

YANKEE BOMBERS WRECK SAIGON

Weather

FORECAST: Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Saturday, increasing cloudiness with rain late in evening. Little change in temperature. Temp. Highest Yesterday 46 Lowest this Morning 41

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First U. S. Soldier Discharges Saturday

2,500 IN GROUP OF "OLD TIMERS" TO BE RELEASED

1,300,000 to Be Sent Home in First Year; Withdrawal From Europe Starts Soon

Washington, May 11—(U.P.)—The first U. S. soldiers to be discharged under the point system, about 2,500, will be released at separation centers throughout the country tomorrow.

The War Department said today that this group, first of some 1,300,000 to be released during the next 12 months under the army's partial demobilization plan, include soldiers with long overseas service records.

Home Before V-E
All had been brought back to this country for rest and recuperation before V-E Day. Representing all theaters, they have high point scores based on length of army service, overseas service, combat awards, battle honors, and parenthood, the War Department said.

At present 85 points make a man eligible for discharge, if he is replaceable. But many who are eligible may have to wait months before being released. The number of points may be decreased later.

Meanwhile, the army is beginning the task of withdrawing some 3,100,000 of its 3,500,000 men now in Europe.

Rome, May 11—(U.P.)—Allied headquarters announced today that about 11,000 American soldiers will leave Italy for the United States this month.

The repatriation and redeployment of the United States army in Italy is beginning immediately, headquarters revealed.

Depending on shipping space, about 15,000 will leave in June and a like number in July.

A majority of the first 11,000 expected to be on their way by the end of May are eligible for discharge, personnel authorities reported.

BIG 3 MEETING IS TALKED IN LONDON

London, May 11—(U.P.)—British newspapers loosed a flurry of speculation today over the possibility of a Truman-Stalin-Churchill meeting in London, but official sources discounted the reports.

The Evening News said President Truman was ready to visit London and that Prime Minister Churchill believes "an early meeting of the big three is urgently required."

The News diplomatic correspondent said Whitehall believed the reported meeting should be held in London and the view was "shared in official Washington," but soviet agreement had not been obtained.

FILM PROFIT JUMPS

Philadelphia, May 11—(U.P.)—Profits of Motion Picture Producers and Distributors jumped from \$49,125,000 in 1942 to \$60,153,000 in 1943, according to the Securities and Exchange Commission's survey of profits and operations of American listed corporations released today.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Mayor Meeker relieved to find one other masculine guest at a large feminine gathering.

Charlotte Brenneman unable to cope with the paper shortage and doing up a package which had a beautiful face but didn't quite meet in the back.

The post office boys proud of the gigantic VE gracing the facade of their workshop, but afraid few noticed it due to its elevation.

Succeeds Molotov



(Acme Telephoto) Alexander A. Gromyko, Soviet ambassador to Washington, who becomes head of the Russian delegation to the UNCTO replacing Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov, who has returned to Moscow.

AMOUNT OF SNOW WILL DETERMINE OPENING OF PARK

No definite announcement can be made yet as to the opening date of Crater Lake National Park this year, E. P. Leavitt, superintendent, stated yesterday or as to the details of operation during the summer. First inquiries of the season concerning the park are beginning to come in. Opening date of the park depends largely upon the amount of snowfall and the rapidity of its melting. A party of men, headed by R. A. Work of the snow survey staff, made a trip into the park yesterday and found six and one-half feet of snow remaining at park headquarters and nine feet at the rim, Work stated. The snow has been going out rapidly, Work said, but he considered conditions to be about normal.

Superintendent Leavitt, Assistant Superintendent Thomas Parker and R. J. Smith, chief clerk, returned this week from a meeting of region four superintendents, custodians and other staff members held at Yosemite National Park in California. The meeting was headed by Newton B. Drury, director of national parks, Chicago, and O. A. Tomlinson, San Francisco, director of region four. Leavitt states that increased travel into parks is anticipated, the amount of increase depending upon the lifting of travel restrictions.

Accompanying Work to the park yesterday were Archie Pierce, Charles Reames, Walter Leverette, Raymond Reter, Henry Huengerdt, Will Hansen, Bob Work and Howard Oden of Ashland. The trip was made with J. C. Tucker's Sno Cat, with Tucker operating the machine.

Northern California—Mostly clear today, tonight and Saturday, but with increasing cloudiness extreme northern part Saturday; slightly warmer today.

Congressman Would Vote Selves Added \$2,500 Tax Exempt Fund

Washington, May 11—(U.P.)—House members were virtually assured today of a \$2,500, tax-exempt allowance for the year beginning next July 1.

The proposal, approved by the House after six hours of turbulent debate, yesterday was the first effective move taken in response to recent mounting pressure for action to help congressmen handle their personal financial problems.

Although the item, totaling \$1,642,500 for 435 members, still must be approved by the Senate, each house traditionally avoids

JITTERY GOERING LAYS DOWNFALL AT HITLER DOOR

Old Boss Responsible For Germany's Share in War Says Captive Nazi No. 2

Outside Augsburg, Germany, May 11—(U.P.)—Paunchy Hermann Goering jumped completely off the wrecked Nazi bandwagon today and tried to place all political responsibility for Germany's share in the war on his old boss, Adolf Hitler.

Allied War Correspondents were able to interview the surrendered Goering, former No. 2 Nazi designated by Hitler himself as the man to succeed him.

Not a single medal adorned Goering's powder blue uniform. He gave the impression of being jittery, if not frightened, and there was none of the bluff and boastful Reichsmarshal whose Luftwaffe once terrorized Europe.

Goering looked 25 to 30 pounds lighter than the weight to which he had become accustomed. But he still was fat. His paunch bulged his tunic in most unimilitary fashion.

Otherwise he appeared to be in good health. And his answers indicated he still was able to think quickly and trickily.

Goering claimed he last saw Hitler April 20 in the German Chancellery at Berlin. It was then that Hitler bade him farewell, he said, as Goering prepared to depart for Berchtesgaden, to which Hitler also intended to travel.

End Seen April 22
Asked why Hitler changed his mind, Goering said: "On the evening of April 22 certain events occurred in the Chancellery, and Hitler finally admitted the war was at its end and that it was useless to continue the fight in the south."

Goering was evasive in many of his answers, especially those with political implications. Frequently he pleaded forgetfulness, especially about events occurring several years ago. But at other times he claimed to remember verbatim what he said five years ago.

The conference was held in a hot sun beating down on the back yard of a German villa. More than 30 correspondents and about 10 photographers were grouped in a semi-circle around Goering, who was seated in a lounge chair under a willow tree.

TRIAL OF QUIZLING DELAYED BY DEATH

Oslo, May 11—(U.P.)—The treason trial of Vidkun Quisling, deposed Nazi puppet ruler of Norway, was postponed today because of a death in the presiding judge's family.

Quisling will be brought before the Norse civil court tomorrow or possibly Monday for a preliminary hearing.

Meanwhile, there were strong indications that Josef Terboven, Nazi governor of Norway, had escaped allied justice by blowing himself to bits.

Loafer's Glory is a hamlet in Mitchell County, N. C.

SMALL NATIONS BALKED IN PLEA FOR MORE VOICE

Effort to Win Greater Share in Controlling Use of Arms in Enforcement, Fails.

San Francisco, May 11—(U.P.)—Small nations today made a new but apparently futile effort to win from the United Nations conference a greater share in controlling the use of arms for enforcement purposes in connection with the proposed world security organization.

New Zealand proposed in a closed committee meeting that the general assembly of the organization be given a voice in decisions involving the use of force. The proposal was supported by several other small nations but opposed vigorously by Big Three representatives.

Big Three Adamant
Russian, British and United States delegates were understood to have remained adamant in support of the original Dumbarton Oaks plan provision whereby decisions involving the use of force shall be made only by the organization's security council.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the United States and British will oppose any further invitations to the conference to prevent revival of Russian demands for admission of the Warsaw Polish government.

The issue of other invitations is expected to be raised formally again and soon. The Norwegian delegation may ask—unless prevailed upon not to do so—that its Scandinavian neighbor—liberated Denmark—be made the 49th after a bare-knuckle row with Russia in a public plenary session.

More Delegates Leaving
Meanwhile, the conference plodded on its way toward the writing of a world organization charter. More and more of the top delegates are leaving, or plan to leave soon. British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will be flying back to London early next week.

The conference work continues in secret committee meetings while the top conference officials admit little or no progress on the remaining major unsolved problems—trusteeships, regional arrangements and the world court.

CHECK SUSPECTS ROUNDED UP HERE

Leo H. Moon, 31, Portland, and Doris M. Johnson, 21, McMinnville, are in the county jail on charges of passing spurious checks. They were arrested late yesterday afternoon by state police and a sheriff's deputy on a warrant outstanding in Yamhill county.

The couple passed bad checks in several counties, including Jackson, police said. The Johnson woman is said by police to have admitted passing checks in Medford and Ashland. According to a report from Yamhill county there are about \$500 in bad checks written by the couple outstanding there, police said.

It was undecided today if they will be prosecuted here or in some other county, according to police.

FIVE MORE U-BOATS SURRENDER AT SEA

London, May 11—(U.P.)—Five more German U-boats from marauding wolf packs in the Atlantic surrendered at sea to British warships and headed for northern Ireland ports today.

A Londonderry dispatch said German submarines had surfaced to surrender all the way from the Azores area to a point off the Canadian coast.

Survey Damage Done to City of Berlin



(Acme Radio-Telephoto) Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, Deputy Supreme Commander, and Sir Harold M. Burroughs, C/C of the Allied Navies, survey the damage done to Berlin by Allied bombings while in Berlin to sign the ratified surrender terms. They are accompanied by Russians. Signal Corps radio-telephoto by NEA-Acme.

U. S. Military To Exercise Firm Control Over Lives, Economy of German People

By Fred Scherif United Press Staff Correspondent

Washington, May 11—(U.P.)—The U. S. Military Government of Germany will exercise iron control over the lives of German people in the American-occupied section, it was revealed today by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson.

Stimson, outlining the AMG setup for Germany, said America's uniformed bosses of the Reich would be charged with demobilizing the German army in their portion of the country, wiping out the Gestapo and thoroughly "denazifying" the territory.

Rule All Courts

They will rule over all courts, over domestic and foreign politics, over manpower and the area's economy. They will control all forms of public expression and the domestic police. There will be censorship of news going to the outside world, but it will be based "solely on military necessity" according to Stimson.

One of the most important agencies will be an intelligence section which will purge public

agencies and German industries of Nazis and ruthlessly suppress activities of any German underground such as the "Werewolves."

Stimson said this country had been working for many months with Britain, France and Russia to coordinate a "stern" program for Germany. As agreed on at Yalta, the four nations will sit on a joint control council or commission in Berlin and in addition each will occupy a zone of Germany.

Stimson did not delineate the zones of occupation, nor did he say whether the other three nations had plans for military government of their areas similar to those of the War Department for the U. S. zone.

The Secretary said Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower would be the American representative on the control council and also commander of the U. S. zone. His deputy will be "tough-minded" Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, hand-picked for the job by the late President Roosevelt.

The army has worked out a

form of government for its area splitting governing functions up among 12 divisions. The heads of these divisions will also act for the U. S. in the four-power council in Berlin.

In some ways the 12 divisions correspond roughly to some of the departments of our own government though of course many of their functions are utterly different.

There will be three military divisions, Army, Navy, and Air, charged with demobilizing the German armed forces and disarming the American sector.

JURY PONDERS MURDER CHARGE AGAINST WOLF

Judge H. K. Hanna completed his instructions to the jury and the case of James A. Wolf, accused of murder in the second degree, was given to the jury at 1:40 p. m.

Closing arguments were completed by prosecution and defense and final instructions of the court were given today in the circuit court trial of James A. Wolf, 63, charged with the slaying of Percy H. Ijames at Gold Hill the night of February 4 last.

Deputy District Attorney Allison Moulton opened for the state yesterday afternoon. Attorney Don R. Newbury, counsel for the defense, started this morning and was followed by District Attorney George W. Neilson. Instructions to the jury, composed of seven women and five men, were given by Judge Herbert K. Hanna.

Wolf, a small man, was first witness for the defense, and denied he had seen Ijames the night of the fatal affray, or was present at the scene. It was testified Wolf and Ijames were good friends, no bad blood existed between them, and that no motive had been shown.

Nurse Testifies

Mrs. Edna M. Thompson, nurse, Gold Hill testified that when she was called to render aid, Ijames' wife had asked: "Did Shorty Wolf do it?", and Ijames had replied "No". The state attempted to impeach Mrs. Thompson's testimony on the grounds it had taken them by surprise, and that it was at variance with statements made to authorities.

The state contended Wolf was at the scene, as testified by several witnesses. One of the states' witnesses, Howard Kell, testified Wolf had made threats against Ijames in his presence several weeks before the slaying. Other state witnesses located Wolf on the sidewalk and said they saw him walking away from the scene.

The trial opened last Monday. No session was held Tuesday on account of V-E Day.

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Inland Sea Mined

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The Japanese radio also reported a new raid on Formosa today by a force of about 70 Philippine-based heavy bombers and 40 fighters. The attack centered on the big port of Tainan, according to the enemy account.

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Two columns of American troops closed in today on the big Ipo dam northeast of Manila in an attempt to reopen one of the main water supplies for the city.

On northern Luzon, a renewed aerial assault was made on strong Japanese positions in the Cagayan valley, lying just ahead of American troops at the edge of Balet Pass.

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GREAT JAPANESE NAVAL STATION OUT FOR DURATION

Japan's Inland Sea Is Sown With Mines; Naval Aircraft Plant, Cities Blasted

By United Press
Philippine-based American bombers have wrecked the great Japanese naval station at Saigon, French Indo-China, it was disclosed today, while other raiding fleets rained bombs and sea mines down on Japan's inland sea area in a bid to choke off the enemy's remaining naval and air power in the home islands. Headquarters of the U. S. fifth

London, May 11—(U.P.)—Plans for hurling 2,000 Superfortresses at Japan in an aerial campaign exceeding that against Germany were envisaged today at a press conference of Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle and his deputy commander of the 8th air force. Doolittle and Maj. Gen. Orvil Anderson revealed that part of the famous 8th air force would stay in Europe as an occupation force. Part will be sent to the Pacific.

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