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Russians within 91 miles of Berlin. Soviet pincers closing in Breslau and Posen. Seventh Army stalls Nazi Alsace offensive. Sixth Army takes Clark Field.

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The Weather Today

PARIS: Overcast, rain—41
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DOVER: Overcast, showers—45
GERMANY: Morning fog—34

Sunday, Jan. 27, 1946

After-Dark Convoy in Berlin



Because of recent incidents in Berlin, the British are providing armed escorts for their service girls who go out after dark. Three ATS girls are shown being convoyed by two Tommies armed with sub-machine-guns.

Survivors of Torture Camps To Take Stand at Nuremberg

NUREMBERG, Jan. 26 (AP).—Marie-Claude Vaillant-Couturier, a survivor of the Auschwitz concentration camp, and now member of the French Constituent Assembly, will lead the parade of witnesses for the French prosecution before the War Crimes Tribunal in the coming week.

She and five other former prisoners from France will testify on their experiences and observations at the Mauthausen, Auschwitz and Buchenwald torture centers.

Following their testimony, the French prosecution will wind up its side of the case against Germany's wartime leaders with spokesmen from all of the former occupied countries of Europe, including Norway, Belgium, Holland, Denmark and Luxembourg.

Prof. Van Der Essen Tacher, a history instructor at Louvain University and later a member of the French underground, is expected to testify as to Nazi responsibility for the second burning of the university library, and of Nazi policies and actions in Belgium, particularly atrocities at Camp Breendonck.

Earlier in the trial, French prosecutor Charles Dubost had asserted that practices at Breendonck were so horrifying inmates preferred to be deported to detention centers in the Reich.

Other witnesses will testify to alleged Nazi misdeeds in their respective countries, which many of them observed first-hand as members of the underground.

Himself a victim of Nazi cruelty in concentration camps, Hans Cappelen of Norway will give a detailed report on policies and acts of the occupation forces, their Quisling accomplices and punishments inflicted on prisoners for refusal to collaborate in the conquest of their own country.

Cappelen is expected to elaborate on an official Norwegian government report which alleged that 72 Norwegians were executed without trial and without charges as reprisals for patriotic resistance, or simply to terrorize the population, Dubost told the court.

Even the unsuccessful bomb plot (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

London's Women Bobbies Raid West End Clubs, Dance Halls

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—London's helmeted and top-booted women police swooped on the capital's West-end last night and early today and took into custody dozens of women, mostly "teen-aged" girls.

Acting as a raiding force for the first time, the lady "bobbies" stalked through night clubs, public houses, restaurants, and dance halls and demanded identity cards from all women patrons.

Hundreds of girls were questioned in a search for female thieves, service deserters, detention home escapees, and young runaways.

Similar roundups aimed at men deserters, many of them believed to be taking part in London's current crime wave, were carried out

GI Shot Fatally By French Cop

By Joe Mackey
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
MARSEILLE, Jan. 26.—A Negro sergeant was fatally shot here last night by a French policeman, according to the Provost Marshal's office.

The French police notified the office that the American had been shooting a pistol wildly in the street and that the policeman had tried to disarm him and had been wounded in the cheek. The policeman then shot the soldier, who was removed to the 227th General Hospital where he later died.

The CID is investigating the case. The French press here said that the trouble started with a cafe fight involving Negro American soldiers and Algerians. During the fight, which continued outside on the Rue La Joliette, an Algerian dockworker, Sekouane Ali, was knocked out and robbed of 2,500 francs after which the colored soldier began shooting at random, according to local news stories.

Woman Kills Herself By Bath Electrocuton

YONKERS, N.Y., Jan. 26 (UP).—Mrs. Josephine Sartori, 48, was found dead today after she committed suicide by electrocuting herself in her bathtub. Police explained she plugged 15 feet of lamp wire into a socket in an adjoining room, dipped the exposed end of the wire into the full tub of water and then stepped in.

U.S. Seizes 130 Meat Plants; Lewis, UMW Back in AFL; Army Policy on Pickets Hit

Training Bill Delay Threatened by Committee

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—The House Military Affairs Committee threatened today to delay action on the universal military training bill unless the War Department modified its policy of forbidding Army trucks to cross picket lines without union permission.

The threat was voiced by Andrew J. May (D-Ky.), committee chairman, who said during testimony by Col. Foster L. Furphy, director of Army Service Forces' industrial personnel division, that the department was going "too far" with its policy.

May said the committee was working on a military training bill, but "before we do that we'd better decide whether we're going to have a spineless Army or whether our kids are going to have soup, even if not steak."

Six-Year Policy
Furphy was explaining the Army order forbidding trucks to cross picket lines to take meat from struck plants unless unions agreed, which they did. The order was based on a six-year policy that the Army would break picket lines only when property was urgently needed and could not be obtained by agreement between the parties involved.

Furphy, who described Army relations with labor as good, said the meat strike had tied up 9,000,000 pounds of Army-contracted meat and 11,500,000 pounds of carcass and boneless beef.

He said a meeting of Army officers with management and labor held in Chicago on Jan. 19 resulted in the union and packinghouses agreeing to co-operate in removing meat from strike-bound plants.

Furphy said the day before the meeting he had been informed that Army trucks were crossing picket lines at struck plants in Memphis. The order barring Army trucks (Continued on Page 8, Col. 4)

Legislator Assails Shipping GI Kin, Entry of Aliens

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—Rep. Hubert Ellis (R-W.Va.) charged today that there was "something sinister" about the plan to let families go overseas to join their GI kin while at the same time a commission was investigating prospects of increasing immigration into the country.

"It is significant that at a time when there is apparently a planned exodus of good American families to points beyond the continental limits, the President sees fit to send a commission to Europe to expedite immigration into this country," he said.

Ellis continued: "Very soon we will be witnessing the sordid picture of good American families whom we need badly boarding ships to go abroad and returning ships unloading immigrants whom we do not need and, in the vast majority of cases, do not want."

U.S. Casualty List Tops Million Mark in Revision

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The War Department made an upward revision of its war-time casualty list, adding 5,646 to the list of soldiers killed, and bringing the overall total of all American casualties to 1,068,378.

Department reports, corrected to Dec. 31, listed total Army casualties an 922,764 an increase of 109 over the last previous total announced two months earlier. The principal change was to increase the list of those killed from 217,569 to 223,215.

Paris Printers Strike; No Papers on Stands

Parisians were unable to read of activities in the formation of the new French government yesterday because of a general strike by newspaper printers who are demanding a raise in pay of approximately 100 francs a day. Neither morning nor afternoon papers appeared.

English-language newspapers were not affected.

French Crisis Ends as Gouin Fills Cabinet

Appointment of Andre Philip as Minister of Finance and acceptance of President Felix Gouin's economic program by the three major French parties yesterday brought about the formation of a government and an end to the crisis which broke last Sunday with the resignation of Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

Formation of the Cabinet was delayed until Socialists, the Popular Republican Movement (MRP) and Communists had agreed to go along with Gouin's drastic financial retrenchment plan. Only then would Socialist Andre Philip accept the post of finance minister.

Until late last Friday night, Gouin had said that unless Pierre Mendès-France were accepted for the finance post, he would not be able to form a Cabinet and would be forced to resign. Mendès-France, however, refused the position when the three parties attempted to whittle away his retrenchment program.

Gouin Policies OK'd
In written replies to Gouin, both the Socialists and Communists announced acceptance of his program without reserve. The MRP also announced agreement in general but expressed hope that the new government would not demobilize the Army below the safety margin.

Presentation of the new government to the Assembly probably will take place Tuesday afternoon.

Principal points of Gouin's program, which he said he realized would prove harsh and unpopular with the people, were these:

- 1—Cutting back military expenditures by 40,000,000,000 francs.
- 2—Severe slashing of non-military governmental expenditures

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Party Plugging 'Divine Right' In Bavaria Licensed by AMG

MUNICH, Jan. 26 (AP).—The Loyalist political party, claiming a membership of 250,000 and plumping for reinstitution of monarchy in Bavaria, has been granted a license by American Military Government.

The Loyalists, led by Baron Francis Redwitz, advocate returning the ancient Wittelsbach family to the Bavarian throne.

They urge the alliance of Bavaria with other independent German states in a league of European States.

The party promises a plebiscite on the monarchy question as soon as it might come to power. Its registration was too late for the Sunday elections.

The new party's platform is in direct opposition to the Potsdam declaration and its two major aims, a dispatch to the New York Herald Tribune said. Creation of an independent state of Bavaria opposes the Potsdam decision that Germany should be a political and economic

Move to Restore Fresh Meat To U.S.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26 (UP).—More than 130 strike-bound meat-packing plants were seized today by the U.S. Government in a bid to restore meat distribution impeded by the 10-day-old stoppage.

At the same time it was announced from Miami that 500,000 members of the United Mine Workers, headed by John L. Lewis, returned to membership in the American Federation of Labor, with Lewis gaining a seat on the AFL Executive Council.

William Green, AFL president, announced that the action was taken unanimously at the current council meeting, but branded as "absolutely false" reports that he would resign so that Lewis could be elected president of the federation.

In AFL 50 Years

The Mineworkers had belonged to the AFL for 50 years before Lewis revolted ten years ago in favor of the CIO. Green revealed that one of Lewis' conditions for membership included a "hands off" policy toward the United Miners. District 50, which takes as members workers in many fields across all trade union lines.

Formal seizure of meat plants throughout the country was made at one minute after midnight today by Clinton P. Anderson, Secretary

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Cleric Defends Birth Control

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (UP).—Bishop Bromley Oxnam, president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, declared last night that refusal to use scientific means for planned parenthood was "sinful."

"To refuse to use the means science makes available for this high purpose is sinful and akin to obscuritism that would refuse anesthesia to a woman in travail because Eve plucked an apple from a primeval tree," he told the twenty-fifth anniversary meeting of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Those who say there shall be no expression of love to husband and wife "except for purposes of procreation are not defenders of the family," he added.

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unit, and the 17th-century doctrine of the divine right of kings is against the Potsdam goal of democracy for Germany.

Purpose of the party is listed as the "re-establishment of the Kingdom of Bavaria." No candidate for the throne is named in the program, the Herald Tribune said, but Prince Rupprecht is the one most frequently mentioned in royalist circles.

The 1,200-word program, which had to be submitted to Military Government with the application for approval of the party, begins: "The Bavarian people experienced the happiest times in its history while Bavaria was an independent state under the crown of the House of Wittelsbach."

The most significant of the principles outlined in the program, the dispatch said, is contained in a paragraph which states: "It is up to the king to control the power of the state originating from God and tied in all its actions to the divine commandments."



They Boil at Icy Ride

We are a group of 40 to 53-pointers, many having months of combat experience. Most of us were riflemen but claim no extraordinary distinction. However, we aren't Eskimos, either.

On 3 January we were transferred from Camp Philadelphia, France, to an outfit in Metz. 411 EMTs and two officers, well fortified with one K ration unit each, left Mourmelon in 40 and 8's. The temperature was only five degrees above zero and no one seemed to think that heat or drinking water would be necessary, so neither was provided.

Twelve hours later we arrived at Chalons, where we sat for another 13. After a concerted effort, we received, through courtesy of the RTO and the PW's of Qm. Depot 180-A, one additional K ration per man.

Nineteen hours after leaving Chalons, we pulled into Metz, thoroughly frozen in the ETO, and in more than one respect. The itinerary:

Time consumed... 44 hours.
Distance covered... 90 miles.
Disgruntled, cold, hungry and thirsty men... 413-340 Ord. Depot Co. (59 signatures, Ed.)

Terminal Pay for EM

Why are officers entitled to terminal leave pay while enlisted personnel are not?

I am an officer and admit the pay comes in very handy, but gross injustice is being done to GI Joe.—Sylvia C. Roth, 1st Lt., ANC.

Prayer from Istres

Although our points were counted last in September, our bodies have continued to serve time overseas, so we pray:

For the combat men, some of whom have flown more than 20 missions over Europe.

For our stomachs. They said the food would get better; it hasn't.

For our latrines. The open-air type that had to be dug with TNT and jackhammers are nearing the saturation point. We pray that more TNT and jackhammers will be available when needed.

For the water. It has to be trucked in from a nearby town and contains enough chlorine to make it an excellent bleaching agent.

For the Medical Department. They have condemned these quarters over and over, but no one seems interested.

For the helmets and field showers that we are still using eight months after the surrender of Germany.

For our little olive tree. We pray for the preservation of the only reminder of nature's kindness on this seven-mile expanse of rocks, mud, rocks, dust and more rocks. AMEN.—Lt. A. B. Cohen, Istres Air Base.

Would Stay With Buddies

Recently I applied to AG Civilian Personnel for a job as a cemetery caretaker and was refused for the reason that the job was ungraded and therefore only a non-American could hold it.

I have 90 points and wanted to have this job more than anything. Surely GIs are good enough to take care of their buddies' graves. Our hands held responsibility during the war, and they can still hold it.—Former Tanker, Camp Pittsburgh.

Hits Furlough Handling

Just a word to let all recruiting officers know that they needn't expect any business from this outfit. The things we've seen in this personnel section have convinced us that the Army brass have no more consideration for the feelings of an enlisted man than they have for a dirty, mangy, gutter pup.

We become sad and angry when we see broken-hearted grown men leave this office with tears in their eyes after receiving news of the death or serious illness of a wife or a child, and War Department inclosure denying an emergency furlough.

This has happened twice within a month, and this morning's incident takes the cake: A man's mother died 15 days ago, and he wasn't notified until today. The news could have gotten here faster by "Free" mail. The time-consuming channeling through Red Cross and the War Department resulted, of course, in the usual, "Emergency Furlough Denied."

No doubt many soldiers have experienced the same callous inhumanity. Why is such needless cruelty allowed?—Disgruntled Personnel Section, APO 360.



India Crisis Seen as Springboard for Third War

By Preston Grover
Associated Press Staff Writer

BOMBAY, Jan. 26.—India, already beset by racial and religious conflict upon which is superimposed strong movements for independence from Britain, soon may be the scene of some of the gravest tensions in its history. According to Jawaharlal Nehru, former president of the Indian National Congress, it may be a starting point for World War III.

India's independence demands are not new. But they now have reached a stage of intensity which troubles long-time observers who have seen nationalist bubblings before, but never on this scale.

It would be a relatively simple

matter if all the difficulties in this teeming subcontinent boiled down to the question of independence. But even if India won complete freedom tomorrow, it would still have some of its sorest problems yet to face.

Indians so far have been unable to agree on the kind of country they should have. The two most powerful native forces—the Moslem League and the All-India Congress—have drastically different ideas, based largely on deep-rooted religious grounds.

In the recent Central Assembly elections, the Moslem vote swung overwhelmingly to Mahomed Ali Jinnah's Moslem League while the Hindu vote went strongly to the

All-India Congress, although there are some important Moslems in the Congress.

The All-India Congress hopes to win strong support among the poor Moslems—Congress leaders minimized the recent Moslem showing in the elections as the vote only of the wealthy, since the franchise was limited mainly to property-owners—and thus to speak for a united India.

Nehru, as spokesman of this party, already has accused the U.S. of lining up with Britain, and he has predicted a "continuing revolt" unless the "domination" of Asia is ended. As he sees it, America and Russia are struggling for the key world position, and if the U.S. stands behind Britain's "intervention" in India, the native revolt will spread into "that terrible thing, the Third World War."

Whatever the validity of Nehru's statement, observers say that if India's high hopes for independence

fail to materialize, uprisings and bloodshed on a scale to tax all the available British forces in the country may be likely.

That is one side of India's dilemma. The other side is that the British say serious difficulties would arise out of the Moslem-Hindu differences even if independence were granted immediately.

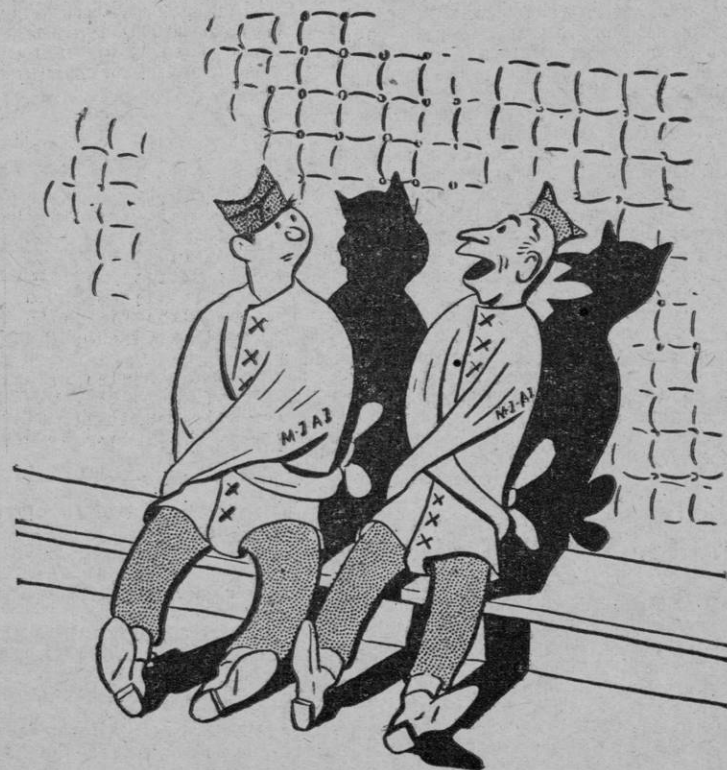
The Moslems favor a separate state in India—a state actually consisting of two different sections, each with predominant Moslem populations—to be known as Pakistan, "Land of the Pure." This plan is vigorously opposed by the Congress party.

The student of India can see actual or potential trouble spots in all directions. And the foregoing has just considered British India.

There are also in India the Indian states, ruled by native British-connected princes in varying degrees of autocracy and consisting of 90,000,000 inhabitants.

Peace, Brother

By Jerry Callahan



"I like the Army—what's your trouble?"



Paris Area

MOVIES TODAY

MARIGNAN—"Fallen Angel," Alice Faye, Dana Andrews, continuous 1400-2300. Metro Marbeuf.
OLYMPIA—2330 only. Same as Marignan. Metro Madeleine.
ENSA PARIS—"Road to Utopia," Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Dorothy Lamour, continuous 1400-2300. Metro Marbeuf.

STAGE SHOWS

ENSA MARIGNY—"Marigny Variety."
OLYMPIA—"Syncopated Journey," Variety, 1430, 2000, 300 Civilian Tickets Available per Show.

MISCELLANEOUS

FX Fountain SHOP—Adjacent to Main PX at Rue de Provence and Rue du Havre. Open daily except Sunday 1300-2130. Malted milk, ice cream, sundaes, beer.
FX BARBER SHOPS—12 Rue de Seze (opposite Rainbow Corner), weekdays 0900-2000, Sunday 0900-1700, with beauty parlor, 146 Champs-Elysees, 0900-1900 weekdays only, with beauty parlor, 48 Avenue Kléber, 0900-1900 weekdays only, no beauty parlor.
COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Metro Anvers.
OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment RIC 64-21 Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Metro Bourse.

COLUMBIA ARC CLUB—Celebrity Concert, pianist and tenor, 2000. Sunday Night Follies, contortionist, pianist-singer.

Versailles

ARC TOWN CLUB—Located adjacent to the Palace. Four of the Trianon Palaces, English-speaking guide, 1400. Musical Tea, 1400-1700. Movie, 1930.

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Mom of 'Ghost Marine' Waits 2nd Letter From Injured Son

JONESBORO, Ark., Jan. 26 (UP).—The mother of Marine Pvt. William Langston waited anxiously today for the "ghost Marine" to contact her again following the receipt of a letter mailed from nearby Conway.

Langston, who was reported killed on Iwo Jima last March, appeared on the streets of his home town last Saturday, his hands injured and one foot missing, and talked to old friends. On hearing of his wife's remarriage to Marine Col. Joseph Ossignac two weeks ago, he slipped

away without seeing his family or his wife.

The letter received yesterday at the Langston home was signed "William Langston" and said: "Dear Mother, I am going to a hospital in Oklahoma somewhere. I will be home as soon as I get a discharge. Do not worry. I am okay and am feeling fine."

The Marine's mother said she was convinced the handwriting was her son's. Langston's former wife, Linda, now Mrs. Ossignac, said she wanted "Bill" back. "It is my duty to take care of him," she declared.

GI in Jap Killing To Go to U.S.; WD Will Review Case

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Jan. 26 (AP).—Pfc Joseph E. Hicswa, 20, sentenced to death by an Army court martial for killing two Japanese civilians, will be returned to the U.S. promptly, and the file in the case has been given to the Judge Advocate General for review in Washington, Sen. Albert W. Hawkes (R-N.J.) was informed yesterday by the War Department.

Hawkes expressed the opinion that the War Department "realizes it has to give careful consideration to this case in view of the large number of protests voiced since the announcement from Osaka, Japan, that Hicswa had been sentenced to death."

Representatives Vote to Withdraw White House Fund

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—The post-war housing problem came to roost on President Truman's own doorstep yesterday when the House voted 110 to 41 to withdraw the \$1,650,000 White House fund which he had already started to spend for a new addition to his executive offices.

Protests by Washington civic groups and architects that the White House addition would be an architectural eyesore were rejected by the President at a news conference.

The House also voted to reclaim the \$17,000,000 balance in the President's emergency fund.

Both measures now go to the Senate for a final vote.

Alabama Negro Wins New Trial In Rape Case

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 26 (AP).—The Alabama Supreme Court affirmed the death sentence for a white man convicted in a robbery and murder and gave a new trial to a Negro condemned for rape.

The court set March 8 as the execution date for Robert S. Pilley, convicted of shooting George N. Goatley, Birmingham sandwich-shop operator, in a holdup July 11, 1944.

Reversing the conviction of Johnnie B. Smith on a charge of raping a white woman, the court said that the Negro had been told by a State solicitor to stand up on several occasions so that the witnesses could "see him better for purposes of identification."

The court ruled that this violated the Constitutional right of a man not to be compelled to give evidence against himself.

7 Navy Fugitives Get 5-Year Term For Auto Thefts

CINCINNATI, Jan. 26 (AP).—Seven sailors who escaped Naval custody at camp Peary, Va., last Nov. 10 were sentenced yesterday to five years each by U.S. District Judge John Druffel, after they had pleaded guilty to an indictment charging violation of the Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Those sentenced were Charles Wright, 18, of Nashville; Silas Burgess, 21, of Baxter, Tenn.; George Ledger, 21, of Haverill, Mass.; Theodore Hall, 19, of Rochester, Mich.; William Hagan, 20, of Baltimore; Edward Byus, 22, of Baltimore; and Justine Harrington, 20, of Cohocton Center, N.Y.

FBI agents told the court that the sailors had overpowered two guards, stolen two machine-guns and three automobiles, and held up a motorist at Corbin, Ky.

2 Lawmen Shot To Death in U.S.

SPEARFISH, S.D., Jan. 26 (AP).—Two South Dakota law-enforcement officers were shot to death last night on the Belle Fourche-Spearfish highway, two miles south of here.

Ray Billavou, Mead County deputy sheriff, said that the victims were Tom Matthews, Spearfish special agent of the Attorney General's Law Enforcement Division, and Dave Malcom, sheriff of Butte County.

Billavou said that the bodies had been found on a road beside the sheriff's car. The sole clue in the killings, Billavou said, was a scrap of paper in Matthews' right hand, on which had been scribbled a Minnesota automobile license number.

Station Plans to Test Printed News by Radio

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The Cowles Broadcasting Co., which operates radio station WOL here, announced today that it was seeking Federal permission to erect an experimental facsimile broadcasting station in Washington.

"This new station," the company said, "will be erected for the purpose of demonstrating the feasibility of utilizing radio electronic methods for distribution and delivery of printed news."

Truman Urges Speed On Wheat for Europe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—President Truman expressed concern over the world-wide shortage of wheat today in a directive urging that the U.S. speed up supplies of wheat to Europe.

The President said that he had asked Canada, Australia and Argentina to accept their share of responsibility in meeting the wheat needs of liberated countries.

Colonel in Movie Business

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP).—Col. Frank McCarthy, who during the war was secretary to the Army General Staff yesterday was named assistant to Byron Price, vice-president of the Motion Picture Association of America. He will be in charge of the association's Hollywood office.

The American Scene

Connecticut William Tell Shoots Can On Wife's Head When 'Feeling Good'

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 26 (AP).—Elliott C. Beardsley, Monroe farmer, testified in the superior court yesterday that on an occasion when both were "feeling pretty good," he demonstrated his skill with a rifle, "plucking" a tin can balanced on top of his wife's head.

Beardsley describes the William Tell incident while defending a divorce suit, which charges him with intolerable cruelty and habitual intemperance.

Identifying himself as a former cowboy, Beardsley said he was careful not to hit his wife and remarked: "If I wanted to shoot her I could have shot her."

Beardsley told the court he permitted his wife to shoot the can from the top of his head.

The Beardsleys were married in 1928 and were separated four years ago. They have five children.

Judge James Murphy reserved his decision.

GI's Heirs Seek to Donate Money

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The father and brother of a Montana soldier killed in the war are seeking to give his life insurance to the Montana State College to establish a scholarship in industrial engineering.

This became known when Rep. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) presented the bill, which would authorize the government to make a lump-sum payment to the college of the remaining unpaid installments.

The beneficiaries of the slain youth, Ralph Coldwater, are his father, Lipman Coldwater, and brother, Capt. Elliott Coldwater, both of Anaconda, Mont.

Police Hunt 'Noontime' Murderer

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP).—Police of nine states today sought a 42-year-old ex-convict with "strange staring eyes and a thin sawtooth face" identified, authorities said, as the ruthless noontime killer, who has shot to death two holdup victims and wounded a third.

Jack Goldner, 46, East Side furrier, seriously wounded by the gunman in his shop Wednesday, identified the suspect from Rogues' gallery photographs, police said.

The dead men were Lorillard S. Tillotson, 55, perfume shop employee, slain on the East Side Wednesday, and Irwin Weiss, Greenwich Village liquor store owner, shot fatally last week.

All the shootings occurred at noontime.

Captain Accused of Trying Rape Freed

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26 (UP).—Capt. John Kelly, of New York, was freed today of charges of petty theft and attempted rape when his 26-year-old woman accuser refused to prosecute for reasons of "personal embarrassment."

Previously the woman told police that the Army officer had attempted to attack her in her apartment and had stolen her clothes, watch, and ski poles.

GI Students to Live in Tugboat Cabins

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—Ship's cabins which never went to sea will house GI students attending Alabama University and Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Ninety-three cabins intended for marine tugboats, now declared surplus by the Army Transportation Corps, will be turned over to the two schools for emergency veterans housing, the Maritime Commission announced today. The cabins originally cost \$1,800 each.

St. Louis Baby Born in a Hearse

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 26 (UP).—A baby boy born to Mrs. Russell Jokerst, of St. Genevieve, Mo., started life the way most people end it—he was born in a hearse.

Jokerst was driving his wife to the hospital when the stork got in a hurry. He transferred his wife to the nearby hearse just in time for the baby to be born.

Belgium to Seek Goods From U.S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—Thirty Belgian industrialists will soon visit the U.S. to promote plans for the Belgians to import \$250,000,000 worth of American goods and sell about \$50,000,000 worth in return, Paul Kronacker, Belgian minister of supply, announced at a press conference here.

It will be suggested that U.S. exporters use Belgium as an assembly center for automobiles, tires, radios, agricultural machinery and refrigerators marked for European markets, and that such plants formerly operated by American firms in Germany be moved to Belgium.

Says Loan Denial Would Hit South

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Jan. 26 (AP).—Fred M. Vinson, Secretary of the Treasury, warned that Congressional rejection of the proposed loan to Britain eventually would leave the southern states "with no other alternative than to cut the production of cotton and tobacco by 20 or 30 percent."

Vinson, speaking before the North Carolina Newspaper Institute, added if the loan is rejected "we might once again see eight-cent and five-cent cotton."

Hubby 'Abandons' Wife Without Leaving Home

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (INS).—Supreme Court Justice Carroll Walter ruled today that a husband can "abandon" his wife without moving out of the house.

He gave Mrs. Anny List \$300 a month alimony and a separation, even though her husband, Emanuel List, Metropolitan opera basso, is still living in the same apartment.

Mrs. List charged the singer was stingy, insulting and cruel. She said: "He made me feel I was merely his menial servant, housekeeper and cook."

Canadian Vet Touring Florida Hooked in Draft for U.S. Army

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—This is a very sad story.

Former Chief Petty Officer Robert Ratcliffe, discharged Canadian veteran, failed to stop for a light in Jacksonville while vacationing in Florida a while back. A policeman asked to see his draft card, but all Ratcliffe had was his Canadian discharge.

Lacking the proper visa, he was required to register. He came here

soon after, followed by a notice of induction. Now he's an Army private at nearby Fort Belvoir, Va. He wants to be transferred to the Canadian Army because he would have enough points for discharge.

The Canadian Embassy here is looking into the matter, but at Fort Belvoir, Capt. Victor E. Blue-dern, public relations officer, said: "It looks like he's in for a long, long time."



The leggy girl, standing on the steps of Hollywood Park's Turf Club, is Norma Creiger. She is wearing the latest "come-apart" sunsuit.

France Stands Firm on Ruhr And Rhineland

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (AP).—The French are determined to stand by their guns for the internationalization of the Ruhr and Rhineland.

That became increasingly clear today amid indications that the U.S. would announce its position before the peace conference.

High-ranking French officers express bewilderment over what they term apparent hesitation on the part of the U.S. and Britain to state their views. They are looking for Russian support.

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson gave a broad hint while he was in Berlin that America's decision was imminent. He said then that Germany's western boundaries would have to be decided soon one way or another.

Discussions in Progress

The whole issue has been placed on a governmental level and separate discussions are known to be in progress in Washington and London, and presumably Moscow.

For three months American Military Governors in Germany, first Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and then Lt. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, have criticized the French for holding out against the establishment of central German administrative agencies.

"The French have made it clear that they want the fate of the Ruhr and Rhineland decided first."

Col. Raymond de Geoffrey, head of the French Rhine River Commission, voiced in an interview what appears to be the general view among French officers, declaring:

"It is a question of life and death with us."

Germany Always a Threat

"We have been invaded three times by Germany in a hundred years. We are not sure that GIs will be here in ten or twenty years, but we remain always face to face with Germany."

The American people, De Geoffrey insisted, must be made to understand the geography of the disputed region—that an industrial Ruhr "is the key to German war-power" and that through the Rhineland run railroads and roads leading to any possible German invasion of France.

Internationalization of the Ruhr, De Geoffrey maintained, would not necessarily mean stripping Germany completely of the benefits from rich coal and steel industries. He said that France's main concern was in seeing that these industries were controlled to prevent their production being diverted for war.

Mussolini Henchman Gets Death in Slayings

ROME, Jan. 26 (AP).—Carlo Emanuele Basile, the ex-Fascist prefect of Genoa, was sentenced to death yesterday by the Pavia tribunal, a Pavia dispatch reported today.

Basile was accused of responsibility for slayings in the towns of Puchino and Forte San Marino, and with having prompted the closing of establishments there to punish strikers during the days of Mussolini.

Arrested late last April, Basile was carrying 30,000,000 lire he said he was taking to Mussolini.

Scientific Piccard Twins Plan Record Ascent and Descent

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP).—Two famous scientific brothers, already separated by half the world, are planning new trips even farther apart, to record new levels above and below the earth's surface.

Dr. Jean Piccard, professor of aeronautical engineering at the University of Minnesota, is making plans for a balloon ascent of 20 miles into the stratosphere, five miles farther than man has ever traveled.

Prof. Auguste Piccard, now working in his Swiss homeland, wants to descend into the ocean depths to about 13,000 feet, five times deeper than a human being has gone.

The Piccards, who are twins, are both known for research with balloon ascents in the past. Auguste's diving device modeled at Brussels University, will be a special spherical like a balloon.

It will consist of a hermetically sealed cabin weighing 11 tons and made of steel plates with portholes of glass 18.4 inches thick to resist the tremendous pressures. The cabin is to accommodate two pas-

sengers and the device is to be motor driven.

Auguste Piccard says that there would be no great danger except the possibility of volcanic disturbances on the floor of the sea, so to make sure he plans to send the submersible down on a trial run without occupants. He has not announced whom he plans to take with him on the descent.

Jean plans to be accompanied on his ascent in his balloon by his wife. They would use a type of balloon never before employed in stratosphere exploration in an effort to extend man's knowledge about the upper air and especially about cosmic rays, a study they believe will hasten atomic developments.

"By contributing to the knowledge of cosmic rays," says Dr. Piccard, "previous flights have contributed to our knowledge of the atom."

He says that physicists want him to take their complicated apparatus to the 20-mile level to discover "what is happening there in the outer edge of our atmosphere."

Democrats Demand Revision of Portugal Constitution



Prof. Barbosa de Maga, center, presides over a meeting of Portuguese sponsoring a Democratic movement in Lisbon. The organization demanded a revision of the constitution along more liberal lines.

Bomb Exaggerated, Seversky Says; Article Paints Atom-War Nightmare

Declares Jap Toll Mostly Caused By Fire

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (UP).—Maj. Alexander de Seversky declared that the effect of the atomic bomb was "widely exaggerated" and suggested a "cooling-off period on atomic speculation."

The aircraft designer, who made an eight-month study of war destruction for the War Department, said after inspecting atomic bomb damage in Hiroshima and Nagasaki that fire was the chief cause of the high toll of life and property in both cities.

Writing for the February edition of Reader's Digest, de Seversky deplored the "state of near hysteria" resulting from the first atomic-bomb destruction exhibits, which he termed "completely misleading."

In New York or Chicago, where buildings are not so flimsy, a different kind of atomic bomb explosion would be needed before it could do the damage of one Superfort loaded with high explosives, Seversky wrote.

Attlee Says Windsor Hasn't Had Job Offer

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Prime Minister Clement Attlee said today that no diplomatic or official government post has been offered to the Duke of Windsor.

Attlee's statement was in a written reply to a parliamentary question submitted by Laborite T. E. Naylor and was not further elaborated.

War Crime Suspects Leave Spain for Reich

MADRID, Jan. 26 (UP).—The first group of 255 German internees slated for war criminal trial in Germany are scheduled to leave Madrid airport today.

The German diplomats, who include Hans Thomsen, former Nazi Party leader and chargé d'affaires at the German embassy here, will be flown in Air Transport Command planes to Stuttgart.

Deny Airlines To Japs, Reich

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Jan. 26 (UP).—Germany and Japan will be forbidden to have worldwide airlines, John A. Cheatham, British delegate to the air conference being held here, declared yesterday.

Cheatham said commercial flying was so closely allied to the development of military power it would be ridiculous to allow the principal aggressor nations to build up a civilian flying force.

Italy, he said, would probably be permitted to operate within its boundaries and possibly to those African colonies which it might be permitted to keep.

Britain believes that Russia will not compete on a global basis for some time to come. The Soviets are expected to confine operations to their orbit, which is large enough to support a dozen airlines covering the Ukraine, East Germany, the Balkans, Siberia and the Far East. Cheatham added that Russia probably will not permit other countries to compete in her orbit.

Cheatham said that the British consider China the most fertile territory for development. He said he thought the Chinese would buy British and American equipment to build up their own commercial air companies.

The conference seemed virtually assured of success in reaching agreements next week on the question of fares, the number of weekly flights and the right of American lines to transport passengers between European countries.

Spokesmen for both delegations said the U.S. offered substantial concessions on all points at issue. It was said that American counter-proposals came at the critical moment when the British were reported preparing to break off negotiations and organize an all-European air bloc for a rate war against U.S. airlines.

Terms of the agreement were not announced pending completion of the final draft, but it is expected to show that the U.S. agreed to the regulation of passenger fares and some limitation of the number of weekly trans-Atlantic flights in return for access to European air traffic.

Blast by Accident Seen Starting Horror

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Likening the atomic weapon to a sword of Damocles suspended over the world's head, British military analyst, Maj. Gen. J. F. C. Fuller, in an American service magazine, conjures up the nightmare of an atomic war of annihilation exploding accidentally from a defective bomb fuse or a maniac's thumb jabbing a fatal button.

"An atomic war is far more likely to start accidentally on account of the tension in which all nations live," wrote Fuller.

He pictured the atomic war as one of noiseless battles between blast and counter-blast miles above the surface of the earth as radar sets, signaling a flight of offensive atom rockets speeding toward them, automatically release defensive rockets to explode in whatever cubic space in the stratosphere radar decides the enemy's offensive rockets will enter at a calculated time.

Each nation will have atom-charged rockets ranged on every great foreign city in the world. "Now and again an invader will get through and up will go London, Paris or New York in a 40,000-foot-high mushroom of smoke and dust," Fuller's article said.

A possible age of abundance with the economic causes of war eliminated is a more hopeful alternative, Fuller declared.

U.S.-Anglo Invasion of Reich Urged by Winnie in '41, Says Life

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP).—Life magazine says that British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in a secret speech to the House of Commons, on April 23, 1942, said: "I have always hoped for the entry of the U.S. (into the war) although the ideal was to have America in the war while Japan remained out."

The magazine, in a copyrighted article, also quoted Churchill as saying that:

The Axis had sunk or damaged more than a third of Britain's capital ships in one seven-week period.

No investigation should be made of the Singapore debacle. He was surprised at the strength of the Japanese forces.

Life said the full text of the hitherto unrevealed document had been released by Churchill.

The magazine quotes Churchill as saying that President Roosevelt had told him that month, "I feel better about the war than at any time in the past two years."

Life said that Churchill retained the only copy of his secret speech of which no digest or notes were permitted and about which all parliament members were sworn to secrecy.

Clay Deplores Snarl on Steel Quota in Reich

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (UP).—The disagreement between the Allies on German steel production will make it difficult if not impossible to complete the blueprint of the reparations program before the Feb. 2 deadline, it was declared today by Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U.S. representative on the Allied Control Council in Berlin.

Just back from London where he discussed the impasse with U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, Clay said he was hopeful that the difference of viewpoint would be settled.

The disagreement resulted from different interpretations of the announced annual production maximums, he explained. The U.S., Russia and France maintain that 5,800,000 tons was the figure agreed upon for the peacetime level of the German steel industry, while Great Britain contends that 7,500,000 tons was the figure.

Clay said that the difference might become largely theoretical since no agreement could be reached on the definition of productive capacity for any given plant.

French Explain Policy in Reich

BADEN BADEN, Jan. 26 (INS).—France is patterning her occupation policy on that of her American neighbors in Germany, and at the same time obeying the dictates of French public opinion, a headquarters spokesman disclosed today.

French officers here are resentful of outside criticism that their military government is lagging behind the other Allied forces in carrying out the "Big Three" directives for rule in Germany.

"Our course in governing a part of Germany is a much more difficult one," the spokesman said. "We must achieve the difficult balance between what needs to be done and what the French people want done."

"It is this shot-gun marriage between political necessity and public emotion," he added, "which prevents France from working out her occupation policies as rapidly as the other Allied powers."

The five German administrations now established throughout the French zone, for example, cannot be likened to the civil governments in the American or British zones. French officials explain that no German has any governing power in their zone; the only jobs open to Germans—no matter how anti-Nazi—are those of clerical administration.

"Germany is repairing the wounds of war quickly enough on the impetus of her own energy," the officer said. "We in the French zone are not trying to stimulate that progress by giving the Germans more authority than they know how to use."

Churchills Will Visit Cuba

MIAMI BEACH, Jan. 26 (AP).—Winston Churchill and Mrs. Churchill will soon visit Havana, it was announced here today. They are expected to spend a week as guests of the Cuban government, probably on Jan. 29.

Where Axe-Murderer Struck Passau Officer, Cremated Corpse



The charred body of one of the three officers murdered at Passau, Lt. Stanley Mac A. Rosewater, was found in this bed. Although the officers had assembled a collection of firearms in the house the murderer used an axe. After repeatedly hacking Rosewater's skull, the still-at-large killer sprinkled the corpse with gasoline for cremation.

Heavy Damage in Swiss Earthquake

BERN, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Several casualties and serious damage to buildings were reported today in the Canton of Valais, in southwest Switzerland, the center of more than 30 earthquake shocks during the night.

Many buildings in Sion, capital of the canton, were damaged and telephone communications have not yet been restored.

Dutch Deny Favoring British Against U.S. Tobacco Traders

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UP).—Netherlands official sources today denied reports that the Dutch government was discriminating against American tobacco traders in favor of the British.

It was pointed out that several Dutch representatives have arrived in New York to help the Netherlands food purchasing bureau arrange for buying American tobacco, an indication that the Dutch have no intention of cutting trade with U.S. suppliers. The Netherlands bought substantial quantities of tobacco and cigars from the British because the Dutch position on sterling was considerably better than on dollars, it was explained.

The present dollar shortage may result in a change in the tobacco purchasing system. The Dutch believe it would be more economical to buy tobacco in bulk and manufacture cigars in Holland than to import the finished product.

3 Who Hid Nazi General Get 8 Weeks in Prison

BONN, Jan. 26 (UP).—Stefan Kuhne, father-in-law of Gen. von Below, and his brothers-in-law, former Maj. Heinrich Behr and Maria von Groote, were sentenced to eight weeks in prison by a British Military court today, on charges of concealing the German general when it was known the British wanted him.

Trial of Finns Halted Again

MOSCOW, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Tass news agency reports that at the request of the defense, the Finnish court trying Risto Rytty, former president of Finland, Edwin Linkomies, former Premier, and six other Finnish politicians accused of responsibility for involving Finland in war, decided to adjourn until Jan. 31.

This is the fourth adjournment since the trial started last November, the agency reports, with public prosecutor Toivo Tarjanne strongly objecting to the defense counsel's request for a new adjournment.

German Historiographer Dies

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (AP).—Dr. Hermann Oncken, famed German historian-biographer, 77, died at Goettingen in the British Zone, dispatches to the Berlin press reported.

Some Reich Election Results Out the Day Before Election

By Robert Marshall
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

FRANKFURT, Jan. 26.—Tomorrow is election day in hundreds of small townships throughout the U.S. zone in Germany—but some of the results became known today, 24 hours before the polls were slated to open.

The advance information resulted from a peculiar twist in the election laws of the province of North Baden, which provides for automatic election of uncontested tickets. Since no contests existed in 234 of the province's 486 townships, the outcome was made public today.

Most of the uncontested tickets were filed in the smallest townships with populations under 500 in the predominantly Roman Catholic landkreise (country districts) of

Buchen, Tauber-Bischoffsheim, Mosbach and Sinsheim.

The Christian Democratic Union won 949 seats out of a possible 1,070. The Social Democrats took 71 seats, the Democratic People's Party 10, and the Communists none. Independent and miscellaneous tickets accounted for 40.

The newly-elected village officials will administer an area with a total population of 80,000.

Other townships in North Baden, Wuerttemberg, Greater Hesse and Bavaria will vote tomorrow in their first free election in 13 years. Seventeen gemeinde of Greater Hesse balloted last Sunday.

Military Government officials expect that tomorrow's turnout may reach the 4,000,000 mark. In last Sunday's polling, 83 percent of the eligibles voted.

Panic broke out among the population in the Valais area after the first shock shut off electricity in the whole area. People hurried from their houses and gathered in streets which were plunged in darkness and littered with roof tiles and pieces from broken chimneys.

Warned that further shocks might follow, the inhabitants of the little mountain towns and villages of the canton spent the night in the streets, warming themselves at improvised bonfires while police and fire brigades stood by for emergency.

The strongest earthquake in Switzerland since 1855, it was felt throughout the country. Two especially violent quakes were experienced throughout Switzerland, one last night and the other early this morning.

"Trains traveling on the Leuk line were stopped by the shock and also because the line had been blocked by rocks which had rolled down from the Alps," reported the London Daily Telegraph's correspondent.

'Suffered Heavily'

"The town of Sitten suffered heavily," he said. "Streets are full of debris and collapsed roofs and casualties have been reported."

"Damage and destruction were also reported from several other towns," he continued. "In Lausanne streets some pedestrians were thrown to the ground. In the Bern region there was panic. The population in many districts left their houses."

"Tremors were accompanied by a thunderous roar underground, and the air was reminiscent of a hurricane. Earlier, a huge meteor soared over the Bern area. It lit the skies with a blinding flash."

Felt in Milan

At Neufchatel, the severe earth shock put the meteorological service's seismograph out of action. The earthquake was also felt in Milan, Italian radio said. No reports of damage have so far been received.

Paris radio reported that the entire Rhone Alps region of France was shaken by the shock. It was felt at Lyons, Macon, Annecy and as far as Strasbourg, in Alsace, 230 miles from Lyon.

(The tremors followed two weeks of abnormal weather conditions during which the northern part of the country had comparatively mild weather while snowstorms raged in the southern area, Associated Press reported.)

Relief Shipments Announced

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Herbert Lehman, UNRRA director, said today that more than 4,000,000 long tons of supplies had been shipped to war-liberated areas by the end of last year. More than two-thirds of this tonnage was food.

Ex-Indo-China Potentate Sees Hope for Liberty Ideal in UNO

HANOI, Jan. 26 (AP).—Bao Dai, of the Indo-Chinese provinces of Annam and Tonkin, who abandoned the absolute power of an Oriental potentate to fight beside his people for independence today declared that the United Nations Charter sounded the death knell of monarchies and colonies.

In an exclusive interview, the former ruler of 18,000,000 Annamese and Tonkinese offered France their friendship, but reiterated their demand for independence.

Six months ago, Bao Dai voluntarily terminated his Nguyen Dynasty, which had ruled the two areas of Indo-China for 400 years. When he stepped into his new role as political adviser to the Viet Namh Republic, under whose name his peoples sought freedom from French rule, Bao declared:

"I would far rather be a common citizen in an independent state than the emperor of a subjugated nation."

Iran Appoints Ex-Premier to Resume Office

TEHERAN, Jan. 26 (AP).—Qavam-Es-Saltaneh, three-time Premier of Iran, succeeded to the office once again today, becoming head of the Government in place of resigned Premier Ibrahim Hakimi.

The 65-year-old landowner became Premier by a majority vote of the Majlis, ending a week during which the Iranian Government was without a leading minister.

In the opinion of many members of the Iranian Parliament, Saltaneh is well thought of by the Russians, and may be able to settle Russo-Iranian differences where Hakimi failed.

His supporters had campaigned for him on the grounds that he was the only man who could negotiate successfully with Moscow. After Hakimi's resignation, Saltaneh said he had been assured "that Moscow will hear my presentation of the Iranian problem."

He promised to seek direct settlements with both Russia and the insurgent Azerbaijan Province officials, but said that he would "recognize fully and give continued support to Iran's representative" at the United Nations Assembly.

Saltaneh, who owns large estates in Azerbaijan, has served as premier three times in the last 40 years. He resigned his last premiership in 1943, following the bread riots in Teheran.

Victory for Reds Predicted In Selection of New Leader

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Selection of Qavam-Es-Saltaneh as Premier of Iran probably will give Russia at least a temporary victory in the first political dispute brought before the United Nations Assembly, American and British informants said today.

The Iranian delegation, which appealed to the Security Council only a week ago to intervene against Russia in the Azerbaijan dispute, said that new instructions were expected from Teheran over the weekend.

Officials predicted that the new Premier, who is known to back friendly relations with Russia, would order the Azerbaijan case dropped or shelved while he negotiated directly with Moscow for settlement of the dispute.

Direct negotiation on the part of the Iranians was suggested by Russia in a letter to the Security Council Friday. Russia denied charges of interference in the internal affairs of Iran, and said she was opposed to Council consideration of the case.

Iran Envoy Hopes Dispute Will Be Left Up to UNO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Iran's Ambassador to the U.S., Hussein Ala, said today that he hoped his country's new Premier would not withdraw Iran's appeal to the UNO Security Council to intervene in the Soviet-occupied zone in Iran.

"I am rather afraid that by direct negotiation with Russia we will only be wasting time and lose this opportunity to bring up the matter before the Security Council," Hussein Ala said.

Frosty GI Sentry Starts Fire With Russian War Documents

NUREMBERG, Jan. 26.—When an American sentry on guard outside a Russian billet became cold on the night of Jan. 6, he looked around for something with which to start a fire and warm himself. He saw a bundle of twine-bound papers lying on the ground near his post, and he used half the package to get a fire going.

Later it turned out that the papers were documents on the treatment of citizens of Stalingrad by the Germans and were intended to be used as exhibits by the Russians in presenting their case before the war-crimes trial here.

Subsequent inquiries into the destruction of the documents re-

The Viet Namhese, who now control Tonkin and that part of Annam above the sixteenth parallel, rewarded Bao Dai a few weeks ago by electing him to the unrecognized Republic's first Parliament.

That was probably the first time in history that an emperor became a legislator in the democracy that replaced his monarchy.

Receiving this reporter in a neat brown sports jacket, dazzling necktie, and two-colored shoes, Bao Dai declared:

"No matter at what personal cost, I am morally unable to permit a foreign power to use my name to dominate Viet Namh any longer."

Appeals to French

"Authority was transferred to the Republic without bloodshed or internal dissension. Other nations should appreciate that and realize we are trying to operate an orderly government."

"Now it is up to the French. If they are willing to acknowledge the independence of Viet Namh, they will remain a good national friend and French cultural influence continues."

"It is not that we hate the French—it is only independence we want and that is our right."

German Cartel Feels Red Axe

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (AP).—A. E. G. (Allgemeine Elektrizitaets Gesellschaft), the huge German electrical concern, had the axe applied to it in the Russian sector when certain subsidiaries were raked out of it and made into independent, non-trust concerns under a government-appointed custodian management.

Deutsche Volkszeitung, the organ of the Communist Party, which reported this action, said that it was done in accordance with the Potsdam agreement regarding the smashing of cartel trusts of the Reich.

The four A.E.G. electrical-appliance factories in the boroughs of Koepenick and Treptow were the first branches to be chopped off the A.E.G. tree.

The initiative making them into independent undertakings came from the workers themselves. The Russian authorities supported the move and issued a decree ordering the wishes of the workers to be carried out.

Italian Ship in Trouble

MALTA, Jan. 26 (INS).—The Italian ship Grandisca, carrying 1,000 British personnel and Maltese repatriated from North Africa, has been aground on Crete since Wednesday. British warships are standing by to take the passengers off as soon as the gale subsides.

vealed that a truck, loaded with Russian documents bound in one-ream bundles, had been driven from Leipzig and parked in front of the billet. The bundle of paper used by the soldier apparently had fallen from the back of the vehicle.

The unburned half of the bundle, which was placed under a bench in the sentry box, was discovered the following morning. The investigation has exonerated the soldier of any deliberate culpability in the affair. According to American officers handling the investigation, "a high official of the Russian prosecution has made it clear that the consequences of the burning of the documents are not serious."

Philly Mile to MacMitchell; Milrose Debut for Hansenne

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26 (AP).—Leslie MacMitchell, former NYU track star, marked his first return to competition in almost four years by winning the featured mile race in The Philadelphia Inquirer invitation indoor track and field meet.

Rating himself well, the former IC-4A and NCAA mile titleholder, covered the 12-lap mile in 4:14.1 to win by 20 yards over Tom Quinn, New York A.C. national cross-country champion. Forest Eflaw, ex-Oklahoma Aggie star; Walter Mehl, Wisconsin, and Bill Maguire, New York, trailed in that order.

MacMitchell, who raced into the lead on the 10th lap, was wildly cheered by 8,000 spectators.

George Guida, Rensselaer Poly, won the dedicatory Charles Paddock 300-yard dash event by six yards over Herb McKenley, Illinois in 33.2.

Other event winners included: Eddie Conwell, Long Branch, N.J., 50-yard dash, 5.3; Lt. Bob Wright, formerly of Ohio State, 50-yard hurdles, 6.2; Bill Bangert, Purdue, shot put, 49-4; Mathias Kashuba, Bloomsburg, Pa., high jump, 6-4 3/4.

C. V. Whitney's Flyweight Cops Anita Feature

ARCADIA, Calif., Jan. 26 (AP).—Col. C. V. Whitney's Flyweight, a 16-1 outsider in the wagering, rallied in the stretch under jockey Harold Kirkland's energetic handling to win the \$7,500 six-furlong Black Raider Handicap at Santa Anita park.

C. S. Howard's Bismark Sea was second, a half length back, and Barbastel was third. Flyweight, carrying 107 pounds, paid \$33.40, \$20.10 and \$7.10. Bismark Sea returned \$11.50 and \$5.40 while Barbastel paid \$3.10.

The victory gave Kirkland—a double win for the day. He scored earlier with Lady Eccleston in the third.

Longshot players stayed in the groove, with Good Bid romping home in the sixth paying \$80.30, \$29.90 and \$15.70.

Battle Born, Landlord Cop Greater Miami Purse

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 26 (AP).—Gustave Ring's Battle Born, an unsung nominee for the \$30,000 added Flamingo Stakes of Feb. 23, surprised the Hialeah crowd of 18,070 when he won the first division of the Greater Miami purse at odds of \$84.90 for two. Mrs. E. C. Salisbury's Landlord, a four-to-five favorite, accounted for the second half of the feature.

Ted Williams Signs

BOSTON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Outfielder Ted Williams has signed with the Boston Red Sox for 1946 after three years in the Marines.

Brooklyn's Ed Stanky Becomes Baseball's Goodwill Ambassador

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 26 (ANS).—Because he believes baseball needs more "goodwill ambassadors" to spread the diamond gospel, second baseman Ed Stanky of the Brooklyn Dodgers has launched a free baseball clinic here for males from six to 60.

Stanky's idea is to improve the playing of youngsters and grown-ups and their appreciation of baseball.

Minnesota Falls From Big 10 Lead

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Collegiate basketball circles underwent a thorough going over last night as spectacular court battles were waged in nearly every major conference.

Northwestern's Wildcats, waxing warmer by the game, tightened the Big Ten standings by drubbing Minnesota, previously the only unbeaten club in the conference, 53-31. The Gophers now join Ohio State, Indiana and Iowa as once-beaten in league play.

Coach "Phog" Allen's Kansas University quintet, winner of 14 games in 15 starts, continued to dominate the Big Six. The Jayhawkers tangled with Iowa State and came off a 50-to-47 winner after a hectic overtime.

Meanwhile, Oklahoma A.&M., defending national champions, handed the Wyoming Cowboys their second defeat in 14 games this season, winning by a 34-to-24 margin.

While Texas Christian was trimming Texas A. & M., 55-47 in the Southwest Conference, the Texas Longhorns, riding at the crest of a victory streak, toppled Southern Methodist, 70-69 in one of the most spectacular games ever played in the league.

Montana, little heard of previously, came in for acclaim by scoring 103 points to a measly 34 for Gonzaga.

Muhlenberg lived up to its unbeaten past by rolling up an 87-to-44 decision over Lehigh. Maryland was a 43-38 surprise victor over Duke.

2nd Repple Depple Beats Columbia Club

The 2nd Replacement Depot downed the Columbia Red Cross basketball team Friday night, 50-30, at Magasins Dufayel.

With sharpshooting Fred Rooley, former Montana State star, scoring 18 points, the Repple Depple passers moved into an early lead and held an 18-12 advantage at the half.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP).—Marcel Hansenne, French middle-distance runner who defeated Gunder Haegg in the only mile the Frenchman ever ran, will be formally unveiled to the American public Feb. 2 at the Milrose Games.

Hansenne, a slightly-built young man with a broad grin and an abundance of unruly black hair, demonstrated his ability to pull out of a tight spot this week when he sidestepped an attempt to match him with Leslie MacMitchell at West Point.

While newsmen argued over the wisdom of such a match, Hansenne, informed them that he thought it would be a little early to take on such a tough opponent. As a result, the two ran their exhibitions at different times.

Their first actual meeting will be in the Wanamaker Mile, feature event of the Milrose Games scheduled for the Garden next Saturday.

"I know I'm going to like running on the boards," said Hansenne, whose previous performances have all been outdoors. "Even in Europe, I always liked a hard track."

Hansenne is more concerned about running in a heated, smoke-filled enclosure than on the board tracks.

ETO Grapple Tourney Slated For Feb. 15-16

FRANKFURT, Jan. 26.—Plans for a theater-wide amateur wrestling tournament were announced today by Col. C. E. Hoy, European Theater athletic officer. The tourney will be held in the American Red Cross Eagle club in Wiesbaden, Feb. 15-16.

Teams will number 18 men each, including 14 contestants, one entry and one alternate for each of the seven weight classes; a manager, a coach, a trainer and an officer representative in charge of the squad.

Titles will be determined in the following weight classes: bantamweight (123-lb.), featherweight (134-lb.), lightweight (145-lb.), welterweight (158-lb.), middleweight (174-lb.), light heavyweight (191-lb.), and heavyweight (over 191-lb.).

An estimated 50 GI grapplers representing all commands are expected to take part in the event. Watches will be awarded the winners at a banquet to follow the final match.

ET Ski Championship To Be Held Feb. 7-10

FRANKFURT, Jan. 26.—At least seven teams will participate in the European Theater Skiing championships to be held Feb. 7-10 on the Olympic slopes at Garmisch-Partenkirchen in Bavaria, Col. C. E. Hoy, Theater athletic officer for Special Services, announced today. Commands expected to enter teams are: Third Army, Seventh Army, U.S. Forces in Austria, U.S. Air Forces, ETSF, Berlin District, and USFET Hq. Comd.

The schedule of events will be: Feb. 7, downhill championships; Feb. 8, slalom championships, and Feb. 10, jumping championships.

Teams are to be composed of 16 men, and the rules of the Federation Internationale de Ski will govern the meet. The downhill course will be approximately three minutes in time length, while the slalom course will be 45 seconds in time length and will be run twice by each competitor.

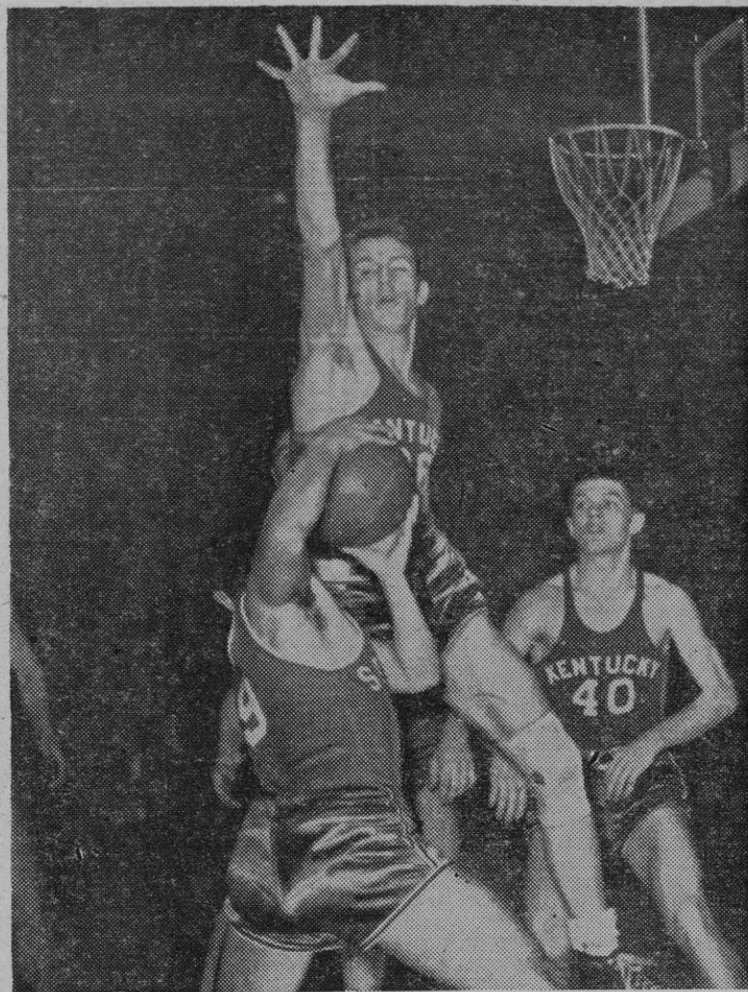
Urge Pay Increase For Golf Amateurs

CHICAGO, Jan. 26 (AP).—George S. May, the golfing promoter with the bulging pocketbook, announced today he has petitioned the U.S. Golf Association to increase the prize money for amateur golfers.

May, whose annual All-American championships at the Tam O'Shanter are a bonanza for professionals, declared that \$100 maximum tournaments for amateurs was insufficient and created "subterfuges in defraying expenses."

He maintained that he didn't care if the U.S.G.A. kept the "amateur" term alive as he proposed that golfers' take-home pay run at least as high as \$900 to \$1,000.

Kentucky Outstretches, Outscores



Wilbur Schu of Kentucky gets up high, hands outstretched, fingers spread to prevent a shot by St. John's Tom Baer in a feature game at Madison Square Garden. Kentucky won, 73-59.

Pros Set Torrid Pace In Phoenix Golf Open

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 26 (AP).—A trio of golfdom's hot shots dissected the Phoenix Country Club course and tied for the lead in the first round of the \$7,500 Phoenix Open tournament with five-under-par 66's.

The leaders were Ben Hogan, Walter Burkemo and Ellsworth Vines.

Detroit's Tommy Shannon scored a hole-in-one on the par-three 200-yard 13th hole with a two iron but he finished off the pace with a 73.

Herman Keiser followed the leading trio with a 67, one better than Jimmy Hines, George Schneider and Harry Bassler, all tied at 68.

Hogan, pre-tournament favorite, along with Jim Ferrier who ran into constant trouble and carded a 72, went out in 33 and shot the back nine in the same number. His card showed seven birdies.

Vines, only one under par entering the last nine, birdied five of the remaining holes for a 31.

Davis Cup Semi-Finals To Be Played in Sydney

AUCKLAND, N.Z., Jan. 26 (ANS).—The Davis Cup semi-final round will be played in Sydney next November with the challenge round of the international tennis tournament set for Melbourne the following month. President Sir Norman Brookes of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association announced today.

Sir Norman said the Pacific Zone final, probably between the United States and New Zealand, might be played at Auckland.

359th Engineers Win

The 359th Engineer cagers from Reims regained their winning stride last night at the Magasins Dufayel gym when they tripped the 329th Gen. Hosp. passers, 55-42. Bob Williams and Nick Popolo paced the attack with 20 and 14 points, respectively.

Ask the Man Who Knows:

'Conn a Better Boxer'—Louis

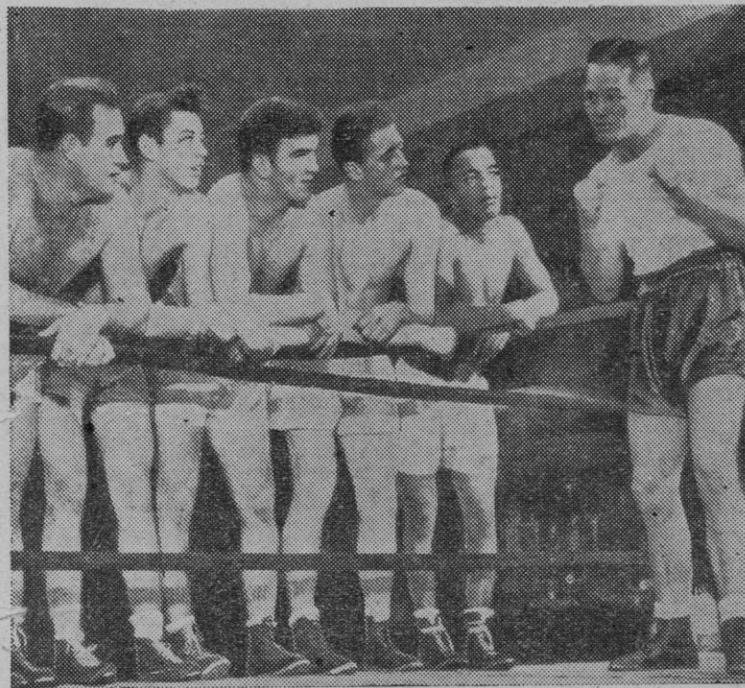
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 26 (AP).—Billy Conn is three times a better boxer than Joe Louis, says the man who should know—Joe Louis.

The Brown Bomber, visiting a friend here, indicated in reply to questions about his June 19 title bout with Conn in the Yankee Stadium that he doesn't fear Conn the slugger but he is apprehensive of Conn the boxer.

"I hope to catch him early. I figure that if I can't knock him out early, I should catch him with a hard punch and rock him. That would make him quit boxing and make him slug it out with me. You know Conn is a three-times better boxer than I am."

The champion weighs 220 pounds, he said, but he anticipated no trouble in scaling down to his regular fighting figure of 205 for his defense against Conn.

Pointers From a Champ



Middleweight Champion Tony Zale gives some expert pointers to Chicago C.Y.O. boxers. (Left to right), Charlie Hobday, Dick Neveux, Don Lambert, Jim Hurst, Hilton DePillars.

Saint Peter's Church, 62 rue de France
Sundays and Weekdays, Mass at 8
Sundays and Weekdays, Confession

1430-Midnight News
1500-News
1505-Beaucoep Music
1600-Symphony

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UNO to Face Its First Big Test Monday

BULLETIN

LONDON, Jan. 26 (UP).—The United Nations Assembly today created a special 51-nation committee to consider where in the U.S. to locate the permanent headquarters of UNO.

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The United Nations Organization faces its first big test Monday and a subdued lot of delegates are spending an anxious weekend, asking: "Will the brand-new machinery prove strong enough to stand the strain suddenly imposed on it?"

The Security Council yesterday decided to put on its agenda for debate Monday and Wednesday three complaints: Iran's against Russian interference in Azerbaijan, the Soviet Union's against British intervention in Greece, and the Ukraine's against Britain's maintenance of troops in Indonesia.

The way was cleared for the "trial" of these three causes in a debate charged with tension and marked by a clash between the two vigorous personalities of Russia's Foreign Vice-Commissar, Andrei Vyshinsky, and Britain's Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.

A crisis was averted, but delegates and spectators noted a sense of strain between the two men. A Vyshinsky reference to the frequent "bad weather" between Moscow and London sounded good humored enough, but Bevin's retort involved some of the plainest speaking yet heard in UNO. He declared he was "so tired" of Russia's accusations in private that he wanted them brought into the light of day and aired fully and publicly.

Greek Attendance Asked At Critical Council Session

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The Greek delegation announced here today that it had been instructed to "be present" when the UNO Security Council takes up Russia's charge that British military actions in Greece endanger world peace.

The delegation's present plan is reported to be to restate the Greek government position that British troops are in Greece because the Greek government wants them there to maintain order.

Crisis Ends...

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through elimination of services not absolutely necessary, and combining others.

Stop Nationalization

3—Provisional suspension of the nationalization program.

4—Halting all recruiting of new state employees.

5—Raising the age of retirement for functionaries.

6—Massive reductions in expenditures by nationalized institutions.

7—Suppression clauses in nationalization laws guaranteeing salary rights for those receiving over 250,000 francs per year.

8—Increases in transport and coal prices.

9—Rigorous holding of the line on wages and costs of living with the heaviest penalties for black market activities.

Gouin's plans also call for the conversion of a large number of armament factories to civilian production, demobilization of conscripts of the class of 1943, and probably no further calls into service during the entire year of 1946.

RCA Radio Service Restored

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Jan. 26 (AP).—Radio Corporation of America reported today that radio telegraph service between San Francisco and French Indo-China, via Manila, has been restored for the first time since the war.

Mrs. Roosevelt to Urge UNO To Adopt a Universal Language

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt today told more than 400 American soldiers that she would seek the adoption of a universal language for the children of the world in the United Nations Organization.

"Every child throughout the world should learn the language of his country and one agreed language which would be the same all over the world," she said.

She declared that Americans were "natural isolationists" but said

they were "more aware now than after the last war that they cannot withdraw themselves behind two oceans."

The economic and political situations in the U.S., Mrs. Roosevelt said, "are tied up with the rest of the world. We had better learn to think of other peoples' needs."

The former First Lady declared that she had received many letters from the U.S. saying that all countries should give up their sovereignty. She commented that such hopes for the present were too idealistic.

Sticky Job for Firemen in Holland Tunnel



Firemen pour water on a truck which caught fire in the Holland Tunnel, tying up traffic for three hours. The truck carried a load of chewing gum and the job of clearing away the melted gum remained after the blaze was under control.

U.S. Seizes Meat Plants

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of Agriculture, in the name of the Federal government.

Packinghouse workers, however, indicated that the government action would not cause them to return to their jobs. In most cases, CIO's pickets continued patrolling outside the strikebound plants.

Possible Reverse

Possibility that the CIO, representing nearly 300,000 strikers, might reverse its decision to remain on strike was hinted at, however, in an announcement that the 300-man wage-policy and strike-strategy committee would meet today to consider a telegram received from Anderson.

The telegram, which union officials said they did not receive until shortly before midnight, gave assurance the secretary would seek immediate approval of any wage benefits recommended by the government fact-finding board studying the meat dispute. Local delegates voted unanimously yesterday to continue the walkout because of President Truman's failure to mention wage increases in his seizure order.

Americans Ask Special UNO Unit On UNRRA Affairs

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP).—The U.S. delegation to the United Nations proposed today the creation of a special commission attached to UNO for UNRRA affairs.

The American proposal, substituted for a similar British recommendation, differed from the British only in the suggestion for creation of the special commission. Both proposals urged contribution of a further one percent of their national income by all nations which signed the UNRRA agreement and called on "other peace loving states" to join the organization.

No final decision was reached on the American proposal, submitted by Rep. Sol Bloom (D-N.Y.), to the Assembly's economic and financial committee. Further debate was adjourned until the committee's next meeting.

Fast Demob in Japan Cuts Mail Planes to 1

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (INS).—An Army survey showed yesterday that rapid demobilization of the occupation forces in Japan was slowing the delivery of mail to and from the occupied areas.

Because of the shortage of Air Force ground and maintenance crews only one plane a day is now carrying incoming and outgoing mail for approximately 300,000 troops.

The bulk of the airmail is being sent by ship, with delivery time running as high as 30 days in some cases.

Sixth Army To End Career

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (AP).—The U.S. Sixth Army, the most seagoing in American history, ends its colorful career tomorrow, upon inactivation after three years and 21 major engagements.

It is commanded by Gen. Walter Krueger, German-born veteran of the Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection and World War I, whose 65th birthday today, coincides with Gen. Douglas MacArthur's 66th.

Only 21 officers and one enlisted man who went overseas with Krueger in 1943 remain.

The Sixth's advance echelon arrived in Australia, Feb. 2, 1943. Five months later it seized Woodlark and Kiriwina Islands, establishing air bases there. It fought at the bloody beaches of Cape Gloucester, the Admiralties, Hollandia, Aitape, Biak, Morotai, Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon, Manila Bay and Corregidor.

MacArthur Gives Krueger DSC and DSM Cluster

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (AP).—Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur decorated Gen. Walter Krueger, retiring commander of the Sixth Army, with Distinguished Service Cross and Oak Leaf Cluster to his Distinguished Service Medal.

Articles Donated To ARC For War Victims Displayed

Samples of articles donated by Americans to the Red Cross for distribution among war victims went on display yesterday at the Aux Trois Quartiers department store, on the Blvd. de la Madeleine.

The display, to continue two weeks, includes layettes, sweaters, men's coats and shirts, bath robes, socks and gloves. Also shown are powdered milk, vitamins, soap and medical supplies.

Supplies for the relief program in France include almost 6,000,000 garments, 30,000 educational kits, eight tons of needles and thread, 24,500,000 rations of milk, 9,000,000 vitamin tablets, 180,000 bottle caps and nipples, 24,000 bars of soap, 30 tons of medical supplies, 19 trucks and 12 ambulances.

Await Brides, GIs Requested

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (UP).—Army authorities today asked all GI husbands who were married overseas to stay home and await the delivery of the approximately 70,000 brides and babies due to arrive here within the next four months.

New York POE officials added that special trains would pick up the brides at the dock and deliver them to their new homes.

Thirteen ships with a total of 12,193 wives and children are scheduled to dock here in February and approximately 16,000 more in the following three months, it was said.

The SS Mariposa left here yesterday for Panama, carrying families of U.S. Navy personnel. From Panama the ship will continue to Australia to pick up 1,216 wives and children of U.S. servicemen.

Army's Policy On Picket Lines Hit in Congress

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from crossing picket lines was issued shortly afterwards, he said, so that the Memphis situation would not compromise Chicago negotiations pending for the following afternoon.

May said the Army appeared to have a policy yielding to private interests rather than "get something needed for its own troops." It was then he threatened to delay action on the training bill.

Rep. Arthur Winstead (D-Miss.) agreed, saying: "It's just such things as this which make it difficult to get a training act." Rep. Chet Holifield (D-Calif.) took an opposite view. He said: "If we're going to have an Army that will override civilians we'd better not have a training program." This would be akin to pre-war German militarism, Winstead added.

U.S. Ships Italian PWs

HONOLULU, Jan. 26 (AP).—The Army announced that the transport Sea Witch would sail for Italy today and that the transport Meteor would sail tomorrow with a total of 2,500 Italian prisoners of war.

Field Marshal Feared Maid Too Much to Tune In, He Says

NUREMBERG, Jan. 26 (AP).—Field Marshal Von List, former German Army commander in the Caucasus, admitted to Allied intelligence officers that because he feared his blonde serving maid, he did not listen to foreign broadcasts.

"It was against the Fuehrer's orders and I wouldn't dream of taking a chance, especially since I had a maid whose political convictions were unknown to me."

List told interrogators that because he refused to undertake an

General Calls Press Unfair To RA Officers

CINCINNATI, Jan. 26 (AP).—Brig. Gen. Emmet (Rosie) O'Donnell, leader of the first B-29 raid on the Japanese home islands, today accused "iconoclastic news columnists" of "seeking to put the Regular Army in a bad light universally by playing up isolated instances of abuse of rank."

"We of the Regular Army face the almost unbelievable situation of having to defend ourselves for our conduct in the war and our future behavior," the commander of the 73d Wing on Saipan told an American Legion luncheon club.

Detects 'Campaign'

As a result of "a campaign to discredit the Army," he said, "mothers and fathers are being led to believe that their sons were poorly led and that Regular officers were not interested in their welfare."

"Nothing," O'Donnell declared, "could be farther from the truth." The general asserted that it was difficult to pick up a newspaper or magazine without seeing a story or a picture "about a general flying to Miami for a golf game, officers sitting around their club, while enlisted men serve them drinks, or ranking officers avoiding front-line action during the war."

Answers Critics

Terming it an answer to critics, O'Donnell declared, "Flying officers must fly to maintain their proficiency. If I had a chance to play a golf game in Miami, I certainly would take a chance and go down. What difference does it make whether I fly there or somewhere else?"

"I was in the war four years, and I never saw or heard of an enlisted soldier serving a drink to an officer, except when he was paid for it, and had volunteered for the job on his own time."

O'Donnell continued, "If brass hats avoided danger, why is it that seven out of the eleven men on the West Point coaching staff with me in 1938 were killed in action?"

Victims to Take Tribunal Stand

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on Hitler's life apparently brought vengeance against innocent Norwegians, the French prosecutor intimated, asserting that about July 20, 1944, an undetermined number of Norwegians were taken from concentration camps and executed without trial.

Hess' Attorney Continues Defense From Hospital

NUREMBERG, Jan. 26 (AP).—Rudolf Hess' attorney, disobeying a written order of his eccentric client, continued in his hospital ward today to prepare the case that might save the former deputy Fuehrer's life.

Thin scholarly Gunther von Rohrscheidt broke his ankle in an accidental fall last Monday and received his "dismissal" by Hess.

The Tribunal has withheld its decision on Hess' formal request to be allowed to conduct his defense alone.

Headlights Will Be Dimmed

Western Base Section today ordered drivers of U.S. Army vehicles in the Paris metropolitan area to dim their headlights when approaching and passing all other vehicles.

6 Die in Reich Train Crash

BRITISH ARMY Hqs., Germany, Jan. 26 (AP).—Six people were killed and 14 injured when a Hamburg-Ostend British duty train and a coal train collided near Nijmegen early Saturday.