

## RUNT PAIR WINS FOR VALPARAISO, TALLEST QUINTET

New York, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Valparaiso University, billed as the tallest basketball team in the world, relied on a pair of jockey sized forwards tonight to score a 64 to 59 victory over Long Island University in a game which saw the lead change 14 times during the second half.

Some 16,422 Madison Square Garden fans saw Squatty Red Mack and Alvin Schmidt score goals in the final two minutes of play for the Hoosier team as Long Island failed to break up a stalling play by Valparaiso during the final minute.

The Indiana team, featuring a pair of centers over six feet nine inches tall, fell before the blinding fast speed of Long Island breaks in the first half and the Blackbirds left the court with a 37 to 32 lead.

In the first of the two games played on the Garden court, Western Michigan moved to an early lead over Brooklyn College and held it through the second half to win, 58 to 52.

## RADIO BAND FOR FIRE CREWS, AIM

Portland, Ore., Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—The Western Forestry association announced here today that the federal communications commission will be asked to assign a frequency band for radio-equipped forest fire fighters.

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ency crews in the woods, coordinated with radio.

The annual conference ended today with more than 200 delegates agreeing that individual political units, including states, counties and communities, should take an active part in forestry programs rather than to depend on the federal government with its distantly-managed controls.

## SGT. GIEGER IS AWARDED MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY

Headquarters 41st Division, Southwest Pacific—Staff Sgt. Bob R. Geiger has been awarded the bronze star medal for conspicuous gallantry and extreme devotion to duty on the field of combat.

The decoration was bestowed upon the machinegun section leader by Maj. Gen. Jens A. Doe, commander of the famed 41st Infantry division, at a ceremony held here.

During most recent operations against the Japs, Geiger, on the first night after the beachhead had been established, had his section dig in in a defensive perimeter. Booby traps were sown out front and the men waited.

When the enemy commenced infiltration tactics about midnight, Geiger kept his men from firing. All waited until the Japs had come into the open and were nearly upon them; then, when they opened up with their automatic weapons, they destroyed all the attackers.

The wisdom of Geiger's strategy was that by his plan of waiting he got all the enemy before giving away the positions of his guns. Had he ordered the pieces into action at the initial sign of enemy presence, his unit would have suffered casualties and perhaps never have succeeded in killing all the onrushers.

Mrs. Beadie Geiger, mother of the bemedaled section leader, has long been a resident on route 3, Medford.

## CHRYSLER ESTATE OVER 9 MILLIONS

Mineola, L. I., Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—A \$9,844,394.81 gross estate was left by Walter P. Chrysler automobile manufacturer who died in 1940, according to a transfer tax appraisal filed today with Surrogate Loen D. Howell.

After deducting funeral expenses, administration costs, and debts, the net estate was listed at \$8,854,761.20.

In Chrysler's will, made in 1935, his wife was to receive \$200,000 annually. She died in 1938 and her share reverted to the residuary estate, shared equally by her four children, who also received the bulk of her \$1,247,956.19 personal estate.

## BRITISH ADVANCE TO FAENZA EDGES

Rome, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Infantrymen of the British 8th army supported by armor and heavy artillery, have pushed to the approaches of Faenza, Rimini-Bologna highway stronghold, with the capture of San Prospero, one mile to the southwest, allied headquarters announced today.

(Berlin, in its broadcast of the daily German communique, admitted an even more serious reverse, by conceding that allied troops "succeeded in pressing back German troops to the western fringes" of Faenza.

## EQUAL WORK FOR MEN'S WAGE TALK IRKS LADY HELP

Detroit, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Battle of the sexes waxed hot tonight at the first national women's conference of the United Automobile Workers (CIO) when a mere man had the temerity to suggest that if women wanted equal wages they must do equal work.

Thomas A. Johnstone, acting director of the UAW General Motors department, remarked that if women want to draw pay on par with their male companions they must be willing to make concessions, not at present demanded of them.

"If women get rest periods not now available to men," Johnstone said, "then women should accept pay deductions in proportion, or the men will raise hell. Equality means the same quality and quantity of work produced, the same conduct observed."

One woman after another leaped to her feet to get in heated objections.

## 2 LARGEST QUADS FAIL TO SURVIVE

Warrington, Lancashire, England, Sunday, Dec. 10.—(U.P.)—The two largest of the Warrington quads died a few hours apart late yesterday leaving only two of the four baby girls still alive and doing "as well as can be expected."

Annie, who weighed three pounds, ten ounces at birth and had difficulty breathing from the first, succumbed late yesterday despite treatment by whiffs of oxygen and milk donated by mothers in the maternity ward of Warrington General hospital.

## DEATH ASKED FOR FRENCH GESTAPOS

Paris, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Twelve alleged French gestapo ring-leaders sat with bowed heads in a densely packed court room here today and heard Public Prosecutor Paul Reboul demand their deaths "in the name of hundreds of thousands of tortured, murdered and reported Frenchmen."

Reboul, in a two-hour summation, charged the men with serving as officers in the German army, betraying underground members, black marketeering and leading attacks against maquis.

**SCREEN IDOL OUT**

Paris, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Jean Gabin, number one screen idol of France, returned here today after being demobilized from the French navy at the age of 45.

## VOTE UPON FLOOD CONTROL ACT DUE NEXT WEDNESDAY

Washington, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—Final congressional action on the \$945,000,000 post-war flood control bill was scheduled for this week, probably by Wednesday, after a joint conference committee completed work on the bill today.

The conferees accepted virtually all of the senate recommendations written into the bill before its passage by the house December 1; house approval was expected Tuesday with final senate action Wednesday.

Also approved were senate amendments to:

1. Authorize the secretary of the interior to dispose of power generated from federal projects on terms encouraging widespread use at the lowest possible cost.
2. Provide for Missouri river basin development by army engineers and the interior department's bureau of reclamation and appropriations of \$200,000,000 for each group to undertake "partial accomplishment" of the Missouri river valley project.
3. Authorize appropriation of a \$500,000 emergency fund for the engineers to build flood protection works for highways, bridge approaches and public works.

## RECONVERSION PAY DRIVE LAUNCHED

Washington, Dec. 9.—(U.P.)—American Federation of Labor members of the War Labor Board said tonight they will try to obtain through the WLB what congress thus far has refused to grant in the way of unemployment insurance for workers in the reconversion and post-war periods.

George Meany and Matthew Wolf, AFL members of the board, said they will fight to apply the WLB award of dismissal pay to the United Steel Workers (CIO) two weeks ago to all other workers "in the absence of comprehensive congressional action" on the subject.

## Howard Pupils In Play, Music Events

Pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the Howard school presented three one-act plays at the school building Friday night. The plays were "Wild Cat Willie Takes a Tumble," "Be Home by Midnight" and "Paul Ducks the Dentist."

Preceding the plays a musical program was given by the Lone Pine and Howard school combined orchestras under the direction of E. C. Root. A large audience was in attendance.

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