

S & S Weatherman . . .  
LONDON and MIDLANDS  
Fair and Warm. Possible  
Thundershowers in evening.

. . . Predicts for Today  
W. ENGLAND and WALES  
Fair and Warm. Scattered Showers.  
SCOTLAND  
Unsettled. Warm. Probable Rain.

## Pacific Gets Spaatz and a USSTAF

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, who directed the strategic bombing of Germany as head of USSTAF, will handle the same job against Japan. Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson today announced that Spaatz would command the newly created U.S. Strategic Air Forces in the Pacific.

Spaatz' new command will comprise the 8th Air Force, under Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, and the 20th Air Force, under Maj. Gen. Curtis LeMay. Spaatz will report directly to Gen. H. H. Arnold, Air Forces chief. Arnold has been named executive of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for this purpose, Patterson said.

Lt. Gen. Barney M. Giles will be deputy commander under Spaatz. Giles formerly was deputy commander of the 20th AF under Arnold, who has now relinquished this command to LeMay, who has been commanding the Marianas-based 21st Bomber Command.

Patterson said the new command in the Pacific was made necessary because of the increasing size and number of B29 attacks against Japan. He said that a great part of the industrial value of Japan's six major cities had already been wiped out as a result of these attacks, and that Japan's 40 secondary cities would become primary targets from now on.

Spaatz is expected at the War Department soon to discuss details of his new command. Patterson suggested that the 13th, 5th and 7th Air Forces might be reorganized into a single tactical command soon. The 7th, based on Okinawa, is already operating directly against Japan.



Keystone and Planet Photos

### BRITAIN ELECTS: Clement

Attlee, Labor Party leader, casts his ballot at Stanmore as Britain went to the polls yesterday for the first general election in ten years. Above, Mrs. Winston Churchill, wife of the Prime Minister, arrives at the polling station in Westminster. With her is Sir Harold Webbe, Conservative candidate for the Abbey division of Westminster. Mr. Churchill was unable to vote because a clerical error omitted his name from the election lists.

## Morgenthau Resigns From Cabinet Post

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—President Truman announced tonight that he had accepted the resignation of Henry Morgenthau Jr. as Secretary of the Treasury. At the same time, he announced the resignation of Owen J. Roberts as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

The President said he would name Morgenthau's successor when he got back from the Big Three meeting near Berlin which, he said, would take place "in about three weeks." He said he would not have any meeting with Prime Minister Churchill before the Big Three session.

The President said he had no successor in mind for Roberts, who told him he was resigning because of age. Roberts is 70. Morgenthau has been Secretary of the Treasury since his appointment by the late President Roosevelt in January, 1934. Before that he had served as chairman of the Federal Farm Board, as governor of the Farm Credit Administration and as Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Roberts, appointed by President Hoover, has been on the Supreme Court since 1930. He was head of the five-man board appointed by the late President Roosevelt to investigate the Pearl Harbor attack.

Mr. Truman also said that Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes would go to London soon to negotiate an Anglo-American oil agreement, and that he had given Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia, of New York, permission to go to France. The Mayor, however, is going on a personal and not a governmental mission, and will not go in uniform.

## Big 3 to Meet In Star Chamber

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—The White House announced today that newspaper men will not be permitted to report sessions of the forthcoming Big Three meeting near Berlin.

Presidential Press Secretary Charles G. Ross, still withholding the date and exact place of the meeting, told reporters that news of the conference would be released in official communiques to be issued "as may be decided from time to time."

## 2 More Jap Admirals Die

NEW YORK, July 5 (AP)—Tokyo Radio, monitored here, yesterday announced the deaths in action of two more Jap admirals—Vice Adm. Genzo Sato and Rear Adm. Tsutomu aWatanabe.

## Turnout Heavy At British Polls

Britons went to the polls yesterday to elect their first new Parliament in a decade. Votes were cast for 613 candidates, although the new House of Commons will have 640 members. The difference resulted from the fact that some MPs were returned unopposed and that some districts postponed the polling date.

Voters turned out in large numbers, although balloting was slow at the beginning. Only in a few places were queues found at the polls. It was estimated that perhaps 65 per cent of the eligible electorate would vote, as compared with 74.4 per cent in 1935.

Results of the election will not be known until July 26, when the ballots will be counted.

The new Parliament will meet Aug. 1.

## IG Farbenindustrie In U.S. Zone Seized

FRANKFURT, July 5 (Reuter)—All properties of the German chemical trust, the IG Farbenindustrie, in the U.S. occupation zone have been seized, SHAEF announced today. Final disposition of the properties will be determined by the Allied Control Council.

## Nazis Slew Babies in Murder Mill After VE-Day

By Howard Byrne  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

KAUFBEUREN, Bavaria, July 5—More than one month after American troops occupied this town, imbecile German children and mentally deranged adults in the Kaufbeuren Asylum were still being exterminated by German nurses and doctors for the "improvement of the German race."

The mass murder factory was discovered two days ago by two public health officers of the Munich Military Government.

The bodies of the victims, who before they died were used for months as human guinea pigs for scientific experiments, were cremated on the premises.

The head nurse of one of the children's wards, Sister Worle, confessed to having poisoned or killed by intra-muscular injection at least 211 minors. She drew a monthly bonus of 35 marks for her extra services from the German Government. When arrested, she asked innocently: "Will anything happen to me?"

She said the last child she killed was Richard Jenne, 4, who was murdered on May 29, 33 days after Kaufbeuren fell.

Dr. Valentin Faltheuser, 69, who directed the institution and another at nearby Irsee, has been arrested along

with other members of the hospital staff. Dr. Lothar Gartner, second in charge, hanged himself before American soldiers entered.

Doctors admitted that between 350 and 400 cremations had taken place at the asylum since November, 1944.

In the hospital's morgue, bodies of men and women who had died from 12 hours to three days before were discovered. All were skin-covered skeletons, some weighing less than 60 pounds. They had been used for poison and starvation experiments.

Among the 360 nurses and medical attendants who supervised the 2,046 patients found living in the two institutions were many Catholic and Lutheran sisters.

One Lutheran minister and a Catholic priest were discovered on the premises. The patients were recruited from all parts of Germany and office files revealed numerous pitiful letters of inquiry from patients and relatives.

It was the custom of the institution to wire the next of kin before the murders were committed, saying that the patient had taken a turn for the worse. Several days later, another wire was sent saying that the patient had been buried at the Kaufbeuren cemetery or had been cremated.

One theory advanced for the starvation

## Double Air Smash At Japs Reported

A double assault on Jap homeland targets by 300 American bombers and fighters based on Iwo Jima and Okinawa was reported by Japanese Radio yesterday as Australian invasion troops on the east coast of Borneo captured the central area of Balikpapan and moved in on the great Pandansari oil refineries in the northern sector of the city.

Tokyo Radio said 200 planes, ranging in size from Liberators to Lightnings, pounded the port of Nagasaki, the city of Omura and other targets on Kyushu. Domei News Agency reported that approximately 100 fighters, led by nine Superforts, raided Jap airfields on Honshu for the second day in a row.

Earlier, it was announced from Guam that 150 Mustangs of the U.S. 7th Air Force shot up six airfields around Tokyo on Wednesday. The P47s destroyed eight enemy planes on the ground and damaged 24 others. Only one was shot down, although pilots circled three airfields for an hour and invited the Japs to come up and fight.

Tokyo Radio followed its announcements of these raids with a warning that attacks by 1,000 Superforts were a "possibility."

In Borneo the Aussies captured most of the city's waterfront, including seven piers, and expanded their beachhead to eight miles wide. An Associated Press dispatch said Allied landing craft already were using the port despite Jap mines and sunken ships.

Reports from Balikpapan said the great oil port was deserted and that the refining plants, which once turned out 7,400 barrels of oil a day, were smoldering ruins.

Gen. MacArthur yesterday officially announced the entire liberation of the Philippines and said the campaign was one of the greatest victories ever scored over Japan. He said the Japs lost 420,000 troops killed against total American casualties of 54,891. U.S. killed number 11,921.

The Philippines now are a great land, sea and air base for future operations. In the campaign, MacArthur said, naval battles reduced the Jap navy to practical impotence and that Jap air losses seriously crippled their air potential.

## Reds Go Home In Vast Numbers

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, July 5—Withdrawal of hundreds of thousands of Red Army troops from eastern Germany, Czechoslovakia and Poland was announced today.

Warsaw dispatches said the Soviet troops moving out of Germany through Poland were composed principally of forces rendered superfluous by the ending of the war. They were mostly older men, who will be among the first units discharged from the Red Army, the broadcast said.

## High-Point WACs Are 'On Their Way'

PARIS, July 5—The first of a group of high-point WACs which will be redeployed to the U.S. sometime this month are arriving now at staging depots on the Continent and in the U.K. for final processing before their departure.

Eight WACs in Paris and 53 Air Force WACs in this theater are eligible for redeployment in this first plane shipment. Those being returned to the U.S. this month have scores of 70 or higher.

The continental staging depot is at Compiègne. The U.K. depot is at Stone.

## Curtin, Premier Of Australia, Is Dead at 60

CANBERRA, Australia, July 5—Prime Minister John Curtin, Labor Party chief, died last night in his sleep in his official residence here. He was 60 years old.

Curtin was the second top Allied leader to die this year. Heart disease was given as the cause of death, but, like President Roosevelt, Curtin's health was broken by overwork. Former Prime Minister R. G. Menzies, Curtin's political rival for a decade, said Curtin "wore himself out in unselfish service for his country."

Of Irish descent, Curtin long had been allied with the trade-union movement and had been a labor newspaper editor before entering Parliament in 1928. He became Australia's second Labor Prime Minister in October, 1941.

Two months later, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and Curtin began the job of making Australia strong enough to meet what seemed to be certain invasion. Britain, with whom Australia is closely bound, was fighting her own battle half a world away, and Curtin appealed to the U.S.

"I make it clear that Australia looks to America, free from any pangs about our traditional links of friendship to Britain," he said. "We shall exert our energy toward shaping a plan, with the U.S. as its keystone."

Army Minister Francis M. Forde will act as Prime Minister until the Labor Party picks a successor to Curtin, who had headed the party for almost ten years.

## U.S. Recognizes Warsaw Poles

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Recognition of the new Polish Government of National Unity was announced by President Truman tonight.

"The establishment of this government," the President said, "is an important and positive step in fulfilling the decisions regarding Poland which were reached at Yalta."

He added that the new government had assured him it intended to carry out the decisions reached at Yalta "with respect to the holding of elections."

At the same time the President said he had named Arthur Bliss Lane, ambassador to Colombia since 1942, ambassador to the new Polish government. Lane, he said, would proceed to Warsaw as soon as possible.

The new ambassador is a career diplomat who has been in the U.S. diplomatic service since 1916. He was secretary of the embassy in Warsaw in 1919. He has served also in Rome, London, Switzerland, Mexico City, Nicaragua, Yugoslavia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Costa Rica.

## British Do It, Too

In London last night it was announced that Britain had also recognized the new Polish government and would name an ambassador shortly.

Meanwhile, there were signs that the London exile government was beginning to wind up its affairs, although its future was still in doubt and there was some indication that it might continue in some form as a voice of the old regime. The Polish Radio, which had been using the facilities of BBC for the last five years, went off the air last night.

## Allies Break Up 15th Army Group

ROME, July 5—The 15th Army Group—the overall command of the British 8th and the U.S. 5th armies—was to be dissolved at midnight, Gen. Mark Clark, the group commander, announced today.

American personnel of the group will be transferred to U.S. forces in Austria, Clark revealed. The move into Austria is expected to be made within two weeks.

## U.S. Sub Is Missing

WASHINGTON, July 5—The submarine Trigger is overdue and must be presumed lost, the Navy said today.

## Life in Berlin Humdrum Now

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BERLIN, July 5—U.S. and British troops joined Russian soldiers in patrolling the streets of jointly-occupied Berlin for the first time today, with the pomp and ceremony of their entry into the German capital at an end.

Tankmen of the U.S. 2nd Armored and the British 7th Armored Divisions, along with their Red Army counterparts, will maintain order in the capital.

Two months ago today, a correspondent who visited Berlin found it a city of littered streets, mangled buildings and bodies and burning fires. The smell of death and destruction was everywhere.

Today a remarkable change has taken place and Berlin seems to have begun to breathe again.

The center is still a wilderness of hollowed buildings, but neat piles of brick and rubbish now line the clean main streets. Women "bucket brigades" have cleared the powdered stone and broken wood from the skeletons of houses and apartments.

In the suburbs the street cars are operating; there is electric light and running water. We saw no night clubs or cafes, but they might well have existed on the city's fringes, as reported by the Russians. Buses roll through the acres of destruction.

Where once battle-grimed Soviet soldiers wandered the lonely streets, now tankers of the 2nd Armored sightsee through the ruins.

German policemen, as resplendently uniformed as ever, direct traffic. Their manner to the foreign drivers is ingratiating and punctilious. They look unhappy when their signals are ignored.

Food stores are open in parts of the city and, as in all German cities, long lines form for meager rations.

Almost no German soldiers, captive or discharged, are to be seen.

## Smith Returns From Pacific

MANILA, July 5 (ANS)—Lt. Gen. Holland M. (Howling Mad) Smith yesterday turned over his command of U.S. Fleet Marine Forces in the Pacific to Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, saying that "at my own request I am about to assume duty in the U.S."

Smith will become CG of the Replacement Training Command at San Diego. Meanwhile, Vice Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid announced at a press conference that his U.S. 7th Fleet, long under the command of Gen. MacArthur, soon would be transferred to the command of Adm. Nimitz. Declaring that the "whole effort of the Army, Navy and Air Forces is on Japan," Kinkaid said that "our eyes are on Tokyo, and there is nothing else to look at."



LT. GEN. SMITH

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THE B BAG

BLOW IT OUT HERE

Surprise Inspections

To the B-Bag: I agree with the letter by W/O Howard R. Burkett on inspections. Being in Com Z for one year I have undergone many inspections, most of which were comical. Actually they accomplish very little. They destroy morale. And what kind of an inspection is an inspection in which every one has been warned beforehand of the impending visit of an inspecting group? Naturally, the area will be spick and span and everybody will be on his toes. I believe surprise inspections would be valuable. And if the inspecting party would ask questions as W/O Burkett set forth they probably would get some very startling answers.—T/S R. E. P.

Freedom of Anti-Religion

To the B-Bag: An unthinking chaplain recently made several wild, un-American remarks in regard to Mrs. Vashi McCullum's attempts to discontinue the teaching of religion in public schools. Our country has always tried to be impartial toward religion. Americans have always upheld the policy of not trying to force it on anyone, of keeping it separated from the state as an institution. If religion is taught, atheism and agnosticism should also be part of the curriculum.—GI Atheist.

Make 'Em All Generals

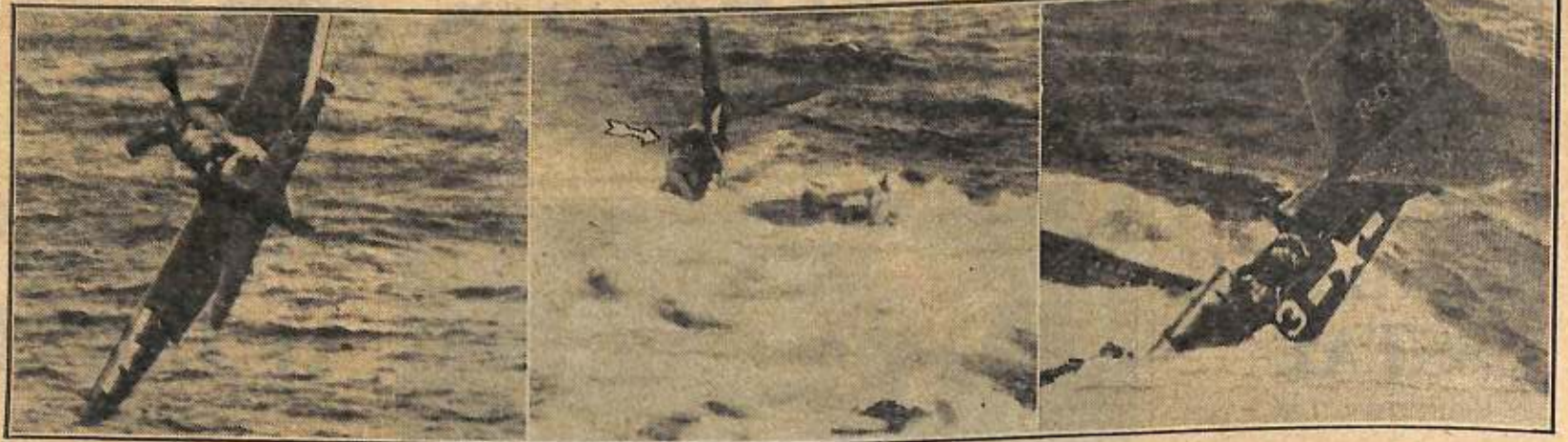
To the B-Bag: When we had the task of defeating Germany, Italy, Japan, Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and their satellites, our strength was fixed at 8,300,000 men. Now that Japan remains the only undefeated enemy, it is logical that our forces can be proportionately reduced. Our Army now stands at 6,968,000 men, but the Navy, Coast Guard and Marines all retain their former combined strength of 4,036,566 men. The disproportion is all too evident. Why do we need more than 11,000,000 men to wipe out a Jap force comprised of roughly 3,500,000 first-line troops; most of them scattered over Japan, Asia and a few other places? It's T/O trouble again! The general and field officers know that if the Army's strength is radically reduced there would no longer be any justification for their retaining their present rank. Their disposition, then, is to keep the Army at a swollen size so that those wearing the stars and chickens will not suffer the loss of their temporary rank. Should the country be forced to bear the tremendous expense of supporting a military force of a size which has no justification in need or reason just because a high-ranking officer is reluctant to sacrifice the rank, authority, the staff, the automobiles, the clubby atmosphere of the mess and all the other amenities of his position? Why not have the President and Congress confirm the high-ranking officers in their present temporary rank. Or shall we follow Mexico's policy and make 'em all generals?—S/Sgt. Robert B. Woodward, 63rd Ftr. Sq.

Show Training Film

To the B-Bag: May I suggest the training film "On to Tokyo" be made compulsory for wives of Yanks in the ETO. Can it be that "Disgusted GI Wife" is so unhappy in her homeland that she wants to get away—that she is so anxious to get to the States she is willing to have ships that are now being used for redeployment, etc., be diverted to the sole purpose of taking wives to the U.S. first, thereby possibly prolonging the war in the Pacific which would necessarily mean additional sacrifice of lives—both American and British? I do not suggest that all wives, who incidentally are still citizens of other countries and who criticize the manner in which they are being shown preference, are so "grossly selfish" that they would ask preference over military needs. Many of these wives will, however, make good citizens.—WAC, 1st AD.

T/5's Feet Complain

To the B-Bag: Perhaps someone "in the know" can explain to this woe-ridden T/5 why he has to beg a ride at the camp gates while cavalades of jeeps and command cars roll past carrying two or four officers at request—even a golfing party to a (distant?) course on the post. Perhaps I can learn why a GI who makes his way to town in the afternoon has to furnish his own transportation back in the evening, said transportation amounting to a mere three quid or so. Many of us have worked hard since D-Day (yes, in a hospital). Now I'd like to arrive in town in time to enjoy myself—not start at 6.30 PM on the one bus for the entire general hospital. I have stood in the pouring rain, hopelessly trying to get a ride while an almost empty officers' bus left for camp.—Cpl. J. A., 185th Gen. Hosp.



SPLASH LANDING: Trouble comes to a carrier-based scout plane operating in the Pacific war zone soon after the pilot took off from the carrier. At left, the plane's port wing tip skims across the water. Center photo, the plane hits the sea and starts to fall apart. A member of the crew (white arrow) struggles to free himself from the crippled aircraft. At right, the pilot (black arrow) emerges from the sinking plane. Both men were rescued unhurt.

'Dying' Ex-PW Insists He'll Fool the Medics

FORT WORTH, Tex., July 5—Army doctors still shook their heads today, holding out little hope for the eventual recovery of Cpl. James E. Newman, but the 25-year-old veteran who survived Bataan and Corregidor and three years in a Jap prison camp grinned and said he'd fool the docs. Because Jim Newman is home with his mom, the bitter memories of years of enemy treatment which wasted his frame with tuberculosis, malnutrition and beri-beri are being replaced by the tenderness of a mother whose prayers were answered with her son's return home. The medics said Jim had come home to die; there was nothing they could do except slash through the necessary red tape in the way of granting him his greatest wish—to get back home. And that they did, for time was short, they said. Told of her son's condition, Mrs. Newman didn't cry—where Jim could see her. She tucked him into his old bed, between sheets, and fed him the meals he'd dreamed about while he starved in the Jap prison. He weighed 92 pounds when he was liberated in the Philippines in February.

Orange juice, poached eggs and hot biscuits greeted Jim the morning after "the best sleep I've had in years." He asked for more. For dinner there was crisply-breaded fried chicken, flanked by creamed potatoes steaming under a rich coating of gravy. The Texas sun streams into Jim's room, almost as bright as his hopes—and the hopes of the medics themselves that they are wrong.

Navy to Train Youths Under 18 as Fliers

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS)—The Navy announced a college training program for boys under 18 wishing to qualify for the V12 Naval Aviation Cadet program. Only colleges included in the V12 program will participate in the new plan, for which 15,000 youths who have high-school diplomas by Oct. 1, 1945, will be permitted to enlist.

Norse Executions Again

OSLO, July 5 (Reuter)—The Norwegian Parliament passed a motion to revive the death penalty.

Fast Ride at Niagara May Get Red a Ticket

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., July 5 (ANS)—William (Red) Hill, whose father negotiated the rapids of Niagara River in a barrel in 1930 and 1931, faces arrest if he goes through with plans to emulate his father Sunday. A Royal Canadian Mounted Police sergeant said Hill would be charged with "attempted suicide" if he launched his specially-constructed barrel from the foot of the falls for a ride through the rapids and through the whirlpool which ends the jaunt. Hill's answer was that he'd have the officer arrested for theft if he attempted to take away his barrel.

So They Say, So They Say

The Trip Home Can Be 'Rough'

NEW YORK, July 5—Life on the Atlantic—even when you're homeward bound—still can be anything but pleasant. Ask the 461 members of the 294th Field Artillery Observation Battalion. Arriving yesterday aboard the transport Robin Sherwood the veterans talked: 1—About a fog "as thick as custard," which made it necessary for the boat's whistle to toot constantly for two days. 2—About a school of 40 to 50 whales off the English coast. But they didn't cause any trouble. 3—About a half dozen mines which sent the naval gun crew into action firing and exploding them. 4—About being forced to change course because of icebergs.

95th Back Home—Briefly

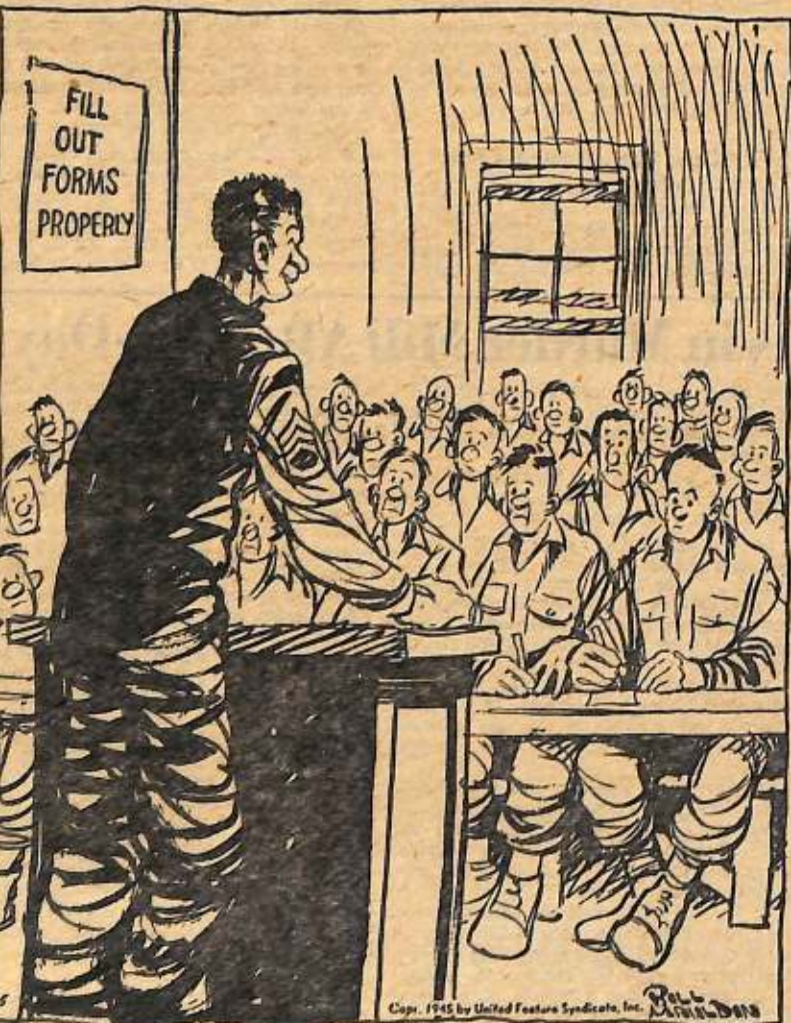
INDIANTOWN GAP, Pa., July 5 (ANS)—Late last summer the 95th Infantry Division pulled out of here for the ETO and subsequent action in France, Belgium, Luxemburg, Holland and Germany. Yesterday the men of the 95th—those who survived the battles against the Nazis—came back here to get 30-day furloughs before they prepare for another trip, this time to the Pacific.

Looey Stowaway Back, Too

NEW YORK, July 5 (ANS)—A young USAAF lieutenant, who boarded the craft as a stowaway, was on the Liberty ship Cornell when it arrived here yesterday from the ETO. The officer, who wasn't identified, was said to have concealed himself in the Cornell's gun turret the first night at sea.

SWEATIN' IT OUT

By Mauldin



"Next question: Do you wish to remain in the army? It says here I gotta ask."

U.S. Refuses to Send Steel Rails to Spain

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS)—The Foreign Economic Administration said last night it had turned thumbs down on a shipment of 100,000 tons of steel rails to Spain. Philip Murray, CIO president, had objected to such a shipment in a letter to War Mobilization Director Fred M. Vinson, pointing out that it would be detrimental to small U.S. business men, workers and farmers and to hard-pressed U.S. railroads.

PARIS, July 5 (Reuter)—The French ship Oregon docked at Le Havre today with a cargo of 4,000 tons of U.S. steel, 1,000 tons of wool and 1,000 tons of paper as Finance Minister Rene Pleven told the French Assembly that Allied shipments to France since March had reached 3,700,000 tons. In the next few months, he said, imports from the U.S. would average between 400,000 and 500,000 tons a month and from Britain between 80,000 and 90,000 tons.

Czechs Oust Germans

PRAGUE, July 5 (Reuter)—Between 2,000,000 and 2,500,000 Germans and 600,000 Hungarians will be deported from Czechoslovakia as disloyal minorities, acting Foreign Minister Vlado Clementis announced yesterday. Loyal Germans and Hungarians, including all Jews, will be given an opportunity to become Czech citizens. Before the war there were 3,318,445 Germans and 719,569 Hungarians in the country, compared with 9,756,604 Czechoslovaks. Some 350,000 Slovaks in Hungary will be returned to Czechoslovakia.

3 Million Repatriated

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Of the approximately 5,800,000 displaced persons found in Germany by the Allies, 3,260,000 already have been returned to their homelands, the War Department announced today. Included were 1,243,600 French, 1,393,902 Russians, 247,790 Belgians, 195,000 Dutch, 136,043 Italians, 33,488 Czechs, 2,051 Yugoslavs and 6,000 Luxemburgers.

General Strike in Milan

MILAN, July 5 (Reuter)—Allied tanks mounted guard today and Allied patrols roamed the streets as a precautionary measure as all the city's workers walked out in a general strike. All traffic in the city was halted as several hundred thousand men and women stopped work to protest mounting prices and inadequate wages. A similar strike was staged yesterday in Turin.

AROUND THE GLOBE YESTERDAY: At Paris, U.S., British and French Mediterranean experts marked time in a conference on Tangier, awaiting a decision on whether Russia will join them. Russia has asked to join the meeting, which seeks to re-establish international control over the North African port, seized several years ago by Spain. . . . At Washington, the Soviet Embassy announced that Ambassador Andrei Gromyko had flown to Moscow to confer with Premier Stalin on the forthcoming Big Three meeting, while Swiss Radio reported that the Soviet ambassador to Denmark was missing on a flight from Berlin to Copenhagen. At Stockholm, Erik Wilkenson, a 31-year-old engineer, claimed the world's best bomb sight. He was reported to have turned down U.S. and British offers and to have kept his invention, a closely-guarded secret, for the Swedish air force. . . . At Moscow, a documentary film showing every phase of the battle for Berlin was released.

At Manila, it was announced that Gen. MacArthur would address a joint session of the Philippine Congress Monday. . . . At Moscow, it was reported that a Nazi woman, packing two guns, had been arrested in a town near Berlin for forming a youth organization and plotting to wipe out Red Army officers and soldiers. At Amsterdam, plans were reported to have 40,000 Dutch Nazis and collaborators rebuild the town of Duindorp, which they were said to have stripped bare to such an extent it will take two years to rebuild. A special board investigating music circles published a report that William Mengelberg, famous conductor of the Amsterdam orchestra, was guilty of dishonorable "dealings" and ought never again be allowed to raise a baton in Holland.

Okinawians Eager for GI Occupation

By Richard Wilbur  
Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau  
NEW YORK, July 5—According to the Associated Press, Okinawa civilians are ready for American occupation. Not only are they ready, but the news agency reports that they have signed a petition asking for it—to make the Pacific Isle "a new paradise of the Pacific." The petition, signed by ten prominent Okinawians, specifically requested that the Americans appoint a marine lieutenant born in Japan to remain to take a leading role in the island's rehabilitation. He's 1/Lt. Frederick B. Van Brunt, of Ontario, Cal., who was born in Yokohama and spent 17 of his 23 years in Kobe. It was largely through Van Brunt's efforts that co-operation of Okinawians was won in the early phase of the campaign. The petition was addressed to Maj. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, commander of the 6th Marine Division, who replied he was "greatly honored and deeply touched" and would forward it to the proper authorities "recommending they give it their gravest consideration." Okinawa represents an amalgamation of Chinese and Japanese cultures, the petition said. "If, while traditional culture of Okinawa still exists, it were impregnated with seeds of your newer civilization, this land would become a new paradise of the Pacific," it added.

Navy demolition teams who worked neck deep in water for three days prior to the Balikpapan invasion—working literally under the eyes of the Japanese on shore—found few fixed underwater obstacles to remove, but minesweepers disposed of many mines. Demolition men were protected by bomber and fighter planes which pounded the enemy with anti-personnel and fragmentation bombs to prevent interference. An AP report from Manila added that announcement of the invasion permitted disclosure of the "suicide mission," in which medium bombers braved heavy ack-ack fire to get pre-invasion photographic information.

1st Execution in 50 Years  
COPENHAGEN, July 5 (Reuter)—The first death penalty assessed in Denmark in 50 years was passed today on Torben Willy Wulf, 19, convicted of being a German informer. Capital punishment was reinstated June 1 after having been in abeyance since 1895.

AFN Radio Program

Table listing AFN radio programs for Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 7, including times and program titles like 'World News', 'Music America', 'Globe Theater', etc.



As The Scribes See It
BRAVEN DYER, Los Angeles Times—
Football stock at the University of
Washington jumped several points the
other day when it was announced that
five star players will return to the Husky
campus this summer. All are being
transferred from Whitman College
because of discontinuation of the V-12
program.

Husky Coach Pest Welch will welcome
with open arms the return of last year's
starting tackles, Bill McGovern and
Harry Rice, along with two fine ends,
Charley Darnton and Louis Bevandich,
who were just beginning to develop when
they were transferred from Washington
to Whitman. The fifth member is Bob
Eckmann, from Seattle's Roosevelt High
and son of Ray Eckmann, captain of
Washington's 1921 team and former
Husky Athletic director.

All will be very much in evidence when
Southern Cal. invades Seattle Oct. 27.

JOHN CARMICHAEL, Chicago Daily
News—Mahatma—as the boys love to
call Dodge President Branch Rickey—
has lost none of his cunning. Not long
ago he called Jimmy Gallagher in Chicago
and informed the Cub vice-president that
Brooklyn had just the man to bolster the
Bruin mound staff. He's one of my best
pitchers was the way Branch put it.

Who is he? queried Gallagher. Ben
Chapman, answered Rickey, referring to
the former Yankee, Washington and
Cleveland outfielder who came back to
the big time last year as a fliker.
What do you want for him? asked
Gallagher—then almost collapsed in his
swivel chair when Rickey suggested
either one of two men playing regularly
for the Cubs and—mind you he said and
—Lou Novikoff from Los Angeles.

Chapman recently went to the Phils for
Catcher Johnny Peacock, who was No. 3
man on the Phillie catching staff.

ED WRAY, St. Louis Post Dispatch—
Alvin "Bo" McMillan, former Center
College football star who has coached
at Indiana for the last 11 years, has
signed a new contract for ten years.
It provides for a permanent position as
professor of physical education if and
when McMillan relinquishes his coaching
position. His salary is \$9,500 a year. Bo's
record at Indiana shows 43 games won,
42 lost and nine tied. And besides, they
like him—as who doesn't.

### Sports Hit Hard By Travel Rule

NEW YORK, July 5—The \$64 question
of the moment, which nobody in the
sports world has been able to answer yet,
is: "What is going to happen to sports
now that the ODT has said you can't
make train reservations more than five
days ahead of time?"

The ruling will botch all major league
and football schedules, and the headache
possibilities are tremendous. In last
year's World Series, for instance, the boys
didn't know until three days before
whether to head for Detroit or St. Louis.

First major league players to feel it
were the Chicago Cubs, who had a rough
time getting out of New York to Boston
the other day. Half of them had gone to
Fl. Dix to play an exhibition and the
others were to move to the Beantown.
They hung around the lobby for hours
until they finally all got seats on various
trains.

The ODT has explained its action by
pointing out that the railroads will have
to move 308,000 servicemen a day for
the next eight months.

Ingwerson Returning to Illinois
CHAMPAIGN, Ill., July 5—Lt. Cmdr.
Burt Ingwerson, one of all-time athletic
greats at University of Illinois, will return
to the Illini as assistant football coach
after his service in the Navy.

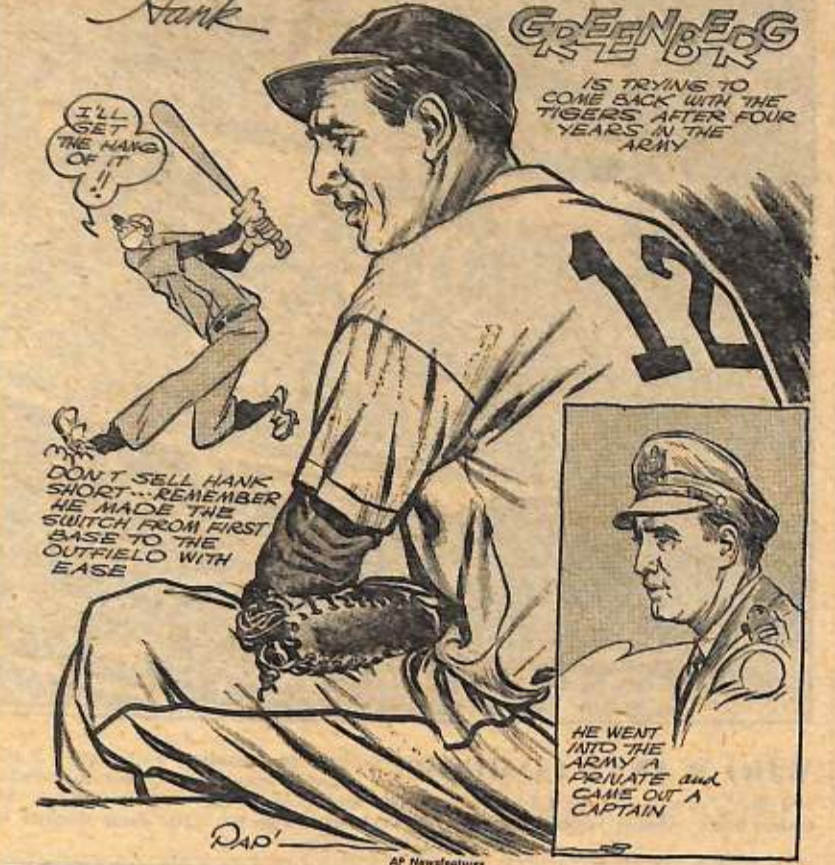
### Minor League Results

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Help Wanted
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Write your question or problem to Help
Wanted, The Stars and Stripes, 20, Caven-
dish Sq., London, W.1, or APO 413, U.S.
Army. Telephone U.K. Base HQ. Ext. 2129.

Bag Mix-Up
WILL the person who took the wrong musette
bag at Heaton Hills on June 25 please con-
tact me to arrange an exchange. My bag contained
a camera, film, shirt, underwear, etc. and the
bag I now have is marked CHANDLER and
contains rations, toilet articles, underwear and
towels.—Pvt. F. LEIPERT, c/o Help Wanted.

# Ferriss Gets No. 13 as Tigers, Bosox Split



## Hank Greenberg Homers; Nats Climb to 3rd Place

NEW YORK, July 5—Hank Greenberg clouted his second homer in three games yesterday and Eddie Mayo belted another, but the blows weren't enough and Boston's sensational Dave Ferriss maintained his poise to out-pitch Dizzy Trout for a 4-3 victory in the opener of a holiday twin bill before the Bengals bounced back to cop the nightcap, 5-2.

An overflow crowd of 45,376 Detroit fans, who thrilled to Ferriss' work in registering victory number 13 and went wild when old "Hankus Pankus" solved the husky youth's delivery for a circuit wallop, also got a good display of baseball in the second game. Al Benton, making his first start since he broke his leg May 24, won this one, though he needed help from Stubby Overmire in the seventh. Benton hurled one-hit ball for the first six frames, but was jumped for three runs in the next inning before Overmire took over and saved the decision at the expense of Clem Hausmann.

Harold Clift knocked out three homers good for six runs as the Senators nipped the White Sox, 5-4, in 12 innings and then staged a 13-hit assault to win the second half of the holiday twin bill, 11-2, and climb into third place. Clift started his circuit-clouting off Orval Grove in the ninth of the first game as the Nats tallied twice to tie the count at 3-3, and knocked in another run in the tenth with a long fly. Winning run, however, came when George Case singled, stole second and came in on George Binks' single off

Reliever Bill Dietrich. Winner was Marino Pieretti.

In the second game Clift smacked a grand-slam four-bagger in the fifth off Johnny Humphries and followed with a seventh-inning round-tripper off Buck Ross to make things easy for Mickey Haefner.

One-armed Pete Gray drove in two runs in the nightcap to give the Browns a 6-5 decision over the Athletics after the Mackmen had ended a 14-game losing streak with a 3-2 triumph. Russ Christopher, who saved the first game for the Macks with a relief job, followed two other hurlers to the mound in the nightcap, but after throwing two wide pitches he tossed one that Gray liked, and the one-armed wonder slashed a single to bring in Frank Mancuso and pinch-runner Tex Shirley with the tying and winning runs and give the decision to George Caster.



Charlie Gassaway had a three-hit shut-out going into the ninth of the opener, when doubles by Len Schulte and George McQuinn ignited a Brownie uprising with none out. However, Christopher snuffed the rally to tag Nelson Potter with the setback.

The Indians tied a major league record by dropping the Yankees, 4-2, without making an assist in the first game of a twin bill at Cleveland before bowing, 3-2, in the nightcap. Steve Gromek limited the New Yorkers to eight hits in the first battle, and though his mates got only five off Hank Borowy and Ken Holcombe, they coupled them with Borowy's wildness to win.

Al Gettel went the distance for the Yanks in the nightcap, getting his win in the ninth on singles by Nick Etten and Bud Metheny, a walk and a fly by Oscar Grimes. Allie Reynolds was the loser.

## Cubs Take Two, Oust Giants From 2nd

NEW YORK, July 5—The spurring Chicago Cubs moved into second place, within three and a half games of the Brooklyn Dodgers, by downing the Braves twice yesterday, 5-3, and 7-6, with Paul Derringer acting as the "fireman" in both battles.

Paul Erickson was given an early lead by the Bruins in the first game, but he weakened in the eighth, when Boston scored twice, and the bases were loaded when Derringer came in and retired the side without further damage.

Homers by Andy Pafko and Bill Nicholson beat the Tribe in the nightcap. Pafko's fifth-inning circuit smash drove in three runs, and after Boston had tied the score in the eighth Nicholson belted one out of the park in the ninth and Derringer came in to save the decision for Hy Vandenberg. Tommy Holmes of the Braves hit safely in both games to run his consecutive game streak to 31 while Bob Logan was charged with both losses.

Little Augie Bergamo made eight hits including a triple and two homers as the Cardinals hammered the Giants twice, 8-4 and 19-2, to go into third place. Bill Voiselle was stopped in the first game, being pounded for five runs in four



AUGIE BERGAMO RAY SANDERS

innings with Ray Sanders' two-run homer the most damaging blow. Buster Adams drove in three more runs with a homer and single off Ray Harrell as Red Barrett notched his ninth win.

In the nightcap Bergamo drove in eight runs and one of his homers came with the bases loaded as Bill Emmerich and three other New York pitchers were battered until their knees sagged. Winner was Bud Byerly.

The Dodgers could do no better than a split with the Reds, losing the opener, 4-3, and taking the second skirmish,

5-3. Al Libke accounted for all of Cincinnati's runs in the first game, slapping two doubles and two singles to give Bucky Walters the decision over Art Herring.

Hal Gregg prevented the Fourth being altogether disappointing for the Flock by out-pitching Ed Heusser in the nightcap. The Bums got to Heusser for three runs in the third and two more in the sixth, and Gregg made the lead stand up, though he weakened in the ninth when the Reds scored twice. In winning, Gregg became the first National League hurler to cop ten games.

After losing the first game, 7-6, on an error, the Pirates came back with a 15-hit attack good for a 13-0 victory and a split with the Phillies. Frank Gustine cost the Bucs the opener when, with Wally Flager on second, he cut down a single behind second base and threw wildly to first, allowing Flager to race in with the winning marker. Ed Krause, who relieved Bill Lee, got the nod and Alex Rescigno was the loser.

Max Butcher pitched a six-hitter in the aftermath and had little trouble as his mates whaled Oscar Judd and Isadoro Leon for 13 singles, a double and a homer by Jim Russell.

### Hugh Mulcahy, Ex-Phillie, On Way Out on Points

8TH ARMY HQ, Philippines, July 5—Hugh Mulcahy, workhorse pitcher for the Philadelphia Phillies and first major leaguer to enter the armed services, is on his way out via the points route.

### Sea Swallow Cops Yankee H'cap

BOSTON, July 5—Sea Swallow, paying \$34.60, gave C. S. Howard his first Yankee Handicap victory before 39,454 yesterday when the three-year-old son of Seabiscuit came from behind at the last turn to lead Michaelo by three lengths in the tenth running of the \$25,000 event.

### Devil Diver Stymied at Belmont

NEW YORK, July 5—Top weight of 128 pounds appeared too much for the favored Devil Diver in the \$10,000 added Brooklyn Handicap at Belmont Park yesterday and he trailed Mrs. Ethel Jacobs' victorious Stymie across the wire by one and a half lengths before 50,261.

## Mayer's Busher Home First In \$50,000 Santa Margarita

ARCADIA, Cal., July 5—Louis B. Mayer hit the jackpot at Santa Anita yesterday with his famous filly Busher romping home first in the \$50,000 Santa Margarita Handicap.

Not only did Busher survive the toughest race of her career, but her running mate Whirlabout romped home on her heels to make it a "family party" for the movie magnate. Canina was third.

The entry paid \$3.50 to win and \$3.10 to place, with Johnny Landen up on Busher.

Approximately 70,000 were on hand for the thrill-packed Independence Day classic, the richest in the world for fillies and mares.

### Equipose Mile to Equifox

CHICAGO, July 5—Equifox, eight years old but still one of the famed Equipose's fleetest sons, romped to victory in the first division of the \$25,000 added Equipose Mile before a holiday crowd of 40,000 at Arlington Park yesterday, while the second division was captured by Daily Trouble.

### Dick Tracy



### Li'l Abner



## U.K. Natators Compete Today

The U.S. swimming and diving championships will be decided this afternoon when more than 100 GIs and sailors compete at London's Marshall Street Baths, with the first event slated for 5 o'clock.

There will be competition in eight events, plus the diving, and the Com Z men among the first three finishers in each event will be rewarded with a trip to Paris for the Com Z championships.

One of the brighter spots on the afternoon's program is expected to be the appearance of Lt. Dick Smith, famous clown diver from the University of Southern Cal. Smith will be serious in his attempts at coping one of the diving events.

## MAJOR LEAGUE RESULTS

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### By Chester Gould



### By Al Capp



# Around the 48 Yesterday Half of World's Arms Produced by U.S. in '44

WASHINGTON, (ANS)—American industry produced more than half of the world's munitions last year and at the same time kept U.S. civilians better housed, better fed and better clothed than any other nation, War Production Board Chairman J. A. Krug reported to President Truman in hailing 1944 as "the most productive year in history."

Krug declared that U.S. war plants had maintained a munitions pace of more than \$5,000,000,000 monthly since the summer of 1943, adding:

The nation has supplied the best equipment in the world to the largest Navy, the largest air force and one of the largest armies in the world. And our civilian economy, though short of some things to which it was accustomed, has been maintained in a sound and healthy condition.

"In 1944 alone, the country produced 96,359 planes, including 16,048 heavy bombers; 30,889 ships; 17,565 tanks; 595,330 Army trucks; 3,284 heavy field guns and howitzers; 152,000 Army rocket launchers; 215,177 bazookas and 1,146,774 tons of artillery ammunition."

## Ban on Shorts Heats Up Decatur

DECATUR, Ill. (ANS)—The town's pinups—and the guys who are fighting for them—can't see eye to eye with Police Chief H. J. Schepper's newest order, which bans the lassies from wearing shorts.

The gals wouldn't be quoted. However, ex-Sgt. Neale Fornwall, just out of the Air Force on points, had this to say:

"The guys at home need morale building, too. All our pinup gals (in the Army) wore shorts. If the girls want to wear them then they should be allowed to."

To which Schepper's only reply was: "When arrests become necessary, we'll make them." Meanwhile, his coppers politely tell the girls: "Cover up your legs."

## Nude Mermaid Hooked

MIAMI (ANS)—Ruth Whitten, of Chicago, was ordered to pay \$20 or spend 20 days in jail after being arrested for swimming in the nude. Until her mom wires her the dough, Ruth is a "guest" of the city.

## Sioux Nags Finally Come In

WASHINGTON (ANS)—After the Custer massacre in June, 1876, the Army rounded up all the ponies of the Sioux Indians—those belonging to both the hostile and the non-hostile factions. The Army's theory was that if the Indians couldn't ride to battle there wouldn't be any more uprisings.

Now the descendants of the non-hostile are going to collect. President Truman signed legislation to pay them \$101,630.

**CAPITAL RAMBLINGS:** Despite a 35 per cent food increase during the war the nation's farm population has dropped to the lowest point in 30 years—25,190,000, the Agriculture Department announced. Since 1940, 5,036,000 have left the land through migration or abandonment of farming operations, while 1,805,000 have joined the armed forces.

Rep. Clifford R. Hope charged that many World War II veterans were being charged "exorbitant prices" for used farm machinery. . . . More than 200 examples of GI art—paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture and prints—went on display at the National Art Gallery.

## Row Perils 10,000 Salaries

WASHINGTON (ANS)—The Congressional battle over the Fair Employment Practices Committee tied up funds of 12 home-front war agencies and left more than 10,000 federal employes facing payless days.

The funds for continuing FEPC are included with those for 16 U.S. bureaus and agencies in a \$752,000,000 appropriation bill now before Congress. Opponents of FEPC to date have blocked moves to provide the group with funds. Supporters hope to break the opposition by taking up the money for the other agencies.

## Thurman Arnold Quits

WASHINGTON—The resignation of Justice Thurman Arnold of the U.S. Court of Appeals here, effective July 10, was announced by the White House.

## Deny Nazi PWs Got Pullmans

MARYSVILLE, Cal. (ANS)—An investigation into complaints by 500 combat veterans being redeployed from England that they were forced to ride across country here in overcrowded day coaches while German PWs were being transported in Pullmans through Omaha, Neb., disclosed:

1—That of more than 150 of the veterans questioned by Brig. Gen. Oscar B. Abbott, commander of Camp Beale, Cal., where the soldiers arrived, none said they actually saw a German PW in a Pullman; and 2—Seventh Service Command Headquarters announced there was no movement of German PWs through Omaha on the day in question.

(In Washington, Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson regretted the soldiers' inconveniences, but said there was "no truth" that German PWs traveled in Pullmans.)

**CHICAGO**—Accidental deaths throughout the U.S. on July 4 totaled 138, most of them coming on the road or in the water. No deaths from firecrackers were reported. Ohio reported 16 of the fatalities. . . . **BILLINGS, Mont.**—A warehouse fire destroyed ten carloads of valuable sugar beet seed and threatened the second largest sugar factory in the world before it was brought under control.

**OLD ORCHARD BEACH, Me.**—Three ETO veterans thought it was a gag hoisting a Nazi swastika to the top of a flagpole. However, civilians stormed the pole and made a lot of noise until American Legionnaires hauled the thing down and burned it. . . . **NEW YORK**—Polio cases in the first five months of 1945 jumped 50 per cent over the corresponding period in 1944, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis announced.

## OK Ocean Run Goodyear Plant For 3 Airlines Seized by Navy

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Three U.S. airlines—Pan-American Airways, American Export Lines and Transcontinental and Western—today were authorized by the Civil Aeronautics Board, with President Truman's approval, to operate transport lines across the North Atlantic.

The board said that the decision would result in extra service to the British Isles, Portugal, Spain, Ireland, Scandinavia, Russia and other European countries, as well as North Africa, the Near East and India.

Approval of TWA's transoceanic application for the first time brought a U.S. internal airline into competition with Pan-American and American Export, heretofore the only American concerns to operate commercial service overseas.

The board said that the routes could not be operated into and through foreign countries involved until those countries granted the necessary permits. Some already have done so, and the board said it believed operations over parts of the new routes could be started without awaiting completion of all the diplomatic arrangements with all countries.

AKRON, Ohio, July 5 (AP)—Acting on orders from President Truman, the Navy today seized the five strike-paralyzed plants of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., where 16,700 members of the United Rubber Workers (CIO) have been idle for 20 days.

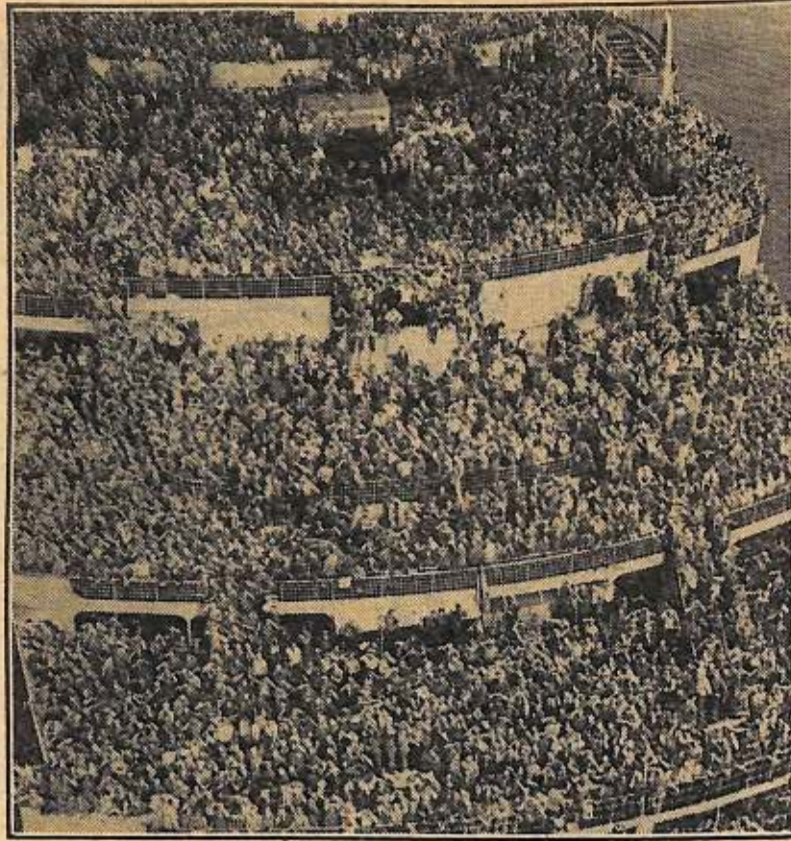
The Presidential directive followed assertions that the walkout seriously was endangering the supply of tires, brake material and self-sealing gas tanks for the Pacific.

Capt. H. K. Clark took command of the plants and ordered the strikers to return to their jobs by tomorrow morning. As Clark's staff arrived, pickets cheered.

The White House order had no effect on the Firestone Rubber plant here, where 15,000 went on strike this week.

## Newspaper Strike Continues

NEW YORK, July 5 (UP)—The newspaper deliverers strike here continued today, and circulation still was restricted to counter sales at the various newspaper offices. Few of the papers were carrying any ads.



Associated Press Photo

**WHO WANTS COMFORT?** They're steaming into New York harbor aboard the Queen Elizabeth, and that's enough for the GIs who crammed the decks of the world's largest and fastest liner. Almost 14,000 made the trip back from Europe. The liner docked in New York last Friday.

## Margie's Tour Of U.K. Bases Comes to End

By A. Victor Lasky  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Margie—Uncle Sam's Poster Girl—concluded her whirlwind tour of U.K. installations yesterday in behalf of The Stars and Stripes War Bond contest. She made her last speech in England at the post theater at BAD 2 near Warton before taking off for the Continent.

The 25-year-old lovely from Wabash, Ind., met her cousin, Pvt. William R.

## Deadline Tomorrow In War Bond Contest

Letters on "My Savings and Post-War Plans" must be postmarked not later than midnight tomorrow, July 7. Letters, which should be addressed to War Bond Contest, APO 887, must contain no fewer than 50 words nor more than 250.

Newby, also of Wabash, an ex-dough now a propeller inspector, at BAD 2.

For Newby there was great satisfaction in the meeting. He told Margie that few of his hut-mates would believe they were related. Consequently, he indulged in a bit of waging, and now is going to send a nice fat money order home.

On hand also to bid the prettiest staffer of The Stars and Stripes welcome to the air depot were S/Sgt. Robert C. Christie and Sgt. Charles A. Robison, both from Wabash.

After her last speech she was presented with a replica of the lunchbox which appeared in her last poster. There were sandwiches and fruit in the box. They sure tasted good.

## 6 Die as Tornado Rips Into Nebraska

RISING CITY, Neb., July 5 (ANS)—Six persons, including four children, were killed and at least 12 critically injured by a tornado which swept a path five miles long and two miles wide near here yesterday.

The wind, accompanied by heavy rains, also brought heavy property damage.

At Seward, 20 miles southeast, what apparently was the same storm tore the roof off a grandstand housing spectators at a fireworks program. No one was hurt.

## Rheims to Get Back Surrender Room

ASSEMBLY AREA COMMAND, Rheims, July 5—The SHAEF war room, in which the Germans signed the unconditional surrender, will be turned over to the city of Rheims in a formal ceremony Saturday.

## Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



By Milton Caniff

## Legion Joins Governors in Backing Charter

WASHINGTON, July 5 (ANS)—The American Legion, claiming a membership of 1,600,000 veterans of both world wars, today joined the governors of the 48 States in urging the Senate to ratify the United Nations charter as quickly as possible.

In a letter addressed to every member of the Senate, National Commander Edward N. Scheiberling said the Legion "feels that the San Francisco charter is an honest and able attempt to create a workable association of free and sovereign nations implemented with force to maintain peace and prevent recurrence of war. It is obvious that it is the best and only charter that can be produced at this time."

The governors, at their 37th annual conference, at Mackinac Island, Mich., unanimously endorsed the charter "as drafted" and urged its prompt approval by the Senate "so that the United States can lead the way in this greatest of man's efforts."

Meanwhile, while efforts proceeded in the Senate to bring about quick ratification, one Senator raised the only objection yet voiced to the charter. Sen. Harlan Bushfield (R-S.D.), saying he would nevertheless support the charter, indicated that he would seek to have the Senate rectify what he said were six flaws in the charter.

He listed these as: 1—The charter delegates power the Senate has no authority to delegate to the security council to declare war; 2—It puts U.S. sovereignty into foreign hands in direct violation of the Constitution; 3—It implies power to the American delegate to vote the U.S. into war without reference to Congress; 4—It gives the security council power to regulate the size and kind of U.S. armaments; 5—It destroys the Monroe Doctrine, and 6—It scuttles the Pan-American Union.

## Denies Reich Gets U.S. Food

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer  
MUNICH, July 5—Under no conditions will U.S. food supplies be used to feed Bavarian civilians, Col. Charles E. Keegan, military governor of Bavaria, said yesterday. He denied reports that American footstuffs were being diverted to food shortage in the defeated Reich.

He said the U.S. set the policy. However, some surplus bread grain will be made available for feeding displaced persons in Bavaria. He explained the German civilians would benefit indirectly, since less of their food stocks toward feeding the foreign laborers.

## Import Wheat for Miners

SHAEF, July 5 (AP)—It has become necessary to use imported wheat in Germany to supplement rations for coal miners, SHAEF announced today.

Miners of Western Germany have been getting 2,250 calories per day for surface workers and 2,800 for underground workers, it was said, but "this proved insufficient to maintain a productive output." Other Germans receive 1,150 calories.

## President Signs Bill Extending Trade Act

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—President Truman today signed a bill for a three-year extension of the Reciprocal Trade Act which includes vast new authority to cut tariffs in agreement with other countries.

Under the bill, Mr. Truman can reduce some duties as much as 75 per cent below the rates of the last Tariff Act—the Smoot-Hawley law of 1930.

## 15 Fliers Lost in Atlantic Crash

Hope has been officially abandoned for 15 U.S. airmen aboard an 8th Air Force Liberator which plunged into the Atlantic on June 17 while en route from Valley, Wales, to the Azores on a redeployment flight to the U.S., ATC HQ announced yesterday.

Organized phases of a futile search that covered 65,000 square miles of ocean were discontinued June 26, climaxing one of the most widespread air-sea searches ever undertaken in the Atlantic.

Seven U.S. and British warships, 17 merchant vessels and numerous American and RAF aircraft participated.

Three of the four emergency rafts

carried by the Liberator were spotted from the air, two of them overturned and one upright but empty.

Shortly after the B24's last SOS ended in abrupt silence, two storms kicked up 25-foot waves to handicap immediate rescue efforts. Officers in charge of the hunt speculated that the heavy sea swamped the dinghies in which any survivors of the crash might have escaped.

Out of 2,800 tactical aircraft already ferried back to the U.S., carrying more than 43,000 airmen, 13 planes have been lost. Some of these losses were crashes on landings and take-offs without casualties to personnel.