennis, one of two former Lichfield officers charged with brutal treatment of prisoners, will be tried at the conclusion of nine individual trials for enlisted guards. Smith is the first of the EM to face the court. Ennis told the court today he had been shipped to the U.S. from Lichfield suffering from psychoneurosis and was brought back to the UK for the trial.

Kilian had testified that solitary confinement consisted of seven days

in a cell with up to 12 days in exceptional cases. He said he could not remember solitary confinement having been ordered for men other than recaptured escapees and (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

Jap Code Aided U.S. Victories. Marshall Letters Told Dewey

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—"Top secret" letters written by Gen. George C. Marshall to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York during the 1944 Presidential campaign reveal that the U.S. naval successes in the Battles of Midway and Coral Sea resulted in part from cracking the Japanese code. They were placed in the records of the Pearl Harbor inquiry yesterday.

Marshall told the Republican candidate that the U.S. learned of Hitler's intentions in Europe through messages from the Japanese Ambassador in Berlin. Moreover, he disclosed that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's European campaign and all Pacific operations were

closely related to the information obtained through interceptions.

Appearing for the second day before the joint Congressional committee, Marshall told how Dewey refused to read the first letter in the belief that it contained matters he already knew of and thus would be unable to use in his campaign if he accepted them in the letter.

Marshall said he later wrote Dewey a second letter which the Republican Presidential candidate agreed to read. This letter made it clear that neither the late President Roosevelt nor former Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson knew Marshall was writing to Dewey.

Mr. Roosevelt died "without knowing anything about this," Marshall added.

21 Ships Taken Off ETO Run

By Johnnie Brown Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Twenty-one ships, which carried 54,157 troops on trip, are being transferred from European Theater ports to Pacific redeployment assignments, the War Department has advised USFET (Rear).

Some of these vessels have already been canceled from European shipping, Army G-3 authorities said they all would be taken away during December.

Transfer of the vessels will not delay planned redeployment from European ports, G-3 said, and there will be enough shipping to maintain the desired flow of troops from this theater.

Seven American cruisers, three aircraft carriers and a battleship operating under the Navy's "Magic Carpet" Atlantic project will remain on their European redeployment runs from Le Havre and Southampton, the Navy announced.

Monty Spurns Appeal, Belsen Gang Must Die

HERFORD, Germany, Dec. 8 (AP).—Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery rejected today all appeals by the "Belsen Gang" and ordered Josef Kramer, Irma Grese and nine other convicted torturers and killers of prisoners in the Belsen and Auschwitz concentration camps to die on the gallows.

THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Scalpers

It has been the policy of the Marnigan Theater in Paris to sell tickets for various amusements just two days in advance.

On Wednesday, Nov. 14th, I was first in line waiting for the box office to open—to obtain tickets for Friday's Opera. I was sure of good tickets, being the first in line on the day of sale. When the box office opened, I was told that all tickets were already sold. The French girl in the ticket booth offered no explanation.

Someone is holding aside these tickets and making a little profit. Whichever it is, the ticket-seeker has to take it on the chin.—Sgt. David D. Jorovsky, I and E Sect.

Editor's note: With regard to the incident reported by Sgt. Jorovsky, he broker notified this office after investigation that the regular girl operating that box office was ill on the day in question and was replaced by a substitute. This girl did not know she had the tickets, being under the impression that all of that particular allocation had been sold. Later on in the day, when this error was detected, the tickets were immediately placed on sale. No attempt was being made to withhold these tickets from sale, or to save them for special individuals.—Barre Hill, Major, A. C., Seine Section Special Services Officer.

Amoozed But Confoozed

Hey: I demand a recount! Where in the hell is Daisy Mae? Last Friday she was about to marry up with Lil' Abner. What happened? Did they forget about Sadie Hawkins Day? You can't do this to us—the whole outfit will go AWOL! We want Daisy Mae to marry up Lil' Abner. We've been sabotaged! Thief! Scoundrel! Betrayer of GIs! Wrecker of morale!—Pfc Robert E. Barns, Brighton Technical College.

BCVs Resent PX Ban

The PX is refusing to allow British civilian volunteers to buy gifts, pens, alarm clocks, etc. If the present policy has been formed to prevent unauthorized persons from buying gifts etc. to the detriment of U.S. Army personnel, surely the BCVs should be included in the order as being authorized to purchase these items.

It is practically impossible to purchase pens and clocks in Britain, owing to the shortage there caused by the war-time measure of turning all industries over to war production and the exorbitant prices in France prevent their purchase here. These articles are not "luxury items," as applied to scarves, perfumes, etc. A pen and clock are essential items in our assigned duties and daily routine.

For more than three years we have proudly considered ourselves as an integral part of this headquarters. We believe we may justly resent the differentiation now.—E. M. Cole, OFLC, E. M. Mills.

Relax, You'll Make It

We were told that something between "Thanksgiving" and "Christmas" we would be on the way home... Well! today is "Thanksgiving" and here we sit.

The Stars and Stripes says that, Dec. 1, 55-pointers will be eligible for discharge... Why have we been

neglected the way we have? We aren't essential in any way and would appreciate a little consideration.—T/5 William C. Milligan, 3193 QM, Serv. Co.

Editor's note: This letter was referred to USFET (Rear) G-3 who disclosed that the 3193 QM Sv. Co. is a 65-69 carrier already moving into Camp Philip Morris. They are scheduled to sail between Dec. 8 and 12.

Watch the Speedometer

Here is a case of justice, as interpreted by the Paris summary court.

On Nov. 9, I thumbed a ride in a jeep with two Pfc's traveling to Paris on orders. Glad for the ride, I seated myself in the rear. En route, I noticed that the speedometer did not register.

In Paris, we were stopped on the Champs by a motorcycle MP and hailed into the Opera traffic court, charged with exceeding the 20-mile speed limit.

Before I actually knew what was taking place, a first lieutenant of engineers informed me that I was charged with a violation of the 96th AW which he never bothered to read.

He charged that as ranking non-com in the jeep, I should have taken charge of the vehicle, seeing that it was taken to the nearest ordinance depot for speedometer repairs. As a consequence, the lieutenant fined me \$20.

Now, I take this opportunity to thank him for adding a blemish to a spotless record.—Cpl. Neil N. Burd, IX BADA, AAF Station '99, (Paris).

No Quota for Arrests

This is an order sent down from Sissonne Sub-Area headquarters through our Provost Marshal's office:

The Sissonne Garrison, Oct. 25, 1945. Notice all drivers. Military police have been given a quota of 20 drivers a day that must be picked up for speeding and illegal trip tickets. They must pick up this many or suffer company punishment.—Pvt., Hq. Comd, Transportation Co.

Editor's Note: This letter, with name deleted, was referred to the commanding officer, Sissonne Sub-Area, who replied:

This headquarters has never issued either by written order, TWX or verbal order any instructions giving quotas of drivers to be picked up for speeding and illegal trip tickets. Records in this headquarters indicate that between the dates Oct. 25 and Nov. 16 a daily average only of 3.87 speeding and trip-ticket delinquencies were booked in all of the following camps under our jurisdiction: Camp Detroit, Camp Chicago, Camp Washington, D.C., Camp Oklahoma City and Camp Sissonne.

An Ad for Democracy

The former Adolf Hitlerstrasse in Freising, Bavaria, has been renamed after the present MGO there. The citizens of Freising are indeed fortunate in having the leadership of Adolf Hitler replaced by that of the estimable MGO, but we feel that there are individuals more suitable to advertise American democracy. How about a Lincoln Strasse or a Washington Strasse—Two Hero Worshipers.

Rhapsody in Black



Posing between scenes of her latest picture, Hollywood starlet Noreen Nash displays an attractive new gown.

GIs Learn Cookery Ala Francaise, Chow Is Strictly Epicurean

By Harlan Althen
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A group of GIs who have been studying the art of cookery at the Paris School of Hostelry for several weeks tried out their wares on a dining-room full of willing guinea pigs Friday night.

All the military guests and most of the press—invited to the dinner by CofPBA (the Franco-Allied Goodwill Committee)—seemed agreed that it was the most elegant repast they had seen or eaten since they came to Paris.

For an hour and a half the guests had swarmed about the massive kitchen watching GIs prepare the food under the fastidious eyes of French chefs. The soldiers were assigned to the school under the Army's Information and Education program.

While some guests kibitzed around the tables and ovens, others heard a brief lecture on the origin of "homard a l'Americaine" by Michel Bouzy, head chef of the Prunier restaurants in Paris. Despite the American tag, it is really a French way of cooking lobster, Bouzy explained.

Chopping away at a fish that looked like a phonograph record with a head and tail, which he identified as turbo, T/4 Clair Gothard of Barbourville, W. Va., explained that the course was another step in kitchen academics for him. He plans to return to Marshall College, Huntington, W. Va., for a dietetics degree, after which he intends to go to Cornell or Iowa State for a master's degree.

Brewing a batch of France's beloved sauce hollandaise, WAC Lt. Margaret Newman of Keene, N.H., said who taught home economics at Pembroke, N.H., said the French really opened her eyes on the subject of cooking, particularly in their use of wines in cooking.

Capt. Russell G. Ranney, Newark, N. J., school teacher, said he took the course because cooking was his hobby. On weekends, he said, he would chase his wife out of the kitchen.

"Americans don't know what they're missing when it comes to dining—and winning," said Sgt. Clifford Larson, Amesbury, Mass., as he poked around an oven full of roasting pheasant. In hotel work for 15 years, he plans to open a restaurant featuring French cooking and service when he returns home.

Puttering about a table covered with petits fours, S/Sgt. Edward S. Gallagher of Pueblo, Colo., confessed that it was homesickness for the kitchen which made him take the course. Although a veteran hotel cook in civilian life, he explained, the Army made a chief clerk out of him his second day in.

Dollars and Cents

For Pfc Joseph L. Richer, Everett, Wash., the course meant dollars and cents. "I have a bakery back home, but I never put out anything but bread and rolls," he said. "Now I won't have to blush when I call myself an expert caterer."

When the onlookers had run out of questions, and the food was ready to be served the guests sat down to eat—and discovered that in France it takes almost as long to eat the dinner as it does to make it.

The only American intrusions on the menu were peanut butter and grapefruit juice. The repast included creamed corn soup, turkey poché with sauce hollandaise, filet of beef with grilled tomatoes, fried potatoes and mushrooms, roast pheasant on canape with green salad, pears and ice cream, petits fours and coffee. White Burgundy wine was served with the fish and red Bordeaux with the beef and pheasant.

Gems and Chains Deck Corpse In Fort Monmouth Mystery

BELMAR, N.J., Dec. 8 (ANS).—Police decided yesterday that the Salvador Dali-like tableau they found in a rooming house here was a surrealist suicide with Freudian overtones.

The macabre picture was the body of an Army officer hanging with a strange assortment of jewelry adorning it. The dead man was Capt. Robert J. Wallace, 36, executive officer of the Fort Monmouth post laboratory.

Pacific 60-Pointers To Sail by Dec. 15, Eichelberger Says

FORT SHAFTER, Hawaii, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Lt. Gen. Robert Eichelberger, flying home for the first Christmas with his wife since 1941, promised yesterday that "we are going to have all of our 60-pointers afloat by Dec. 15."

"By early January we will have 55-pointers on the way. Our higher-point men already have gone, and we are ahead of our planned schedule."

En route to Asheville, N.C., to spend Christmas with his wife, Emma, Eichelberger will stop over in Long Beach, Calif., so his pilot, Lt. Col. Chuck Downer, may see his bride.

Eichelberger contradicted a report of impending starvation in Japan with the remark, "If there is going to be any starvation, I don't know when it is going to start."

The general will return to Tokyo Jan. 1.

Liberty to Sponsor LaGuardia on Air

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia signed yesterday a one-year contract by which Liberty magazine will sponsor his Sunday night broadcasts over 198 stations of the American Broadcasting Company from 9:30 to 9:45 PM Eastern Standard Time, starting on Jan. 6.

The size of the contract was not disclosed, but when editor Edward Maher was asked whether LaGuardia's salary would amount to \$100,000, he replied, "that's low."

LaGuardia will discuss national affairs, and his talks will not be censored according to magazine and radio officials. He must, however, submit advance summaries of his remarks to the radio station, an ABC executive said.

Lost: One U.S. Army Tractor and Trailer

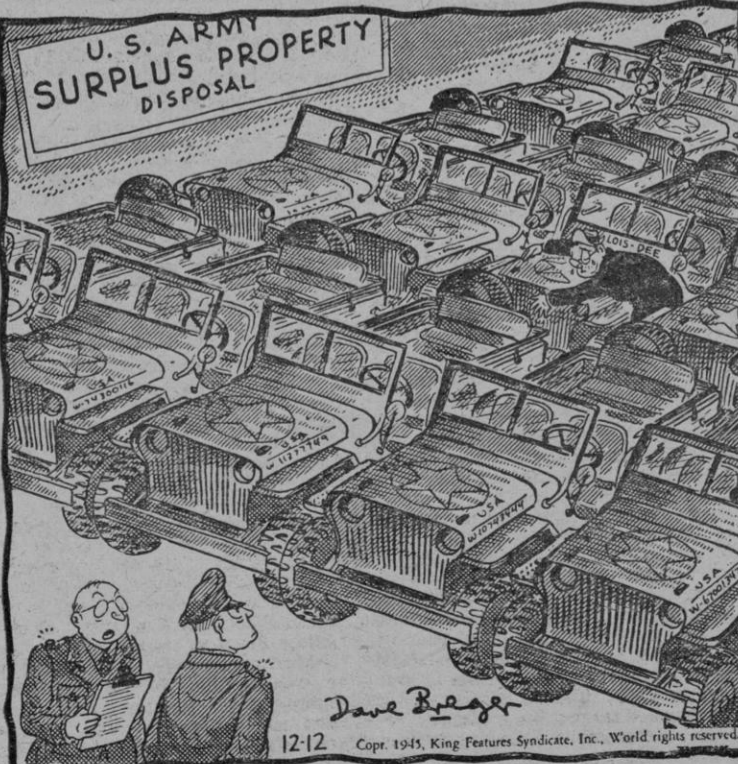
Has anyone seen a five-ton tractor, International, USA No. 572756, pulling a trailer filled with Army Talks? This tractor was stolen from the Metz bivouac area on Dec. 6. Any information should be relayed to Lt. O. S. Smith Jr., Transportation Officer, Stars and Stripes, APO 887.

G.I. BILLBOARD

- Paris Area**
 - MOVIES TODAY
 - MARGNAN—"Colonel Eifingham's Raid."
 - ENSA PARIS—"Blood on the Sun," James Cagney, Sylvia Sydney, continuous 1400-2300, Metro Marbeuf.
 - OLYMPIA—Same as Margnan, 2330 only.
 - MAISONS-LAFFITTE—"Radio Stars on Parade."
 - STAGE SHOWS
 - ENSA MARIIGNY—"Gang-show," WAAP Production
 - OLYMPIA—"Point Parisiana," revue, 1430, 2000
 - MISCELLANEOUS
 - PX Fountain SHOP—Adjacent to Main PX at Rue de Provence, and Rue du Havre. Open daily except Sunday 1300-2130. Malted milk, ice cream, sundaes, beer.
 - COLOSSEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers.
 - LE PRADO CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Iernes or Etolie.
 - ARMORIAL CLUB—Officers and guests only. 14 Rue Magellan, Metro George V
 - OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment RIC 64-41, Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Metro Bourse.
- Calas**
 - "GI Carmen."
- Le Havre**
 - STEERING WHEEL—"Captain Eddie," NORMANDY—"On Stage Everybody," SELECT—"Story of GI Joe," HERBERT TAREYTON—"Grunts and Groans," and "Allies in Revue."
 - PALM MALL—"Stars on Parade."
 - BOLBEC—"Happy Go Lucky!"
- Compiègne**
 - NOUVEAU—"Captain Kidd," Charles Laughton, Randolph Scott.
 - Verdun**
 - VOX—"Sing Your Way Home," Jack Haley, Lynn Jeffries.
 - Reims**
 - PARAMOUNT—"I Love a Bandleader."
 - Nancy**
 - SHOWTIME—"And Then There Were None," Barry Fitzgerald, Walter Huston.
 - Marseille**
 - ALCAZAR—"Captain Eddie."

Mister Breger

By Dave Breger



12-12 Copr. 1945, King Features Syndicate, Inc. World rights reserved.

THE STARS AND STRIPES

This is not an official publication of the U.S. Army
Western Europe Edition
Printed at the New York Herald Tribune Plant, 21 Rue de Berni, Paris for the U.S. Armed Forces under auspices of the Information and Education Division ISPEI Tel.: ELYsee 40-28, 41-49.
Other editions: Pfungstadt and Altdorf, Germany, New York Office, 205 E. 42nd St.
Entered as second-class matter, March 15, 1943, at the Post Office, New York, N.Y., under the act of March 3, 1879.
Vol. 2, No. 146



Winter Storm Lashes at Northeast Atlantic Coast Towns



One of the worst northeast storms in years roared along the Atlantic seaboard recently, causing heavy damage and the loss of several lives. Top: Water backs up into Quincy (Mass.) streets, causing motorists

to abandon their autos. Bottom, left: A three-foot snowfall blanketed Watertown, N.Y., stalling traffic and burying automobiles. Right: A tempest lashes at waterfront buildings in Winthrop, Mass.

Don't Let Rank Hog Best Jobs, Hargrove Says

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Civilian Marion Hargrove, recently discharged GI and author, let the National Association of Manufacturers have it with both barrels yesterday when he appeared before the organization's congress to talk under the title "See Here, Private Enterprise."

Hargrove said that as far as he could remember the NAM had "never done anything constructive" and that he could never figure out the purpose of the organization. "You always seem to be against everything up for consideration," he added.

"The NAM has such a bad name, a lot of which may be a carryover from its worse days, that even when it's right about something it can't draw public support to it," Hargrove declared.

Tells of Conversation

Hargrove told of a conversation he had with an NAM employee about the troubles expected in fitting into industry the "Shipping clerks and such who were drafted into the Army and are coming back now as lieutenant colonels and brigadier generals."

Worry about their future is not the kind of thing "to endeavor you to the great masses of returning veterans, most of whom haven't even made corporal," Hargrove said.

"It's a little silly to think that because your shipping clerk made \$450 a month in the Army he has to get \$450 in civilian life," Hargrove added. "There were a great number of unmitigated jerks in the war holding major's rank while their work was being done by privates first class, and the fact that they were in the Army in the Army doesn't entitle them to the gravy in civilian life."

Some Earned Their Pay

Acknowledging that many such persons actually did earn their pay, Hargrove suggested testing to see if these are worthy of better jobs, "but it would be a bad mistake to promote them automatically on the basis of their Army ranks. Too often in the Army you find that the relationship between a man's rank and his ability is purely coincidental," he said.

"The average American soldier underwent financial hardships in the war, and he took a lot of abuse from these incompetent office boys who were drawing plump salaries and seniority promotions," Hargrove declared. "He was pushed around a lot in the Army, and he's come out determined to take a minimum of pushing around in civilian life."

When Hargrove had finished, J. A. Hartley, chairman of the session, told the delegates: "Don't take it too seriously. This kid's all right. He's a good boy."

Later, Ira Mosher, NAM president, indicated he had been surprised by Hargrove's theme, but commented good-humoredly, "We're always glad to hear from the other fellow."

Jealous Woman Corners and Kills Hubby With Auto

PATERSON, N.J., Dec. 8 (AP).—A dignified, gray-haired matron, Mrs. Geneva Humphrey, was charged by police yesterday with chasing her 43-year-old husband, Hugh, with an automobile, cornering him and crushing him to death in a jealous rage.

The county prosecutor said the Humphreys went out together Thursday night, visited several bars and began to argue over another woman.

When Humphrey walked out of the restaurant where they were sitting, his wife followed him in a car, police charged, and ran over him when she cornered him in a blind alley. She was still sitting silently at the wheel when police arrived.

Increase of U.S. Coal For Europe Expected

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP).—An order from Reconstruction Director John Snyder to increase American coal shipments to Europe over the next three months is expected within a few days, it was reliably learned today.

Government coal officials said the order would outline a program for European shipments seeking to make up the present lag. Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes has indicated America exported only slightly above half her 8,000,000-ton commitment for 1945.

Soldier's Wife Weds a Sailor; Then In-Laws and Kids Walk In

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Edith Feldman, 22, pretty and red-haired, believes in the merger of the services so much that she married a sailor after she was wed to a soldier, police said yesterday. "I just couldn't help it," Edith said. Police charged her with bigamy.

Everything happened except a landing of the Marines when Edith celebrated her second marriage. The one to the Navy party pretty well broke up when relatives of her Army husband, accompanied by her two children, walked in during the revelry.

As Edith told it to police, her Navy romance began when Seaman Vayprin Wall walked into the restaurant where she is a waitress. He was the handsomest sailor she ever saw, she said. So she didn't say no when he asked for a date. After a few more dates, Wall popped the question and Edith said yes again.

Edith said she planned to tell Wall about her other husband, but somehow she just kept forgetting. Edith's latest wedding was performed by a Navy chaplain and attended by some of Wall's Navy

buddies. Afterwards they all went to the Feldman apartment to celebrate.

The party was going fine when relatives of the original husband arrived.

"Is this a surprise party for Jack?" They asked. "Is he coming home?"

"It's Edith's wedding party," the sailors explained. "But Edith's already married," the new arrivals gasped.

So Edith started explaining how she had married Sgt. Jack Feldman in 1938 and how he had been overseas for two years, and how those two cute kids who just came in from the movies, Edith, six, and Sammy, four, were actually hers.

Victory Loan Drive Tops 11 Billion Goal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—The Treasury announced yesterday with little fanfare that the Victory Loan had passed its \$11,000,000,000 goal.

The total to date was \$12,288,000,000. The drive, which began Oct. 29, ends at midnight tonight.

Manville's 3th Shows Who'll Wear the Pants

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP).—British-born Georgina Campbell says she will set a precedent when she becomes the eighth wife of Tommy Manville, asbestos fortune heir, tomorrow. She said all seven of Manville's previous brides wore wedding gowns for the ceremony. She will be married in slacks.

Estimates U.S. Leftovers Could Feed Europeans

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (UP).—Diners in restaurants in the U.S. leave enough uneaten food on their plates to provide full meals for hungry Europeans. Mrs. R. Martha Henning, of the Swedish Red Cross, declared here.

Justice Hughes' Wife Dies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Mrs. Charles Evans Hughes, wife of the retired chief justice, died last night after an illness lasting several weeks. She was 81. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes married in 1888. Death came the day after their 57th anniversary.

Churchmen Hit Peace Draft

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Spokesmen for church and labor organizations have fired a verbal broadside at proposals for universal military training.

Testifying before the House Military Affairs Committee, they urged that before the U.S. resorted to peace-time conscription it should seek to outlaw universal training throughout the world.

Those registering their opposition to the proposed legislation included: Martin H. Miller, national legislative representative for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Dr. Allen Bates, East Pittsburgh, Pa., who said he was authorized to speak for the executive committee of the Council of Churches of Christ in the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County and the Society of Friends; Edward T. McCaffrey, national commander of the Catholic War Veterans; Dr. Could Wilkey, of Washington, speaking for the National Commission on Christian Higher Education of the Association of American Colleges, and the Rev. Charles F. Boss Jr. of Chicago, representing the Commission on World Peace of the Methodist Church.

Germans Return 'Home,' Dine Out

Former German troops, heavily coated against the winter's chill, return to Berlin to find desolation and destruction. Here, these men of the "super race," who once lived off the fat of Europe, pause at the trail's end to prepare their meal in the street amidst the ruins of wrecked buildings.



Scientist Tells How Atom Rays Slew Japs Weeks After Blasts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—A scientist has described how the fantastic effects of rays given off by atomic bombs killed Japanese weeks after the blasts which flattened Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Dr. Philip Morrison, who helped assemble these bombs, said the rays strangely affected the blood and made the victims a prey to fatal infection.

In a statement before a special Senate atomic-energy committee, he told of the gruesome findings of a party which inspected the devastated cities after the Japanese surrendered.

Most Died Quickly

He said most persons within a mile of the bombs died quickly, either from the great heat of the blast, or injuries suffered in demolished buildings.

Many who escaped death by blast or burns, Morrison said, "died from the effects of radium-like rays, emitted in great number from the bomb at the instant of the explosion."

"This radiation affects the blood-forming tissues in the bone marrow and the whole function of the blood is impaired," the former University of Illinois physics instructor related.

Oozes Through Skin

"The blood does not coagulate, but oozes in many spots through the unbroken skin and internally seeps into the cavities of the body. The white corpuscles which fight infection disappear."

He said lack of these corpuscles permitted infection to "prosper" and the patient died, usually two or three weeks after the exposure.

Morrison said it was probable that an atom-bombed American city "would be as badly damaged as a Japanese city, though it would look less wrecked from the air."

"In Japan the wreckage burned clean; in a Western city the rubble would stand in piles in the streets."

"But the city would be just as ruined and the people of the city as dead."

Jewish DP Influx Snags U.S. Zone Relief Plan

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LANDSBERG, Germany, Dec. 8.—A major policy decision on the highest level faces the U.S. as a result of the migration of thousands of Jews, surviving remnants of Eastern Europe's once populous Jewish communities, into the American zone of Germany.

The influx is proceeding at the rate of 1,000 to 3,000 a week and has wrecked the Army's program for rehabilitating Jewish displaced persons.

American generals saw the impact of the infiltration when their investigation of "appalling conditions" of the DP camp here revealed more than 6,000 Jews crowded into a camp designed to house no more than 4,000.

Three and four families were living in single rooms without partitions. All through the camp, two persons were sleeping in single, army-size bunks.

These men, women and children many bearing the tattoo marks of Nazi concentration camps, had come hundreds of miles to find refuge from persecution and hunger. Hundreds more slip over the zone frontier daily from Poland, Czechoslovakia and other occupation zones of Germany.

There were about 40,000 homeless Jews in the U.S. zone when the war ended. Army planning was based on repatriating as many as possible, then rehabilitating the remainder for eventual resettlement.

90 Percent Returned

Considerable numbers returned to Poland. But reports of Jewish persecutions began to come out of Poland. Ninety percent of the repatriates returned to the U.S. zone, often bringing relatives and friends who had never left before.

By winter's end, the Army estimates, nearly 100,000 Jews will be in the American zone. In time, probably most of the 350,000 Jews in areas adjoining the zone will make their way into it.

When the Army came into Germany, its first mission in respect to homeless Jews was to rescue them from Nazi-inflicted degradation and persecution.

Moral Rehabilitation

After that would come moral and vocational rehabilitation, the kind of training and care that would enable the Jews to make their way by their own efforts.

The rehabilitation phase was begun. Then came the flood of migration back into the U.S. zone. Rehabilitation work had to be abandoned and the earlier rescue mission resumed.

As the sick and starving continue to flow into American territory, three possible courses are open to occupation authorities. The first would be to close the zone frontier to those seeking haven here and to continue rehabilitation of those now safely inside the borders.

An alternative would be to leave the border open as it is today, but with the understanding that American forces could offer nothing better than the sort of rescue work carried on last spring.

A third possibility involves offering the U.S. zone as a haven and staging area where Jews could prepare for resettlement through a thorough rehabilitation program.

Of these three courses, the last is regarded as most compatible with American official aims and the desires of the American people.

Indianapolis Skipper



Capt. Charles McVay

Commander of Jap Sub That Sank Cruiser Called to U.S.

TOKYO, Dec. 8 (AP).—The Japanese Kyodo News Agency said today the commander of the Japanese submarine which sank the U.S. cruiser Indianapolis has been called to Washington, where he may testify in the court martial of Capt. Charles McVay, skipper of the Indianapolis.

He is Ike Hashimoto, commander of the submarine which sank McVay's vessel in Philippine waters last July.

The prosecution in the McVay court martial charged that he failed to order a zigzag course for the Indianapolis and failed to issue clearcut orders to abandon ship.

A dozen of the 316 survivors from the crew of 1,196 have told of two explosions which rocked the Indianapolis. The cruiser sank ten minutes later.

U.S. Wheat Sought To Avert French Bread Rationing

Bread rationing will be reinstated in France unless some way is found to import this month wheat ordered abroad, mostly in the U.S., Food and Agriculture Minister Robert Tanguy-Prigent told the United Press yesterday.

The minister drew a dismal picture of France's food prospects, blaming the failure of imports to arrive on the shipping shortage. He stressed that the return of bread cards would be a terrific blow to the morale of the French people.

Dutra 500,000 Ahead in Brazil; Army Expected to Back Him

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 8.—Gen. Eurico Gaspar Dutra held a lead of better than 500,000 votes today over Gen. Eduardo Gomes in the Brazilian Presidential election.

Latest unofficial figures transmitted by the Associated Press credited Dutra with 1,112,234 votes to 612,684 votes for Gomes.

Gasperi to Try Again to Unite 6 Italy Parties

ROME, Dec. 8 (UP).—Italy's Cabinet crisis today was back where it was ten days ago, when the Liberals refused to join a six-party coalition except under special conditions.

Following his efforts to form a government based only on five parties, Alcide de Gasperi, leader of the Christian Democrats, now apparently will try again to bring the six parties together in a coalition. A spokesman for De Gasperi said settlement of the crisis was not expected for "one or two days."

(Reuter reported from Rome that De Gasperi had been ill with a cold for some days and was too sick yesterday to continue trying to form a new coalition government to succeed that of Ferruccio Parri, which resigned two weeks ago.)

Meanwhile, "serious differences" between Crown Prince Umberto and the five parties of the Committee of National Liberation threaten to aggravate the crisis, according to an Associated Press dispatch.

(The Crown Prince's refusal to sanction a five-party government might force a showdown on the monarchy, which has been protected up to now by a truce, the AP said.)

I & E Colleges To Stay Open

Biarritz American University and Wharton American Technical School will remain open next year, TSFET I and E Div. announced yesterday.

Previously scheduled to close around the first of the year, both schools will stay open because of the continued demand for this type of education. In addition, the projected elimination of the training within civilian agency phase of the program has been canceled, and civilian colleges in England, France and Switzerland will admit GIs, nurses, Wacs and officers next year.

Courses at Biarritz and Wharton will remain eight weeks long, but the student body will be cut to 3,000. The schools may eventually move to Germany. Final closing dates will depend on the number of troops in the theater.

Primate Backs Polish Regime

LONDON, Dec. 8 (INS).—Cardinal Hlond, Catholic Primate of Poland, announced in a Warsaw dispatch to a Polish press agency his support of the Polish government's goal of "better social and political order" for Poland.

Indians Protest Trial of Officers by British



Protesting against the trial of Indian officers who joined the Japanese-fostered National Indian Army, Indians stage a demonstration in Calcutta. Here they are blocking the passage of a train by swarming over the tracks.

Czech People's Court Hangs Man and Woman

PRAGUE, Dec. 8 (AP).—A woman and a man were executed yesterday after convictions in a people's court trying alleged traitors.

The Czech woman, Monika Benesova, a law student, was hanged at Cesky Brod after conviction on a charge of betraying Czech patriots. At Brno, Jan Ocacek, 56-year-old rail worker, was executed on a charge that his information to the Germans led to the death sentence of a Czech woman.



Navy Denies Evacuation of Java Civilians

By the United Press

The Navy Department in Washington denied yesterday a report published abroad that the Navy was undertaking the evacuation of thousands of women and children internees from Java.

The Navy pointed out that it has thousands of soldiers to transport homeward from the Pacific.

At the same time, a War Department spokesman denied another report that the U.S. was planning to land troops in Indonesia.

Meanwhile, high British authorities in Batavia declared that the recent conference in Singapore of top Allied officials was "quite successful" and that "complete agreement" was obtained.

The Allied commander in Java is now fully empowered to restore and maintain law and order in such areas as might be considered necessary, these sources said. "Moderate" Indonesians were completely in accord with the decisions, made necessary by widespread kidnaping and disorder, they added.

Serious fighting broke out in Batavia last night when two platoons of armed Indonesians attacked the dock area. Indian troops broke up the attack without any casualties, a communiqué said.

Troubles at Bandung, 100 miles southeast of Batavia, took a con-

New-Design Plane Cracks Up



This new-design plane, which was under construction for two years in England, crashed near Radlett, Herts, on its initial flight. The test pilot and a technician were killed.

Berlin's Santa Has A Black Beard—Toys Are a Racket, Too

By Norman Palmer

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Christmas spirit has invaded three centers of black-market activity here as mama dolls, teddy bears, hobby horses and other toys made their appearance in the Tiergarten, Alexanderplatz and Potsdamerplatz at usual black-market prices.

While few shops operating in the city carry stocks of more than simple wood toys, paper tree decorations and traditional Advent crowns of pine, shoppers looking for a better grade of toys must patronize illegal markets, where slightly used items are available.

A hobby horse sold for the equivalent of \$200, a mama doll brought \$150 and a teddy bear \$30.

Poland Joins Foes of U.S. as Peace Capital

LONDON, Dec. 8 (AP).—Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.) told a United Nations subcommittee today that the new international peace capital should be established in the U.S. because "it is a country that belongs more to the world than to its own people."

Hearings on the selection of a site for the UNO—the most important business before the Preparatory Commission here—brought opposition from Canada, Greece and Poland to the choice of the U.S.

The Polish stand came as a surprise, as all eastern European nations had been expected to stand with Russia in favoring the U.S.

(The United Press reported that unofficial polls now give the U.S. 28 sure votes and nine uncertain, and Europe 12 sure votes. Iran and five members of the Arab League hold the key to the result, since they might be able to prevent a two-thirds majority by voting for Europe.)

The veil of secrecy surrounding Canada's opinion on the site was broken when her delegate, L. Wilgress, came out for Europe, declaring that "the great number of problems that will have to be solved concern Europe."

Philippine delegate Pedro Lopez opened arguments for taking the United Nations to the U.S. "That is the best way to keep the U.S. in the United Nations," he said, declaring that to do otherwise would mean a return of the U.S. to isolationism.

Dachau Scientist Pleads for Life To Carry On Malaria Experiments

Austria Cabinet Almost Ready

VIENNA, Dec. 8 (UP).—Austria's new coalition government is nearly complete, following a reshuffle of the ministries after the general election.

Eight of the 16 Cabinet posts will go to the People's party, which holds the most seats in the new Parliament. These include the Foreign Ministry and the Ministries of Agriculture, Public Property and Education.

The key Ministry of the Interior, which controls the police, will go to the Socialists, the second largest of the three major parties.

Only one ministry is being offered to the Communists, either the Ministry of Electrification and Natural Resources or a Ministry Without Portfolio.

The new Chancellor, Leopold Figl, also will hold the post of Foreign Minister. Assisting him as Minister Without Portfolio will be Karl Gruber, a former Undersecretary.

Conscription of Women In Britain Assailed

LONDON, Dec. 8 (AP).—Malcolm McCordquodale, former parliamentary secretary to the Ministry of Labor, yesterday termed it "monstrous" that six months after VE-Day women were still being conscripted in England.

"This is the only country in the world in which women are not free to choose their own occupation," he said.

It's 'for Humanity,' Says Doc Who Injected PWs

DACHAU, Germany, Dec. 8 (AP).—Aged Dr. Klaus Schilling pleaded tearfully yesterday with a Military Government court trying him for Dachau atrocities that "for the benefit of humanity" he be permitted to live to complete the work on malaria experiments he performed on prisoners.

At the end of his long testimony, the German scientist appealed in English: "It would be a terrible loss if I could not finish my work and my report on these experiments. If as a result of my experiments a cure can be found, it would be an enormous benefit for humanity."

'In Name of Science'

Schilling admitted infecting more than 1,000 helpless prisoners with malaria, but insisted he did it only in the name of science. He admitted he used humans instead of guinea pigs because the animals were not suitable for malaria experiments.

The doctor denied that any died as a direct result of his experiments, challenging the testimony of a former prison physician that hundreds of deaths resulted. He showed surprise when confronted with his own experimental records.

"I thought these cards had been burned, but find they were put aside to be used as evidence against me," Schilling said.

Fritz Becher, a five-year inmate of the camp charged with mistreating prisoners while he was a block leader, denied seriously beating prisoners and admitted only occasional face slappings.

Polish Paper Lashes Regime

WARSAW, Dec. 8 (AP).—In the sharpest attack against the government yet made by a newspaper in Poland, the organ of Vice-Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, Gazeta Ludowa, demanded today that the administration explain its intention to nationalize the country's industries.

The newspaper also lashed at the government's policy in the western territories, where, reports from that area said, tens of thousands of Polish families had been dumped without any organization to help them find homes.

The journal's unprecedented editorial assault followed the declaration of British Ambassador V.F.W. Cavendish-Bentinck that freedom of the press and of speech was non-existent in Poland.

Reich Soldiers Get 'Boost' in Pay

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Dec. 8.—Pay raises have been granted certain former Wehrmacht members now working for U.S. military organizations, USFET revealed.

The raises aren't likely to cause any income tax complications, however, for they simply bring the pay of these individuals up to the rate of 80 cents a day, now allowed German prisoners. This 80 cents a day is payable some time in the future.

German affected are those classified as "disarmed enemy forces." They were taken in the mass surrenders at the end of hostilities, and are distinguished from "prisoners of war," who were seized under combat conditions.

Sixty Carlists Arrested Following Police Clash

PAMPLONA, Spain, Dec. 8 (AP).—Sixty Carlists have been arrested as a result of a clash with police here Monday, in which it was estimated 10,000 shots were fired, it was disclosed today.

Twelve persons were wounded, nine of them police. Two policemen are in serious condition, it was reported.

Hungarians Displeased By Czech Minority Talks

BUDAPEST, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—Hungarian sources are reported displeased with the progress of Hungarian-Czechoslovak talks on evacuation from Czechoslovakia of Hungarian minorities.

While Czechoslovakia appeared willing to drop discussions on its reparations demand for a share in Slovakia property abandoned by Hungarian nationals, the Czechs continue to insist on a population exchange.

Woman Wants \$1,000 to Return Sailor's Baby

CHELSEA, Mass., Dec. 8 (ANS).—A ransom demand for "more than \$1,000" for the return of six-month-old Ronald Carlan yesterday spurred a search for an unidentified woman who made the demand of Mrs. Rose Carlan, the child's mother. The baby's sailor father has never seen his son.

Police Lt. John J. Kirby quoted Mrs. Carlan as saying that she told the woman who telephoned yesterday afternoon that she didn't have the money, but that she might be able to raise it. Kirby said that the woman then answered: "Well, I'll call you again, probably tomorrow."

In their quest for information, the father, MM 1/c James Carlan, and the mother made a 26-station radio appeal. They gave formulas for feeding the infant, who had a cold when he was snatched from a carriage across the street from the family home nine days ago.

Reds 'Regret' Raid In British Zone

BERLIN, Dec. 8 (AP).—A Russian general expressed regret to the British today for a raid Nov. 24 by Russian military police at the Hotel Am Zoo in the British sector, during which the hotel staff was lined up and questioned.

The general explained that the police were hunting deserters and that their entry into the hotel was due to a misunderstanding. The British had complained at a Kommandantur meeting that the agreement allowing the Russians to stage a deserter hunt in their sector forbade them to enter any building used by the British Army. The hotel houses the press camp.

Aga Khan to Weigh In At 600,000 Carats

LONDON, Dec. 8 (AP).—Six hundred thousand carats (264 pounds) of British rough diamonds will be sent to India to help the Aga Khan prove to his followers that he is "worth his weight" in the precious gems.

The diamonds will be used to balance the scales against the weight of the leader of the Ismaili Khoja Moslem community at celebrations of the Aga Khan's diamond jubilee in Bombay, March 20, and in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika Territory, a British mandate in East Africa, on Aug. 17.

After the ceremonies the diamonds will be returned to London, since their value of £800,000 already has been collected for division between Indian and East African charities.

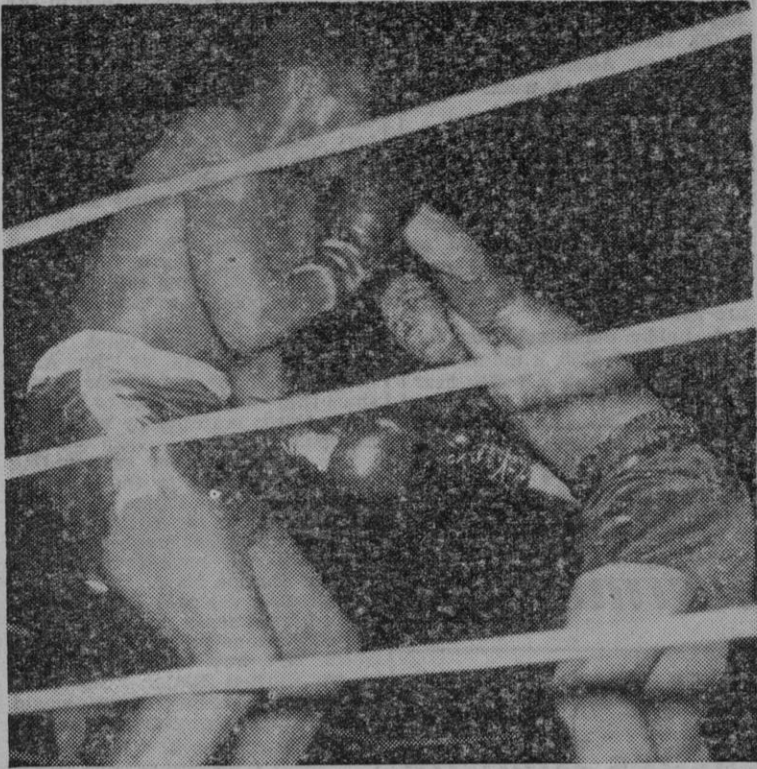
Political Leaders Form 'Liberal' Party in Japan



Among the Japanese politicians who have launched activities to put their country on a democratic basis are these leaders of a new Liberal party, who are meeting daily in Tokyo to make plans for coming elections. They are, left to right, Prof. Katsuihi Yamoto, an author; Shinkuro Murayasu, former member of the Diet, and Shotaro Yano, parliamentary counselor of the Ministry of Finance.

Minors Approve Major Status For Pacific Coast League

Brown Bomber Warms Up for Conn Attack



World heavyweight champion Joe Louis connects with a left to the chin of "Sugar Lip" Robinson in an exhibition bout at San Francisco.

Brazilian Offers Mike Jacobs \$3,000,000 for Louis-Conn Go

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (ANS).—A fantastic offer to stage next June's world heavyweight title bout between Joe Louis and Billy Conn in Brazil with a guaranteed gate of \$3,000,000 was received today by promoter Mike Jacobs.

33-Pt. Sinkwich Gets Release

DENVER, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Homebound to Youngstown, Ohio, today was Frankie Sinkwich, former Georgia University All-America and Detroit Lions back, following his discharge from the Army at Lowry Field here.

Sinkwich, who entered the Army last April after service with the Marine Corps, had only 33 points but the Second Air Force headquarters at Colorado Springs approved his discharge on dependency and undue hardship grounds because of his father's illness. The victim of a recent knee injury, Frankie said he hoped that it would not prevent his playing professional football next season.

Chanor Boxers Defeat Swiss

BALE, Dec. 8.—The Chanor Base boxing team defeated the Swiss amateur team of Bale last night, 3-2, when heavyweight James Treadwell scored a decision over Hans Jost in the seventh and deciding match on the card. Two bouts ended in draws.

Wylie Burns, a 165-pounder from West Palm Beach, Fla., stole the spotlight when he fought Hans Muller, Swiss amateur champion, to a draw.

The results:
Rene Banele def. Ernest Knight, Harrisburg, Pa., 127 pounds.
Fig. Tennenbaum def. Sam Haskins, N.Y.C., 135 pounds.
George Murray, St. Louis, Fred Adami, Draw, 172 pounds.
Wilton Kenep, Riverside, N.J., def. Alfred Heim, 158 pounds.
Dearford Glover, def. Kurt Liecht, 147 pounds.
Wylie Burns, West Palm Beach, Fla., Hans Muller, Draw, 165 pounds.
James Treadwell, Newark, N.J., def. Hans Jost, 172 pounds.

McGrew Put in Charge On Braves' Farm Chain

BOSTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—The eight-team farm system of the Boston Braves today was placed in charge of Ted McGrew, former National League umpire and one-time scout for the Phillies and Dodgers.

Final Decision In Hands of NL, AL

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 8 (ANS).—The Pacific Coast League's request to become the nation's third major baseball circuit was unanimously approved at the final session of the minor league convention here yesterday with the understanding it would be "welcomed back" if the American and National leagues failed to accept the Westerners' application at their annual meeting in Chicago next week.

President Clarence "Pants" Rowland of the Coast League expressed delight over the favorable response despite the fact "a lot of folks think we are biting off more than we can chew." He conceded that perhaps his loop would not draw major league crowds in every park or pay top salaries at the outset, but asserted "otherwise we certainly can put our business on the basis of a major league operation."

Observers here, nevertheless, continued to predict that the American and National Leagues would deny big league status to the Coast League even if Baseball Commissioner Albert B. "Happy" Chandler approves.

In the only other action of any consequence at the final session, the minors adopted legislation forbidding payment of bonuses for signing of player contracts. The resolution, which must receive the major leagues' blessing before it becomes baseball law, requires that all payments to a player must be included in the salary stated in the contract, but does not outlaw bonuses for participation in play-offs or other inter-league or intra-league series.

Gee Walker Signs With Sacramento Club

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Yesterday's final session of the minor baseball leagues' convention here saw little done in the way of buying, selling or trading. The few transactions announced were:
Sacramento—Signed Gerald "Gee" Walker, former outfielder with the Detroit Tigers, Chicago White Sox, Washington Senators and the Cincinnati Reds. He was released recently by the Reds.

Pittsburgh—Released coach Jake Flowers to the Boston Braves and signed Del Bissonette, former Boston Braves manager, to succeed Flowers. The Pirates also sold infielder Al Rubeling to Syracuse of the International League.

Brooklyn—Disclosed the addition of the Johnston, Pa., entry in the Mid-Atlantic League to its farm system.

Cincinnati—Sold infielder Steve Mesner to Sacramento of the Pacific Coast League.

Ursinus Names Coach

COLLEGEVILLE, Pa., Dec. 8 (ANS).—Emil H. Messikomer, former West Chester (Pa.) Teachers College athlete, today was appointed basketball coach and physical education instructor at Ursinus College. Messikomer recently was discharged from the Navy.

The offer was made in a cable from Joaquim Rolla, who described himself as the owner of four gambling casinos in South America. He proposed that the fight be staged at Quitandinha, a resort 22 miles northeast of Rio de Janeiro.

Jacobs expressed only mild interest in the proposition but did point out that the value of the radio and movie rights in the United States would be increased if the bout were held in another country.

Mike had said earlier that he expected the fight to yield between \$3,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in the States.

Coincident with the receipt of the Brazilian offer, Jacobs learned that the National Boxing Association's executive committee had passed a resolution stating it would be for the benefit of boxing if the Louis-Conn battle took place elsewhere than in New York City—preferably in NBA territory, which means almost any other city in the United States.

Picard Annexes Lead at Miami

MIAMI, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Veteran Henry Picard, who yesterday carded a three-under-par 67 for a two-round total of 136, took over the lead in the \$10,000 Miami Open golf tournament.

In second place with a 137 was defending champion Dutch Harrison, while amateur Frank Stranahan and Gib Sellers were tied for third, two strokes behind Picard. Chick Rutan, who led at the end of the first-round firing, dropped far down the list when he soared to a 74 and a two-day total of 142.

Wake Forest to Compete In Florida's Gator Bowl

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 8 (ANS).—Sponsors of the local Gator Bowl announced today that Wake Forest College had agreed to be one of the teams in the New Year's Day football game. President Charles Hilty of the Jacksonville Lions Club, sponsors of the contest, said that Wake Forest's opponent would be selected in a day or two.

The Gator Bowl is one of the two New Year's Day games scheduled for Jacksonville, the other being the Flower Bowl.

From Catching to Dishing It Out



Detroit Tigers' catcher Paul Richards turns sports writer during the off-season. Here he is at work on the Waxahachie (Texas) Light, where he works as sports editor during the fall and winter.

DePaul Quint Beats Oklahoma In Battle of Giant Centers, 46-42

STILLWATER, Okla., Dec. 8 (ANS).—In a game featuring a duel between two of the nation's greatest centers, DePaul University's quintet edged out the Oklahoma Aggies, 46-42, here to avenge a defeat by the Cowboys in last season's game for the National Collegiate basketball championship.

The battle of the centers found DePaul's six-foot nine-inch George Mikan outscoring the Aggies' seven-foot Bob Kurland, 25 points to 18, although Kurland fed the ball to teammates for many of his team's remaining counters.

The visitors from Chicago led, 27-22, at the half but lost the margin temporarily at the start of the second half when the Aggies forged ahead by one point. DePaul soon regained the lead and never was headed again.

Basketball Results

- Arkansas 66, West Ky. Teachers 46
- Baldwin Wallace 56, John Carroll 36
- Juniata 53, Carnegie Tech 41
- Texas Christian 46, North Texas 37
- Columbia 57, Webb 18
- Rutgers 51, Bucknell 41
- Syracuse 76, Cortland Teachers 41
- Colgate 68, Kings Pt. Merchant M. 47
- Bowdoin 46, Portland (Me.) Naval 44
- Ft. Schuyler 54, Queens 27
- Idaho 50, Walla Walla Air Base 44
- Washington State 41, Whitman 34
- Eastern Kent. 60, Georgetown (Ky.) 27
- Baylor 47, Personnel Distrib. Comm. 38
- Ft. Meade 39, Georgetown (D.C.) 27
- Louisville 51, Evansville 42
- Iowa State Teachers 96, Grinnell 32
- Cherry Point Marines 39, Aberdeen 29
- St. Joseph's (Ph.) 70, Wash. C. (Md.) 22
- Illinois Tech 58, Chicago Naval A. 56
- Purdue 51, Camp Atterbury 44
- North Carolina 55, Camp Lee 40
- DePaul 46, Oklahoma A&M 42

Riggs Scores In Pro Meet

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Second-seeded Bobby Riggs easily defeated Bill Weissbuch of Palm Springs Calif., 6-1 6-1, yesterday in a first-round singles match in the \$5,000 world professional hard court tennis championships.

Riggs thus moved into the second round along with top-seeded Don Budge, Bill Tilden, Fred Perry, Les Stofen, Jack Faunce and Jack March, who yesterday upset Gene Mako, former world doubles champion.

Faunce won straight love sets from Walter Westbrook of Pasadena and Stofen defeated John Lamb of Palo Alto, 8-6, 6-2, in the only other singles matches played yesterday.

Tilden and Stofen handily defeated Lamb and Westbrook in the day's only doubles match, 6-3, 6-2.

Orly Flyers Win, 76-46

The Orly Field Flyers defeated the 3160 Signal basketball team, 76-46, Friday night, at St. Didier gym.

Buhl Stable Boasts Own Three-Horse Parlay

MIAMI, Dec. 8 (AP).—Lex W. Buhl, stables of Detroit, has three full equine brothers in training at



Air Sailor (left) fourth in the 1945 Kentucky Derby, gets chummy with his two full-brothers at Hialeah. Likeasnot (center) is a five-year-old and at right is an unnamed yearling.

Hialeah race track—and he wants to see them all enter the winner's circle in a single day.

Wilson admits that it is quite an ambition, but he plans to place them in separate races on a day soon after Hialeah opens its season on Jan. 17.

One is a three-year-old, the second is a juvenile and the third is a yearling. They all advance a year in age Jan. 1, the birthday for all race horses.

The full-brothers are Air Sailor, a three-year-old, which ran fourth in last June's Kentucky Derby, and a \$35,000 stakes winner at Chicago last summer; Likeasnot, a five-year-old sprinter, and an unnamed yearling which will get his baptism of fire as a juvenile at Hialeah.

All are the sons of Sweep Like out of the Stimulus mare, Miss Morocco.

Air Sailor was something of a sensation as a juvenile in 1944. He won about everything asked of him at the Detroit Fair Grounds and came up last spring a bright and shining prospect for the Derby.

N.Y. to London By Air, \$375; To Paris, \$275

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP).—Pan American Airways has filed a request with the Civil Aeronautics Board to increase its New York-London passenger rate from \$275 to \$375.

The boost is sought, the company said, "in order that it might be permitted to operate its fair share of the American flag frequencies to the U.K.," but, Pan American added that its present rate of \$275 from New York to Shannon (Eire) would be continued.

Pan American said the proposed increase was necessitated by the reported offer of its competitor, American Airlines, "to operate at a higher rate and thus gain the major share of American-flag frequencies."

Pan American's trans-Atlantic schedule to Britain was cut last week from five flights weekly to two soon after the line reduced its New York to London rate to \$275, less than half of the war-time rate.)

The hike in the London rate, Pan American emphasized, did not mean that the company accepted the principle of an "agreed rate" for trans-Atlantic services, adding that when the Paris flights were resumed soon the rate would be \$275.

When the British government ordered the reduction in flights from New York to London, a company statement said the order was in "retaliation for the low rates established by Pan American for trans-Atlantic air travel."

The British Ministry of Civil Aviation declined comment, but pointed out that there had never been a permanent arrangement permitting the American line more than two flights a week.

Hawaii to U.S., No Sail, LST Aids Blonde Skipper

PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Tonya Jones, the woman who boldly sailed to the U.S. in an old 30-foot sloop last month, was aboard a Navy LST today after being picked up 390 miles north-east of Honolulu.

The LST skipper radioed Pearl Harbor: "Have picked up Tonya Jones, lone occupant of sloop Audacious, off Honolulu. Sloop still adrift."

The message said nothing of the woman's condition. She had been at sea 30 days.

Blonde, 32-year-old Tonya had begun the journey despite disapproval of port authorities. She had expected the trip to require around 50 days.

Miss Jones sailed from Oahu after four previous attempts to get started. Her final departure featured a stowaway—a Stars and Stripes reporter, who succumbed to seasickness the first day out and was sent back aboard a pilot boat.

In her first 30 days at sea, Miss Jones had covered less than one-fifth of the distance to San Francisco.

AFN PARIS 610 Kc NORMANDY 1204 Kc

Time	TODAY	TOMORROW	
1200-News	1830-Nelson Eddy	6600-News	1130-Pass in Review
1205-Sunday Serenade	1900-Pass in Review	6615-Morning Report	1500-News
1230-Concert Hall	1930-Jack Benny	6715-Hill Billy Show	1505-Beaucoup Music
1300-Melodies	2000-Caravan	6730-News	1600-Symphony Hour
1330-You Asked for It	2030-C. McCarthy	6745-GI Jive	1700-Duffie Bag
1400-Dick Haymes	2100-News	6800-Fred Waring	1800-News
1415-Downbeat	2105-Hour of Charm	6830-Repeat Perf.	1815-Personal Album
1430-Roy Snields	2130-Command Perf.	6900-News	1830-Supper Club
1500-News	2200-Radio Theater	6915-Modern Music	1845-Magic Carpet
1505-Family Hour	2300-Report	6930-State Dept.	1900-James Melton
1530-Kostelanetz	2315-AFN Bandstand	6945-String Serenade	1930-Burns, Allen
1600-Symphony Hour	2330-Merely Music	1000-Ranch House	2000-Infom. Please
1700-Duffie Bag	2400-News	1030-Here's Horace	2030-Comedy Caravan
1800-World News	0015-Midnight Paris	1045-Easy Does It	2100-News
1815-Swingtime	0200-Sign Off	1100-Jack Kirkwood	2105-American Album
		1115-Across the Board	2130-AFN Playhouse
		1130-At Ease	2200-American Music
		1145-Melody Roundup	2230-Guy Lombardo
		1200-News	2300-Bull Session
		1205-Off the Record	2315-Spotlight Band
		1300-Help Wanted	2330-Merely Music
		1305-Sports in Review	2400-News
		1315-Remember	0015-Midnight Paris
		1330-You Asked for It	0200-Sign Off
		1400-Your Love Song	
		Short Wave 6,080 and 3,565 Meg.	

Dick Tracy

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune Syndicate, Inc.



By Chester Gould

Terry and The Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

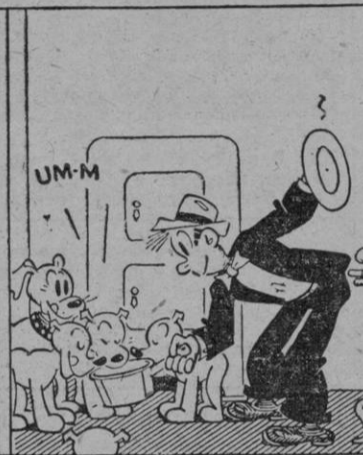
By Milton Caniff



Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate

By Chic Young



Joe Palooka

By Courtesy of McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

By Ham Fisher



Balts Take Break In Hunger Strike; Health Sagging

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 8 (AP).—The interned Balts in Sweden today temporarily interrupted their hunger strike, started two weeks ago as a protest against extradition to Russia. The Balts attained their aim as all of them were brought to hospitals and the Russian transport ship sailed without them.

In a letter to the Swedish Medical Board their leader, a Latvian doctor said "the passive resistance has been temporarily interrupted, as the state of health among the internees from a humanitarian point of view demands a break."

The Stockholm newspaper Dagens Nyheter said that investigations were proceeding to determine why the Balts in question served in the German Wehrmacht.

Sixteen Germans in Rinkaby Camp, who also tried to avoid extradition, still are missing. The camp authorities believe that they attempted to dig an escape tunnel from their internment camp and that it caved in on them.

In Backamo Camp, two exhausted internees crept from their hiding place under a floor when the Swedish state police, through a loud speaker, threatened to cover the camp area with tear gas.

Oise Returns Properties

REIMS, Dec. 8.—The return to French owners of 368 additional properties in Oise Intermediate Section was announced today by the Oise Engineer Section. The new list included 50 rooms in six hotels, six homes and apartments, two garages and warehouses and the Ecole des Beaux Arts.

Shipping News

Antwerp Departures			Arrivals		
Ships	Load	Date	Ships	Load	Date
B. Carter, Liberty...	550	Dec. 4	USAT Excelsior.....	2,108	Dec. 7
Belgian Tenacity, c	13	Dec. 4	Wooster, Victory....	1,500	Dec. 7
In Port			In Port		
Nick Stoner, cargo	23	Dec. 6	USAT F. Lykes.....	2,759	Dec. 8
Jacob Luckenbach, c	29	Dec. 6	W. McLellan, Lib..	550	Dec. 8
Tufts, Victory.....	1,500	Dec. 6	Louis McLane Lib.	550	Dec. 8
W. Hodson, cargo.	37	Dec. 7	Expected		
J. Bartlett, Liberty.	636	Dec. 8	C. Flattery, troopsh.	1,003	Dec. 8
T. Marshall, Liberty	550	Dec. 8	John Trumbull, Lib.	617	Dec. 8
C. W. Stiles, cargo.	28	Dec. 9	Alfred Moore, Lib...	550	Dec. 8
Expected			A. Bell, Liberty.....	550	Dec. 8
I. McDowell, Liberty	550	Dec. 5	Joseph Leagy, Lib..	550	Dec. 8
Bret Harte, Liberty	550	Dec. 5	USAT Sea Scamp....	2,763	Dec. 8
Joaquin Miller, Lib	550	Dec. 5	USAT Sommeisdijk.	1,447	Dec. 8
H. Longfellow Lib.	550	Dec. 5	Andrew Moore, Lib.	550	Dec. 8
Marseille Departures			John Harvard, Lib.	550	Dec. 8
Pontotoc, Victory....	1,524	Dec. 7	John Millidge, Lib.	550	Dec. 8
G. Bancroft, Liberty	550	Dec. 7	Zanesville, Victory..	1,500	Dec. 8

TSFET Enlists 12,035, Over Half ETO Total

Regular Army enlistments in Theater Service Forces areas totaled 12,035 from Sept. 18 through Nov. 30 more than half the theater total of 23,066. Col. W. B. Tuttle, TSFET (Rear) recruiting officer, has announced.

In November alone, TSFET recruiting officers in the major base section commands signed up 7,742 Regular Army soldiers. The December goal for TSFET is 5,000, and those who sign up in a hurry still have a chance of getting home on re-enlistment furlough by New Year's Day, the recruiting officer said.

I. and E. Publications Need Experienced Men

The Publications Section of the Information and Education Division is seeking writers (preferably with magazine experience), layout men, illustrators, production men and administrative officers with publishing background. Applications should be sent to Publications Section, I & E Div., Hqs. TSFET APO 887, Attn. Major Ward.

Replies should include ASR score (under 70 for officers, under 50 for EM), age, experience, availability for transfer and date of entry into Army.

Cigaret Makers In Switzerland Blast GI 'Imports'

BERNE, Dec. 8 (AP).—US watch manufacturers who complain of Swiss watch imports have their counterpart in Switzerland where cigaret manufacturers complain of American cigaret imports.

The Swiss Tobacco News said that an inquiry among 50 U.S. military furloughees in Switzerland showed that they brought 24,000 cigarets of which 14,000 were sold. With 36,000 furloughees per month, if each sells 200 cigarets—more than 7,000,000 in all, and more than a month's production in Switzerland—it would be tough competition to factories here, asserted the Journal.

Belgians to Help British Occupation

LONDON, Dec. 8 (AP).—Belgian troops in the British and U.S. zones in Europe will be regrouped and assigned to duties near the Belgian border in the British zone, the London Evening Standard has reported.

The newspaper said the decision was reached in conversations between Belgium's Foreign Minister Paul Henri Spaak and Britain's Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin in London. Reason for this move was for Belgian forces "to take over occupation duties and relieve some of the British forces," it asserted.

The Evening Standard added, however, that there would be no question of "Belgian zone" as distinct from the British.

Truman, Byrnes Deny Hurley's China Charges

Career Diplomats' 'Reaction' in Iran Actions Defended

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (ANS).—President Truman and Secretary of State James F. Byrnes stood today in defense of three U.S. career diplomats with a denial of charges by Maj. Gen. Patrick Hurley, former Ambassador in Chungking, that two of them had tried to wreck Hurley's efforts to unify China, while a third sabotaged U.S. policy in Iran.

The President, replying to a press-conference question last night, said he did not think U.S. policy in Iran had been defeated by Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson, as Hurley charged before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Byrnes told the same committee yesterday that he had been unable to find any evidence of disloyalty on the part of George Acheson and John Service whom Hurley accused of working against his efforts to create harmony between the Chinese Central Government and the Communists.

Resignation Inquiry

Byrnes also challenged Hurley's assertion that while the ex-Ambassador was in Chungking he had been unable to get a public statement of American policy toward China from the President or the Secretary of State. He declared that Hurley, whose resignation is being investigated by the committee, had never even requested such a statement.

The Secretary said there was no record of the request either in the State Department or, according to the President, at the White House. He added that neither he nor Mr. Truman recalled an oral request.

Then he cited a case to illustrate that there was no substance to the charge of disloyalty against Acheson, who was acting political adviser to Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Japan and Minister to Thailand.

Nine days after Hurley left Chungking, Byrnes said, Acheson sent a telegram to Washington recommending a "readjustment of our immediate strategy in China." His message, Byrnes added, actually proposed that the matter be taken up with Hurley and Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, commander of U.S. forces in China, while they were in Washington.

British Loan...

(Continued from Page 1)

British government denounces the views pronounced by Laski (Harold Laski, chairman of the British Labor party executive committee). I cannot and will not support the loan. I cannot support aid to any government whose head tells an American audience our government is headed for serfdom and must go."

Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.), in opposing the pact, accused the British of having failed to keep many of their treaties, and objected to their policy in Palestine, Indonesia and Indo-China.

Conditional opposition was expressed by Sen. E. H. Moore (R-Okla.), who told the Senate that the British preferential trade alignments have made it almost impossible for the American maritime industry to operate.

Sen. William Knowland (R-Calif.) is worried about American shipping interests and warned his colleagues that new vessels probably would be built by the British on the basis of a loan on terms which no American industry can match.

U.S. loans to Finland, Norway, Holland and the Netherlands East Indies are under discussion, according to Washington reports.

Russian Occupation Division To Reach Japan Early in '46

TOKYO, Dec. 8 (UP).—A division of Russian troops is expected to arrive in the Japanese home islands to take up occupation duties early in 1946, headquarters of Gen. Douglas MacArthur confirmed today.

Spokesman for MacArthur's planning and operations section said, however, they had no information on reports that the Russians would send a total of 20,000 troops to join in the occupation of Japan.

It is understood that the matter of joint occupation is still unsettled in high diplomatic quarters because the Russians want to occupy the island of Hokkaido under their

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP).—Russia blames the trouble in northern Iran on "reactionary" elements which have opposed the extension of "national right" to people in the area, the State Department disclosed today.

The information came with release of the text of the Russian reply to a Nov. 24 note in which the U.S. urged the evacuation of all Soviet British and U.S. troops from Iran by Jan. 1.

Russia replied that she already had agreed with the British to quit Iran by Mar. 2, 1946, and the Russians saw no reason to act sooner.

In the Soviet note, Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov said his nation "adheres unwaveringly" to the Churchill-Stalin-Roosevelt Teheran declaration pledging respect for the independence of Iran.

Molotov said the events in northern Iran did not constitute an armed uprising against the Iranian government.

U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes yesterday reaffirmed U.S. adherence to the Teheran declaration.

Strikers Study Truman's Plea

DETROIT, Dec. 8 (ANS).—General Motors local union delegates from 20 states convened today in Detroit to review the wage dispute that appeared only a few cents nearer solution than when their recommendations led to the widespread GM strike 18 days ago.

The national GM council was summoned into session by the International United Automobile Workers (CIO) specifically to consider President Truman's back-to-work plea, but there was no doubt that all developments since the walkout of 175,000 workers began would be given a thorough going-over.

The latest of these was the Department of Justice's assurance that it was looking into the union's charges that General Motors holds a "monopoly position" in the automobile industry because of the dependence of other firms on GM for fuel pumps and other car parts.

Attorney Gen. Tom C. Clark confirmed that he had sent a telegram to UAW President R. J. Thomas saying the department has been investigating "several anti-trust" cases of the type you mention among which is General Motors." Clark added that he would be glad to receive any additional information, but declined comment on the telegram.

\$2,872,766 Fraud Laid to 5

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (ANS).—Henry Lustic, 54, president and owner of the Longchamps restaurants, and four associates have been indicted by a Federal grand jury on charges of wilfully attempting to evade income and excess-profits taxes amounting to \$2,872,766 allegedly due the government from seven corporations comprising the Longchamps chain.

John F. McGohey, U.S. attorney, said the sum, which represented taxes for the years 1940-44 inclusive, was the largest ever recorded in an indictment filed in the Southern Federal District of New York.

own administration, while the Americans insist that all occupation forces be under MacArthur and be integrated under the U.S. Eighth Army command.

One division of British troops also is expected to arrive in Japan after the first of the year.

Chinese authorities have said they cannot send troops now because of "unsettled conditions" at home.

Russian troops already occupy some of the Japanese islands, including Karafuta and all of the Kuriles chain down to small islands immediately north of Hokkaido, the spokesman said.

'There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town ...'



Pfc Paul Crow of Fort Givson, Okla., serenades his buddies, grouped around the guns of the U.S. cruiser Savannah, as it docked in New York. The vessel transported 1,963 troops from the ETO.

U.S. Navy Wouldn't Go West Of Hawaii, Nazis Told Japs

Hess-Peace Dove for 2 'Noble Races'

NUREMBERG, Dec. 8 (AP).—Rudolf Hess, No. 3 Nazi, said yesterday he did not fly to England to enlist British aid in an attack on Russia but to try to halt the fighting between two "noble races."

In written answers from his Nuremberg jail cell, Hess said he had planned his flight nearly a year before the Russian attack and had taken off several times but had been driven back by bad weather.

By Stoddard White

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NUREMBERG, Dec. 8.—The U.S. "would not dare the risk" of exposing its Navy west of Hawaii, the Nazis told Japan ten months before Pearl Harbor, a prosecution document at the war-crimes trials showed today.

France Quizzes Allies on Spain

France has sent a note to America, Britain and Russia asking their position on breaking relations with Generalissimo Francisco Franco's Spain, the Associated Press said yesterday.

An "unquotable" source at the Constituent Assembly said Foreign Minister Georges Bidault advised the Assembly's Foreign Affairs Commission of this in his foreign-policy review this week, the AP reported.

Couched in diplomatic language, the note does not directly ask an open break, but requests a statement of the present status of each country's relations with Spain, and asks their position on a diplomatic rupture.

Study 'Murder' Rap for Dec. 7

TOKYO, Dec. 8 (AP).—Some Japanese leaders who planned the Pearl Harbor attack may be tried on a charge of murder, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's chief prosecutor for the impending war-crime trials announced today.

Joseph B. Keenan, special prosecutor, said: "It is not the men who dropped the bombs but those who set in motion the plans who committed the most heinous offense."

Keenan said that "certain individuals at Pearl Harbor who were citizens of the U.S. were murdered." He added: "Their lives were taken with premeditation. That is murder in the U.S."

The first war-crime trials in Japan will be held Dec. 17 at Yokohama, it was announced.

About 300 Japanese military and civilian defendants will be tried then by a U.S. military tribunal.

Big 3 to Meet In Moscow For Atom Talk

(Continued from Page 1)

meeting there in January. However, it seemed likely that the Assembly would be moved ahead to the middle of the month, a postponement favored by many delegates. Only a snag or disagreement among the Big Three ministers was held likely to upset these plans for the launching of UNO machinery.

Hope was high in London that the new talks would help to clear suspicions and mistrusts and provide the first occasion for the three Allies to react to Bevin's recent pleas in the Commons for all the Allies to "place their cards on the table face upwards."

In connection with atomic energy, according to official British comment, the chief problem will be to decide how the UNO Commission for Control of Atomic Energy should be set up and whether it should be responsible only to the Security Council or to the General Assembly.

Other Questions Arise

Even before the meeting, it was clear that Russia had accepted the role of one of the world's atomic powers, a role that until now has been played only by the U.S., Britain and Canada. Although there was no indication that the Russians had received any hints of the major secrets of producing atomic power, there was speculation that some such hope had been held out to the Soviet.

One of the numerous other critical international questions likely to be aired in Moscow will be Russia's proposed revision of the Allied control policy in the Pacific.

In addition, the conferees probably will be confronted by Russian fears of a "Western bloc" in Europe, the troublesome question of disposing of the colonial empires of enemy countries, the controversial U.S. proposal for internationalization of Europe's inland waterways and questions involving the migration of eastern European populations.

The China question, concerning the anti-Chiang Kai-shek Communist forces, is likely to come up on the agenda, especially in view of increasing Soviet-America economic conflict in that country.

Havre Crime Cut, Off-Limits Rule Due to Continue

LE HAVRE, Dec. 8.—That the "off limits" restriction applying to Le Havre and the surrounding area has been a success was maintained today by Lt. Col. Robert L. Staver, provost marshal, who revealed that serious crime incidents dropped from 21 in October to four in November.

Staver described the situation as "vastly improved," but saw no likelihood of the ban being lifted in the near future.

All cafes, bars and French-owned and operated stores selling liquor were placed off limits Nov. 6, after numerous complaints from civilian officials, and passes issued were reduced.

Double-Time...

(Continued from Page 1)

declared that before anyone could have been placed in solitary confinement, the punishment had to be approved by him.

At the resumed hearing today, however, Ennis said that it was possible for Smith to put men in "The Hole" for "over 24 hours" without referring to an officer.

Kilian, CO at Lichfield from Nov. 11 1942, to Jan. 18 1945, said that in one month eight generals had visited the guardhouse. Among them were Brig. Gen. Henry J. Matchett, CG of GFRG; Brig. Gen. J. W. MacKelvie, deputy field commander for Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, and a Maj. Gen. Hughes, IG from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters. Kilian told the court that all had made favorable comment, and all had thought it was a well-conducted guardhouse.

Asked about heating in the guardhouse Kilian replied that he personally had stoves installed and that it was better heated than the depot barracks.

Moreover, Kilian said, he even had heated tents placed outside "so that prisoners could warm themselves up." He said that the training program for the guardhouse was "not very strict," and that no attempt was made to make prisoners' training more rigid than that of casual soldiers at Lichfield.

"I was endeavoring to put the prisoners back on their feet," Kilian said.