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8th AF Will Join Pacific War Under Doolittle's Command

WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—The 8th Air Force, commanded by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, will be moved from Europe to the Pacific to join in the war against Japan, it was announced last night by the War Department.

Maj. Gen. William Kepner, who took over command of the 8th when Doolittle returned from Europe, will continue to command the elements remaining in the ETO until redeployment is finished.

The announcement said that certain ground units of the organization were ready to move to the Pacific immediately after VE-Day and some are already on their way. Other units are returning to the United States under WD redeployment and demobilization plans.

While the movement of the 8th to the Pacific does not necessarily mean that all personnel and units will be a part of the new set-up, enough combat-trained personnel will be included to maintain its high experience level, the War Department said. Additional personnel will be drawn from pools set up in the U.S. to replace men demobilized or given U.S. assignments.

Doolittle is now prepared to help finish the job he started on Japan on Apr. 18, 1942, when he led the first raid on Tokyo, said the WD, but now he'll be using land-based, four-engine bombers with plenty of fighter cover rather than carrier-based B25s.

The Department also promised that the tempo of bombing against Japan will be stepped up to a point that Japanese war industries can expect an even greater volume of explosives than rained down on Hitler's Fortress Europe.

Rep. J. Buell Snyder (D.-Pa.), member of the House Appropriations Committee which met with Chief of Staff Gen. George C. Marshall yesterday to prepare the WD appropriation bill for the fiscal year, told reporters that in the coming year "two and a half times as many bombs will be dropped on Japan as the Allies dropped in Europe this year."

No official comment was issued at 8th Air Force HQ last night concerning the Pacific move. However, several high officers, reached by telephone, said they had been expecting such a plan for some time and expressed themselves as highly pleased over the opportunity to be in at the finish of the Pacific struggle.

2nd Armored Speeds 'Em Back

PARIS, May 27—Nearly 1,200 enlisted men and a handful of officers from the 2nd Arm. Div. were on their way back to the U.S. today in one of the first, biggest and fastest redeployment moves from any unit in the ETO.

Their point scores, all above 85, ranged into astronomical figures. The group passed through Paris a couple of days ago so fast that they didn't even have time to do a doubletake. They were on their way from the 3rd Reinforcement Depot straight to the docks at Cherbourg, where boats were waiting to shoot them home.

They were by-passing the regular staging and embarkation area at Le Havre. All processing before shipment was to have been done by the time they reached the Channel, and all they were scheduled to do was walk up the gangplank and sweat out seasickness.

Fortresses of the 8th Air Force will soon assist Air Transport Command in moving large numbers of ground force personnel to the port of embarkation at Casablanca, 8th Air Force announced yesterday.

A temporary 8th Air Force camp has been established at an airfield near Istres-Marseilles, France, from which the Fortresses will operate, flying a regular route to Casablanca.

The heavy bombers have been stripped of all non-essential equipment to provide space for 40 passengers in addition to a crew of five.

Officers who have won battle stars for both the ETO and the North African Theater while serving with qualifying units in each theater will be removed from units being redeployed, and if they have not enough points for discharge, will be assigned to Army of Occupation units.

THEY DIDN'T KNOW THE PASSWORD: The first German spies to be captured in U.S. uniforms during the Nazi counter-offensive in the Ardennes were shot to death, following a court-martial. Trained to impersonate Americans, they were captured by MPs at Aywaille, Belgium, while driving in a jeep. They aroused suspicion when they didn't know the password.

Okinawa Fighting Bogs, Heavy Rains Limit Gains

Heavy rains slowed advances on every sector of the Okinawa battlefield yesterday, but on northern Luzon U.S. troops outflanked the Japanese-held road junction of Santa Fe and opened a new offensive to break into the Cagayan Valley, last strongly held Jap area in the Philippines.

As men of the 25th Division swung around Santa Fe to the east and secured strong positions north of the town, U.S. planes rocked Aparri airfield at the north end of Cagayan Valley with 450 tons of bombs.

Gains on Okinawa were limited to the eastern end of the Jap defense line where soldiers of the 7th Division continued to slog ahead south of Yonabaru. At the other end of the line rains sent the Asato River out of its banks and washed away three of four bridges leading into Naha, the island capital.

The Japs, in a suicidal effort to stem the American air attacks from Okinawa bases, landed airborne troops on the Yonian airstrip. These troops poured out of a transport plane which made a belly landing and attempted to attack installations. Some U.S. planes were damaged before the force was wiped out.

Suicide air attacks also were made against the U.S. fleet in Okinawa waters, and 11 light American units were damaged. The attacks cost the Japs 166 planes, Adm. Nimitz announced.

Allied air attacks against Japanese targets continued with planes of the British carrier fleet again hitting the Sakishima Islands between Okinawa and Formosa.

33 Merchant Ships Hit
Other Allied planes, striking from Shanghai to the Netherlands East Indies, destroyed or damaged 33 Japanese merchant ships. One U.S. Navy Liberator alone attacked a concentration of shipping off the south coast of Borneo and destroyed or set on fire 20 vessels.

Japanese Radio, meanwhile, said that Tokyo was burning to the ground from flames kindled by the massive 500-plane Superfort raid Friday morning. The fires were fanned by a 70-mile-an-hour gale and "practically laid waste" the city of over 7,000,000 inhabitants, the Japs admitted.

Jap Prime Minister Suzuki broadcast that Tokyo had been destroyed beyond any hope of repair and added that he had seen the flames swallow up the Imperial palace.

A report on damage to the Jap capital was being withheld by 21st Bomber Command pending the receipt of reconnaissance photographs, but one pilot who flew over the blazing city said, "I saw large masses of fire all over the area and could even see flames, they were leaping so high."

Nineteen of the Superforts which took part in Friday's attack were lost over the target—the heaviest loss suffered during any B29 mission so far. Twelve planes were lost in the raid on Wednesday.

Chinese troops, on the mainland, recaptured Nanning, former capital of Kwangsi province, and a key point in the corridor linking China with Indo-China. This corridor is the potential escape route for the Japs in Burma, Thailand, Malaya and Indo-China.

Japs Still Have War Machine, Crowley Says

WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—Although already hard hit by U.S. bombings, a large part of Japan's war machine remains intact, leaving the enemy "still able to wage a long war." Foreign Economic Administrator Leo T. Crowley said yesterday in summarizing Nippon's economic and industrial power.

(A Reuter dispatch from San Francisco said there was a growing belief in Allied quarters with special knowledge of the Pacific war that the Japanese would surrender within six months. The belief, it was said, was based on the military progress of the war and on the political and psychological factors operating within Japan as a result of Germany's defeat.

This confidence in an end of the war against Japan before too long was responsible for the urgency in discussions at San Francisco for forming a world general staff which would govern the operations of an integrated international force to keep peace, the dispatch said.)

Crowley said that so far the Allies, despite their advances in the Pacific, had liberated "less than 7 per cent of the nearly 3,000,000 square miles of territory conquered by Japan."

Before Japan started the war, Crowley said, she had organized her industry to operate efficiently in the so-called inner zone of Japan proper, in Korea, Manchuria and parts of north China.

Although Japan is now cut off from most of her stolen empire and her fleet has been reduced to task force size, she still has an operating and well-stocked industrial core which can support her war effort indefinitely, Crowley said.

Great areas of her principal cities have been ravaged by bombings, but many of Japan's war plants have been dispersed in recent months from these heavily hit centers and some of them have been put underground, he added.

7,000 ETO Vets Arrive in N.Y.

NEW YORK, May 27 (ANS)—More than 7,000 veterans of the European war came home yesterday. Flags of the United Nations fluttered in the breeze and several bands blared gay tunes as the men filed down the gangplanks of five transports which docked at Staten Island and North River piers.

As the convoy, which carried the largest contingent of homeward-bound troops in this war, glided up the bay in the early dawn, hundreds of them lined the rails and cheered as they passed the Statue of Liberty.

The men debarked rapidly and were transported to New York POE installations for processing. They were told that red tape would be held to a minimum and that furloughs for those eligible would start within 24 hours.

15th AF Vets in Boston, Some on Way to Pacific

BOSTON, May 27 (ANS)—Some 6,000 veterans of the Mediterranean-based 15th AF, many of whom will go into action in the Pacific after 30-day furloughs, arrived here yesterday aboard a troop transport.

Also in the group were the 331st and 348th Air Service Sqds., which served in Egypt, Tunisia and Italy; 732 men of the 815th Engineer Aviation Bn., which the 15th AF built throughout the Mediterranean; and veterans of the 41st Air Depot group, which arrived in Bizerta, North Africa, in September, 1943.

Nazi Guerillas Still Fight
MOSCOW, May 27 (Reuter)—German "suicide groups" of guerrillas are still trying to keep up the struggle from the forest hideouts in some parts of the former Soviet-German front, Red Star said today.

ETO Combat Vets of MTO Spared Pacific

PARIS, May 27—Battle-starred veterans of the ETO who also were in "actual combat" in Sicily, Italy, Corsica or Sardinia will not be sent to the Pacific unless they volunteer, ETO Headquarters said yesterday.

The ruling came in an interpretation of Gen. Eisenhower's order which forbids sending to the Pacific men who fought in both North Africa and Europe. Theater redeployment chiefs said that the North African Theater of Operations, for purposes of carrying out Eisenhower's order, would include Sicily, Italy, Corsica and Sardinia as well as continental Africa.

ETO Combat Vets of MTO Spared Pacific

Officers are specifically excluded from Eisenhower's order, it was said, and any officer, no matter where he has served, is considered eligible for Pacific duty.

The statement defined a "combat soldier" as any EM who was assigned or attached to any organic unit of an infantry or armored division or of any of nine types of units while such units were assigned or attached to a corps or division during actual combat.

Harry Hopkins Meets Stalin in Moscow
MOSCOW, May 27 (Reuter)—Harry Hopkins, President Truman's special envoy to Moscow, and W. Averell Harriman, U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union, conferred with Marshal Stalin and Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov at the Kremlin last night.

The units listed include: Anti-aircraft artillery, armored, cavalry, chemical, mortar battalions, engineers (combat, pontoon, treadway bridge, or mine clearing), field artillery, infantry, signal corps and tank destroyers.

200 Vets Flown Back From China, Burma, India

MIAMI, Fla., May 27 (ANS)—More than 200 veterans, including 1st and 5th Army men and some of Merrill's Marauders from the China and Burma and India theaters, arrived here today in Air Transport Command planes.

The men are on their way home for furloughs and reassignment and in many cases for discharge under the Army points system. The group includes members of virtually all branches of Ground and Air Forces with the 1st, 34th and 36th Divisions liberally represented.

Officer Scores Being Set Up For Discharge

PARIS, May 27—A theater eligibility score is being set up for all Ground and Service Forces officers as a guide in deciding whether they may be considered candidates for return to the U.S. and possible release from the Army, ETO Headquarters said today.

There was no official indication of what the score would be. It is expected to be announced soon.

Redeployment officials indicated that the eligibility score for officers would serve the same purpose as the "critical score" for EMs, but emphasized that it is to be used as a "guide only" in determining theater officer surplus and would not be the principal factor determining an officer's release from the Army.

Previously, the War Department had announced there would be no critical score for officers.

Under theater plans, all Ground and Service Forces officers who have scores equal to, or above, the eligibility score will become candidates for consideration as theater surplus, unless they elect to stay in active service until after Japan's defeat. No other officer will be eligible unless no assignment in the ETO can be found for him.

Being declared eligible for consideration as theater surplus is only the first small step in release from the Army, however, redeployment chiefs said. If an officer becomes eligible, it still must be determined whether he can be spared from the Army of Occupation or the Pacific, and even if he is declared surplus to theater needs and sent to the States, it must be determined there that he is non-essential before he can get out of the Army.

For officers in the Air Forces, a separate eligibility score or scores may be established. In any case, USSTAF will report to the GFRC its officers who are surplus, but whose scores are below eligibility level and who can be used in Ground and Service units. They will then become available for reassignment.

To Fly 50,000 a Month Back to the States
WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—The homeward flow of U.S. soldiers from Europe by airplane soon will reach a peak of around 50,000 men each month, the War Department disclosed today.

Transportation of these men will require a flight across the Atlantic every six minutes of the day and night.

In addition to huge transports operated by Air Transport Command, the movement of tactical planes homeward gradually will be stepped up until from 100 to 125 such craft will cross either the North or South Atlantic daily, reversing routes by which they went to war in Europe.

These planes will be flown by the same crews that took them into combat.

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THE B BAG



NOTE: B-Bag is receiving many unsigned letters. We require your signature as evidence of good faith only. Your identity will not be revealed if you inform us you want your name withheld.—Ed.

Peace Now!

May 13, 1945

To the B-Bag: I am all for unconditional surrender—provided it can be obtained at a minimum loss of American life.

Our esteemed superiors declare that it would be criminal not to fight the war through to the finish. Indeed, it would be criminal on their part to sacrifice the lives of tens of thousands of our youth in the fulfillment of an ideal—an ideal which does not guarantee the end of wars.

It is not so much the winning of the peace but the keeping of it that is of importance, and if we, the present generation, cannot do a better job of maintaining the peace than they did then we deserve another war.—Lt. J. A. G., USAAF.

OKs Coal Strikers

May 20, 1945

To the B-Bag: Regarding Pvt. R. E. Carlson's letter on the coal miners' right to strike, I would say he never has been around a coal mine.

I was born and raised in coal fields and I know a little of what a miner goes through. My mother's first husband died from coal mine injuries. My father was an invalid for 16 years and finally died from injuries received while mining coal.

When the war started everyone else went on strike but the miners had a contract so they carried on. When their contract ran out they asked for a new one and were called saboteurs for doing it.

If my dad were still living and still working in the mines I would want him to strike just as they're doing. They have a right to. That's what we're fighting for!—Pvt. Victor D. Courtney, wounded rifleman.

A Few Slow Rolls

May 8, 1945

To the B-Bag: In regard to Pvt. Zimmerman's letter about aid to the Dutch, we future "gravel haulers" wish to add a few suggestions. Prior to the take-off the bomb bay could be loaded with sand, gravel, cement and all the other components. While en route to Holland the pilot would merely do a few slow rolls, producing mixed concrete. Better yet we might hand the finished concrete blocks on the shackles. It would then be a cinch to drop them precisely on the target with our "pickle barrel" bombsight.—T/Sgt. Heinige, 445th Bomb Gp.

The Square

May 8, 1945

To the B-Bag: In reference to the B17 dropping food to the Dutch, pictured in the May 7 issue, I wish to correct an error. The plane shown belongs to and represents the veteran 390th Bomb Group. Notwithstanding the 385th's record, pride for the square J and the men of the group compels me to correct your oversight.—F/O Andrew W. Barone, 390th Bomb Gp.

The Square J Again

May 10, 1945

To the B-Bag: Since when has the 385th Bomb Gp. inherited the Square J and Ship No. 954. Let's give credit where it is due. M/Sgt. Alquist and myself have sweated that baby through many a mission and we have yet to see it even land at the 385th Group's field.—S/Sgt. Andrew C. Cummings, 390th Bomb Gp.

Gobs' Uniform Antiquated

May 15, 1945

To the B-Bag: When does the Navy intend to remodel its antiquated, childish, enlisted men's uniform? It's high time that something be done in this direction, if not during the war, afterwards. I don't see GIs wearing the tricorne hat with blue and buff.—Stewart B. Howe, SM2c, USNR.

Hash Marks

A disgruntled GI, still shuddering from the first sight of his blind date, quoted Henry Youngman's famous quip, "Boy, when snakes are drunk—they see her!"

Quip of the Week (by T/5 Charles Bush). To be discharged from the Army all you need is 85—either points or years of age—whichever one you reach first!

Special confidential release on the labor shortage: Cemeteries are now operating on a skeleton force.

Our spy, making a tour of camps back home, sends in this bit of verse: He who shoots craps after taps Responds but heavily to reveille While he who is frugalier Wakes up with the bugaller.

The little moron staggered into the dentist's chair, plopped down and sighed, "Are there many cavities in my teeth,



doc?" "Are there?" screamed the medic, "there are so many that every time you talk I hear an echo."

Silly Fable. An ingenious corporal over here got a letter from his grandmother asking him where he was stationed in England. He didn't think she would have a map showing the small English town; so he told her to take a globe of the world, locate a certain longitude and latitude on the map of China, make a light pencil mark on the exact spot—then take a hammer and drive an ice pick straight through the globe from that place and the point would come right out on the correct spot in England.

Fun on the Home Front. A woman was buying a drinking trough for her dog and the shopkeeper asked if she would like one with the inscription, "For the Dog." "It really doesn't matter," she replied, "The dog can't read—and my husband never drinks water!"

And this little verse was left in our typewriter: The moon was bright The road was dark



The perfect place To stop and park He gave a sigh— He gave a groan He cursed his luck— He was alone.

Daffynition. A consultant is an ordinary guy a long way from home. J. C. W.



ALSO IN THE BAG: SS Gen. Karl Albrecht Oberg, whom Parisians have tabbed the "Butcher of Paris," is shown in the custody of Maj. Cecil Simmons, a former Grand Rapids, Mich., policeman, who recognized Oberg—disguised as a private in the Austrian Army—by his egg-shaped head.

Still Up to Their Tricks, Too 3rd Division 'Captures' First Japs —The Berlin Embassy's Staff

By Houston Boyle Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 3RD INF. DIV. IN AUSTRIA, May 27—The entire staff of the former Japanese Embassy in Berlin, 131 persons, including the arch war criminal Ambassador Hiroshi Oshima, Army Observer Lt. Gen. Komatsu and Naval Attache Rear Adm. Kojima, has been placed in custody at Bad Gastein by the 15th Infantry's Cannon Co., commanded by Lt. Randolph M. Summerall, of Isola, Miss.

Virtually snatched from under the nose of the 101st Airborne Div., which had arrived in the famed resort town earlier, these are the first Japs to be bagged by any outfit in the ETO Cannon Co. GIs are speculating on whether they will be the last Japs to be taken by the 3rd. The Japs also seem concerned on this point and have openly attempted to learn the 3rd's next move.

Now situated securely under heavy guard in the twin hotels near the peak of a mountain overlooking Bad Gastein, the entourage, including families and servants, has been allowed to exercise by walking near the hotels.

They eat at the hotel and the Japs don't like the short German rations and have sought the right to fish in a nearby stream. This has been denied.

One member, when cautioned that more than the agreed number of seven were taking exercise at one time, told guard Pfc Steve Pittman, of Louisville, Ohio: "Don't worry about any of us attempting to escape. We could have left Bad Gastein three months ago if we had so desired."

All refused to comment when asked why the group had obviously decided to await our arrival when within a few hours they could have moved to a territory under the present jurisdiction of a power with whom Japan is at peace.

Wearing the latest style Sears, Roebuck clothes, allegedly obtained through Switzerland, English speaking members have occasionally approached guards, attempting conversation in a breezy American slang and offering the guards a

2 Trains Start Red Repatriates Back to Home

By Paul Green Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 15TH ARMY, May 27—Two trains chugging out of opposite ends of the Rhineland yesterday carried almost 3,000 Russian nationals on their way home. They are among the first to be sent back under the scheme by which they will be exchanged for western Europeans in Russian-occupied Germany.

From Wesel, up in the Ruhr, 1,450 Russians, mostly war prisoners, pulled out for the two-day trip to Magdeburg on the Elbe. They were preceded by 1,500 others who left from Homburg, way down in the Saar, en route to Leipzig.

These towns will be used as staging areas where Russian displaced persons will be brought from all over this Army's area and shipped out at an expected rate of 2,000 daily from each camp. This Army has 200,000 Soviet DPs in its area.

The Hammer and Sickle Special at Wesel was a colorful caravan of 58 cars, each with 25 persons. All were men except for 15 women who said they had been captured while fighting with guerilla units.

From early morning the Russians poured out of the camp toward the train with their meager possessions on their backs or in wheelbarrows and baby carriages.

They made the freight cars more home-like by decorating them with leafy branches and flowers. Many brought their own chairs or benches. Each car had a commander who distributed the two days of dry rations.

Practically all the civilians were from the Ukraine, but the Red Army soldiers came from all over the Soviet Union. There were brawny, big-shouldered men from the Steppes, slant-eyed Tadjijs from Alma Ata in Tashkent, mustachioed Cossacks from the Don and the Kuban, people of all hues and complexions.

They wore strange assortments of clothing, from tattered and patched civvie to mixtures of Russian, German and Allied uniforms and big fur caps and gay-colored blouses. Some soldiers had managed to sew their stripes on their civilian jackets.

The entire affair was truly international. It had been arranged by a British Military Government detachment run by a Scot and a Canadian and a Russian-speaking Czech liaison officer. It was supervised by the U.S. 17th Airborne Div., which provided a dozen security guards for the trip. Four Yanks of the Military Railway Service staffed the train, which included an American locomotive and cars from Germany, France, Belgium and Holland. Rations were British and American.

As the train puffed on its way East, from each car came the music of mandolins, balalaikas and violins and the Russians lifted their voices in jolly Red Army tunes and mournful folk songs. They were going home—at last.

Transfer to Pacific Is Postal Problem

HONOLULU, May 27 (ANS)—Declaring that their biggest job of the war will be keeping track of U.S. fighting men transferred from the ETO to the Pacific, Army postal officers today termed the forwarding of mail from old APOs a "grand-scale job."

However, since divisions are the smallest units having APO numbers and many will be redeployed intact, forwarding mail to them will be comparatively simple, they said.

Postal officers announced that they have already set up plans to meet the situation, and expect to act with the same promptness that had the first mail ashore on Okinawa 24 hours after the landing there.

Opened Door to Millions, Got Home With 15c.

SEATTLE, May 27 (ANS)—Sgt. George Murphy, a combat engineer who led a squad near Merkers, Germany, which recently blew open the door to a mine in which hundreds of tons of gold and priceless art treasures were found, arrived home—with only 15 cents in his pocket.

Here on an emergency furlough to see his ill mother, Murphy said that he had no idea, when he was awakened at 4 AM one morning, that he was going to blast the lid off the German pot of gold.

AFN Radio Program

Table with radio program schedule including times and station names for Monday, May 28 and Tuesday, May 29.



FAULKNER

"Let's get that hat on straight, soldier!"

European Victory Cuts U.S. Aircraft Program

17,000 Planes Slashed From Army Schedule

WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—The War Department announced yesterday a drastic cutback in aircraft production which will mean that 17,000 airplanes scheduled for production during the next year and a half will not be manufactured.

The WD said the cutback was made possible by the end of the war in Europe and curtailment of Lend-Lease. The reduction affects "most of the nation's leading aircraft producers in various sections of the country," the AAF said.

On the basis of weight of airplanes, the total production during the last half of this year will be 70 per cent of the total weight produced in the first six months. Production in the first half of 1946 will drop to 60 per cent and in the second half to 55 per cent.

Here is how the AAF described the principal production revisions.

Production of Consolidated B32s will end at San Diego this month and at Fort Worth at the end of this year.

The Douglas A26 Long Beach plant will continue at present levels, but the Tulsa, Okla., plant will taper off.

Douglas C47 production at Oklahoma City will taper until December, then continue at half its schedule during 1946.

Curtis C46s will be produced only at the Buffalo plant, where the schedule will drop to two-thirds its current rate after August.

B17 production at Lockheed will be halted in August, while that at Douglas will be stabilized by August at one-fourth its current rate.

P38 production at Lockheed's Burbank plant will continue unchanged, but planned production at North American in Kansas City has been cancelled.

There is no change in the production schedule of new models of the two mainstay fighters, the P47 Thunderbolt and P51 Mustang. Superfort production will increase for several months.

Claims U.S. Prepared For Peace Production

WASHINGTON, May 27 (Reuter)—America is well prepared for peace-time production, but war production programs will still have top priority, J. A. Krug, chairman of the War Production Board, said today in a report on war production.

Direct military and war-supporting programs will have first claim on materials, and manufacturers cannot divert energies from war to civilian operations, he added.

"Up to now almost 50 per cent of our industrial energies have gone to produce planes, ships, guns, ammunition and combat vehicles for a two-front war," Krug said. "It now appears that we will be able to use an increasing volume of our resources for the satisfaction of consumer demands."

Some areas are bound to experience unemployment, Krug said. In that event, local chambers of commerce, union leaders and business may urge the government to take special measures, such as providing a public works program or putting in war contracts to tide over the slump or making special releases of materials for civilian production.

"The U.S. is much better prepared for reconversion in the middle of this war than at the end of the last one," Krug said.

Jet Planes Would Wreck World, Designer Claims

BERKELEY, May 27 (Reuter)—Jet and rocket propulsion have been so perfected in this war they would wreck civilization in a third world conflict, Hall L. Hibbard, designer of the Army's new jet-propelled fighter, the Shooting Star, said here today.

"Jet planes have opened the way to a type of warfare more devastating than the world has ever known," he said. "It would be the aim of any future aggressor to wipe out his victim in the first 24 hours of hostilities."



CALIFORNIA, HERE WE COME (WE HOPE): Not much has to be said about these streamlined lassies—except that if you can't get out to Hollywood you'll be able to see them in Republic's forthcoming production "Mexicana." The starlets, from left to right, are: Frances Gladwin, Portland, Ore.; Melva Anstead, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Harriette Haddon, Los Angeles; Rosemonde James, Longview, Tex.; Beverly Reedy, Los Angeles; Dorothy Stevens, Crestline, Ohio; Lucille Bryon, Portland, Ore.; Marian Kerrigan, Cleveland, and Martha Carroll, Chicago.

House Passes Reciprocity Bill

WASHINGTON, May 27 — The House of Representatives gave President Truman a major foreign policy victory over the week end by passing the Administration's Reciprocal Trade Bill by a 239-153 vote.

The bill, which would extend the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act and give the President authority to make further cuts in tariff rates, now goes to the Senate where it is expected to face serious opposition. Senate Finance Committee chairman Walter F. George (D-Ga.) announced that his committee had rejected the bill by 194 votes to 174, a Republican amendment eliminating the President's authority to make further reductions in tariff rates.

Under the existing act, which expires in June, the President is authorized to slice tariffs to one half those set in 1930. This authority has been used in full and the President is seeking power to make further cuts.

Ex-Capone Gangster Slain in Chicago

CHICAGO, May 27 (ANS)—Chicago's gangland warfare, comparatively silent in wartime, flared anew in a South Side saloon last night as shotgun assassins ended the 20-year hoodlum career of James (Red) Fawcett, former member of the old Capone gang.

A lurking gunman believed to have had a companion blasted one shot into Fawcett's head, killing him instantly. Slugs from a second shot whistled through the tavern, striking a clock and sending 20 patrons fleeing to the street. Remaining in the saloon were Fawcett's wife and James Larkin, a bartender.

As in other gangland killings, police found no witnesses able to identify the slayer.

USO Keeps Going
SALT LAKE CITY, May 26 (AP)—United Service Organization centers will continue to operate for about two years after VJ-Day, Mrs. Elizabeth Luce Moore, chairman of the National USO, said today.

Around the 48 Yesterday

Urges \$4-a-Day Bonus For Overseas Veterans

WASHINGTON (ANS)—A bonus bill providing for payments up to \$5,000 for men who have served overseas and \$4,000 for men with U.S. service only was introduced in the House by Rep. John Lesinski (D-Mich.).

Lesinski's measure would give a man \$3 for each day of duty in the U.S. and \$4 for each day served abroad up to \$3,500 for home service and \$4,000 for overseas duty. The bill also calls for \$20-per-week payments for a year to every member of the armed forces who has served at least 90 days and hasn't been dishonorably discharged.

The total cost of Rankin's measure was estimated at approximately \$12,000,000,000 and Lesinski's around at \$20,000,000,000.

Revoke McGee's DD

WORCESTER, Mass. (ANS)—Pvt. Joseph E. McGee was back on a full-duty status with the Army after Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson ordered McGee's two-year prison sentence and dishonorable discharge revoked. McGee had been convicted in France last fall of punching nine German PWs.

In reviewing the case, following a storm of protests from local civilians headed by Fred A. Jones, a policeman, Patterson termed McGee's sentence "excessive." Previously, House Democratic Leader John McCormack, of Massachusetts, who forwarded the protest to the War Department, called the punishment "ridiculous."

McGee, who was tried at Le Mans, France, pleaded innocent to assault and battery charges against the Germans, but the prisoners testified he struck them with his hands and kicked them and in one instance used his club. The court ruled McGee violated the Geneva Convention.

The soldier, who has been serving at the Disciplinary Barracks, Fort Harrison, Ind., was ordered by Patterson to report to the 1st Service Command, Boston, for re-assignment.

One Side War, One Side Peace

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK—One of the best pictures of what is happening in America now that the war in Europe is over was supplied by Samuel Grafton, columnist for The New York Post, who wrote:

"You can talk as if we were at peace; you can talk as if we were at war; you can talk out of either side of your mouth. It's that kind of a period.

"We are selling war bonds as hard as we can but automobile dealers are taking orders for new cars. (Some dealers are asking for a \$200 down payment, says the Wall Street Journal, so that the more agitated would-be purchaser will not be tempted to leave orders with every dealer in town. That \$200 would buy approximately \$266.66 in war bonds and stamps.)

11 Killed at Edgewood Arsenal

EDGEWOOD, Md. (ANS)—Eleven persons were killed and 52 injured following an explosion in a building in which civilians were loading igniter hand grenades at the Army's Edgewood Arsenal. . . . DETROIT—Lorraine Davis was awarded a divorce from her lieutenant husband who refused to carry groceries for her because it was "unbecoming to my military rank."

NEW YORK—The FBI announced the arrest of Dieudonne Costes, famed French aviator and World War I ace, and charged him with spying on American industrial secrets for the German government. . . . HOLLYWOOD—Actor Peter Lorre and Actress Kaaren Verne were married. Actress Carole Landis announced she would be Reno-bound in two weeks to divorce USAAF Maj. Thomas C. Wallace, whom she married in England in 1943.

CHICAGO—Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church of North America, which has 1,000,000 communicants, rejected an offer from Moscow for the reunion of the autonomous North American hierarchy with the mother church in Russia.

ALBUQUERQUE—A bus token would have taken M/Sgt. Bob Davis six miles from his Kirtland Field assignment to his home when he was discharged. But the Army sent him 600 miles to Fort Bliss.

GLASGOW, Mon. (ANS)—Mrs. Andrew Campbell beat her five sons into unconsciousness with a hammer and then threw them into a river and leaped in after them. Four of the children and the mother drowned. . . . NASHVILLE—A four-year-old larceny discharge was dismissed in Federal Court against James Collier, a discharged vet with four decorations.

Food Gloom Grows Grim

WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—The already gloomy food outlook is growing grimmer. The breaks that government officials had hoped would ease the tight supply situation haven't come, food officials said today.

The cool weather has interfered greatly with the planting of vital feed grain, soybeans and other crops in the nation's midwestern market basket region.

Winter the prospective deficit would be equivalent to more than 1,000,000,000 pounds of pork.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported after a survey that military requirements probably would not decline despite the end of hostilities in Europe and the reduction in the number of men under arms. Supply lines to the Pacific are long, and filling their pipelines is expected to offset any decreases in food requirements because of fewer men in the army.

Stark in WFA Post

WASHINGTON, May 27 (AP)—President Truman announced the appointment of Paul C. Stark, of Louisiana, Mo., as Director of Home Food Supply in the War Food Administration. Co-ordination of the activities of various government agencies affecting the food supply produced or conserved in the home is the object of this new position.

Need Has Passed

Army Won't Draft Nurses

WASHINGTON, May 27 (AP)—The War Department has dropped its demand for drafting nurses, explaining that the "rapidly changing circumstances of the last six weeks" have eliminated need for such a measure.

Acting Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson disclosed the Army's changed attitude in a letter to Chairman Elbert D. Thomas (D-Utah) of the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

CAPITAL RAMBLINGS: Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, head of the U.S. 1st Army now being deployed to the Pacific, paid a courtesy call on President Truman.

The President also: 1—Approved a return of the full four-year course at the U.S. Naval Academy. Since 1941 the school has been operating on a three-year basis.

2—Transferred his court-martial and confirmation powers to high ranking Army and Navy officers except in cases involving death to lighten his war-time load.

Patman Confirms Story Texans Aren't Pikers

WASHINGTON, May 27—Texans are known for doing things in a big way and Rep. Wright Patman (D-Texas) is no exception.

To those people who ask him for a light he hands a huge packet of matches which produces 30 lights, a map of Texas, an outline of Patman's district and a couple of short stories about the State.

Each match tells a fact about Texas, match number 24, for example, reading "Population, 1940—6,418,321."



WIFE'S ASSIST PUTS GI OUT: The 24-points-worth of family M/Sgt. Thomas F. Conroy, of Natrona, Pa., is holding are his twin sons, Thomas P. Jr. and John Francis. On Apr. 5, Conroy had 71 points toward discharge. The next day, Mrs. Conroy (right) came through with the twins. Now with 85 points, Conroy is eligible for civilian life.

Czechoslovakia Will Lead Europe Back, Benes Says

By Howard Byrne
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

PRAGUE, May 19 (Delayed)—Czechoslovakia will lead other European states in the speed of her post-war recovery and within two years will be back economically to where she was at the outbreak of the war, diminutive Dr. Eduard Benes, President of the Czechoslovak Republic, predicted today in an exclusive interview with The Stars and Stripes.

This was the only time Benes has met newsmen since his return to Prague after six years of exile. Benes, who speaks English perfectly and who was Professor of Sociology at Chicago University five years ago, talked with Stars and Stripes correspondents for an hour in his private study in ancient Hradshin Castle, which overlooks Moldau River in his beloved city.

He said he and his government, which had returned to Prague a few days before, had received a tumultuous greeting. "The whole country is now securely in the hands of myself and the government and is completely united," Benes said.

Prague is gay with Czech and Russian flags and practically every shop in town shows pictures of Benes and Stalin. Benes spoke with elation about the five-day struggle the people of Prague had to put up to oust the German garrison.

"Their heroism preserved Prague from the systematic destruction planned by the Nazis," Benes said.

During the final phase of the Prague battle, organized and led by retired Czech Gen. Charles Kutlwaser, five German divisions had attempted to re-enter the city. At the critical moment, tank forces of Marshal Koniev raced to Prague through Dresden and rescued the embattled Czech partisans who were almost without ammunition.

Asked what it was like to have one part of the country occupied by Americans and the other part by Russians Benes said it was no great problem since all parties were co-operating well, with good coordination at the top.

Doughs in Pilsen and Red Army men in Prague have made a great hit with Czech civilians. A tour of those cities revealed that both Joe and Ivan were enthusiastically squiring Czech maidens, with Russian soldiers having a slight edge because of the similarity of the two languages.

But doughs are making the best of their stay in territory where the non-fraternization policy has been lifted.

Speaking of his country's future Benes said absolute democracy was assured with complete freedom for all political parties. A free press was already flourishing, with four daily papers being published in Prague, one of which is the Communist paper Pravda.

Benes said national elections would be held soon, but no one was in a hurry because a multitude of immediate problems were facing the newly returned government trying to get the country on its feet again. Chief problems were food and transport.

Benes stated that the Czech government had agreed to help feed the Russian Army while it was on Czech soil, but it was difficult to get food into cities from the country because the Nazis had robbed or wrecked transport.

Regarding foreign affairs Benes said little countries couldn't solve their problems until a general settlement had been reached between Russia and the Anglo-Saxon democracies, but he was profoundly convinced it would be done because it is historically necessary.

Czechoslovakia is one of the most fortunate countries in Europe, Benes said, because her industries, especially in Moravia, were not destroyed.



DR. EDUARD BENES



PA'S PAPOOSE: One way to beat the crowded travel situation in the States is the way Mrs. Arthur S. Hawkins travels with her son, Arthur. She carries him Indian papoose fashion through Chicago's Northwestern station on her way from Amarillo, Tex., to visit Sgt. Arthur Hawkins, her husband and Arthur's daddy, at Lake Mills, Wis.

Alsations Take Road Home

SOMEWHERE IN ALSACE, May 27 Alsations, who were never people to beat around the bush, have solved the business of getting out of the German Army in their own way.

More and more of the 170,000 Alsation men who were marched off to serve under a flag they did not choose are appearing in their gray-green Wehrmacht uniform to work in the fields throughout the Rhine area. They dribble back home in twos and threes and dozens to pick up their lives where they left off.

Many of them have discharges approved by the Allies, but hundreds of others just took off as the German military machine began to go to pieces. Now they are reporting to get legal clearance from the Allies.

Most of them go about Alsation villages and farms in their German uniforms, exciting no comment from their neighbors, who long ago adopted the belief that anything can happen in war. There is no stigma attached to their service, since most of them "volunteered" under pressure from Hitler's strongarm recruiters.

Of the 170,000 Alsations who fought for the Wehrmacht in Africa and Europe at least 15,000 will never return. They fell under the fire of men who, in different circumstances, would have been their buddies.

Paratroops Sought PW Data

SHAEF, Paris, May 27 (AP)—Allied paratroops were dropped behind the enemy lines to obtain information on Nazi prison camps, SHAEF disclosed for the first time today, in an announcement that by the middle of March, 2,173,000 United Nations prisoners of war were held in 70 camps in Germany, of whom 75,850 were American.



LEBENSRAUM: Is exactly what this monkey wanted when he took off from the Philadelphia Zoo to see the world. The city's fire department is having a time trying to recapture him. But he doesn't seem to give much of a damn as he sits calmly on the horse's tail of the Washington statue a couple of miles from his zoo home.

Should Wives Of Servicemen Have Dates?

By William R. Spear
Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

NEW YORK, May 27—Relations between servicemen overseas and their wives back here have always been a sure-fire topic for newspaper headlines. But now that GIs are coming home from the ETO (or maybe just because it's Spring), the subject seems to be commanding more attention than ever before.

One of the foremost controversies agitating public prints has been stirred up by Jean McLemore, who has taken over the newspaper column of her husband, Henry McLemore, while he's serving with the Infantry, with the question, "Should women whose husbands are in the Service go out with other men?"

Mrs. McLemore does go out with other men herself—she says her husband would think she was "a first class nut" if she didn't. But she doesn't give either a yes or no answer to the question—she says it should be up to the husband.

Some husbands approve of their wives having dates while they're away, she writes, while "others are the type who might worry."

So she concludes, "Don't ask me. Don't ask anyone else what you should do while your husband is gone. Ask him."

Then there was the page devoted by The Atlanta Journal to the question, "Does the war improve husbands and wives?" Some said yes. Some said no.

Mrs. C. H. Dillingham reported that her husband in the Army had got into the habit of overeating and his weight had jumped from 158 to 182, but on the credit side she listed the fact that "he has really taught me how to make beds and he insists that I scald dishes for 30 minutes the way he did on KP and that's really good housekeeping."

On the other side of the picture, S/Sgt. Harold Simson finds women more aggressive now. He explained, "Women never used to whistle at me before."

Residents of Rochester, N.Y., got a scare when a local radio station broadcast a playlet in which a character was listening to a broadcast interrupted by a line, "Japanese have attacked Pearl Harbor." Immediately police, newspaper and exchange switchboards were clogged with calls from anxious listeners asking whether it was true that the Japs had made a new attack.

Out in Hollywood, film director Roy Del Ruth gave testimony that his wife, who is suing for \$5,000 monthly separate maintenance, in explaining her extravagance, said, "The hell with the war. I didn't start it and I'm not concerned with it. I will spend all the money I want to."

Three thousand car cards that the New York Board of Transportation decided were a little too sexy for commuters are being removed from subway cars. The cards advertise "Wikies floating bra swimsuits for water lovers." Thin depiction of water lovers caused the trouble. A luscious blonde in scanty bra and trunks is shown floating abandonedly atop waves in defiance of the laws of gravity and with a left arm curled around the neck of a husky, he man floating in the opposite direction while he kisses her.

William J. Daly, secretary of the Transportation Board, said that the cards were ordered removed after protests had been received, but "of course, the advertisement is no worse than what you'll actually see on the beach."

Texan Ties For Top Honor

By Vic Dallaire
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 3RD INF. DIV., May 27—While 1/Lt. Audiel Murphy, of Farmersville, Tex., was hunting on the Riviera beaches he helped win last summer, word came through to 3rd Div. HQ in Austria that he had won the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The 21-year-old Texan automatically went into a tie with the legendary Capt. Maurice ("Footsie") Britt, also of the 3rd, as the most decorated soldier of this or any other war.

Murphy added his Medal of Honor to the Bronze Star, Silver Star and Distinguished Service Cross—every existing Ground Forces medal for valor. Nearest to approach the record of the two 3rd Div. officers was the late Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, who won every medal but the Bronze Star. However, it took him two wars to do it.

Since landing near Casablanca on Nov. 8, 1942, 3rd Div. men have won 29 Medals of Honor, more than the entire U.S. Marine Corps and nearly one-third of the 100 awarded by Congress to Army, Navy and Marine heroes since Pearl Harbor.

Murphy's CMH was won for beating off an enemy counter-attack of 250 infantrymen, supported by six tanks, during the Colmar campaign. The Texan killed or wounded nearly 100 Krauts and forced the enemy tanks to withdraw while firing from a burning U.S. tank destroyer.

He was awarded the DSC for knocking out an enemy stronghold in southern France, the Silver Star for heroic action in the Vosges, where he also won a battle-field commission and the Bronze Star for action at the Anzio beachhead in Italy.



WHEN JOE COMES HOME: This is the welcome he'll get. Joe in this case is Charles W. Hesser, 26, discharged May 12 at Ft. Dix, N.J., after service since December, 1940, when he enlisted. Hesser, discharged as a staff sergeant, built airports and Army camps in England during the blitz and buzz bomb periods, then spent five months in combat in France and Germany. His wife, Grace, is a welder. She'll



JOE LIKES BEING HOME: Who wouldn't, when he can spend his first day as a civilian getting his breakfast in bed? Which is what Charlie Hesser is getting right now. Little John, the ex-Sarge's boy, crawls



JOE LIKES GETTING OUT OF ODS: You can see that, isn't it? He's doing it, with much kick out of it, and when he's about putting on a loud civilian tie for a long time, and now at last

Hoover to Confer With Truman Today

WASHINGTON, May 27—Herbert Hoover, 70-year-old former President and U.S. Food Administrator during World War I, will confer tomorrow with President Truman on the food situation in Europe, the White House announced. Charles G. Ross, presidential press secretary, announced that Hoover had accepted the President's invitation to discuss the feeding of liberated Europe and said Mr. Truman believed the ex-President "had information which would be valuable." Democrats and Republicans both applauded news of the Truman-Hoover conference. The ex-President's visit to the White House tomorrow will be his first since he left it in 1933.

Nazi Hypocrisy Ch...

THERESIEN, Czechoslovakia, May 25 (delayed)—Nazi hypocrisy reached preposterous proportions in this city. One hundred and ten thousand people passed here during the Nazi occupation of Czechoslovakia, horror camps, like Dachau and Buchenwald. The all was having Jewish blood. While waiting here for transportation all were work ten hours daily, for which they were paid monthly, payment being made in special Jewish bills. On each bill was a caricature of a Jew and the Star of David. The money could be exchanged at shops for clothing and personal items stripped from the same Jews when they returned to the camp. When foreign journalists and Red Cross inspectors the camp prisoners could buy food and merchandise they passed through the back door of the shop they had to turn the goods back again.



until the Japs are whipped. Charlie, meanwhile, left a farm with the help of the GI Bill of Rights. He waits to greet his dad when the train rolls into Norris. The old man grabs the first homecoming kiss. The boys hear all about the Ardennes breakthrough, of course. General Store, even though it means keeping the family waiting for the groceries.



dad, while mother, Mrs. Grace Hesser, and her old soldier pack the food away. And then every doughfoot dreams about—scrubs himself into a gleaming white tub filled with hot water



the little woman watching him and getting as fat as he is. But what Charlie really enjoys is farm-lands into the seat on the old familiar tractor on which he has a feeling of confidence, because this is really his job he knows best and likes best.

Soviet Honors Doris Duke For U.S. Women

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
PARIS, May 27—Doris Duke, "America's richest girl," was decorated by Marshal Feodor Tolbukhin as a tribute to "all the women war workers in America" at the banquet meeting of Gen. George S. Patton Jr. and the Russian Marshal in Linz, Austria, according to a dispatch sent to the Burma-India Round-Up, U.S. Army newspaper in New Delhi, by M/Sgt. F. Friendly.

Friendly, who was in Europe on temporary duty, happened to be in the Linz area at the time of the meeting. With a photographer he found himself in the banquet hall and was ushered to a seat at the table by hospitable Russian hosts. Sitting at the table full of Russian and American generals in full regalia, Friendly, complete with stripes on his grimy OD shirt, ate and drank vodka toasts with the rest to all the Allied armies and all the men in them.

During the course of the dinner, Friendly reported, a Russian dancer performed and after the dance Patton asked the girl to come to his table.

"This is the Bronze Star I got for taking Metz with the help of the X Corps," he said, with a nod to the X Corps commander on his right. He tugged at the ribbon, took it off and pinned it on the Russian dancer as a gesture of American goodwill toward Russian womanhood.

One American Woman There

There was only one American woman present, Friendly said, and he assumed she was a correspondent, although she wore no insignia.

Tolbukhin singled out the lone American girl and, in the name of the Soviet, he paid high tribute to the women of America who had worked long hours in war plants and then pinned one of his decorations on the jacket of the American woman. He shook her hand, then kissed her on both cheeks.

"I thought I'd better find out who the girl was before I left," Friendly said, "and I thought she looked familiar."

"By the way, I said to her as I was leaving, 'what is your name?'"

"Doris Duke," she said, "and you could have knocked me over with a feather."

Friendly did not know what the American heiress was doing there, but at the airport nearby he found a P38 pilot who said that he was waiting for Doris Duke to bring her back to Italy. He said he had flown her into Austria that morning during the banquet. Friendly talked with Patton and gave him half of a Chinese \$50 bill he had with him. Patton signed his half and the Sergeant signed Patton's half and the two agreed to paste the bill together on the China coast.

Hearing that Friendly was leaving soon to return to the China theater, Patton said, "Tell the boys out there not to win the war until I and the 3rd Army get there."

Soldiers See U.S.-Red Amity

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
RUSSIAN ASSEMBLY CENTER, DUISBURG, May 27—When Red Army Capt. Alexander Artemov gets back to his native Moscow the most vivid impressions he will carry with him are those of the technical skill and democratic nature of the U.S. soldier.

Artemov, a stocky armored officer who was captured at Stalingrad in Dec., 1942, and escaped to the American lines two months ago, is leader of 2,500 Russian ex-PWs at this camp. They expect to be the first evacuated under the new repatriation plan.

The 28-year-old Red Army man and several of his brother officers spoke about what they would tell their neighbors when they return home.

"We will tell them how easy-going the American is and how his discipline is less strict than ours," said Sr. Lt. Victor Trischow, a Navy man from the Caucasus. "We will tell them how cultured are American officers and soldiers. We will tell them how much we admire the American Army."

Artemov said that the 7,500 Russian displaced persons in the camp would always be grateful to America for their liberation and for the way they were cared for until their repatriation.

They showed bewilderment when told that certain newspapers in the U.S. were speculating about the possibility of a war between Russia and the U.S. in another ten years.

"But there is no reason for it," protested Artemov. "You must not let yourselves be aroused by these hysterical attacks on Russia. How can we fight each other when we have nothing to fight about?"

"We of Russia," broke in Maj. Vladimir Danilov, a short, wiry communications officer from Kiev, "love our own country, our own civilization, our own way of life, just as you do yours. But there is no conflict between us."

The others nodded in vigorous agreement. "We are the two strongest nations in the world," Danilov said. "We must live in peace. We who have been with you Americans know that we can do so."

Hamburg Ready June 1

SHAEP, May 27 (AP)—The port of Hamburg is expected to be open to Allied shipping by June 1, SHAEP announced



UNDER PRESSURE: But she seems to thrive on it. This is Mrs. Neva Michael, who felt that giving a son to the armed forces wasn't quite enough service. So since Pearl Harbor she has cleaned and pressed more than 6,000 service men's uniforms in her little establishment in Hazelwood, near Pittsburgh, Pa. The gag is she does it all for FREE.

But He's Running It Foxhole Surgeon Winds Up In a Pro Station at Nice

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NICE, May 27—A GI medic who made surgical history last November by performing a delicate windpipe operation under fire, using only a jack knife and fountain pen, was running an Army Pro station in Nice tonight.

T/4 Duane Kinman, 19, of College Place, Wash.—winner of a four-year medical scholarship at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, and a few months ago the most famous company aid man in the world—was mopping the floor and preparing prophylaxis solutions.

And he said he liked the job.

Kinman arrived in Nice a week ago, assigned to the 6888 Sta. Hosp. After helping with one inquest and two operations he said he couldn't stand any more. "I guess I was at the receiving end too long," he said.

The Pro station job is a good one, said the foxhole surgeon. "I don't have to work very hard and get lots of time off."

As a 5th Inf. Div. aid man, Kinman became famous last Nov. 11 when he saved the life of Pfc Henry Roon, 35-year-old doughboy from Grand Rapids, Mich.

Roon's windpipe was cut and he was gasping for breath.

The situation called for one of the most delicate surgical operations. Kinman used a jack knife, slit Roon's throat below the wound and inserted Roon's fountain pen.

"I wasn't sure just what would happen, but I figure he could breathe OK through the tube," Kinman said.

On Dec. 17 Kinman was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge. For six weeks he was hospitalized, then went back to the 5th Div. Three weeks later he was back in the hospital.

Three weeks ago he went to a replacement depot, thence to Nice.

Tonight Kinman said he had only one worry. "They tell me I'm in for the CMH," he said. "I'd sure like to get it. Then I could ask for a discharge right away."

He has 55 points.



T/4 Duane Kinman

Announce Conchees' Points for Discharge

WASHINGTON, May 27 (ANS)—Selective Service estimated today that 900 conscientious objectors would get discharges over a year's period beginning in August under their own point system.

They would get point credits toward release as follows: one for each month or part of month of service, 12 for each child born prior to midnight of May 12, 1945, and three for a wife if married before May 12. There will be point deductions for misconduct, such as refusal to work.

Unlike the system in the Army demobilization plan, there is no arbitrary number of points established for objectors' release. Discharges will come in order of highest point totals.

GI Enjoyed Paradise—Then He Woke Up

By Andy Rooney

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
PARIS, May 21—Between white sheets in a hotel in Nice a Joe fell asleep and dreamed:

He was assigned to a division made up of the best from the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 9th, 82nd Airborne and a few more crack divisions. They just took the old timers. Terry Allen was division commander.

The infantry division was reinforced with tank battalions selected from the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Armored Divisions. All had new tanks with three feet of armor all around and a quick traversing, high-velocity 105mm. gun.

Every man in the division kept his M1 and was given a German Luger and a Schmeisser machine pistol in addition. Each man also got a pair of 16-power Zeiss lens binoculars and a Leica.

Plenty of Jeeps For All

One of the best things about the outfit was that there was a jeep for every four men and the jeeps were armed with handy twin Spandau machine-guns taken from the tails of captured Ju88s.

The division artillery was equipped with German 88s, which artillery officers had been careful to see that the War Department had not "improved and modified," and with our own 105s, 155s and 240s. Each platoon was supported by a battery of 4.2mm. chemical mortars and, of course, had their own Cub observation planes.

The division fought only on weekdays and the men were paid in American dollars, not cigar coupons as formerly, every Friday night, whereupon their COs

Nazi Soldiers Straggle Home To Devastation

By Jimmy Canton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH 90TH INF. DIV. AT WEIDEN, Germany, May 27—The soldiers of the Third Reich are on their way home today.

The riders of the blitzkrieg, who stormed across Europe in predatory hordes, now trudge one by one through the rains of spring. They are all along these roads, gaunt and footsore, straining forward in their rags against the pull of their packs.

All of them are aliens in the civilization they tried to destroy. Most of them are homeless in their homeland. Their hearthstones are now tombstones in the villages where the dead rot and smell and the roses bloom mysteriously in gardens disfigured by shell holes.

Those who were promised the world have found the spoils of death to be the one day's rations issued to every German soldier in the discharge centers now being operated by American troops in this country.

On the outskirts of Weiden the soldiers of Germany today waited to start for home in a slovenly bivouac behind the barbed wire that was strong enough to hold captive the labor slaves who were kidnapped from the lands blacked out and invaded. Their camp of lean-tos and shelter halves resembled a hobo jungle back in the States more than it did the encampment of an Army. In the shelter halves and lean-tos they slept in the mud or tried to hide from the rain.

Read from Rain-Stained Books

Some of them read from rain-stained books. Some of them crowded against the barbed wire and shouted to the people of Weiden, who stood outside in the rain and occasionally flung them scraps of sausage and bread.

They are soldiers without an Army, citizens of a nation without government, and their country beyond the barbed wire is occupied by foes who defeated them on the battlefield. Yet all of them, even the regular Army men with years of service, are eager to be discharged. They don't need points to pass beyond the barbed wire and the dubious freedom of an occupied land.

If they are plain soldiers or non-coms without any taint of the Nazi party or war crimes, they are turned loose with one day's rations and personal belongings—up to two suits of underwear, two pairs of socks, one uniform, one raincoat, one cap, toilet articles and one blanket. Few of them have more.

Two thousand a day are being discharged in Weiden. They are taken in trucks to the edge of the town and must go on foot from there. All insignia or marks of rank are stripped from them, but they can wear their campaign ribbons and medals.

M/Sgt. Kurt Goodman, of Brooklyn, gives them a lecture, telling them that they must pay as civilians for the havoc they caused as soldiers.

Some who live in the Russian zone of occupation asked not to be sent home. They hate the Russians, Goodman said, but think that Americans will build their country back into a place in the civilized world.

Artillerymen of this division are used as guards in the camp. Maj. Thomas Caldecott, of Berkeley, Cal., said they had little trouble.

War Work to Army

WASHINGTON, May 27 (AP)—Skilled soldiers who received furloughs to work in war plants because of the manpower shortage will be recalled to active duty upon the expiration of their present period of temporary leave, it was announced. The War Department said 3,000 to 4,000 soldiers would be affected by the order.

'Flip' Cochran Wins Bronze Star Medal

Col. Philip E. Cochran, organizer of the Burma airborne invasion and real-life version of the comic-strip character "Flip Cochran," was awarded the Bronze Star Medal recently at First Allied Airborne Army headquarters for "meritorious achievement from Dec. 20, 1944, to May 8, 1945." Col. Cochran is assistant Chief of Operations with the Airborne Army.

During the cited period he worked in "close support" with airborne operations, playing a major part in the deployment of the 101st, 82nd and 17th airborne divisions featured in the battle of Ardennes during the airborne invasion of the

Yankees Take Over First; Giants Drop Reds Twice

Chisox Clubbed, 5-4, 13-0, Fall to 3rd Behind Tigers

NEW YORK, May 27—Walt Dubiel pitched a three-hit shutout and contributed three of 18 hits made by the Yankees yesterday as the Bronx Bombers, who climbed into first place Friday, swept their four-game White Sox series with a 13-0 victory.

Dubiel permitted only six runners to pass first base while the Yanks jumped Thornton Lee for five runs in the first five frames, picked up five more off Johnny Johnson in the next two innings and laced Clay Touchstone for three in the eighth. Oscar Grimes and Snuffy Stirrweiss got three hits apiece and one of Snuffy's was a homer in the third.



HOW THEY STAND.

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| St. Louis 3, Boston 0 | | | | | |
| New York 5, Chicago 4 | | | | | |
| Detroit 2, Philadelphia 1 (night) | | | | | |
| Cleveland 3, Washington 0 (night) | | | | | |
| Saturday's Games | | | | | |
| New York 13, Chicago 0 | | | | | |
| St. Louis 9, Boston 2 | | | | | |
| Detroit 5, Philadelphia 4 | | | | | |
| Cleveland-Washington postponed, rain. | | | | | |
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| St. Louis at New York (2) | | | | | |
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| Cleveland at Philadelphia (2) | | | | | |

| National League | | | | | |
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| Friday's Games | | | | | |
| Chicago 4, Philadelphia 3 | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh 5, Boston 3 | | | | | |
| New York 5, Cincinnati 2 | | | | | |
| St. Louis 9, Brooklyn 7 (night) | | | | | |
| Saturday's Games | | | | | |
| Chicago 7, Philadelphia 1 | | | | | |
| Brooklyn 11, St. Louis 2 (night) | | | | | |
| New York 5, Cincinnati 1 | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh-Boston postponed, rain. | | | | | |
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| New York at Pittsburgh (2) | | | | | |
| Brooklyn at Chicago (2) | | | | | |
| Philadelphia at St. Louis (2) | | | | | |

| Leading Hitters | | | | | |
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| American League | | | | | |
| Cuccinello, Chicago | G | AB | R | H | Pct. |
| Cass, Washington | 25 | 86 | 16 | 30 | .349 |
| Eaton, New York | 26 | 102 | 16 | 34 | .333 |
| Stephens, St. Louis | 29 | 108 | 17 | 35 | .324 |
| Mayo, Detroit | 25 | 94 | 22 | 30 | .319 |
| Rosen, Brooklyn | 23 | 82 | 21 | 30 | .366 |

Hirsch Declines Ram Offer

MADISON, Wis., May 27—Lt. Elroy "Crazy Legs" Hirsch, former Big Ten grid star, disclosed yesterday that he had declined to sign a contract offered by the Cleveland Rams of the National Football League and would return to Wisconsin to complete his collegiate career after the war.



IN: Max Lanier, Cards' ace southpaw, was inducted into the Army Friday at Ft. Bragg, N.C., and sent to a classification center for processing to determine his future assignment.

Lend-Lease Pays Off

French Booters Hold England to 2-2 Tie

By Tony Cordaro
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Frank Butler, the Sunday Express sports expert, invited me to see the first international soccer game since the start of the war between France and England at Wembley Stadium Saturday afternoon. Frank cautioned me that I would enjoy a movie more as the game might turn out to be rather dull. However, it turned out to be an exciting contest, ending in a 2-2 deadlock, the French tying it up in the last 20 seconds. That wasn't the way Frank had it doped to finish. He was laboring under the impression that the

Bobo Newsom Beaten

Stubby Overmire bested Bobo Newsom in a pitchers battle as the Tigers copped, 2-1, under the lights Friday. The Mackmen scored the game's first run in the seventh, but the Bengals pushed over one in the eighth and clinched it in the ninth.

Red Sox errors

yesterday helped spoil Oscar Judd's first pitching effort since last August as the Browns came

Nelson Potter put

the Browns within a game and a half of first place Friday, when he blanked Joe Cronin's club, 5-0. Potter and Len Schulte were the only St. Louis players who didn't hit safely as the champs cut loose with a 12-hit attack on Jim Wilson and Vic Johnson to score single runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth and two in the ninth. Best play of the game was an unassisted double play by Leon Culberson, Boston center fielder.

Al Smith spun a three-hit shutout

pitching the Indians to a 3-0 decision over the Senators Friday night, and the Nats helped him along with four errors. Smith's mates matched the miscues with eight bingles off Chick Pieretti to score twice in the third and once in the fifth. Yesterday's Cleveland-Washington game was postponed by rain.

Sugar's Reported Draft

A Mistake, Officials Admit

NEW YORK, May 27—Draft board officials do make mistakes! They admitted it here today when they said that leading welterweight contender Ray Robinson will not be inducted into the Army tomorrow as previously announced but that he might be called at a later date.

All of which means that Ray, who has been discharged from the Army once, will probably meet Jimmy McDaniels at the Garden June 15 and later face champion Freddie Cochrane.

Bosox Lose Clem Dreisewerd

WINTHROP, Mass., May 27—Pitcher Clem Dreisewerd of the Red Sox, who was purchased for \$50,000 last season, was inducted Friday into the Navy at Ft. Banks. He lost one and won none this season.



Sam Snead Vanquishes Nelson In First Half of Title Match

NEW YORK, May 27—Sammy Snead defeated Byron Nelson by one stroke in the 36-hole stroke play division of their 72-hole golf match for the unofficial title of "Golf's champ" at Fresh Meadows yesterday. Snead carded a 70 and 71 against Nelson's 71 and 73 over the par-70 layout.

Davis TKO'd By Graziano

NEW YORK, May 27—Rocky Graziano, New York East Side welterweight, practically finished the big time boxing career of Brooklyn's Al "Bummy" Davis at Madison Square Garden Friday night when he slammed his way to a TKO in four rounds of a scheduled ten-rounder before 16,556.

3 Months Training All I Need—Louis

EDMONTON, Alberta, May 27—T/Sgt. Joe Louis tips the scales at 220 pounds today—15 pounds over his best fighting weight—but says all he needs before climbing in there against Billy

Waner, as Semi-Pro, Outdraws Corsairs

PITTSBURGH, May 27—Paul "Big Poison" Waner, who collected 3,152 hits while starring in the major league for 20 years, returned to the sandlots Friday night and "got a big kick out of it."

White City Meet Expected To Draw 300 Competitors

At least 300 contestants are expected to compete in the U.S. Army championship track meet at London's White City Stadium June 3, it was announced yesterday.

Paul Mooney to Return As Columbia Cage Mentor

NEW YORK, May 27—Paul Mooney, Columbia cage coach from 1925 through 1942 when he was granted a leave of absence to enter the Navy, will again coach the Lion basketballers next winter.

U.K. SPORTS MIRROR

CPL. Dale Gill, of Los Angeles, hit four for five and knocked in five runs and Cpl. Allen Anthony, of Mauch Chunk, Pa., got two for three and batted in four runs as the Second BAD Warriors hung up their second straight baseball victory by defeating the ASC Poynton Wolverines, 15-5.

S/Sgt. Roy Rivers, of Austin, Tex., allowed only three hits as he pitched the 390th Bomb Gp. softballers, last year's 8th AF champs, to a 3-0 victory over the 3rd Air Div. HQ team. Leading the 390th stickers was Sgt. Bernard Turichone, of Tulsa, Okla., who homered in the first and doubled in the sixth to drive in all three runs.

In the first games of the 4th BAD volleyball league, the Station Complement team defeated Section Three, 15-12 and 15-6, while in the 4th's softball loop the 2022nd Truck Co. defeated the Third Ech. Ord., 8-2, and HQ Squadron stopped the Officers, 8-6.

Sgt. Bill "Beany" Venable, of Wetumpka, Ala., wielded the whitewash brush as the Shuttle-Raders opened their baseball season with a 6-0 win over Deopham Green in a night game last week. . . . Sgt. Lee Haworth of the MP softball team at an ASC depot joined the no-hit, no-run pitchers when he blanked the Flying Control Squad, 1-0. . . . Leading batsman for the Hangar Five team, leading the softball league at an ASC depot, is Cpl. John Pernicario, who has a .462 average. In 21 trips to the plate he has connected for four homers, a triple and two doubles.

Dodgers End Losing Streak; Cubs Win Two

NEW YORK, May 27—In their own Polo grounds or on the road, it's all the same to Mel Ott's Giants, and they proved it again yesterday by hanging up the sixth straight triumph of their western invasion, a 5-1 victory over the Reds.

Pfund Checks Flock Fall

LeRoy Pfund, Dodgers' weekday hurler, finally snapped the Bums' losing streak at six games last night as he held the Cards in check while his mates hammered Ted Wilks and two followers for 16 hits and an 11-2 victory. Goody Rosen and Augie Galan homered in the first to put Brooklyn into a 4-0 lead and Lou Olmo connected for the circuit with the bases loaded in the fourth.

Things also started off well

for the Dodgers Friday, with Rosen and Galan belting homers in the first to give them a 4-0 lead at the expense of Blix Donnelly, but the Cards came back to win, 9-7, with five counters in their half, and after the Bums clipped Ken Burkardt for two runs in the second the National League champs went in front for good when Ray Sanders slapped one over the fence with two on in the fourth. Curt Davis was the loser and Burkardt the winner.

Paul Erickson turned in a four-hit

nod over the Phils yesterday at the expense of Bill Lee. With the count tied, 1-1, in the ninth, Lee lost his control and walked two men after Lennie Rice had singled and Peanuts Lowrey was intentionally passed.

Wyse in Good Form

The Bruins made 16 hits, including three triples, but barely edged the Phils, 4-3, Friday when Hank Wyse checked a ninth-inning rally to gain his fifth win. Wyse allowed only seven blows, but all seven figured in the scoring, including Vince DiMaggio's sixth homer in the seventh. The Cub hurler did a little hitting himself, however, as he scored the third Chicago run and singled to chase Bill Schuster home with the deciding marker in the seventh.

Pittsburgh ran its winning streak to five in a row Friday,

stopping the Braves, 5-3, as Preacher Roe held the Bostonians to nine hits, six of which came in the third and fourth innings for all their runs. Jim Tobin went the route for Boston and allowed ten hits in giving up a single run in the second, three in the third and one in the sixth.

Yesterday's Boston-Pittsburgh battle was called in the last of the third because of rain, with the Bucs leading, 6-1.

WITH S/Sgt. Frank Mafra Jr., former AAU 155-pound wrestling champ, turning in the most sparkling performance, the 385th Bomb Gp. amassed 28 points to win the 3rd AD wrestling tourney at Ipswich Thursday. The 55th Fighter Gp. was second with 12 points, the 339th Fighter Gp. third with 11 points, the 390th Bomb Gp. fourth with eight and the 78th Fighter Gp. fifth with five. The 388th and 486th Bomb Groups had one point each. T/Sgt. Graham of the 385th Bomb Gp. was the only entrant in the 118-pound class. Other results: 136-POUND—Lt. Galer of the 390th pinned S/Sgt. Costore of the 385th; 145-POUND—Cpl. Menkoff of the 385th defeated Capt. McInerney of the 390th; 165-POUND—Sgt. Longs of the 339th pinned Sgt. Kriebbaum of the 385th; 175-POUND—Cpl. Felton of the 5th pinned Sgt. Parr of the 385th; UNLIMITED—Sgt. Kawke of the 55th defeated Sgt. Croly of the 78th.



AUGIE GALAN



PREACHER ROE



LOWDOWN FROM LEFTY: Shaikh Ahmad Jabbar, secretary of Saudi Arabia, learns about the finer points of baseball from Manager Lefty O'Doul, of the Seals, in order to explain the game to his fellow delegates.

Behind the Sports Headlines

BOSTON—Dave "Boo" Ferriss, brilliant Red Sox rookie, was an early victim of Trainer Wynn Green's maxim, "Lockers is for regulars." Dave was assigned a nail on which to hang his clothes when he arrived and now, with five straight wins, is too timid to ask Green for a locker, while the trainer is so embarrassed to offer the rookie one following his early season treatment of the kid. . . . And incidentally, Manager Joe Cronin revealed that Ferriss cost the Sox 82 cents—"the price of a telegram to Louisville okaying his reporting. We wouldn't sell him for 50-grand now," added Joe.

HARTFORD, Conn.—Local ring fans were treated to one of the strangest decisions in many a moon a little while back. Middleweight Tommy Keene was stretched out on the canvas, out like a light, when the bell rang ending his fight with Joe Rossi. Referee Johnny Cloney had reached the count of six when the winner of the bout declared Keene the loser. . . . And incidentally, Manager Joe Cronin revealed that Ferriss cost the Sox 82 cents—"the price of a telegram to Louisville okaying his reporting. We wouldn't sell him for 50-grand now," added Joe.

IOWA CITY—Cadet Bob Sweeney, top pitcher of the Iowa Seahawk baseball team, won his diamond letter at Colgate, was number three man on the golf team, a member of the debating group, president of the Independent Party, president

Illini Annex Big Ten Title

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 27—George Walker, dusky Illinois hurdler not only won his two pet events but came through with a third victory in the 100-yard dash here yesterday to team with Bob Kelley and give Illinois the Western Conference track and field championship in one of the biggest upsets in recent years. The underdog Illini team scored 65 1/2 points to win the title from highly favored Michigan—second with 54 1/2 points—and Walker and Kelley accounted for 25 points between them as Kelley added a double by winning the 440 and half-mile runs to Walker's triple. Marco Gonzalez, captain of the Illinois team, also provided a stunning surprise as he came from behind in the last 20 yards to edge Boris Dimancheff, Purdue grid star, in the 220.

Minor League Results

Table with columns for League (International, Southern Association, Eastern League, American Association), Team, W, L, Pct., and other statistics.

U.K. Battlers Sweep Eight Titles

By Gene Graf
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
PARIS, May 27—Championships in the three-day USSTAF boxing tournament were monopolized completely by entrants from the U.K. when finals in eight weight divisions were fought last night in the Palais de Glace, Paris, before an overflow throng of 5,500 fans. The 8th AF captured the team title by bringing home four individual crowns, while BADA was close behind with three. The 70th Reinforcement Depot, also from England, won one. The final tournament bout of the evening produced the only unpopular decision. The judges awarded the decision to Leo Matricianni, BADA heavyweight from Baltimore and defending champion, over Steve Kruchko, sturdy 8th AF puncher from Ortonville, Mich. Kruchko opened slowly, but gained momentum in the second round and finished briskly, pummeling Matricianni with damaging lefts and rights to the face. Matricianni got in a few good wallops, too, but most ringside observers voted in favor of Kruchko. It was a split decision, two judges voting for Matricianni and one giving his ballot to Kruchko. Molina Too Skillful for Cisneros Primitivo Molina's skilful weaving and bobbing—and a bruising left that caught his foe repeatedly during the infighting—enabled the 8th AF dandy from Concord, Cal., to decision Glover Cisneros (9th TAF), Las Vegas, Cal., and successfully defend his bantamweight title. Ray Wyzkiewicz, 126-pound BADA entrant from Buffalo, patiently piled up a decisive point margin over back-pedaling Vincent Padilla, San Bernardino, Cal., 124, representing the 8th AF, to win the featherweight title. Padilla's fancy stepping failed to baffle Wyzkiewicz after the first round and the BADA fighter had his foe groggy at the end. BADA notched its second championship when whirlwind Herbie Williams, veteran slugger from New Orleans, finished CADA's Robert Philipotts, of Atlanta, in 1:37 of the first round in the lightweight duel. Williams started pitching leather from the opening bell, and Referee Frank Marcella halted the bout when it became evident Philipotts was no match for Herbie's lethal shots. Another 1944 champion repeated when Joe Lucignano (8th AF), Hoboken, N.J., slapped out an easy verdict over Esker



RAY WYZKIEWICZ BOBBY VOLK
Mosley (9th Engineers), New York, in the welterweight finale. Mosley refused to mix with Lucignano in close, allowing the defending champion to jab his way to victory. Two dusky sluggers battled toe-to-toe

without yielding an inch in the senior welterweight contest, with Alan Reado (8th AF), Seattle, Wash., scoring a hair-line decision over BADA's William Wright, Youngstown, Ohio. After a dull first round Reado hammered Wright in the second round and he continued to score in the final stanza. Bobby Volk (8th AF), Portland, Ore., who carried off senior welterweight honors last year, stepped onto the middle-weight throne this time by outpointing Johnny Ruth (BADA), Philadelphia. Volk staggered the loser several times, but Ruth still was upright at the finish. Aaron Kahn, Brooklyn, the 70th RD's lone finalist, retained his light heavyweight diadem by outlasting Thaddeus Cerwin (1st TAF), Detroit, in a bruising slugfest. Kahn pounded Cerwin with choppy rights to the head during the last two rounds to merit the nod.

Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a small portrait of a man in the center of the grid.

Terry and the Pirates



Dick Tracy



Li'l Abner



Male Call



Blondie



By Al Capp



By Milton Caniff



By Chester Gould



By Al Capp



By Milton Caniff



By Chic Young



By Milton Caniff



By Chic Young



By Milton Caniff



By Milton Caniff



PARIS, May 27 (AP)—A fundamental difference between the American and French method of governing occupied Germany, on the one side, and the British and Russian method, on the other, has been disclosed in the slow movement of negotiations for establishing an Allied control council in Berlin.

France and America are determined to have straightforward Military Government control in their zones, with the Germans either completely removed from office or functioning in a minor capacity for a long time.

The British indicated that they are in favor of making more use of German officials and of giving them much more leeway as time goes on, with the ultimate idea of developing a German governing force.

The British are said to favor this system because they fear the Russians may be working on the same lines with the idea of offering the Germans some sort of government on Russian-occupied territory, while the rest of Germany is under the domination of the western Allies.

This difference was emphasized recently, when at the same time as Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American deputy commander in the U.S. zone was giving a press conference to the effect that the Germans were to be under complete military occupation, Prime Minister Churchill made a speech saying that Germans would be used extensively in governing Germany.

Churchill's speech came as a surprise to the Americans working on occupation tasks, because less than a week before the British had indicated that they were operating along the same lines as the Americans.

One senior American official said: "It looked like a trial balloon sent up by Mr. Churchill to see what reaction it would get at home and abroad—and the reaction was none too favorable. It was not yet clear whether he would go on with it or not."

Virtually nothing is known of the Russian plans, but the policy they have adopted in the past strongly indicates that they lean toward creating puppet or semi-puppet regimes, answerable to Moscow. This is the line followed by the Russians in Hungary, Austria and Poland.

Dachau Camp Cleared
SHAFF, May 27 (Reuter)—The last Western European prisoner was evacuated yesterday from Dachau camp as the typhus quarantine was lifted. Eastern Europeans are being evacuated as quickly as possible.

Eisenhower's HQ Now in Frankfurt
By Charles F. Kiley
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany, May 27—Gen. Eisenhower opened his new headquarters here today in the huge sprawling seven-story I. G. Farben building after moving from Rheims, France, where he had directed the last stages of the war against Germany since the latter part of February.

This will be Eisenhower's headquarters as Supreme Allied Commander as well as chief American representative of the Allied group controlling the Reich. There has been no change in the Anglo-American staff the Supreme Commander had with him in Rheims.

The building housing Eisenhower's headquarters, formerly the main office of the I. G. Farben Co., one of the world's largest manufacturers of chemicals, is virtually untouched, although every section of Frankfurt was badly hit by Allied

SAN FRANCISCO, May 27 (AP)—A verbal slogging match between the big and the small nations, which has been going on in secret UNCIO sessions over the right of the major powers to veto peaceful settlement of disputes, will be brought into the open tomorrow.

The leader of the veto opponents, Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Foreign Minister, announced that he would air the subject at a press conference tomorrow.

The question of whether the U.S., Britain, Russia, China or France should be allowed to block investigation of a dispute or a recommendation for its settlement gave the conference leaders little rest in their fifth week end here.

Members of the Big Five arranged a tentative meeting to consolidate their position in a statement that may be given to the conference tomorrow. Differences among them are described as consisting mainly of phraseology. Evatt and leaders of other small nations also worked on a statement of their views.

Leaders of the Big Five already have taken a stand from which they can hardly recede. If the small nations, which are in the majority numerically, succeed in voting down the major powers, it is conceivable that efforts to write a world charter here may halt.

Even if a charter containing a sharp veto curb were completed and approved here it might still be blocked by the failure of any one of the Big Five to ratify it at home. This threat is being held over the heads of the smaller powers and observers were agreed that the little powers would probably have to back down in the end.

Censors Black Out News from Trieste
TRIESTE, May 27 (UP)—Strict Allied censorship has been clamped down on correspondents covering the Trieste story.

About a week ago the censors ruled that no inflammatory dispatches could be passed, but since then the censorship regulations have rapidly tightened until now some undisputed facts cannot be reported regardless of the language used to report them.

Some of the stories tell the same things as Belgrade Radio has broadcast. Reporters are forbidden to record activities of the 8th Army which occur within sight of Marshal Tito's observers. These stories are stopped on the ground that the facts reported might endanger negotiations between Tito and the British and Americans.

The same reason is given for stopping stories, the facts of which were known to the Yugoslavs, before they were known

bombings. Only one wing of the building and a section of the roof was damaged by artillery shells.

Frankfurt, like Rheims, is one of the most historic cities in Europe. It is in the Prussian province of Hesse-Nassau, on the right bank of the Main River. It was one of the leading commercial and industrial centers of Germany and was once the place of election for the German kings.

Frankfurt has long been known for its famous banking houses, printing, publishing and brewing industries, manufacture of quinine and its production of type, machinery, rolling stock, asbestos, rubber, chemicals and electro-technical apparatus.

The city's prominent place in Germany's war production picture naturally gave it a high priority in Allied bombing plans. Many of its historic landmarks have been levelled, although the city has not been as heavily hit as Berlin, Cologne, Hamburg and other industrial cities of the Ruhr.

Memorial Day Services Set for England, Ireland

America's traditional Memorial Day will be observed Wednesday, at 11.30 AM, with services in three American military cemeteries in England and Northern Ireland.

British Army and RAF representatives will join American officers and enlisted men in paying tribute to U.S. servicemen who have fallen in this and other wars.

Religious rites will be conducted and memorial messages read at the American cemeteries in Brookwood and Cambridge in the U.K., and Lisnabreeny, near Belfast, N.I.

100,000 Still In ETO Hospitals

Of the 1,375,000 American soldiers and sailors hospitalized in the ETO from the beginning of the war, fewer than 100,000 remain in the hospitals today, and by July 10 practically all the patients will have been restored to duty in the theater or returned to the U.S., it was disclosed yesterday by Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, U.S. Chief Surgeon in the ETO.

He revealed that about one-fourth of all the hospital patients were battle casualties. Of approximately 375,000 battle casualties, 220,000 already have been returned to duty and less than 13,000 have died.

In World War I eight per cent of all battle casualties died. In this war the figure has been cut in half to only 3.9 per cent of those admitted. This means that hospitalized battle casualties had 961 chances out of 1,000 of living.

Will Eliminate German War-Making Power

LUXEMBURG, May 27 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt, commander of the 325th Photo Reconnaissance Wing of the 8th Air Force, has been awarded an oak leaf cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross for leading two pioneering night photography missions over Europe, the 8th Air Force announced yesterday.

Leading the pioneering night flights in an aircraft modified to his specifications, Roosevelt obtained information resulting in more complete and accurate photographic coverage of enemy installations.

Elliott Roosevelt Decorated

Other projects confronting the group would be the destruction of German laboratories which hatched bombs, rocket planes and other weapons, and the careful control of all future research, he said.



LEATHERNECK STRATEGY: U.S. Marines take no chances on having some live Japspring out from a cave on Okinawa they've just peppered with explosives. Rifles ready, the leathernecks are shown deploying around the cave.

Von Greim, Luftwaffe Chief, A Suicide; Himmler Buried

Still another top-ranking German has taken his own life, SHAEF disclosed yesterday with the announcement that 53-year-old Field Marshal Robert von Greim, who succeeded Reich Marshal Hermann Goering as Luftwaffe chief on Apr. 26, had committed suicide last Thursday at a Salzburg hospital after having been made prisoner two days earlier.

Greim had been hospitalized with a bullet wound in the leg, received during the Battle of Berlin, from which he escaped only to be picked up in a Nazi air force hospital at Kitzbuehl. Beside Greim's bed was a phial believed, SHAEF said, to contain potassium cyanide, the same agent that on Wednesday had dispatched Heinrich Himmler and Adm. Hans von Friedeburg, German naval commander and signer of the Reich's unconditional surrender. Reuter said it was believed that Greim's leg wound was self-inflicted.

At British 2nd Army HQ it was reported that Himmler was buried Saturday. Dispatches said that before his death Himmler had answered correctly questions concerning his party number, SS number and other details of his Nazi career, that his signature tallied with a specimen in Allied hands and that minute comparisons of his features with photographs had been made.

Himmler's Fortune Found
In Austria troops of the U.S. 7th Army discovered under the floor of a barn near Gastein 11 sacks containing Himmler's fortune in currencies of many nations. It was estimated at perhaps \$8,000,000. An SS general named Berger, described as Himmler's right-hand man, was said to have told how the Gestapo chief fled north during the closing days of Germany's collapse and had sent instructions by radio telling him to take the money and hide it. Berger's subordinate had camouflaged the barn as a billet for slave workers.

Rome dispatches revealed that on Wednesday—the day the Doenitz "government" was arrested at Flensburg—American troops in Italy had arrested Gen. von Vietinghoff-Scheel, commander of the German Army Group, South, which was the first such group to surrender unconditionally. Numerous others of his subordinates also were taken into custody the following day, all of the arrests being made at Bolzano.

Other leading Nazis have also been captured. Albert Forster, Gauleiter of Danzig, was taken by British troops at Hamburg, where he arrived Saturday in an attempt to make his way to Bavaria, his home. He gave his correct name to the civil police, who notified the British of Forster's presence. He had a phial of morphine on his person—to take, he said, in case the Russians should capture him. He is on the Poles' list of war criminals. Four other German generals in Hamburg, who had been under house arrest, were removed for questioning at the same time.

Arnold Mueller, who published Hitler's newspaper, the Voelkischer Beobachter, committed suicide in Munich, the AMG in Algiers before the North African landings.

Leahy Keeps Silent On Petain Plea
WASHINGTON, May 27 (AP)—Adm. William D. Leahy, President Truman's personal chief of staff and former U.S. Ambassador to Vichy, had "absolutely no comment" when asked yesterday concerning the written request by Marshal Henri Petain that he be a defense witness at the Marshal's treason trial or, failing that, send a written deposition.

PARIS, May 27 (UP)—Petain's letter to Leahy is being sent to the U.S. by ordinary mail because the American Embassy here and the French Foreign Office refused to dispatch it.

The text of Petain's letter was released yesterday. He asked Leahy to help him make clear that his only aim as Vichy's Chief of State was to protect the French "against the demands and cruelties of the German occupying troops."

One of Petain's lawyers reported that the Marshal also hopes to call as a witness Robert D. Murphy, Gen. Eisenhower's political and military adviser, who was formerly counselor of the U.S. Embassy at Vichy and later U.S. envoy in Algiers before the North African landings.

GI Musical, 'No T/O for Love,' Opens Today

By A. Victor Lasky
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Because being wounded in the can was so ludicrous, "though a bit painful," to Pfc Paddy Chayefsky, of the Bronx, N.Y., he decided to write a play—which later turned out to be a musical comedy—about it.

Wounded in action as a machine-gunner with the 104th Infantry Division, Paddy was transferred to the 188th General Hospital where, after the shrapnel was removed from his "tender flesh," he grew "restless as hell."

"So, while other guys wrote letters, I wrote a play," he explained last night during a dress rehearsal of his "No T/O for Love"—slated for an entire week beginning Monday, May 28, at London's Scala Theater.

One night while writing the play, Paddy said, he was resting in the hospital's rec hall when he heard someone, with "a distinctive right hand for boogie," play the piano.

The someone, he learned upon investigation, was another Purple Heart, Pfc Jimmie Livingston, of Wawatosa, Wisc. Livingston, when they used to call him "mister," was an arranger for some top U.S. name bands.



Pfc Paddy Chayefsky (left) with Pfc Jimmie Livingston.

After a little persuasion, Paddy induced Jimmie to write the music for the play. It took a lot more persuading to get the finished product produced.

However, after much finagling, Special Services decided to make a go of it. And judging from last night's dress rehearsal Special Services knew a good thing. With a little tightening up, the show would have been boffo (with apologies to Variety.)

Its book—mainly about how wounded GIs aim at being Zid—is lively and funny. Its music sparkles. Especially one tune, "I Want Your Love," sung by Kay Shrimpton, a British civilian employee of the U.S. Signal Corps. Directed by S/Sgt. Curt Conway, formerly of New York's Group Theater, the parts are handled expertly by GIs, including one sailor. The Army Nurse roles are performed by four British civilians and one American girl—a pig-tailed escapist from OWI routine.