

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

It is easy to blame the desecration of the Jewish synagogue at Eugene on hoodlums for only persons of that type would molest a religious sanctuary. What was done there reveals venom and not merely destructiveness to property. For swastikas, the emblem most hateful to Jews, were marked on the walls. The city council of Eugene authorized a reward for arrest of those who did the damage; and protests against the offense were immediate among those in official position in the city.

What we need to realize is that hoodlumism like this is the end product of prejudice which is often freely uttered in higher circles. If we are honest with ourselves we will admit that the virus of anti-Semitism has affected many people. In part it is the relic of ancient prejudice of religion; in part it is economic, the fruit of business or professional competition; in part it is the seepage of Nazi doctrine so persistent drained into the public consciousness over a term of years. Most people who entertain such feelings would not indulge in or approve of mutilation of religious symbols or doing any physical violence to Jews. Their prejudice is expressed in more subtle ways — barring of association in hotels or in private clubs, or in other forms of discrimination.

The root of the American idea of liberty (and we fought a long and bitter war within our own country to sustain it) that there should be no discrimination based on race, color or creed. We have been participating in a great global war to sustain that philosophy on a world basis. We cannot consistently fight for that principle and as individuals exercise prejudices that go counter to it.

We must learn to appraise persons as individuals for their own worth and not to bundle them for treatment as a race or group, whether Jews or Methodists or negroes or Methodists or Catholics or Swedes. And responsible citizens of a community should avoid the venting of personal prejudice against racial or religious groups because out of such endorsement the irresponsible element resorts to malicious deeds, as at Eugene, which bring discredit on a whole community.

### More Cigaretts Slated Within Three Months

NEW YORK, May 16-(AP)—Cigaret manufacturers said today an improvement in the civilian supply can be expected within three months.

The most bearish comment came from the National Association of Tobacco Distributors: "The situation will ease during the rest of 1945 but civilians still will have to stand in line."

In Washington the army and navy announced that the armed forces will ration cigarettes, cigars and smoking tobacco at military and naval establishments and prisoners of war camps in the United States, starting June 3.

Ration cards will enable military personnel, their dependents and authorized civilian employees to receive six packages of cigarettes or 24 cigars or four ounces of smoking tobacco weekly. War prisoners will get only tobacco.

### U. S. to Be Responsible For Philippine Security

WASHINGTON, May 16-(AP)—Secretary Forrestal said today that the United States "will continue to bear responsibility for the security of the Philippines and will have to have bases and strategic areas supporting those bases to carry out that responsibility."

### Tito May Have Ordered Troops From Trieste

NEW YORK, May 16-(AP)—The American broadcasting station in Europe said tonight in a broadcast reported by the National Broadcasting company that Marshal Tito had ordered all his Yugoslav troops to withdraw from Trieste and Corfu.

### Silver Falls Timber Company Won't Close

SILVERTON, May 16—Silver Falls Timber company is not to be shut down, Myron C. Woodard, president-manager, told a representative of The Statesman here today.

Reports published elsewhere in the valley of cessation of operations in the face of the best market the lumber industry has known in many years were pushed by Woodard, who termed the rumors "poppycock."

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Weather		
	Max.	Min.
Salem	54	36
Portland	50	30
Seattle	51	32
Willamette river 6 ft. 9 in.		

FORECAST: (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem) Partly cloudy, scattered showers ending with slightly warmer temperatures. Maximum temperatures expected near 50 degrees.

# MARINES DRIVE INTO NAHA

## Doenitz Regime Described As Only Stop-Gap

By James M. Long

PARIS, May 16-(AP)—A program of sweat and discipline under which Germany will have to earn her way back into the community of nations under strict military control was laid down by the Allies today.

The so-called German government of Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz was declared officially to be only a temporary stop-gap, "fully controlled" by the Allies while it fulfills a useful purpose.

A supreme headquarters statement said Doenitz "and certain other selected German officers" were being used only temporarily as an instrument for facilitating the surrender and disarmament of German forces and were acting under complete Allied control.

The formal statement made clear that there was no thought of recognizing Doenitz and his "Flensburg group" as a German government. So far as the allies are concerned, Count Ludwig Schwerin von Krosigk "does not exist" as Doenitz' foreign minister.

This was underscored by Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, General Eisenhower's deputy for the occupation of Germany. "The allied government of Germany is going to be military, and the Germans are going to know it is military," declared Clay.

Asked specifically whether Doenitz and Hermann Goering were prisoners of war, Clay replied "they are." He did not specify what had been done with Doenitz — if anything, yet — but he said a special place or places of confinement for prisoners of this sort — Germany's military government party (six words censored) had been prepared and indicated some prisoners already had been taken there.

In London, Prime Minister Churchill told commons that it was the allied aim that "the Germans should administer their country in obedience to allied directions." The British leader added that "we have no intention of undertaking the burden of administering Germany ourselves."

It was not immediately clear how these statements fitted into the pattern of the yet to be determined future of Germany, but Clay declared that all that is left of Germany's potential to make war would be smashed.

The hard boiled commander, who was said to have been picked by President Roosevelt to handle the job, also declared that all vestiges of nazism would be destroyed; all war criminals caught and punished.

## First Billion Of 7th Loan Goal in Vault

WASHINGTON, May 16-(AP)—The first billion dollars in the 7th war loan drive is in the vault.

Ted R. Gamble, national war finance director, said "this is approximately what we were expecting at this stage of the drive but—as in all the drives—the first billion is the easiest."

He announced these sales figures: To individuals, \$1,264,000,000—about 18 per cent of the individual's goal of \$7,000,000,000.

In series 3 bonds, \$1,021,000,000, more than 25 per cent of the E bond quota of \$4,000,000,000. This is included in the individuals' category.

## Controls Lifted on Production Of Array of Civilian Goods

WASHINGTON, May 16-(AP)—WPB today revoked its controls on an array of civilian products ranging from golf clubs and juke boxes to house trailers, but gave manufacturers no metal to make them.

One sweeping action expunged controls on 1200 of the commonest civilian items, while the juke box revocation also released pinball machines, coin-operated amusement devices and the so-called "one-armed bandits" — slot machines for gaming.

The war production board simultaneously predicted manufacture of 200,000 passenger cars late this year with output rising to 400,000 in the first three months of 1946 and reaching an annual rate of 2,000,000.

## 500 Superforts Again Shower Fire in Nagoya

GUAM, Thursday, May 17-(AP) Striking again with more than 500 Superforts, 21st bomber command squadrons showered 3500 tons of fire bombs on the Japanese arsenal city of Nagoya shortly after midnight today, adding more devastation to fires kindled in a raid Monday.

The big planes, carrying more than a million six-pound gasoline jelly bombs, flew low over the target area harboring the giant Mitsubishi aircraft assembly plant, the Atsuta factory of the Nagoya arsenal and other war industries.

Fliers returning today said they observed fires still burning in the northern section of the city hit in the big daylight attack Monday.

Today's attack was centered in the area adjoining the city's inner harbor and estuary docks. Nagoya, with a pre-war population of 1,500,000, also is a big port on Japan's inland sea.

## Yanks Capture Dr. Robert Ley, Arch Criminal

BERCHTESGADEN, Germany, May 16-(AP)—Dr. Robert Ley, 55-year-old arch Nazi and the reich's labor minister, was captured tonight by the 101st airborne division acting upon a tip from the German underground.

He was identified beyond doubt by two high Nazi party leaders who also are American prisoners and by an American counter intelligence officer who said, "This capture may be even more important than the surrender of Goering because we have proved indisputably that Ley is the mastermind behind the werewolf movement."

Dull-eyed and sullen, perhaps from fatigue and terror, the man who goaded German workers into their all-out effort for Hitler, first tried to deny his identity when captured at a mountain hideaway 45 miles south of Berchtesgaden.

## Allies Confer Over Trieste

LONDON, May 16-(AP)—In an attempt to settle the Italian-Yugoslav dispute over the Adriatic port of Trieste the British and American governments are now conferring with Yugoslav representatives, foreign affairs under-secretary George Hall told commons today.

In Rome the allied naval command in an official statement said British and American naval units were operating in the Trieste area "in the course of their normal duties." The composition or strength of the units were not given.

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## Fresh Jap Units Battle in Naha



Japs threw in fresh reserves and laid down a thunderous artillery barrage in an effort to halt a powerful American offensive that had reached Naha, capital of strategic Okinawa Island. Naha is a shell-blasted and heavily mined city. Enemy defense was reported growing more desperate hourly. Pictured is a section of Naha showing marines advancing cautiously toward a building set afire to dislodge Jap snipers. (International)

## Committee Votes to Stand Pat on Big-Power Plan of Compact Security Council

By Douglas B. Cornell

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16-(AP)—A United Nations conference committee voted today to stand pat on a big-power plan for enforcing peace through a compact security council of eleven member nations.

In the process, it hammered down in rapid-fire order a host of small and middle power proposals for more authority for themselves in this all-powerful agency of a proposed world organization.

But as the conference entered its fourth week, big and little countries were in substantial accord on most points, and the American delegation decided it was time to press for a speedy winding up of the job of drafting a world charter.

Some progress was achieved on the biggest issue still before the conference — trusteeships — although whatever is decided about establishing guardianships for dependent or strategic areas of the world may turn out to be somewhat meaningless in individual cases.

The reason is that under present plans a country having a mandate left over from the last war, or one assigned a mandate at the peace table after this world conflict, would have the right to say whether the area should be brought under supervision of a new league.

Nevertheless, a conference committee accepted, as something on which it could go to work, an American-drafted combination of all the trusteeship ideas of the big five—France, Britain, China, Russia and the United States.

Any country that wants to, including the big five, can propose changes in it.

## England May Let 750,000 Out of Army

LONDON, May 16-(AP)—Re-allocation of Britain's manpower may permit release of 750,000 men from the armed forces before the end of the year, Labor Minister Ernest Bevin told the house of commons today.

Announcing inauguration of the program, which he cautioned was not a "demobilization" scheme, Bevin said the country no longer will call men over 30 for military service and women will not be called for the auxiliary services.

Job centers will continue to hold all covered workers to their tasks and transfers can be made only with government permission unless the worker is a man over 65 or a woman over 60. Bevin said, however, that only in rare cases would women who have reached the age of 60 be forced to continue working.

## America May Sponsor Region Security Alone

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16-(AP)—The possibility developed at a Big Five meeting today that the United States alone may sponsor a regional security proposal if Russia fails to state her position by tomorrow.

Andre Gromyko, chairman of the Russian delegation to the United Nations conference, reportedly told other members of the Big Five powers he has not yet received instructions from Moscow on a plan which would permit regional organizations such as the Inter-American group to move immediately in self defense when they are attacked.

## 15,000 Vets Will Head for Home June 1

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Paris, May 16-(AP)—The first group of American veterans—more than 15,000 strong—with scores above the 85 critical discharge points to their credit will head for the United States June 1, supreme headquarters announced today.

Composed almost entirely of men with combat experience, the group will include 12,000 from the 12th army group (U. S. First, Third and Ninth armies), 3,000 from the Sixth army group (U. S. First Third and Ninth armies), 3,000 from the Seventh army and French First, and 500 from the air forces. Less than two per cent of the total will be officers.

The number is restricted this month because of a transportation shortage but will be increased substantially next month," the announcement said. Men of the army service forces and more men from the air forces will be included in the next month's quota.

Headquarters said each division was assigned its proportionate share of this month's quota. The divisions deepest in Germany will fly their men to the processing centers if necessary.

## DeValera Has Comment on Churchill Talk

DUBLIN, May 16-(AP)—Prime Minister DeValera, commenting on Churchill's criticism of Eire's stand during the war, said in a speech tonight that the British leader had "advanced the cause of international morality" by resisting a temptation to break southern Ireland's neutrality.

Churchill, in a world-wide broadcast Sunday, said that because of northern Ireland's friendship to Britain the empire had refrained from violence on Eire and "left the DeValera government to frolic with German and later with Japanese representatives to their hearts' content."

## First Bond Premiere of 7th War Loan Set for May 28

The first bond premiere of the Seventh War Loan drive was yesterday set for Monday, May 28, at the State theatre. The picture will be "The Enchanted Cottage" starring Robert Young and Dorothy McGuire.

State employees only will be entitled to tickets to the initial premiere, according to Leo Henderson, Salem manager for Foreman Brothers, who operate the State theatre and are making arrangements for the occasion.

John Hodgkins of the state war finance organization and Douglas Yester, chairman of the Merion county committee, will be the speakers for the premiere. Other special events are being planned. Only those state employees purchasing their full quota of bonds — and then some — will receive tickets, which are to be distributed under direction of Roy Mills, statehouse chairman.

## Okinawa Battle Costs 20,950 U. S. Casualties

By LEIF ERICKSON

GUAM, Thursday, May 17 — (AP) — Marine patrols crossed Asato river estuary and entered Okinawa's capital city, Naha, today as Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz reported the island campaign had cost the lives of 3781 American troops and total U. S. ground casualties of 20,950.

Associated Press Correspondent Vern Haugland radioed from Okinawa that a patrol of the Sixth marine division entered the main part of Naha after bitter fighting. Leathernecks had been battling savagely counterattacking Japanese in the suburbs four days.

Haugland also reported that the 96th infantry division's 382nd regiment maneuvered slowly to within a few hundred yards of Shuri's northeast boundary. This placed the regiment closer to that fortress city, key of the southern defense line, than the 77th infantry division, which was about one mile north of Shuri.

34,000 Japs Left  
An estimated 34,000 Japanese troops remain on Okinawa, Haugland said.

Japanese losses on Okinawa were 46,500 killed and 1038 captured through Tuesday's fighting. Total U. S. casualties on that far western Japanese bastion, only 325 miles south of the enemy's homeland, exceed American losses on Iwo Jima (19,938) by 1012. However, more Americans were killed on Iwo, 4189, than so far have fallen on Okinawa. The Okinawa battle is far from ended.

America's Okinawa casualty report, through Monday, was for 45 days of savage battling on an island of some 300 square miles. Iwo figures were for the 26 days it required to capture that volcanic heap of only eight square miles.

Japanese casualties on Okinawa are nearly double their losses on Iwo, where 23,244 were killed and 1038 taken prisoner. These figures include some 2000 killed since victory-day on that island.

U. S. casualties for the Okinawa-Ryukyus campaign, including carrier plane raids on Japanese home islands, are 27,809, including 6853 navy officers and men dead, wounded or missing. Navy figures, March 18 through May 9, were 1283 killed, 3498 wounded and 2072 missing. Nimitz has not estimated Japanese casualties resulting from naval strikes, including sinking of the super-battleship Yamato and other ships.

## Battery Firms Charged With Conspiracy

NEW YORK, May 16-(AP)—Two of the country's largest storage battery manufacturers were charged by the department of justice today with conspiring with foreign firms to withhold from the American market a long-life battery. The purported action, the government said, substantially affected operation of United States war equipment.

The charge was made in an anti-trust civil suit filed in federal court against the Electric Storage Battery Co., Philadelphia, described by the government as the world's largest maker of electric storage batteries, and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Willard Storage Battery Co., of Cleveland.

The justice department said the two firms and alleged co-conspirators prevented manufacture in this country or the importation of the nickel-cadmium battery, used by German, French and English armed forces.

## 12 Spanish Air Officers Believed Dead in Crash

MADRID, May 16-(AP)—A military transport plane reported to be carrying 12 officers of the Spanish air force crashed in flames today while taking off from the Maestranza air field on the outskirts of Leon. All the occupants were believed to have perished.

## Allied Moscow Sources Say Meeting Indefinite

MOSCOW, May 16-(AP)—Informed allied sources in Moscow said today that while a meeting between Marshal Stalin, Prime Minister Churchill and President Truman might well take place some time in the future, nothing definite had been decided about such a gathering yet.

## Iwo Jima Casualties Reach Adair Hospital

CORVALLIS, May 16-(AP)—A second group of Iwo Jima casualties has arrived at the US naval hospital here, Capt. Paul W. Wilson, commanding officer, said today.

The 316 men are mostly marines. The first 230 Iwo Jima veterans arrived Easter Sunday.

SHIP HONORS CHEMAWA  
PORTLAND, Ore., May 16-(AP) Launching of the 16,500-ton tanker Chemawa at Swan Island shipyard Thursday will honor the Indian school north of Salem.