Solons on W ar Inspection Trip Angered by Headline Antics or Tactics of Clare Boothe Luce

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LONDON, Nov. 30-(AP)-The publicity-shy house military com-
mittee shoved off for France today with its male members wondering how they could combat Clare Boothe Luce's penchant for hitting the headlines.
Dattlefields of the continent they carried a feud of their own. The smoldering resentment of several
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clared the army had ordered her
not thatk. hhis, the army denied
Then Mrs. .uce had a few words
to say about the current eigaret ahortage.
But the annoyance within the
committee turned to something
near to open anger yesterday. She
abandoned the committee tempor abandoned the committee tempor-
arity for a short filight in a Fort
ress while her colleagues ploded hrough the mud on an
tour of three air bases quick. to
Not Consulted Merritt said he hadn't been con-
sulted about Mrs. Luce's indepen-
dent sortie. Hours loter, a correspondents
request to accompany the commit-
tee and cover its activities precip Itated a neer crisisistivities prececip-
quarters, which had been consulted earlier, had said okay provided
the committee agreed
strs theerir party," said a SHAEF
spokemen spokesman.
responss places upon us the full
resity for deciding whethresponsibility for deci
er you can go along win
one committeeman.
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"We'll have to have a commit-
"tee mating said the first.
Int e ereent all Into executive session went the
committee - all of them except
Her tuce.
Havelling companion, a
WAC lieutenant colonel, said Mrs.
Luce was tired out, Attaches ace ward the comm
train said she was
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In the hour-long In the hour-long executive ses-
sion behind closed doors -o on the.
responsibility of the usual "reliable congressional authority" "reli-
the chief issue under discussion has the stop Luece publdicity dirsion
Out of the session came this decision - the comminitee is "per-
fectly willing to have any person mittersons accompany the com- are aceeptable to and
designated by the theater comSo, as it stands now, the com-
nittee will take along a correspondent if SHA
Or vice versa.


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