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FINAL OVERSEAS USO CAMP SHOW PRESENTATION
SCHEDULED FOR ERNIE PYLE THEATRE TOMORROW NIGHT

Brig. Gen. W. A. Briderlinden, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, GHQ, will be the main speaker during the introduction to the final overseas USO Camp Show at the Ernie Pyle Theatre, tomorrow evening at 7:30, it was announced by Col. William S. Morris, Special Services Officer, GHQ, today.

The final performance will be a combined two-hour presentation by USO Camp Shows 960 and 970. The shows will then leave Japan for the United States, concluding all overseas USO Camp Shows.

Nearly 970 units, 10,000 performers and staff administrators have performed overseas since USO Camp Shows, Inc., was formed in October, 1941. The units performed to a total audience estimated at 225,000,000. Seventeen performers were killed in line of duty.

Lt. Col. Justin G. Doyle, presently Director of Army Recreational Service, Special Services Section, GHQ, who will be present at the finale, was the officer-in-charge of the first unit to go overseas. It consisted of Jane Pickens, Mitzi Mayfair, Benay Venuta, Ray Bolger, Stan Laurel, Oliver Hardy, John Garfield and Louis Paluski. The unit travelled 13,000 miles, giving shows through the Caribbean from Puerto Rico to British Guiana.

Don Byrnes, Field Director for USO Camp Shows in the Far East Command, has served overseas since April 9, 1944, in North Africa, Italy, Hawaii, Marianas, Philippines, Korea and Japan.

Members of the two units which will give the final overseas show include:

Unit 960: Joyce Mowery, 7016 Wolcott Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Jerry Wallace, 2846 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.; Betty White, 1738 Indianapolis Ave., Whiting, Ind.; Louis Carroll, 174 Loma Alta Dr., Altadena, Calif.; Al Verdi, 184 Robinhood Dr., Detroit, Mich.; Ruth Petty, 4406 Rosebud Ave., St. Louis, Mo.; Doris Padgett, 704 Good Fellow Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.; Nino Ghezzi, 211 Hastings Place, Syracuse, N. Y.; Charlie Leighton, 2023 Davidson Ave., New York City; Arlene Weisend, 1002 E. Broad St., Louisville, Ohio; Helen Carter, 709 Maplewood Dr., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Helene Wohl, 216 Blair Ave., Calexico, Calif.; and Tommie LaRose, 2312 Mississippi St., Fort Worth, Texas.

Unit 970: Archie and Rose Robbins, 339 E. 58th St., New York City; William Glass, 736 Riverside Dr., New York City; Mary Witty, 433 Harrison St., Anoka, Minn.; Billy Partridge, 1531 41st Ave. No., Seattle, Wash.; Rollie Fonzal, 321 Main St., Holyoke, Mass.; Tommy Trent, 1330 Michigan Ave., Miami Beach, Fla.; Victor Dexter, 74 E. 38th St., New York City;

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Maxine Krivit, 235 W. 102d St., New York City; Al and Art Fonzal, 5 Meadow St., Holyoke, Mass.; Sandy Grant, 4414 N. 16th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Gae Gallo, 8528 126th St., Richmond Hill, New York; and Ronnie Cawley, 25 W. 104th St., New York City.

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TWO JAPANESE SENTENCED FOR ATTEMPTING TO
ILLEGALLY OBTAIN OCCUPATION FORCE ROPE

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Two Japanese nationals, involved in the forgery of an Eighth Army requisition to obtain a quantity of Occupation Force allocated rope valued at more than 1,000,000 yen, have been found guilty by the Eighth Army Provost Court.

The two men, Nobusuke Sanada and Kunisuke Unabara, were sentenced to three years and 18 months at hard labor respectively. In addition to the hard labor sentence, Sanada, fosterer of the illegal dealings, was fined 75,000 yen. The case in its entirety is subject to review by higher authorities.

Sanada, employed by the Occupation Forces as a labor foreman for a 2d Major Port unit, became involved in the illegal transactions last July when he unlawfully drew up a requisition requesting release from a Japanese concern of one ton of the rope. He then obtained 85,000 yen from Unabara after persuading him that the documents were legal. He told Unabara that the yen was to be used to bribe the officers who, he stated, drew up the requisitions.

Unabara took the forged documents to the Eighth Army Military Government section for final approval but was told that they were not properly signed. When he returned the improperly signed papers to the Port officers, the forgery was discovered and both Sanada and Unabara were taken into custody.

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KANSAS SHARPSHOOTER COLLECTS HALF OF
TEAM'S POINTS IN 46-25 CAGE WIN

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--With Paul Brown, Coffeyville, Kansas, collecting 23 points, the 62d Signal Battalion quintet defeated C. I. C., 46 to 25, here Wednesday evening in an IX Corps Basketball League game. In the nightcap, Walter Latus, M. Pere, Wis., and Angelo Petri, Buhl, Minn., each chalked up 17 points to lead 54th Engineer Maintenance Co. to a 56 to 29 triumph over the 49th Maintenance Co.

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U. S. O. UNIT TO MAKE FINAL PERFORMANCE BEFORE
TACTICAL TROOPS OF OCCUPATION TONIGHT

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--The last performance of a U. S. O. troupe before tactical troops of the Occupation in Japan will take place tonight on the stage of the 1st Cavalry Division's theatre at Camp Drake. A brief ceremony will precede tonight's show, Maj. A. G. Cournoyer, Jaffrey, N. H., Special Service Officer of the Division, announced.

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THREE JAPANESE SENTENCED FOR WAR CRIMES

For their part in the mistreatment and beating of Allied prisoners of war, three Japanese war criminals were given sentences totaling 27 years at hard labor by an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama yesterday.

Those convicted were Manzo Wakamatsu, who drew the largest sentence, 18 years, former 1st lieutenant Yutaka Ninomiya, five years; and Masaharu Ozawa, former sergeant, four years. The three were on duty at the Sendai POW Camp 2-B, Yoshima, Honshu, Japan, from July, 1944, to the end of the war. Ninomiya was Camp Commander.

Wakamatsu, a civilian quartermaster, was found guilty on numerous counts of beating and mistreating Allied POWs, and of converting to his own use, food supplies and Red Cross packages intended for internees.

Ninomiya was convicted of failing to restrain his subordinates from beating and mistreating POWs, and also of misappropriating Red Cross supplies. Ozawa, who acted as second in command at the Sendai Camp, was sentenced for beating and permitting the beating and abuse of POWs.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section were Maj. Murray F. Gibbons Jr., 2814 No. Military Rd., Oklahoma City, Okla., and Louis A. Otto, Jr., 3326 Dorchester Rd., Shaker Heights, Ohio. Counsel for the defense was Murray E. Gottesman, 251 Montgomery St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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THREE RADIUM NEEDLES TO BE RESTORED TO BRITISH GOVERNMENT

Three valuable radium needles which were removed from Hong Kong during World War II will be restored to British Government authorities in the near future, SCAP's Civil Property Custodian announced today.

Identification by markings "M.D.H.K." revealed that the radium had been removed from the Queen Mary Hospital in Hong Kong.

Prof. Mitsue Miwa, of Tokyo's College of Letters and Sciences, assayed the radium for the Japanese Government. The priceless elements have been held in SCAP custody in the vaults of the Bank of Japan during the occupation.

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THREE LIEUTENANT COLONELS ASSIGNED TO HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE GROUP

Assignment of three lieutenant colonels to Headquarters & Service Group, GHQ, was announced today.

Lt. Col. Samuel A. Dows, Albany, Calif., was named Commanding Officer of the Service Detachment, and will supervise the new Grant Heights dependent housing project, scheduled to open later this month. He has been with GHQ since April, 1946, previously serving as Chief of Research and Information, ATIS, G-2.

Lt. Col. Grade C. Waters, Tonkawa, Okla., was appointed Assistant Deputy Commander of Headquarters & Service Group. Prior to coming to Japan last month, he served in the Philippines and Korea with the 6th Infantry Division.

Lt. Col. David Kirk, Boston, Mass., was assigned Chief of the Administrative Section. He previously served as president and law member of a War Crimes Commission in Yokohama for one year.

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IX CORPS GRANTS CLEMENCY TO FOUR PRISONERS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--The Commanding General, IX Corps, Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, announced today that clemency would be granted effective today to four prisoners sentenced by the IX Corps Provost Court who were incarcerated in Miyagi Prison. The four were:

Shoji Nishimoto, 21, was sentenced by the IX Corps Provost Court April 22, 1946, to serve four years in prison and to pay a 4,000 yen fine for having in his possession large amounts of food, clothing, and cigarettes, property of the U. S. Government.

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Masao Sasai received a one year sentence on May 27, 1947, as a second offender for having American cigarettes in his possession.

Minoru Yamaguchi, was convicted of housebreaking and the theft of several mattress covers Nov. 26, 1946, and received a sentence of two years confinement, with the last eight months suspended during good behavior.

Katsuo Hayakawa, 40, father of several children, who received a three year sentence last year and a 10,000 yen fine for the sale of 104 bags of cement and the possession of 340 sheets of roofing paper, all stolen from the building project at Kawauchi tract.

In considering each of the above cases for clemency, the IX Corps Provost Court announced it believed that each man had learned his lesson and that each was now fitted to take his place in society.

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TYPHOON "FLORA" NEARS MANILA AREA

Typhoon "Flora" was centered 200 miles east of central Leyte at 3 a. m. today, moving west-northwest at 10 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. "Flora" is forecast to be centered 200 miles east of Manila at 3 a. m. tomorrow. Maximum surface winds near the center of the typhoon are 115 miles per hour with little change in intensity expected in the next 24 hours.

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ADDRESSES OF JAPANESE REPATRIATES NEEDED TO DELIVER PROPERTY TO THEM

Japanese who are expecting property aboard the USAT Eltinge are advised by Eighth Army Military Government authorities to notify the Nagahama Reception Center of their present addresses. They should make the notification by letter, immediately, addressed to Yokohama (Nagahama) Reception Center, 107 Nagahama-cho, Isoko-ku, Yokohama, Japan.

The property consists of more than 200 boxes withheld from some 1,000 Japanese who were interned in the U.S. during the war but later repatriated.

Because many of the owners did not return to their old addresses in Japan, difficulty is anticipated in restoring the property to them unless present addresses are known. The property will be shipped by the Japanese Government to the owners after its arrival at Yokohama Sunday, Nov. 16.

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USO CAMP SHOWS TAKES FINAL BOW BEFORE TACTICAL TROOPS OVERSEAS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Two thousand soldiers were on hand last night in the Camp Drake theatre to watch the final performance of a U.S.O. Camp Shows unit before tactical troops overseas. Searchlights, provided by nearby Johnson Air Base, were utilized outside the theatre in Stateside premiere style.

The U.S.O. troupe, consisting of entertainers in the Shows 960 and 970, will give the final overseas performance tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Ernie Pyle theatre in Tokyo.

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IX CORPS HEADQUARTERS COMPANY QUINTET LOSES, 34-32

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--With Eugene Manahan, Englewood, N.Y., and Robert Dye, Hamilton, Ohio, collecting 11 points each, the Sendai Division 3d IES downed IX Corps Headquarters Company, 34 to 32, in an IX Corps Basketball League game here.

In another loop battle, IX Corps Military Police Platoon edged the 583d Engineer Construction Group quintet, 56 to 48. Michael Dinarc, Woodside, L.I., N.Y., led the victors with 26 points while James Watter, Knoxville, Tenn., was high for the Engineers with 19.

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YOKOHAMA AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL ELEVEN BOWS, 19 TO 0

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Paced by the ball-toting of T/5 Frank Bruno, New York City, and Pfc. Jim Hague, East Orange, N.J., the 12th Special Services Company won a 19-0 gridiron victory over the Yokohama American High School in Lou Gehrig Stadium last night.

Long runs from a well-executed T-formation provided the Special Services eleven with all three touchdowns. Bruno, ex-All Metropolitan New York Halfback, setting up the first one with a 28-yard jaunt in the first quarter. Cpl. Chuck Saverine, Darien, Conn., tallied with an off-tackle plunge for the score.

Hague, ex-All-State New Jersey quarterback, unable to find a pass receiver in the second period, ran the ball 58 yards to pay dirt. Bruno cut loose for 40 yards and the final counter at the outset of the fourth quarter.

Pfc. Bill Braen, Hartford, Conn., and S/Sgt. Bill De Long, Johnsonburg, Pa., the 12th Special Services ends, were standouts in the winners' hard charging line, which permitted the High School youths to penetrate Special Service territory but once.

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RED CROSS WORKERS HONORED AT REVIEW

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Six American Red Cross girls, and their Field Director, George R. Haines, 321 W. Leicester St., Winchester, Va., today stood on the reviewing stand as guests of honor with Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Eighth Army Commander, and received tribute from troopers of the 1st Cavalry Division at Camp Drake.

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The honors were in appreciation of welfare and morale work accomplished by the American Red Cross throughout the 1st Cavalry Division and other units of the Eighth Army during the two years of the Occupation of Japan, and, before that, in the combat areas of the Pacific.

All of the girls are veteran Red Cross workers and served with the Armed Forces through the war years. They are the Misses: Ruth Thompson Brown, 918 Woodmont Ave., Williamsport, Pa.; Betty Jean Ervin, 4805 Upton Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.; Julianna Fitch, 102 Aurora St., Hudson, Ohio; Norma Jones, 2364 Forbes Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.; Cellie Yorkum, Route 1, Beverly, West Virginia, and Mary F. Welch, 385 Seneca Parkway, Rochester, N.Y.

Two officers of the Division were decorated at this morning's ceremony. They were Capt. Howard W. Peak, El Paso, Texas, and Capt. Warnock D. Harwell, 2319 N. W. 11th St., Oklahoma City, Okla. Both received the Bronze Star Medal from Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, Commanding General of the Division.

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COLONEL W. J. GLASGOW, JR. DIES

Colonel William Jefferson Glasgow, Jr., a member of the Joint Strategic Plans and Operations Group, GHQ, FEC, died suddenly yesterday noon in Ishikahari, Hokkaido, a small town near Sapporo. He was believed to have suffered a heart attack.

Colonel Glasgow had been on temporary duty in Hokkaido. At the time of his death he was returning from a hunting trip with a party headed by Maj. Gen. Joseph Swing, commander of the 11th Airborne Division, which occupies Hokkaido.

Before joining JSPOG in January, 1947, Colonel Glasgow held one of the leading planning posts in G-4, GHQ. He joined General MacArthur's headquarters in 1945, and had been one of the chief planners for the detailed logistic support of the second of two large scale projected invasions of Honshu in "Operation Olympic".

Colonel Glasgow also was instrumental in the direction of the program which supplied United Nations prisoners of war in Japan and Korea with food and other vital necessities.

After the surrender Colonel Glasgow was one of the principals in planning postwar and post-occupation bases in the Pacific.

Before coming to the Pacific theater in 1945, Colonel Glasgow had seen duty in Africa, Sicily and Italy. In the last half of 1943 he served as assistant G-3, in the Headquarters of the 15th Army Group in Italy, then moved to G-3, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, under Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery.

For his service in Europe he was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Order of the British Empire, and the Order of the Crown of Italy Medal. He received the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit for his service with General MacArthur's headquarters in 1945 and 1946.

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He wore battle stars for the Sicily, Naples-Foggia, Rome-Arno, and Luzon campaigns. A graduate of the U. S. Military Academy in 1927, Colonel Glasgow served in China with U. S. Army Forces from 1929 to 1932.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Carlina S. Glasgow, formerly of Santa Barbara, Calif., and one six-year-old daughter, Isabelle, both of whom were living with him in Tokyo. A brother, Col. Joseph E. Glasgow, is Adjutant General of the Eighth Army, stationed in Yokohama.

Colonel Glasgow's address in the United States is at 1120 Magoffin Ave., El Paso, Tex. His parents, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. William J. Glasgow, also live in El Paso. General Glasgow is retired.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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FEC POSTAL AUTHORITIES PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS RUSH

Army postal authorities of the Far East Command completed preparations this week for handling the Christmas rush, and reported that it could reasonably be expected that delivery of all parcels and letter mail reaching the theater before Dec. 21 could be made by Christmas Day.

The postal authorities emphasized, however, that this did not reduce the urgency of early dispatch of articles from the United States, since Post Office facilities stateside would be taxed to capacity to process the anticipated rush from now until Christmas.

Instructions have been issued by General Headquarters Army postal authorities to all Far East Command major commands outlining preparations to be made to handle increased volumes of mail anticipated.

Assignment of extra qualified personnel, as well as added transportation facilities, has been authorized, and plans for meeting every emergency have been made.

Window services at Post Offices will be extended over longer hours during the rush period, and methods have been set up to expedite handling of long lines of mailers.

Authorities estimate that a maximum of four days will be required to have letters or parcels in the hands of addressees from the moment mail planes and ships arrive in Japan, even of addressees in the remotest parts of the country.

Unloading of mail planes and ships begins immediately upon arrival of these craft. The heaviest loads are processed in the Base Post Offices and are on their way to Army post offices within a maximum of 36 hours. APO's require not more than 24 hours to sort and deliver mail to the units, thereby getting it to individual addressees within a day.

Similar systems are in operation throughout the Far East Command, which includes in addition to Japan, Korea, the Ryukyus, the Philippines, the Marianas, and the Bonins, General Headquarters Army postal authorities said.

Since all mail addressed to Army post offices is handled and supervised by Army personnel, there will be no delays in deliveries to U. S. occupation personnel in Japan, because of work stoppages and absenteeism reported in Japanese civilian post offices, authorities stated.

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NEARLY ALL PROVISIONS OF JAPAN'S PROGRESSIVE NEW LABOR STANDARDS LAW NOW IN EFFECT

Nearly all the provisions of Japan's progressive new Labor Standards law, enacted by the Diet last March, have now gone into effect through the issuance of ministerial ordinances, a SCAP Labor expert said today.

Miss Golda G. Stander, Labor Division, Economic and Scientific Section said the most important of these ordinances deal with women and minors, training for skilled laborers and dormitories.

Still to be issued, she added, are safety and sanitation ordinances now being completed for promulgation before the end of the month.

Miss Stander said, however, that provisions of the law barring employment of children under 15 now working in certain industries and those relating to employment of women and minors will not be effective for six months.

Describing the law as one of the most important pieces of democratic legislation adopted in post-war Japan, Miss Stander said its standards and protections "are in line with those recommended by the International Labor Office and compare favorably with those in effect in many western countries."

Stressing the extreme importance of enforcement machinery to prevent Japan from regaining its pre-war "sweat-shop" labor stigma, Miss Stander said 334 local labor standards offices now exist.

The law, she explained, will be centrally administered by the Central Labor Standards Bureau, established in May, and by its prefectural offices, and local offices. In recent months meetings of inspectors and training sessions for these offices have been held.

Miss Stander said of particular importance among provisions of the most recent ordinances issued Nov. 1 was the establishment of the employment certificate system in which children between 12 and 15 years of age will be issued permits for light work after school hours.

These students, she explained, will receive certificates at local standards offices upon verification of age, type of work, hours, and approval of schoolmaster and parent.

Miss Stander said ordinances implementing the articles relating to employment of women and minors in the Labor Standards Law were prepared by the newly established Women's and Minors' Bureau in the Labor Ministry.

She added that the new dormitory ordinances, which guarantee freedom of workers housed in dormitories, also set forth necessary safety and sanitation conditions, proper sleeping space, toilet facilities, and provide for physical examinations.

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11TH AIRBORNE, 1ST CAVALRY REGISTER EASY VICTORIES

The 11th Airborne Angels and the 1st Cavalry Horsemen continued to grace the American Football League of Japan yesterday, smashing past Eighth Army and Kobe Base by the decisive scores of 34 to 6 and 80 to 6, respectively.

I Corps grabbed undisputed third place in the standings by squeezing past Fleet Activities, 6 to 0, as GHQ was upset, 7 to 0, by 24th Division. Fifth Air Force surprised 25th Division, 8 to 6, for its initial win of the campaign.

The teams will be idle until Thanksgiving Day, when the Angels will travel to Tokyo to tackle GHQ, and 1st Cavalry will battle Eighth Army at Yokohama.

The league standings:

	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
11th Airborne Division.....	6	1	0	.857	195	20
1st Cavalry Division.....	6	1	0	.857	174	31
I Corps.....	5	2	0	.714	124	65
GHQ.....	4	3	0	.571	65	43
Eighth Army.....	4	3	0	.571	71	87
24th Infantry Division.....	3	3	1	.500	40	84
Fleet Activities.....	2	5	0	.286	26	61
25th Infantry Division.....	2	5	0	.286	45	87
Fifth Air Force.....	1	5	1	.167	26	101
Kobe Base.....	1	6	0	.143	25	212

Results Last Week

11th Airborne 34, Eighth Army 6; 1st Cavalry 80, Kobe Base 6; I Corps 6, Fleet Activities 0; 24th Division 7, GHQ 0; Fifth Air Force 8, 25th Division 6.

Thanksgiving Day Schedule

11th Airborne vs. GHQ at Tokyo; 1st Cavalry vs. Eighth Army at Yokohama; I Corps vs. 24th Division at Kokura; Fleet Activities vs. 25th Division at Osaka; Kobe Base vs. Fifth Air Force at Nagoya.

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AUSTRALIAN MINISTER TO CHINA ARRIVES IN TOKYO

Prof. D. B. Copland, Australian Minister to China, arrived in Tokyo yesterday morning for a six-day visit. He will meet General MacArthur and other GHQ officials during his stay.

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TYPHOON "FLORA" 240 MILES SOUTHEAST OF HONG KONG

Typhoon "Flora" was centered 240 miles southeast of Hong Kong at 3 o'clock this morning, moving northward at 10 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. Strongest winds near the center of the typhoon are 75 miles per hour.

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CIVIL RIGHTS REPORT---FEARLESS SELF CRITICISM

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16, (USIS)---The recent report of President Truman's committee on civil rights describing shortcomings in United States treatment of its religious and racial minority groups is a typical example of objective self criticism practiced by a democratic state in an effort to improve itself.

Americans with their ideals of equality, fair play and social justice have been fully aware that some discrimination is practiced against Negroes, Jews and other minority groups in some parts of the country.

It was with these conditions in mind, and knowledge that racial and religious intolerance could threaten the very things America had fought for during the war, that President Truman appointed the 15-member civil rights committee last December. He instructed the committee to hide nothing. In fact he asked them to concentrate on the faulty side of the record.

United States efforts to secure the rights of its citizens began with the enactment of the Bill of Rights of 1791 which guarantees freedom of religion, speech, press, trial by jury and other civil rights. The struggle for civil rights has continued and expanded ever since.

The 178 page report which committee Chairman Charles E. Wilson, president of the General Electric Company, presented to President Truman made 35 recommendations designed to bring the United States closer to fulfillment of the ideals for which it has stood since American colonists adopted the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

Committee recommendations included elimination of all conditions which tend to give United States Negroes and other racial or religious groups inferior status. Particularly it demanded a federal law to prevent recurrence of lynchings of Negroes in southern states which although increasingly rare have not been completely eliminated. It demanded equal treatment for white and negroes in the armed forces and recommended clarification of loyalty obligations of Federal employees and a fair hearing for any government employee accused of disloyalty to the government. It suggested considerable strengthening of the civil rights section of the U.S. Justice Department so that, together with congressional action, the government would have the machinery to carry out civil rights committee's program.

The Federal government, the report concluded, "must assume greater leadership" in securing four basic rights for every American:

Firstly, the right to safety and security of person.

Secondly, the right to citizenship and its privileges.

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DR. FINE TO REPRESENT SCAP AT ECONOMIC COMMISSION MEETING

Dr. Sherwood M. Fine of New York City and Washington D. C., economic adviser to the chief of SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, will depart from Tokyo by air Thursday for the Philippine Islands where he will represent SCAP at the second meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE).

The meeting, which will convene Nov. 24 in Baguio, will consider overall regional economic reconstruction, foreign trade, organization of committees on commodity exchange planning and other major economic issues.

The SCAP official expects to be absent from Tokyo approximately two weeks. The author of a book on postwar economic policy and numerous articles on economics, Dr. Fine has been in Japan since the fall of 1945. During the war he was economic adviser for the U. S. Foreign Economic Administration, attached to the American Embassy in Ankara, Turkey. Prior to that time he was with the U. S. Office of Strategic Services. Before the war Dr. Fine was connected with the U. S. Treasury Department's Division of Monetary Research.

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FIRST TWO COUPLES, MARRIED UNDER GRANT OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 213, TO LEAVE JAPAN DEPART FOR HONOLULU

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The first two of 831 couples, married under the grant of Public Law No. 213, to leave Japan since the law was effected last July, departed Saturday from Yokohama, Eighth Army Headquarters announced today.

The two couples, Mr. and Mrs. James Nakano and Mr. and Mrs. S. Figueroa, sailed aboard the American President Lines vessel, General Meigs, for Honolulu, Hawaii. The husbands, former veterans of the Eighth Army, had been working as DAs in Tokyo prior to their departure Saturday.

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62D SIGNAL BATTALION ELEVEN TRIUMPHS, 28-0

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--The 62d Signal Battalion strengthened its lead in the IX Corps Football Conference here yesterday by drubbing IX Corps Military Police Platoon, 28 to 0.

The Flying Bootmen scored early in the opening period on an end run by Lionel Stacey, Berrien Springs, Mich. A pass by John Watson, Merrian, Kansas, was good for the second marker, and Stacey crashed off-tackle in the third period after a 60 yard downfield drive for the third touchdown. A safety and another pass by Watson completed the scoring.

Jimmy Wray, Newcastle, Texas, was outstanding for the losers.

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EXPLOSIONS ROCK IKEGO AMMUNITION DUMP

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--This morning at 9:55 a. m. the Ikego Ammunition Dump, a part of the 229th Ordnance Base Depot, was rocked by a series of explosions.

In Yokohama, 17 miles northeast of the Dump, explosions were continuing to be heard at noon today.

A former Japanese munitions dump, Ikego was excavated out of the side of the mountain. A large quantity of big shells were stored there.

Japanese workers are employed at the Dump.

The full extent of the explosions is still unknown, but casualties have been reported. All available doctors and ambulances have been rushed to the scene of the disaster.

The 8th Engineer Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, was alerted for action shortly after noon when it appeared engineering assistance might be needed.

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FIVE JAPANESE WAR CRIMES SUSPECTS PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Charged with atrocities against Allied prisoners of war, five accused Japanese war crimes suspects arraigned together, pleaded not guilty today before an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohara.

The accused, all formerly attached to the Sakai prison, Osaka, Honshu, Japan, from April, 1944, to August, 1945, are Michizo Shiina, prison governor, Kunihiko Osada, hospital attendant, and Takeo Kodama, Shojiro Shirano and Otokichi Yokoyama, civilian prison guards. All are accused of beating and mistreating prisoners.

Shiina, it is alleged, failed to discharge his duty as governor of the prison, by failing to provide adequate rations, shelter, clothing, sanitation and medicine. He is also charged with beating several American prisoners and with abusing others.

Prosecuting the case for SCAF's Legal section is Thomas W. Walsh, 1249 Winnerac Ave., Chicago, Ill. Counsel for the defense are Leon L. Greenberg, 2026 Latimer St., Philadelphia, Pa., and Miss Alice Burke, 1364 Magazine St., New Orleans, La.

Names and addresses of victims listed in the specifications and charges are as follows: Ben Hagdon, 907 21st St., Minneapolis, Minn.; Charles H. Rodaway, Blackpool, England; William H. Smith, Queenstown Rd., London, England; Francis L. Joslin, St. Joseph, Mo.; Robert A. Newton, Torrance Blvd., Torrance, Calif.; Everett D. Reamer, Annapolis Ave., Dearborn, Mich.; and Louis J. Bradsher, 105 1st St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

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ONE AMERICAN INJURED DURING EXPLOSIONS AT ZUSHI

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The only American casualty reported thus far following the explosions which rocked the Ikego Ammunition Depot at Zushi was Capt. Stanford Hicks, 3854 Brown St., Philadelphia, Pa., who received a superficial leg injury when hit by a flying object following the initial blast. Four Japanese have been reported injured.

Warehouse No. 7 exploded shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon, and fires are reported to be burning at Warehouses No. 1 through 5.

The series of explosions, which started at 9:55 this morning, were caused by the detonation of a large quantity of 81 mm shells. Cause of the detonation is unknown as yet. Following the explosion of the 81 mm shells, other types of munitions, including 75 mm shells, 105 mm shells, pyrotechnics, rifle grenades and small arms ammunition, began to explode.

Endangered by shrapnel from the exploding shells, military personnel and dependents at the Nagisa enlisted men's rest hotel at Zushi were temporarily evacuated from the hotel. They were moved back to the hotel at 3 o'clock this afternoon when danger in that area no longer existed.

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Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Eighth Army Commander, is at the scene. Adequate medical personnel and equipment are standing by to handle any emergency, according to Col. Philip L. Cook, Eighth Army Surgeon. Personnel at Camp McGill, Headquarters of the 1st Cavalry Brigade, were alerted. The camp is about five miles from the depot.

The exploding ammunition set fire to woods in the surrounding hills and a fire was reported burning toward the nearby town of Atogo. One barracks building in the depot area was also reported to be burning at 3:30 p.m.

The intense heat and danger from the exploding shells prevented firefighters from getting close to the conflagration.

Ikego is Eighth Army's Largest Ammunition Storage Place

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The Ikego Ammunition Depot, Eighth Army's largest storage place for ammunition, is located in an irregular mountainous area a short distance north of the village of Zushi, eight miles south of Yokohama.

The Tokaido mountain range, dense with pine trees rises along the outside of the Depot, which covers an area of approximately two miles. The area hit by the explosions and fire is about 1,000 yards long located along a road known as Boston Street, which is dotted with concrete and wood "above ground" type storage magazines. Nearby are numerous small underground storage magazines.

Three-hundred officers and men of the 55th and 630th Ammunition Companies of the Ordnance Department regularly are on duty at the Depot.

Nearly all types and sizes of standard army ammunition from the largest mortar shells to carbine cartridges is stored at Ikego.

The Depot was built for the Japanese army several years before the war and was used extensively by the Japanese throughout the war years.

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SCAP AUTHORIZES RELEASE OF IMPORTED YEAST, SPECIAL MOUNTAIN RATIONS

SCAP has authorized the Japanese Government to release 15,115 kilograms of imported yeast to prefectures throughout Japan and 2,484 kilograms of special mountain rations for Japanese engaged in meteorological work for the Japanese Government on Mount Fuji, and their families.

The yeast will be distributed by the prefectures to bakeries within their boundaries. It will supplement indigenous stocks. The special mountain rations consist of U. S. Army supplies which are being distributed to 268 persons this month.

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IX CORPS MILITARY POLICE CAGERS TAKE 56-44 DECISION

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--IX Corps Military Police captured a 56 to 44 decision from the Headquarters 2d Region C.I.C. quintet here in an IX Corps Basketball League game despite the efforts of Kenneth Kochel, Reading, Pa., who accounted for 24 points. Michael Dinero, Woodside, L. I., New York, and Charles Strate, Hamilton, Montana, led the winners with 22 and 20 points, respectively.

In the highcap, the 54th Engineer Maintenance Co., led by Walter Latus, De Pere, Wis., who scored 13 points, downed the 583d Engineer Construction Group, 35 to 24. William Buss, Clarinda, Iowa, added 12 to the victor's cause.

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SCAP ORDERS SALE OF LIVESTOCK FORMERLY OWNED BY REPATRIATED. "OBJECTIONABLE" GERMAN

Livestock, including racing and breeding horses, milk cows, work animals and colts, that were the Hokkaido property of a repatriated "objectionable" German, W. R. Foerster, have been ordered sold by SCAP directive to the Japanese Government, the Civil Property Custodian announced today.

Insufficient funds and inadequate facilities required that the animals belonging to the German concern, Magone Sangyo G. K., be sold to prevent malnutrition and sickness, the CPC reported.

At the same time there will be a sale of other perishable items, including fodder, in excess of that required to feed the unsold livestock left on the property to cultivate the land.

All sales will be made at a public auction under supervision of Japanese officials and subject to final approval by SCAP.

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TROPICAL STORM "FLORA" LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF FORMOSA

Tropical storm "Flora" was centered 60 miles southeast of the southern tip of Formosa at 9 p.m. Monday, moving north-northeast at 10 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. Flora is expected to be centered 120 miles east of central Formosa at 9 p.m. today. Maximum surface winds near the center of the storm are 50 miles per hour, and are expected to decrease to 30 miles per hour by 9 p.m. tonight.

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Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 300 miles southeast of Yap at 3 a.m. this morning, moving west-northwest at 10 miles per hour. Gladys is forecast to be 40 miles southeast of Yap by 3 a.m. Wednesday. Maximum surface winds near the center of the storm are 65 miles per hour and are expected to increase to 70 miles per hour by 3 a.m. Wednesday.

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GENERAL WHITEHEAD DEPARTS FOR U. S.

HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST AIR FORCES, TOKYO--Returning to the United States for his first conference with military officials since the Air Force became separate from the Army, Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead, Commanding General of the Far East Air Forces, departed Haneda Air Field Sunday.

General Whitehead will fly direct to Washington, D. C., where he will confer with top officials on air matters of particular importance to the Far East.

This will mark the third time that General Whitehead has returned to the States for brief conferences in a period of six years service in the Pacific and Far East.

Maj. Gen. Kenneth B. Wolfe, U.S. Air Force, will command FEAF during General Whitehead's absence. He is Commanding General of the Fifth Air Force, at Nagoya.

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ALL ACTIVE FIRES IN IKEGO AREA APPEAR TO BE OUT

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Six hundred tons of ammunition were destroyed and six soldiers suffered minor injuries in the series of explosions and fire which swept through the Boston Road section of the Eighth Army Ordnance Depot at Zushi, eight miles south of Yokohama in the mountainous Ikego region yesterday morning. Brig. Gen. William B. Bradford, Commanding General of the 1st Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division, reported today.

General Bradford, in charge of the firefighting and safety work being done at the Depot by men of the 1st Cavalry, said magazines one to seven burned following the series of blasts at 9:55 a.m. yesterday morning. The 1st Cavalry party entered the magazine area late yesterday afternoon, began fire fighting within the Depot and continued to battle sporadic grass fires all night.

After completing an inspection of the area at 5:30 this morning, General Bradford said all active fires in the area appeared to be out. In the headquarters area of the Depot at Boston, Bluefield, Atlanta, Red and Pelham Roads, three very small fires were burning and there were several smoldering areas, he said. These could become fires in case of a wind. General Bradford reported. Outside the Depot area, the fire that threatened Kamakura last night is now out.

Present operations at the Depot consist of constant ground and air patrols within the magazine area, with alert parties ready to move out and stop local fires with mobile firefighting equipment.

Unless a heavy wind starts new fires the situation is now favorable, General Bradford said. Constant observation also is being made on ground and in the air to cover any fires which may break out toward Zushi and Kamakura.

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One U. S. soldier, an ambulance driver, was seriously injured in an accident. His name is being withheld, pending notification of next of kin.

Following a roll call last night of members of the 55th and 630th Ammunition Companies, stationed at Zushi, Lt. Col. O. A. Rannes, of Ada, Minn., commanding officer of the blast-torn installation, reported that all personnel were present or accounted for.

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The efforts of two Japanese film manufacturing companies are making it possible for more than 27,000 square meters of X-ray film to flow monthly into four wide channels of medical supply, thereby making it unnecessary to import this item, it was announced today by Supply Division officials of SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section.

The four channels are fulfilling the X-ray film needs of Japan's domestic population, her current anti-TB program, a great number of Occupation Force hospitals and dispensaries throughout the FEC, and an export program designed to furnish X-ray film to Korea. A total of nine different sizes of X-ray film are manufactured to satisfy the specifications of each of these programs. They range in size from 35mm rolls and dental plates to 11x14 inch and 14x17 inch sheets for making chest and back x-rays.

The distribution programs for X-ray film are also four-fold, but a well-organized system of annual forecasts, prior requisitioning, and prefectural delivery has proven to be both time saving and economical.

Supplies of X-ray film to satisfy domestic and anti-TB needs flow from the film manufacturers directly to their agencies which are established in each prefecture. Prefectural health officers then contact these agencies and request delivery of the film needed for the current month. Film destined for export to Korea goes directly from the manufacturer to the Board of Trade where it is processed for shipment. X-ray film to be used by the Occupation Forces is delivered to the 5th Medical Depot in Yokohama and is shipped out by that agency on standard requisition procedure.

With the exception of 35mm film, which is made in rolls and packaged in cans, Japanese manufactured X-ray film is uniformly packed one dozen sheets of the same size film per envelope and six envelopes per cardboard box. Although refrigeration of X-ray film is not necessary, it is important that the storage warehouses be dry and that the film be kept in comparatively cool, dark places.

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11TH AIRBORNE ELEVEN TROUNCES EIGHTH ARMY

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY, IN SENT. 7--Driving 99 yards to a touch-down in the first period, the 11 Airborne Angels went on to trim the Eighth Army Chicks, 34 to 6, in an American Football League of Japan contest here Sunday.

Bill Bushell, Lincoln, Ill., tallied from the one for the first marker, and Jack Doherty, Mount Clemens, Mich., added the extra point. Later in the first period, Bushell crashed over from the 5, and Doherty again converted.

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The Chicks scored their lone marker in the second quarter on a pass from Eugene Offield, Breckinridge, Texas, to Andrew Carpenter, Louisville, Ky., and the half ended, 14-6.

The Angels sewed the game up in the second half, scoring in the third quarter on a pass from Jack Herron, El Dorado, Ark., to Robert Woods, Corning, N. Y. Doherty added the extra point. Later in the same quarter Joe Scott scored on a two yard plunge, and the last score came in the final period when Powell Sheffer, Orlando, Fla., went across from the six.

24th Division Upsets GHQ, 7-0

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOKURA--A 35 yard pass from Bob Hendrix, Inverness, Fla., to Fred Wiesenecker, Springfield, Ill., in the third quarter accounted for the lone score of the game here Sunday as the 24th Infantry Division upset GHQ, 7 to 0, in an American Football League of Japan battle. Carl Wysocki, Philadelphia, Pa., added the extra point.

The winners held a slight edge in the statistics, earning eight first downs to GHQ's seven.

I Corps Downs Seahawks

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN YOKOSUKA--I Corps gained undisputed possession of third place in the American Football League of Japan standings here Sunday by edging past Fleet Activities, 6 to 0.

The Bullseyes punched across their lone score in the second period after a long downfield drive, Jim Moseley, Luverne, Ala., plunging over from the three.

John Karras, Argo, Ill., star I Corps halfback, suffered a foot injury in the first half and saw only brief action.

The winners earned 21 first downs to the Seahawks 16.

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I CORPS OFFICERS TO DEPART FOR U. S.

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KYOTO--Lt. Col. James E. Holley, Otisville, N. Y., Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, and Lt. Col. Evan L. Houseman, Marietta, Ohio, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, of I Corps Headquarters, will depart this month for the United States, where they will attend the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Virginia.

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TWO SOLDIERS HOSPITALIZED AS RESULT OF IKEGO DEPOT EXPLOSION

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Two soldiers were hospitalized as a result of the Ikego Ordnance Depot explosion, Col. Philip L. Cook, Eighth Army Surgeon, announced today.

The explosion was not directly responsible for either injury. One soldier, whose name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin, was seriously injured Monday morning when the 567th Motor Ambulance Company ambulance to which he was assigned was orderly overturned on a curve enroute to Zushi from Yokohama. The driver of the vehicle, Pfc. Clarence D. Eikner of Dallas, Texas, received only minor lacerations and was not hospitalized.

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Cpl. Robert Goldie, Headquarters Troop, 1st Cavalry Brigade, of Cleveland, Ohio, is under observation for possible injuries incurred Monday night when he fell from an embankment while fighting brush fires in the Ikego Depot area.

All other explosion casualties were minor and did not require hospitalization. One officer received a minor laceration at the time of the initial explosions and four enlisted men received bruises as they jumped into ditches to avoid shell fragments.

Seven Japanese were injured. One Japanese national received a fractured arm. The other six sustained only minor lacerations.

Establish Observation Posts

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Brig. Gen. William B. Bradford, New York City, Commanding the 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, made a second reconnaissance of the Ikego Arsenal fire area from 5 to 6 a. m. today, and found three fires still burning in the brush.

Aerial reconnaissance officers reported the same fires, adding it was believed these fires would not further endanger the magazines.

The 1st Brigade was establishing Observation Posts throughout the Area this morning. Each Observation Post was manned by one officer and one squad from the 12th and 5th Cavalry Regiments. The Observation Posts were placed around the outer perimeter of the fire area.

In the canyon west of the magazine area, Headquarters Troop was operating a rotor patrol, with a detail in reserve to extinguish any fires discovered by the rotor patrol.

Combat engineers from the 8th Engineer Squadron at Camp Drake and detachments from Camp McGill were standing by.

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OVERSEAS CONSULTANTS INC. PRESIDENT DEPARTS FROM HANEDA

Clifford Strike, president of Overseas Consultants Inc., and four other members of the board of directors of the organization, departed this morning from Haneda Airport. The group, which arrived here Nov. 12 from the United States to confer with members of Overseas Consultants Inc., conducting a survey of Japanese industrial levels, will stop in Korea and Shanghai enroute to the United States. The four directors accompanying Mr. Strike are John R. Lotz, Frank M. Carhart, George V. P. Burgess and Robert L. Hamill. Their military escort is Maj. Kerfoot J. Miller Jr.

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CAMP LOEPER FLEVIN TAKES OVER RUNNERUP POSITION

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--Camp Looper assumed second place in the IX Corps Football Conference standings here Sunday by turning back IX Corps Headquarters, 27 to 0.

The victors took the lead in the opening minute of play on a safety, and were never headed. George Patterson, Pensacola, Fla., left end, intercepted a pass for the first touchdown, and Jerome Longford, Newport News, Va., plunged for the extra point. Frederick Qualls, Shawnee, Okla., scored on an end run in the second period to make the score 15-0 at halftime.

A 55 yard pass from Longford to Patterson was good for another touchdown in the third quarter, and Harold Lovett, Bridgeville, Pa., concluded the scoring on a off-tackle plunge.

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FOUR DUDS EXPLODE AT IKEGO ARSENAL

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Four explosions and fires have been caused by the sporadic explosion of duds lying about the grounds of Ikego Arsenal since late yesterday afternoon, the 1st Cavalry Division announced today.

The explosions occurred at 3:55 p.m., 4:28 p.m., 6:10 p.m., and 4 a.m. Troops of the 1st Cavalry and Japanese fire fighting units extinguished all fires with the exception of a stubborn blaze in Building No. 2, which was under control early this morning.

Operations officers of the 1st Brigade pointed out that normal operations can not be resumed at the Arsenal until bomb disposal crews gather and disarm the numerous duds. This work will not be done immediately, since sufficient time must be allowed for activated duds to explode.

The 1st Brigade, commanded by Brig. Gen. William B. Bradford, planned to maintain observation posts and fire fighting crews in the vicinity for the next 24 hours.

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TROPICAL STORM "GLADYS" MOVES NORTHWEST OF YAP

Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 300 miles northwest of Yap at 3 a. m. today, moving northwest at 15 miles per hour. "Gladys" is expected to be centered 660 miles east-northeast of Manila at 3 a. m. tomorrow. Maximum surface winds near the center of the storm are 60 miles per hour, and are expected to increase to 65 miles per hour by 3 a. m. tomorrow.

Typhoon "Flora", which moved northeastward from Northern Luzon Monday to 60 miles south of Okinawa by 9 a. m. yesterday, then roved eastward and dissipated 400 miles east of Okinawa this morning. Maximum surface winds near the center of the typhoon were 90 miles per hour while passing over Okinawa. Surface winds of 65 miles per hour were reported on Okinawa at that time, but only superficial damage was incurred on U. S. Army installations.

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TYPHUS CONTROL CONFERENCES TO BE HELD THROUGHOUT JAPAN

Typhus control conferences being held throughout Japan will drive the incidence of this disease still lower in the coming year, Dr. C. M. Wheeler of the Preventive Medicine Division of SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section predicted today.

"Although the number of reported cases has dropped from 31,989 in the period from Jan. 1, 1946 to Nov. 17, 1946, to 1,176 cases for the same period in 1947, it is expected that concerted control measures arising from the conferences will drive the rate still lower," Dr. Wheeler declared.

A conference of more than 100 doctors and nurses in Hokkaido was held in Sapporo Oct. 24 and 25. Conferences took place in Tokyo Nov. 13 and 14, attended by professional people from 18 northern prefectures, and conferences in Kyoto are planned Dec. 3 and 4, for representatives of the southern prefectures.

"The degree of interest shown by persons attending these conferences explains the success already attained," Dr. Wheeler said. "Active prosecution of planned insect and rodent control measures, as well as immunization where the incidence of epidemic typhus indicates a need, should virtually wipe out the disease in a comparatively short time."

The incidence of epidemic typhus, which is more virulent than murine typhus, is very low and is concentrated in the northern part of the country, the PH&W official said. In southern prefectures, he added, epidemic typhus is almost non-existent.

"It is important to remember that the only safeguard against a recurrence of typhus epidemics is the continued vigilance and concerted action of health authorities," Dr. Wheeler warned.

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FUNERAL SERVICES FOR COLONEL GLASGOW TO BE HELD IN EL PASO

Funeral services for Col. William J. Glasgow, Jr., will be held in El Paso, Texas on or about Dec. 8, 1947. There will be no interment services held in Japan.

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SOLDIER SENTENCED FOR ROBBERY OF JAPANESE NATIONAL

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Tried before an Eighth Army general court-martial on charges of robbing a Japanese national of 8,400 yen, Pvt. Joseph E. Delaney, 30 Tufts Ave., Everett, Mass., formerly of Hqs. and Hqs. Det., 14th Repl. Bn., 4th Replacement Depot, has been found guilty and sentenced to dishonorable discharge, total forfeitures, and confinement at hard labor for five years. His case is subject to review in its entirety by Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Eighth Army Commander.

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Testimony in the trial revealed that the accused, accompanied by two Japanese males, went to the home of Ootazaburo Matsumoto, Itabashi, Tokyo, on the night of Sept. 23, and, with the excuse that Delaney wanted a drink of water, awakened the Matsumoto family. After some discussion, the accused was invited into the home. He then grabbed his victim and threatened him with a Japanese bayonet, demanding 10,000 yen. With the help of Japanese males, who acted as interpreters, and threats of violence, he obtained 8,400 yen of the 10,000 yen demanded.

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CELEBRATIONS IN JAPAN OF BRITISH ROYAL WEDDING

Celebrations by the British Commonwealth community in Tokyo of the marriage of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth to Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten will include a reception at the British Embassy tomorrow morning for representatives of GHQ, the British Commonwealth and Allied Missions.

At 2:30 p.m., a parade will be held on the Plaza by BCOF, at which representatives of all British Commonwealth Forces in Japan will be reviewed by Lt. Gen. H. C. H. Robertson, Commander-in-Chief, BCOF. A royal salute will be fired by an Australian battery and three cheers will be given for the Princess and her husband.

There will be a reception given by General Robertson at the Marunouchi Hotel in the late afternoon.

In the evening, a ball for members of the British Commonwealth will be held at the British Embassy. Mr. A. D. F. Gascoigne, C.M.G., Head of the United Kingdom Liaison Mission, and Mrs. Gascoigne will be host and hostess at the two Embassy functions.

Mr. and Mrs. Gascoigne will entertain 250 non-commissioned officers and others of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces at an evening party Friday.

As an expression of their loyal good wishes for her future happiness, the staff of the United Kingdom Liaison Mission has sent to Her Royal Highness two tons of British Commonwealth canteen food supplies, for distribution among the people of Britain as she sees fit.

Throughout the BCOF area, parades and other celebrations will be held by all components of the British Commonwealth Forces. In Kobe, there will be a combined British Navy and Army parade, at which a salute will be taken by Rear Adm. R. D. Oliver, Flag Officer, Force T.

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NEW OVERSEAS TELEPHONE SYSTEM BEING INSTALLED AT CAMP CRAWFORD

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY AT SAPPORO--Many paratroopers will be given a chance to call home during the Christmas holidays by means of the new telephone system being installed at Camp Crawford by the 511th Signal Company of the 11th Airborne Division. The calls will be by direct wire to Tokyo, from which point they will be radioed to San Francisco and from there telephoned to the callers' homes.

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The first call on the new system, the first of its kind to be installed on Hokkaido, will be placed on Nov. 24 when an attempt will be made to complete 30 calls during the day to determine the number the service will be able to handle daily. It is hoped that the service will be able to handle one call every 10 minutes.

Paratroopers may submit applications to call home beginning today. Applications must be made 24 hours in advance of the call, Lt. Col. J. E. Gonseth, Glen Ellyn, Ill., Commanding Officer of the 511th Signal Company, said. Cost of the calls will be 12 dollars for the first three minutes and 4 dollars for each additional minute, with a maximum of six minutes allowed for each call.

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DR. MANITOFF ADDRESSES JAPANESE PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU

As part of the program to raise hospital standards in Japan, Japanese officials of Public Health Bureaus and chiefs of municipal hospitals invited Dr. Anna R. Manitoff, prefectural Public Health Officer, to present American hospital management procedures at a meeting of the Japanese Public Health Bureau last week, the Eighth Army Tokyo-Kanagawa Military Government District announced today.

In presenting a typical plan of a medium-sized American municipal hospital, Dr. Manitoff emphasized the importance of having each hospital staff member understand his delegated responsibilities. She also suggested the desirability of encouraging Japanese women to attend public health functions sponsored by Japanese organizations to arouse public health consciousness.

Information could be disseminated enabling women to recognize, in the early stages, any diseases which may develop in their homes, she declared.

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JAPANESE BASIC STANDARDS IN LIGHT AND ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS SENT TO FRANCE TO BE COMPARED WITH THOSE USED INTERNATIONALLY

Through courtesy of SCAP, the set of cells, resistors and lamps which serve as Japan's basic standards in light and electrical measurements, have set off on a virtual "round-the-world" trip to be compared with those used internationally.

Officials in SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section explained the newly constructed standards, specially packed and accompanied by GHQ courier, have been sent by military plane to Washington, D. C., enroute to the International Bureau of Weights and Measurements, Sevres, France.

The shipment is being made, officials explained, at request of Japan's Electrotechnical Laboratory in the Ministry of Communications, the official custodian for the standards.

Lt. Col. E. C. Allan, Chief, Engineering and Technology Branch, of the section's Scientific and Technical Division, explained that in Washington, the National Bureau of Standards in the Department of Commerce will make measurements and then forward the Japanese standards to France. There they will be directly compared with those being used in other countries.

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Upon return here, he explained, they will replace the present set in the laboratory and serve as the primary standards by which all secondary standards in other Japanese laboratories are calibrated, insuring uniformity of all electricity and light measurements.

"The request of the laboratory to have these standards compared shows growing realization of the importance of this phase of technology," Colonel Allan said. "It is particularly significant, since if Japan is to regain an appropriate standing among trading nations of the world, she must lay more emphasis on standardization."

Presence of the standards at Sevres will also help Japanese scientists cooperate with an international committee seeking to adjust remaining slight differences in values of international units used by various countries. This work, in which the Japanese participated before the war, has recently been resumed.

Scientific and Technical Division officials explained that extreme care in packing and shipping the Japanese standards was necessary to prevent all possible types of damage to the delicate mechanisms. The cells were mounted gyroscopically within packing boxes to insure against damage from tilting during the flight.

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RESEARCH BY JAPANESE SCIENTISTS IN PAST FEW YEARS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO MANY ADVANCES IN SILK PRODUCTION, SCAP OFFICIAL DECLARES

Research by Japanese scientists in the past few years has contributed to many advances in silk production, an official of the Scientific and Technical Division of SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section reported today.

Dr. P. S. Henshaw, chief of the division's Fundamental Research Branch, said most of the progress relating to improved fiber quality, reduction in production costs and utilization of by-products, is the result of work done by the Sericulture Experiment Station of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and other associated research laboratories.

He explained the station's main office in Tokyo consolidates field results and maintains an extensive technical staff of researchers. Its 13 branch stations perform local experiments and disseminate technical advice on sericulture to rural areas.

"The most noteworthy advances," Dr. Henshaw said, "have resulted from scientists using established principles, involving genetics and selections, inbreeding and polyploidy and applying them to develop a superior stock of silk worms giving better quality and quantity of fiber."

New experiments include use of chemicals to improve the fiber, replacing drying ovens by radio waves to kill pupae before reeling fibers, and enriching mulberry leaves that silkworms eat with vitamin compounds.

Dr. Henshaw said under present day methods, bark of mulberry bushes is being made into rough fabrics, rope and string, and the wood pulp into paper. Fruits of the bushes are being used in production of fermented beverages and root extracts for medicinal purposes.

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He added that various proteins and oils are being extracted by high pressure and chemical separation from the formerly unused silkworm pupae left after the reeling process for use in production of cooking oils rich in vitamins, and oils for lubrication, manufacturing of soap and in the dyeing industry. Protein extracts are highly valued, he added, for food purposes in diets for infants.

Excretory products of silkworms are transformed into a fine quality black plastic, suitable for production of high grade plastic articles, the most noteworthy being electric insulators.

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8TH CAVALRY REGIMENT TO CELEBRATE 81ST ANNIVERSARY SATURDAY

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Troops of the 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, will celebrate the 81st anniversary of the founding of the Regiment at Organization Day ceremonies Saturday morning at the Regiment's barracks in Azabuku.

The history of the Regiment, from the winning of the west to the entry into Manila in February, 1945, will be narrated to the troops by Maj. Andrew J. Miller, Executive Officer, El Paso, Texas, who has served with the unit 18 years.

Col. Thomas D. Roberts, Washington, D. C., present Commanding Officer, will lead his troops in a review on the parade grounds.

The Regiment is a unit of the 2d Cavalry Brigade. Members of the 8th have won 91 Congressional Medals of Honor.

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UNESCO STUDYING WAYS AND MEANS OF ASSISTING EX-ENEMY COUNTRIES IN PROBLEM OF RECONSTRUCTION, SCAP OFFICIAL TELLS JAPANESE

Mark T. Orr, Education Chief of SCAP's Civil Information and Education Section, told the Japanese press this morning that the United Nation's Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization "is studying ways and means by which to assist ex-enemy countries such as Japan in their problem of reconstruction."

He stated that UNESCO has expressed an interest in the status of war damaged educational institutions in Japan, but he offered the personal opinion that Japan could expect no help from UNESCO in restoring educational buildings until after the peace treaty is signed.

Discussing at length the relation between Japan and the UNESCO, he noted that Japanese interest in that organization has been expressed in many forms during recent months.

"UNESCO study committees," he stated, "are being formed in many cities and towns by local groups upon their own initiative. Committees are active in such centers as Sendai, Kobe, Kyoto, Osaka and Nagoya."

Stressing the official interest taken by the Japanese in UNESCO, Mr. Orr said that both the Ministry of Education and the Foreign Affairs Ministry are studying UNESCO. He added that Diet committees in both houses have directed their attention to the UNESCO program.

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"It is encouraging to see that interest in UNESCO is wide-spread in Japan and that its program is recognized as a hopeful foundation for world understanding," Mr. Orr added.

"UNESCO officials in Paris are aware of the interest Japanese people are taking in its program. This year UNESCO is studying the possibility of opening up ex-enemy countries to programs consistent with the objectives of the organization."

"A high priority in the UNESCO program is in raising educational standards to provide a basic minimum education to all the peoples of the world. Japan has moved forward in this field by raising the period of compulsory school education from six to nine years and by approving a Constitution and a Fundamental School Law which guarantee equality of opportunity in education."

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WARRANT OFFICER ROBERTSON TO REPRESENT AUSTRALIAN
COMPONENT OF BCOF IN KING'S MEDAL RIFLE SHOOT

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--Warrant Officer Rex Robertson, 11 Logie St., Oakleigh, Victoria, will represent the Australian Component of BCOF in the Australian Division of the King's Medal Rifle Shoot.

In an elimination shoot at BCOF Central Army Training School at Matsuyama, he defeated a field of 14 competitors to win the honor. He will be flown to Australia to compete in the championships at Puckapunyal, Victoria, Dec. 19.

During the second exercise (firing from various distances after doubling 100 yards between mounds) of the shoot at Matsuyama, Robertson fell heavily and was badly winded. He carried on gamely to win the shoot with a score of 141 from a possible 200.

Runnerup honors went to Cpl. Jim Howard, 1 Anderton St., Marrackville, Sydney, with 137, while Sgt. Willis Haverman, 50 May St., Bundaberg, Queensland, was third with 136.

Robertson has been in the army five years and served with the 7th Division in New Guinea and Borneo. During the shoot, he was high in two of the four exercises--deliberate application shooting from 500 yards, and snapshooting from 300 yards.

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CLUB FOR YOKOHAMA AMERICAN SCHOOL CHILDREN TO OPEN THANKSGIVING

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Neet Nac, a new club for the children of the Yokohama American School, will open with a Teen Age party Thanksgiving evening, it was announced here today. An open house for parents is scheduled for Nov. 30.

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TROPICAL STORM "GLADYS" APPROACHES OKINAWA

Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 600 miles northwest of Guam at 3 a. m. today, moving north-northwest at 15 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. "Gladys" will be centered 400 miles southeast of Okinawa at 3 a. m. Friday. Maximum surface winds at the center of the storm are 65 miles per hour, with no change in intensity expected in the coming 24 hour period.

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SECOND GIFT OF BATTERIES MADE TO JAPANESE SCHOOLS

More than 671,000 surplus dry cell batteries will be released from U. S. Navy stocks at Sasebo today for distribution to Japanese schools throughout Kyushu, SCAP's Civil Information and Education Section announced today.

The batteries, to be used in science education courses in the schools, comprise the second large gift of batteries from the U. S. Government within the past three weeks.

Nation-wide distribution has just been finished on more than one and one half million batteries from a Signal Corps depot in Yokohama.

Arrangements for both donations have been made through negotiations of SCAP with the U. S. State Department's Foreign Property Liquidation Commissioner in Japan.

Distribution will be made by the Ministry of Education to a wide variety of public and private institutions in Kyushu, including medical and vocational schools, and training centers operated by government ministries for communications, railway and marine workmen.

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TEXAN DIPS FROM BURNS INCURRED DURING FIRE AT GUAM

HEADQUARTERS, TWENTIETH AIR FORCE, GUAM--Cpl. Andrew Hodges of the 4th Emergency Squadron, Twentieth Air Force, stationed at Northwest Air Base on Guam, died from severe burns incurred in a gasoline and oil fire Sunday evening.

The son of Mrs. Cora Lee Hodges, 1801 Plum Street, Waco, Texas, Corporal Hodges was engaged in clearing the squadron area of brush and logs when he became entrapped in the fire. He was immediately taken to the 22nd Station Hospital for medical care but the extensive burns proved fatal.

Corporal Hodges enlisted in the Army Jan. 4, 1946. He went to Guam for duty in September of that year.

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U.S.A.T. MORTON ARRIVES AT YOKOHAMA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The U. S. Army Transport Morton docked at Yokohama yesterday afternoon, 2d Major Port officials announced.

Arriving aboard the vessel were 58 officers, 894 enlisted men, 14 dependents, one school teacher and one DAC.

The Fredrick Funston is scheduled to dock at 5 p.m. today with 181 dependents, 148 enlisted men, three officers, two DAC's and one Red Cross worker.

The U.S.A.T. Weigel is scheduled to arrive from San Francisco via Guam tomorrow morning. It will debark two officers, three dependents and five DAC's.

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CONDITION OF AMBULANCE DRIVER REMAINS SERIOUS

The condition of Pfc. Reginald D. Jackson, 1220 Swan St., N. W., Washington, D. C., driver of the ambulance which overturned on a curve enroute to Zushi from Yokohama Monday, was described as "serious" today by the 49th General Hospital, where he has been hospitalized.

Pfc. Jackson, whose name had been withheld pending notification of next of kin, sustained a fractured back, accompanied by paralysis of the lower extremities.

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EIGHTH ARMY CALLING BOMB DISPOSAL PERSONNEL TO IKEGO

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The Eighth Army Ordnance Section announced today that it was calling available bomb disposal personnel from all parts of Japan to aid in clearing the Ikego Arsenal area, which was blasted by fire and explosion earlier this week.

The 1st Cavalry Division bomb disposal crew, headed by 1st Lt. Lewis B. Arnold, Providence, R. I., and including T/3 Ernest A. Galliani, Sacramento, Calif., and T/3 Theodore Holland, Grass Valley, Calif., returned to Camp Drake today after clearing the outlying areas around the arsenal.

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POOF PARADE POSTPONED UNTIL TOMORROW

The parade by the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, scheduled to be held this afternoon on the Imperial Plaza in honor of Princess Elizabeth's wedding today, has been postponed because of the rain to 11 a.m. tomorrow.

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1ST CAVALRY PROVOST MARSHAL ISSUES 3,000 HUNTING PERMITS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Maj. Max Phelps, Troy, N. Y., Provost Marshal of the 1st Cavalry Division, announced today his office has issued a total of 3,000 hunting permits to occupation personnel since Oct. 18, 1947.

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SOLUTION OF NOGYOKAI WILL FREE JAPANESE FARMERS
FROM ECONOMIC BONDAGE, SCAP OFFICIAL DECLARES

Japan's farmers will be freed from the rigid government control over their economic affairs which has held them in virtual bondage since 1943 under new laws passed by the Diet.

The laws repeal the Agricultural Association Law (Nogyo Dantai Ho) and order the dissolution of the National Agricultural Association (Zenkoku Nogyokai) and prefectural and local affiliated associations, a SCAP Natural Resources Section spokesman has declared.

Approximately 11,000 Nogyokai branches and over 50,000 practice and sericulture associations must close business by 1 August 1948, the SCAP official said. Under the new law, dissolution of all Nogyokai Associations must be started by 1 February 1948.

The Nogyokai had its origin in the former government-sponsored No-kai and the former voluntary Sangyo-Kumiai which were merged in 1943 as a wartime measure to regiment Japan's farm population and control agricultural production.

In place of this feudalistic structure, farmers are to organize democratic "agricultural cooperative associations," also authorized by the new laws. The new cooperative associations may carry important economic services for farmers now controlled by the Nogyokai, the SCAP official said.

The cooperatives may make available to farmers farm machinery which they cannot afford to own individually. They also may offer banking, insurance, and lending services.

The Nogyokai dissolution law provides that assets and deposits of a local Nogyokai branch may be transferred to cooperative associations, if the members decide to do so.

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總司令部代辯者によれば農業會の解散は日本の農民を經濟的束縛から解放する。

日本の農民は國會を通過した新しい法律により、一九四三年以來農民達を經濟方面に實際上の奴隸狀態に拘束して來た嚴重な政府統制から解放される。

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to live safely, without the sorrow and lack of security in which we are living. But we need definite professional ethics to be generally accepted, to be able to fight furious nationalisms, irreconcilable doctrines and even commercial interests, to put ourselves without limitation at the service of world peace."

NEW YORK TIMES URGES UNESCO AS RALLYING STANDARD

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19, (USIS)---A new York Times editorial recently advocated formulation of a charter for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization which "could be a standard around which scholars of all the world could rally" and which could be "a blueprint for tomorrow's better world." The editorial said in part:

UNESCO now meeting in Mexico City is scanning the adverse balance sheet. The 12 months that have passed since its first meeting in Paris last November have seen new barriers raised against the free interchange of thought throughout the world. The Soviet Union has made even more difficult penetration of the iron curtain that separates it from the rest of the world. Nationalist China has added new restrictions on political activity and academic freedom in the territory it still controls. In Argentina, the universities have been brought almost completely under control of the Peronistas. These are only a few straws that show the direction of today's wind.

UNESCO---in which many see the best hope for breaking down barriers of ignorance and misunderstanding that separate people---is, of course, only getting started. It has been operating this last year on a budget of \$6,950,000. It has been able thus far only to enunciate certain broad principles and to give advice when it was sought. The decision to make haste slowly in these formative days probably was wise. That was the position taken by the United States delegation at the first meeting a year ago. Time however is growing short. Bold and large decisions must be made at Mexico City if UNESCO is to fulfill the hopes of its sponsors.

The leading editorial in the current issue of "Revista de America" of Bogota, Colombia, sums up well the purposes of UNESCO, problems that face it and one of its essential needs as a base from which to embark on a broad program. It said in part:

"UNESCO's object is to unite writers, scholars, artists and professors of the whole world into a comprehensive group which permits other men to enjoy their works and to contact cultures which in the past have been separated by abysses of ignorance and misunderstanding. It endeavors to cause the spread of spheres of cultural influences over all nations. This, in such uncertain days as those in which we now live, constitutes a hope for all people of good will. But naturally if such high goals are to be reached, the essential point is to maintain the liberties which have served as a basis for the intellectual work of our time. For this reason we believe that the fundamental charter which recognizes and proclaims the operation of these liberties in the world should be the starting point of the entire future development of UNESCO."

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EIGHTH ARMY PLANS CONSTRUCTION OF 300 MORE DEPENDENT HOMES

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA - Construction of 300 dependent houses of standard Army types--many of them commanding a view of the bay--is planned for completion by early next summer, Col. Earl C. Gesler, Eighth Army Engineer, has announced. Already, ground in the Bluff Area has been broken for the project and streets begun. Engineer plans to permit expansion to 435 units if necessary have been drawn for this area.

In addition, 55 units are planned for scattered vacant areas in the Bluff along Race Track Road, with tentative completion dates also scheduled for early summer.

Most of the new units scheduled for immediate construction by Eighth Army Engineers are in the Tokyo-Yokohama area, and in near-by Air Bases, where Occupation personnel are centered. Eighth Army plans now call for completion of all major dependent housing constructions in these areas by summer of 1948.

It was pointed out, however, that scheduled completion dates are only tentative. Such obstacles as inclement weather have already retarded construction. Completion dates on the Grant Heights Narimasu project in Tokyo have been reestimated as follows: 250 units by the end of November, 250 by the end of December, 250 by the end of January, 1948, and the remaining 450 units in that area by the end of March, 1948.

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JAPANESE LABOR SUPERVISOR PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO WAR CRIMES CHARGES

Charged with beating and mistreating American prisoners of war, Tsutafu Kimura pleaded not guilty today before an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama.

Kirura, who supervised the labor of POWs at the Nittetsu Mining Company near Futase, Kyushu, Japan, from May, 1943, to September, 1945, is alleged to have beaten and mistreated the following American internees:

Cpl. James H. Howe, 4248 Brunswick Ave., Los Angeles, California; Pvt. Earl V. Gould, 3015 Dick Taylor St., Monroe, La.; Pfc. David R. Spooner, Detroit, Michigan; and MM2/c Albert W. Roberts, 9329 Jefferson Ave., Brookfield, Ill.

Prosecutor for SCAP's Legal Section is Thomas D. Aitken, San Francisco, Calif. Counsel for the defense is Stanley Blumenfeld, 1586 St. John's Pl., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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SOLDIER SAVES LIVES OF 17 JAPANESE FISHERMEN

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA - T/4 Richard Ashburn, Pearl City, Ill., and Cpl. Lonnie Irvin, Akron, Ohio, conductors on the 3d MRS "Yankee Limited," have been credited with the saving of 17 Japanese lives.

While in charge of the ferry which transports the train across the straits between Aomori and Hakodate, the two soldiers directed the rescue of 17 Japanese fishermen who were in a small fishing craft that was completely out of control with engine out, rudder gone, and drifting out into the rough seas.

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TROPICAL STORM "GLADYS" CENTERED 600 MILES SOUTHEAST OF OKINAWA

Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 600 miles southeast of Okinawa at 3 o'clock this afternoon and possessed maximum surface winds of 65 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced.

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INITIAL FEAF MERCY AIRCRAFT RETURNS TO TACHIKAWA

HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST AIR FORCES, TOKYO--The Far East Air Forces' initial C-54 mercy aircraft completed an 18,000 mile journey Thursday afternoon at 3:20 when it landed at Tachikawa Air Base, near Tokyo, after having flown five and a quarter tons of Chinese anti-cholera vaccine from Shanghai, China, to Cairo, Egypt. The last leg to the trip was made today from Clark Field, P. I.

At the same time, a second FEAF aircraft will have delivered four tons of the same type serum to Jidda, Saudi Arabia, as a preventive measure to forestall spread of epidemic at a time when Moslems are making their annual pilgrimage to the Holy City of Mecca.

Both aircraft are assigned to the Fifth Air Force and are flown by picked crews from the 317th Troop Carrier Group, based at Tachikawa.

When the first aircraft reached Cairo, official figures showed daily deaths in Egypt as a result of cholera to be approximately 1,000 while official figures released one week later showed this figure cut in half.

Authorities of the Cairo Government expressed gratitude to both American and Chinese Governments.

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DAC DIES FOLLOWING ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Willis M. Dudley, DAC, Fredericktown, Missouri, died Nov. 7 after he accidentally shot himself in the head with a Japanese pistol he was examining while with a group of friends. He died while enroute to an army hospital.

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CHIEF OF WOOL BRANCH, TEXTILE DIVISION, ESS, NAMED

Max B. Laupheimer of Philadelphia, Pa., has arrived in Tokyo to assume the duties of chief of the new Wool Branch of the Textile Division, SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section.

The new branch has been organized from the old Cotton and Wool Branch to meet expanding activities of the Japanese woolen industry, Harold S. Tate, chief of the Textile Division, said. He explained that rehabilitation of the industry and current negotiations for woolen imports are considerably enlarging the program of the Japanese woolen industry. W. R. Eaton, who has been chief of the Cotton and Wool Branch, will continue as head of the separate Cotton Branch.

A graduate of the Philadelphia Textile Institute in 1922, Mr. Laupheimer has had more than 25 years' experience in private business. Before coming to Tokyo he spent 14 months with the Wintuft Corporation in Ringgold, Ga. Prior to that he was with Sears Roebuck Company in Chicago for three years. His association with a number of woolen mills includes five years with the Keasbey and Mattison Company of Ambler, Pa., and eleven years with the Worumbo Manufacturing Company of Lisbon Falls, Maine.

His wife, Mrs. Eva C. Laupheimer, lives at 4667 Oakland Street, Philadelphia.

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TROPICAL STORM "GLADYS" HEADED TOWARDS IWO JIMA

Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 400 miles southwest of Iwo Jima at 3 a.m. today, moving northeast at 15 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. The storm is expected to be centered 40 miles south of Iwo Jima at 3 a.m. tomorrow.

Maximum surface winds near the center of the storm are 45 miles per hour, but are expected to decrease to 40 miles per hour by 3 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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1ST CAVALRY BOXERS TO MEET KOBE BASE

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO - The 1st Cavalry Division boxing team will travel to Kobe this weekend to meet the Kobe Base representatives.

The match will mark the last performances for Rudy Romero, Whittier, Calif., middleweight; Bobby Fossey, Antioch, Calif., lightweight; and Alton Thostenson, Hanley Falls, Minn., all-Japan heavyweight champ, in 1st Cavalry colors. The three are scheduled to return to the U.S. for discharge later this month.

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SAMPLE LOTS OF JAPANESE "B" ENCEPHALITIS VACCINE
TO BE FLOWN TO U.S. TODAY

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA - Sixty-four vials of Japanese "B" encephalitis vaccine, sample lots taken from remaining quantities of the vaccine used by the Occupation Forces in Japan and Korea during the summer months, are to be flown to the U.S. by safe-hand courier today, the Eighth Army Surgeon Section announced.

The vaccine in vials will be carried to the Army's medical center in Washington D.C., where tests are to be made to determine if any of their original potency has been lost.

The job of safehandling the vaccine has been assigned to M/Sgt. Jack Berry, Waterloo, Iowa, who has served as sergeant major in the Surgeon Section since his arrival at headquarters last August. He is returning to the United States for reassignment.

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TWO ARMY TRANSPORTS DEPART FOR SEATTLE

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The General Eltinge, Army Transport, departed yesterday for Seattle, and the General Langfitt sailed for Seattle this morning, 2d Major Port officials announced.

Aboard the Eltinge were 1,700 troops, 44 officers, 51 dependents, 46 DAC's, eight Marine personnel, five Army Nurses, and one Red Cross worker. The Langfitt, sailing via Jinsen, Korea, and Okinawa, embarked 98 enlisted men, three officers, two Department of Army Civilians, and one dependent.

The U. S. A. T. Weigel arrived at the Port this morning with both civilian and military personnel aboard.

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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS: Copies of the agenda for the Allied Council for Japan meeting, to be held Wednesday, are available in the PIO Press Branch library.

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EIGHTH ARMY SERGEANT AWARDED BRONZE STAR MEDAL

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--In a ceremony held yesterday afternoon in Yokohama, 1st Sgt. Harold M. Stacy, Watertown, South Dakota, of Headquarters Special Troops, was presented the Bronze Star Medal by Eighth Army's Headquarters Commandant, Col. L. H. Caruthers.

Sergeant Stacy, Headquarters Commandant sergeant major, served throughout the Pacific campaign with the 35th Infantry Regiment of the 25th Infantry Division. His citation read in part: "For exemplary conduct in ground combat against the armed enemy during the Northern Solomons campaign, 1942."

Sergeant Stacy arrived in Japan last February.

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161ST STATION HOSPITAL DOCTOR HONORED AT FAREWELL PARTY

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SAPPORO--Capt. Ralph H. Van Meter, 161st Station Hospital obstetrician, who has delivered more babies to U. S. Army dependents on the island of Hokkaido than any other doctor, was honored at a farewell party here this week by proud and grateful parents of the 187th Glider Infantry Regiment.

Captain Van Meter, who has delivered 32 infants on Hokkaido since his arrival here July 8, 1946, is scheduled to return to his Philadelphia, Pa., home this month. Prior to graduating from Temple University, he resided at Salem, N. J.

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AGENDA

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FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

ALLIED COUNCIL FOR JAPAN

To be held in the Meiji Building, Tokyo,
Wednesday, 26 November 1947, at 1000 Hours

- I APPROVAL OF THE CORRECTED VERBATIM MINUTES OF THE
FORTY-FIFTH MEETING (1 Session, Numbered 45-1112).
- II PROCEDURAL MATTERS
None held over or submitted as subjects for this Agenda.
- III OFFICIAL MATTERS
 - 1. Report by the Chairman on Fundamental Changes in the
Japanese Educational System. (Inclosure #1)
 - 2. Report by the Chairman on the Establishment of Religious
Freedom in Japan. (Inclosure #2)

By Direction of the Chairman:

John W. Hammond
JOHN W. HAMMOND
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Secretary-General

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1 - Agenda Item 45-1112-1 (Revised)
2 - Agenda Item 46-1126-1

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Proposed Discussion Agenda

- I AGENDA ITEM NO. 45-1112-1 (Revised 21 November 1947).
- II PROPOSED BY: THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS.
- III SUBJECT PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION: Report by the Chairman on
Fundamental Changes in the Japanese Educational System.
- IV DATE PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION: Wednesday, 26 November 1947.
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for China).

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ALLIED COUNCIL FOR JAPAN
Proposed Discussion Agenda

- I AGENDA ITEM NO. 46-1126-1.
- II PROPOSED BY: THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS.
- III SUBJECT PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION: Report by the Chairman on the Establishment of Religious Freedom in Japan.
- IV DATE PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION: Wednesday, 26 November 1947.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Information and Education Section

PRESS RELEASE:

21 November 1947

NCIU CONGRATULATED BY SCAP LABOR OFFICIAL FOR RESISTING POLITICAL PARTY PRESSURE

A leading SCAP labor expert yesterday congratulated rank and file members of the National Congress of Industrial Unions (Sanbetsu) at their national convention in Tokyo for not being drawn into the widely predicted "October labor offensive."

Paul L. Stanchfield, Deputy Chief of the Labor Division in SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, warned, however, that in the months ahead, "many of your leaders may have to choose between loyalty to the union or loyalty to a political party."

"If the October offensive had gone as scheduled," Stanchfield told the convention, "it would have demonstrated that the NCIU unions are willing to have their trade union movement controlled and manipulated by a small minority in the unions. You should be justifiably proud you did not allow this misdirection of your organization. In spite of the painful gap between standard wages and the cost of living, most of the important unions have obtained wage gains through negotiations or have made use of conciliation and mediation to seek a settlement."

The speaker pointed out that such unions as Nihon Denki and Hitachi Ltd., which went out on strike during this period without first attempting arbitration and mediation, were needlessly injured in getting the same concessions others obtained peacefully.

Stanchfield said it was predicted that the NCIU unions would allow themselves to be drawn into a wave of disputes and political adventures under secret control of a minority political party.

"It was said," he explained, "the party had a definite time table for gradually transforming the honest and justified negotiations of the unions into political strife aimed at changing a government supported by the great majority of the people's representatives."

Likening the present party and union conflict within Sanbetsu to similar situations in the American labor movement, Stanchfield said the great majority of such American labor leaders discovered a revolutionary party may talk about democracy and be completely autocratic in action.

He said that men who originally thought they could be both good trade unionists and followers of secret party discipline, discovered they were often ordered by the party to take action opposed to the union's best interest.

They chose to serve the union's welfare eventually rather than the orders of a minority faction, he said, after discovering that "leaders who function only as puppets of a party are often the instruments for hara-kiri of the union."

Reviewing steps taken in the past year by the huge organization to win back public approbation, Stanchfield observed that while the NCIU endorsed collective bargaining principles in a resolution adopted at its spring convention, "it is rather puzzling that it has pointedly refrained from endorsing use of Labor Relations Committees."

These committees, he said, "clearly offer the best means for settling disputes when direct negotiations come to a deadlock."

"While Sanbetsu as a whole has seemed to ignore the value of conciliation and mediation," Stanchfield added, "many of its individual units have intelligently used and cooperated with various Labor Relations Committees."

He said NCIU unions were to be congratulated on progress made since February in settling disputes peacefully under the provisions of the Trade Union and Labor Relations Adjustment laws, and in development of more detailed labor contracts.

Stanchfield also reminded his audience that unions could do much to bring the day of better living standards closer by cooperating with the government to conquer the twin diseases of low production and black market.

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"Unions too," he declared, "can delay that day by interrupting production or promoting inflation by demands for ever higher cash wages to spend on the black-market, instead of pressing for stable prices and death of the blackmarket."

Stanchfield is acting chief of SCAP's Labor Division in the absence of James Killen. Mr. Killen is expected back from the United States this week.

RECRUITING PERSONNEL BIGGEST PROBLEM IN PUBLIC HEALTH, PH&W CHIEF DECLARES

Vigorous measures to secure adequate and qualified personnel for Japan's long range public health program must be taken immediately, Colonel Crawford W. Sams, Chief of SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section, said today.

"A career in public health is one of the most promising open to the young doctor in Japan," Col. Sams declared. This is true in spite of the present inflation which works a hardship on all civil servants. However, the present economic situation is temporary and the young doctor should consider future security and possibilities of advancement."

Public health officials now rank equally with other public servants, Col. Sams pointed out. Plans are also under consideration, he said, to minimize the disparity between the earnings of the doctor in private practice and the doctor in public health work.

"The young doctor who enters the field of public health will undoubtedly place himself at a disadvantage for the immediate present," the official explained. "But it should be remembered that increased pay scales, improved working conditions, and economic security safeguards soon to be established will overcome this disadvantage in the near future. The young doctor who starts now will then be in a very favorable position."

A system of job qualifications similar to the one that has operated successfully in the United States is under consideration, Col. Sams said. This will insure the doctor an adequate return for the extensive and expensive education he has acquired.

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WORLD'S BIGGEST TELESCOPE READY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---One of the biggest moving jobs in history is now being undertaken in shifting the world's largest telescope mirror by road from the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena to Palomar observatory 130 miles southeast.

The mirror, which is calculated to double man's vision into the far reaches of heaven, is 200 inches in diameter and with its protecting crate weighs 40 tons.

It was cast at the Corning, New York glass works in 1935. Scientists have just finished polishing it to within two-millionths of an inch of perfect curvature. It is valued at \$600,000.

It is being transported on a 20 ton, 16 wheel trailer, with a truck pulling and another to help push it up the steep grades of Mount Palomar. The planned route of the trek is 160 miles. Eight bridges enroute have been specially reinforced to sustain the load.

The mirror is twice as big as the largest now in use by the Carnegie institute at Mount Wilson. It is calculated that it will pick up light from points a billion light years away, twice as far as is reached now.

The mirror will be mounted at the bottom of a pivoted cylindrical scaffolding. Its concave surface, functioning like a magnifying shaving mirror, will focus light rays into a camera mounted at the other end of the scaffolding.

U.S. SHIPPING COAL AT 550 TIMES PRE-WAR AVERAGE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---During 1947 the United States has been shipping coal and coke to Europe at a rate of 550 times the pre-war average, the National Industrial Conference Board (a private organization) said recently.

The rate of fuel exports this year is compared with the average for 1935-39 in a chart series released by the board as one of its "road maps for industry".

Shipments of coal and coke totaled 26,500,000 tons for the first eight months of 1947, the report said. Of the total 89.8 percent was bituminous coal, 9.7 percent anthracite and 0.5 percent coke.

France and Italy together, the report declared, received more than half of these shipments, with 32.4 percent going to the former and 22.6 percent to the latter nation.

RUHR COAL PRODUCTION UP

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---Coal production in the Ruhr has mounted to 274,000 tons a day, it was announced recently. The spurt is credited by both Allied and German officials to an incentive plan giving bonuses of food and clothing to men who dig coal.

The new output is an increase of 44,000 tons a day over the August figure, and 54,000 over the May-June-July average.

German coal export allocations for the final quarter of 1947 have been set at 2,889,000 tons, an increase of more than 500,000 tons over the third quarter.

LOAN PROPOSED FOR UN HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---The General Assembly budget committee has voted 36-0 to accept a United States offer of a \$65,000,000 interest-free loan to finance construction of a permanent United Nations headquarters in Manhattan, New York. The move already has been approved by the Assembly's Executive Board.

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committee and now goes to the full Assembly for a final vote. The loan is subject to approval by the United States Congress.

U.S. COTTON CROP ESTIMATE REDUCED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---A U.S. cotton crop of 11,505,000 bales is predicted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on basis of reports as of November 1. Production in 1946 was 8,640,000 bales and the ten-year average was 12,390,000.

The new estimate is 3,000 bales below earlier forecasts, partly because of frequent rains during October in the Carolinas, which reduced the grade of unharvested cotton and interfered with picking, resulting in some loss in production. In all other producing areas, October weather was exceptionally favorable and good progress was made in harvesting and ginning.

Cotton got off to slow start this year in many areas, the report said, and continued generally later than average through July, but dry weather during mid-summer and early fall hastened maturity of the crop, and much of the early season lateness was overcome.

ARGENTINA GETS ONE OF WORLD'S LARGEST DREDGES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---One of the largest head suction dredges in the world was turned over to the Argentine government recently.

The 3,100 ton vessel, which has a capacity of 5,000 cubic yards an hour when operating in soft silt or river mud, was received for the Argentine government by Francesco Villafane, chairman of the technical committee for the Ministry of Public Works.

The dredge, along with tenders, pipe and other equipment, represents an investment of \$4,200,000, according to the builder.

Two hundred feet in length and 50 feet in beam, the dredge has accommodations for 76 officers and men. It has 10,000 horsepower, including 6,000 on the pump and 2,000 on the cutter head, the latter the most powerful ever built, Villafane said.

1947 TO BE GREAT BURGUNDY YEAR, SAY WINEGROWERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---The year 1947 will be one of the "great Burgundy years of the century" according to the judgment of the winegrowers committee of the Burgundy region. Committee members attended the annual sale of vintage of the Hospices de Beaune, Burgundy wine center.

Dry weather permitted grapes to develop a high degree of sugar and the wines will also be exceptionally strong in alcohol, the committee said.

The sale of sample lots of the vintage reached the highest figure on record at 18,247,000 francs. Individual lots brought lower prices than last year, but completion offering was larger than in previous years because of the abundance of harvest.

Baron Jules Guillaume, the Belgian Ambassador to France, presided at the event, which was attended by many Americans, Swiss, British, Belgians and Netherlands.

JOHN BASSETT MOORE DIES AT 86

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, (USIS)---John Bassett Moore, 86, recognized authority on international law and first American to be elected to the Permanent Court of International Justice at the Hague, died recently in New York.

After creation of the League of Nations, when the Permanent Court of International Justice, called also the World Court, was organized in 1921, Judge Moore was one of its first judges. Judge Moore wrote authoritative volumes on international law, extradition and conflict of laws and diplomacy.

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TROPICAL STORM "GLADYS" EXPECTED TO PASS OVER IWO JIMA TONIGHT

Tropical storm "Gladys" was centered 300 miles southwest of Iwo Jima at 9 o'clock this morning, moving northeast at 15 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. The storm is expected to pass over Iwo Jima at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning. Maximum surface winds near the center of the storm are 50 miles per hour, but are expected to decrease to 45 miles per hour by 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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COMMUNITY CHEST GOAL SET AT 686,800,000 YEN

The first united fund campaign to raise money for private welfare and relief agencies will begin Nov. 25 and will attempt to reach its goal of 686,800,000 yen before the close of the campaign on Dec. 25, Milton J. Evans of SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section said today.

A quota has been set for all of the prefectures except those four in the Kanto Region which suffered extensive damages and hardships in the recent flood. The quotas range from 35,000,000 yen for Hokkaido to 3,000,000 yen for some of the smaller prefectures.

Funds obtained in the campaign will be allocated to participating private welfare and relief agencies to be used by them at their own discretion and without interference, unless there is evidence of defalcation or unwarranted expenditures, Mr. Evans said.

"The campaign does not mean," he explained, "that the responsibility of the Government to provide care and relief for indigents is in any way lessened by the work of the private agencies. The funds raised by the Community Chest will not be used where government funds are obligated but will be used to raise standards of care, improve personnel practices, and for the repair and procurement of properties necessary for efficient operation of the private agencies."

The campaign will utilize the radio, motion pictures, posters and the press to inform the public of the nature of the services rendered by the agencies and to appeal for the support needed to carry on and improve these services.

Three names will be used for purposes of clarity. "Community Chest" will be used in Romaji and "Interdependence" and "Help Each Other" will be used in Nihongo.

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FRANK E. PICKELLE TO REPRESENT SCAP AT U.N. CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Frank E. Pickelle, acting chief of the Foreign Trade Division, SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, will depart by air Sunday for Havana, Cuba, to represent SCAP at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment. During his absence, Russell W. Hale, special assistant in the Foreign Trade Division, will serve as acting chief.

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ENTIRE QUANTITY OF AGAR-AGAR MADE AVAILABLE
BY BOEKI CHO ALREADY COMMITTED

Commitments already have been made for the entire quantity of 750,000 pounds of agar-agar which Boeki Cho, the Japanese Government's official Board of Trade, made available Wednesday for purchase by foreign buyers, the Foreign Trade Division of SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section reported today. Shipments will be made during the next five months.

No additional quantities of Japanese agar-agar will be allocated to export until May, 1948, when the new crop will be available. New offerings from the 1948 crop for export in May, June and July, and new prices will be announced in the middle of April.

Japan is the leading world source of agar-agar, a vegetable compound extracted from seaweed.

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SCAP DIRECTS RELEASE OF EXCESSIVE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STOCKS
NOW RETAINED BY FIRST AND SECOND DEMOBILIZATION BUREAUS

SCAP today ordered the Japanese Government to release excessive stocks of petroleum products now retained by the First and Second Demobilization Bureaus. The stocks must be used to aid in the recovery of the Japanese civilian economy, SCAP directed.

Reports were received by SCAP that excessive stocks of these petroleum products, formerly owned by the Japanese army and navy, were being retained by the First and Second Demobilization Bureau.

The First Demobilization Bureau, which handled the return of Japanese army personnel to civilian life, now deals exclusively with repatriates who were formerly in the Japanese army. The Second Demobilization Bureau, which has performed similar services for former Japanese navy personnel, now is in the process of dissolution.

SCAP ordered the Japanese Government to have inventories prepared for all petroleum products in the hands of the First and Second Demobilization Bureaus. Excess inventories in the two agencies' hands were ordered turned over to the Petroleum Distribution Kodan for use in the Japanese civilian economy. In the future, reports must be prepared showing the quantity and type of petroleum products on hand and being used by the two demobilization bureaus.

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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS: Chester Hepler, Assistant Director of the United States Employment Service, on temporary duty here as a consultant to the Labor Division, ESS, SCAP, will discuss the new Japanese Employment Security Bill (passed in the Diet late yesterday afternoon) at a press conference tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in Studio 5, Radio Tokyo Building.

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SCAP OFFICIAL PRAISES ESTABLISHMENT OF CHILD WELFARE LAW

Public responsibility for the care and welfare of Japanese children was established yesterday when the Diet unanimously passed the Child Welfare Law, Irvin H. Markuson, Child Welfare Consultant for SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section, said.

"Under the provisions of this law," Mr. Markuson explained, "national and local public bodies, as well as parents and guardians, are now responsible for the healthy growth and security of Japanese children and the care of expectant and nursing mothers."

"The backbone of the new legislation is the establishment of national and prefectural child welfare boards. These boards will be charged with the duty of making extensive studies of the needs of Japanese children and will give detailed reports and advice concerning those needs to the appropriate welfare officials."

The national or central Child Welfare Board will be composed of not more than 40 members and will be responsible to the Minister of Health and Welfare. The local boards, consisting of 20 members, will answer to prefectural governors. Members of all boards will be carefully selected as to educational qualifications, experience, or special welfare training, and board chairmen will be elected by board members.

"Recognizing that welfare work must be conducted with first-hand knowledge of existing conditions, the law provides for the hiring of child welfare workers at prefectural levels," Mr. Markuson explained. "These workers will promote the welfare of needy children and expectant and nursing mothers by acting as their counsellors and by securing appropriate aid for them when it is needed. The status of child welfare workers will be that of prefectural officials, and they will work under the direction of prefectural welfare officials who are cognizant of their positions and duties."

Provides Child Welfare Station in Each Prefecture

Among the most progressive provisions of the law is the one which directs the establishment of a child welfare station in each prefecture. A station director and several staff officials will be on duty at all times to give consultation service, recommend proper placement of orphaned children in foster homes and institutions, assist in health examinations, and offer general guidance and advice to needy and troubled persons.

A long-range plan of welfare action is set-up in the maternal and child health program which is outlined in the law. This program authorizes free medical services to those unable to pay for them and urges needy persons to take advantage of such services. It provides additional food and other necessary supplies for expectant and nursing mothers and assures free obstetrical service in maternity agencies for those unable to afford such professional care.

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This program also embraces the child care field and provides care for neglected or abused children; foster homes for orphaned or homeless children; and protection for children against exploitation and harmful occupations. In addition, the maternal and child health program provides for licensing and periodic inspection of children's institutions in order that minimum standards of sanitation, food service, recreation, and daily living facilities will be continually upheld.

The new Child Welfare Law also provides for appeals to the National Child Welfare Board on decisions made at local board levels and offers matching funds to local governments for establishment and operation of children's institutions.

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WINDS OF 35 TO 40 MILES PER HOUR EXPECTED ON IWO JIMA TODAY

Storm "Gladys" was centered 75 miles southwest of Iwo Jima at 3 o'clock this morning, moving east-northeast at 20 miles per hour, the 43d Weather Wing announced. The storm is expected to pass 60 miles south of Iwo Jima around noon today, with winds of 35 to 40 miles per hour on Iwo Jima at that time. "Gladys" is expected to be centered 420 miles east-northeast of Iwo by 3 a.m. tomorrow. Strongest winds near the center of the storm are 50 miles per hour.

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TWO PROMINENT AMERICAN LIBRARY EXPERTS TO VISIT JAPAN TO ASSIST IN ESTABLISHMENT OF JAPANESE NATIONAL DIET LIBRARY

Following a request from SCAP for loan of U. S. library experts to aid in setting up a Japanese National Diet library, arrangements have been made for the visit here of two of America's most prominent library experts to advise the Japanese government, it was announced today.

The experts are Vernon W. Clapp, Chief Assistant Librarian in the U. S. Library of Congress, and Charles H. Brown, librarian of Iowa State College in Ames, Ia., since 1922. They are expected to arrive in Japan early in December for a three months stay.

Members of the present Japanese administration first approached General MacArthur's chief of staff more than two months ago with a request for permission to set up a comprehensive library for the Japanese National Diet. The move was approved and War Department agencies were requested to seek out the best library experts available to come to Japan as advisers to Japanese agencies.

Mr. Clapp and Mr. Brown will work with Paul J. Burnett, chief of the Libraries Branch in the Civil Information and Education Section's Education Division, as well as with library committees in the Japanese House of Representatives and House of Councillors.

Mr. Clapp joined the Library of Congress staff as a reference assistant in 1922 and remained in that position until 1937, when he became Assistant Superintendent of Reading Rooms, a position he held until 1940. In 1938 he had taken on the additional duties of Assistant Director of the Books for the Adult Blind Division, another section of the Library of Congress. From 1940 to 1947 he moved progressively from Assistant to the Librarian, to Director of the Acquisitions Department, to Chief Assistant Librarian. He has represented the Library of Congress several times at international conferences.

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Mr. Brown was an assistant in the Library of Congress from 1901 to 1903, and since that time has served in various library assignments at John Crerar Library, Chicago; Brooklyn, N. Y., Public Library; and in the U. S. Navy.

He became Iowa State College librarian in 1922, and from 1933 to 1938 was a member of the summer school faculty at the School of Library Service, Columbia University. He was president of the Iowa Library Association in 1928 and 1929.

From 1928 to 1930 he also served as consulting expert on libraries in the Land Grant College Survey conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Education. He was president of the American Library Association from 1941 to 1942. His home is at 317 Lynn Ave., Ames, Iowa.

DRAWINGS TO BE HELD FOR CHRISTMAS CALLS HOME

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Telephone calls to the United States, limited to 386 three-minute calls during the 72 hour period from 5 p. m. Dec. 24 to 5 p. m. Dec. 27, will be allotted to the winners of the lotteries held by the commanding generals of divisions, corps and the Fifth Air Force here in Japan, the Eighth Army Signal Section announced today.

Applications for the lotteries, to be procured at local signal offices, will be accepted until Dec. 5. The drawings will be held on or about Dec. 10, and the winners will be notified prior to Dec. 15.

Overseas telephone offices are located in Sapporo, Sendai, Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kyoto and Osaka. Personnel of the 24th Infantry Division will submit their applications to the signal office at Kokura, but the calls will be made at Osaka.

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PRESS RELEASE:

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NEW EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW CALLED ONE OF THE MOST ADVANCED IN THE WORLD

A SCAP Labor official, speaking at a conference for the Japanese press today, praised the Employment Security Law passed Thursday by the Diet and called upon Japanese authorities for its proper administration and enforcement.

Chester W. Hepler, Chief, Manpower Branch, Labor Division, Economic and Scientific Section, told newspapermen the new law contained the necessary authority and guiding principles for one of the most advanced employment security and manpower utilization programs in the world.

He warned, however, that the best law in the world "might as well be an ancient imperial rescript in a museum unless both government officials and the people have the will and skill to make it a living thing."

Hepler pointed out that the new legislation, together with the Labor Standards Law, outlaws the Japanese practice of recruitment of virtual slave labor in factories and mines and boss control of large groups of workers.

He singled out as important provisions of the law those portions which strengthen the new free public employment security offices, authorize subsidies and technical assistance in out-of-school vocational training programs, and prohibit or restrict undemocratic and archaic recruitment practices.

Five aspects of the law designed to eliminate abuses and rackets connected with labor practices were listed by Hepler as follows:

(1) Outlawing of fee-charging employment agencies except specially licensed agencies for such specialized workers as artists, musicians, entertainers, scientific and professional persons.

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- (2) Controlling of non-fee-charging agencies operated only by permission of the Labor Minister upon recommendation of the National Employment Security Advisory Committee.
- (3) Prevention of employers or their agents from recruiting workers outside the immediate area where job opportunities exist except by express Labor Ministry permission.
- (4) Forbidding the operation of a "labor supply project," by other than bonafide labor unions as authorized by the Labor Minister.
- (5) Prohibiting the charging of a fee to recruited workers and stipulating that regular employees of any firm may receive only their normal salaries, plus incidental expenses. Agents other than regular employees may be paid only after approval by the Labor Ministry.

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Y. W. C. A. DELEGATES HONORED AT RECEPTION

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--A special reception was given here Thursday by the BCOF Y. W. C. A. in honor of the visiting delegates to the World Council of the Y. W. C. A., which met recently in China, and later at the Kawana Hotel, BCOF leave center, Japan. Miss Jean Begg, Director of Y. W. C. A. Welfare in the Far East, was hostess.

Guests of honor were Miss Helen Roberts, General Secretary of World Y. W. C. A., of Great Britain; Miss Margaret Forsythe, of the Division of the U. S. A.; Miss Leina Bridgman, National Secretary of the Australian Y. W. C. A.; Miss Mildred Roe of U. S. A., and Miss S. Hikaru, National Secretary of the Japanese.

There were 120 other guests, including Mrs. H. C. H. Robertson, wife of General Robertson, Commander-in-Chief, BCOF, many servicewomen and wives of servicemen.

The guests of honor talked on the work of the Y. W. C. A. in the world, while Miss Hikaru spoke of Y. W. C. A. activities in Japan. She said that the Japanese Y. W. C. A. had gradually closed down its activities during the war because of its international nature, but that it functions again today, and, in its reestablishment, received great encouragement at the recent conference at Kawana through the exchange of experiences with the world delegates.

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TOO MANY NATIONAL TREASURE DESIGNATIONS WILL REDUCE
REGARD FOR ANCIENT JAPANESE ART, SCAP OFFICIAL ASSERTS

Standards of Japan's national treasures will sink to the level of "not very interesting archeological pieces" unless greater selectivity is shown in designating art objects as national treasures, Mr. Charles F. Gallagher, a SCAP CI&E official, told the Kyoto National Treasures Society today.

He warned that the reputation of ancient Japanese art, now highly regarded in other parts of the world, may deteriorate considerably if Japan designates as national treasures objects or structures simply because they represent local variations of provincial style in each period of Japanese art history.

The problem, Mr. Gallagher pointed out, lies in confusing art history and registration. As examples, he referred to "the Plethora of national wood sculptures of Chishodaishi at Onjoji, where three manifestations of the same Buddhist saint, all highly repetitious in style and period, are registered as national treasures."

Foreign art objects, chiefly Chinese, which have come into Japan in the past several decades comprise another questionable group for designation as national treasures, the SCAP official said.

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"It is quite reasonable to make a national treasure of a Chinese painting that has been in Japan for several hundred years and has a long Japanese tradition behind it, but it is questionable that Chinese objects which came here during the twentieth century should be so designated," Mr. Gallagher explained.

He contrasted the El Greco painting, bought during this century by M. Ohara of Okayama, with another national treasure, the Hasekura Tsunenaga portrait, which has been a part of the heritage of the Date family and Japan since it was painted in 1614 by a Roman artist when Tsunenaga, a Date retainer, visited Rome as an emissary to the Vatican.

The official told the society that the national treasure system in Japan, while a necessary aid in protecting her unusual heritage of fine art, has been misused if an art object has been designated merely to prevent its export from Japan. He reiterated that the export of national treasures and important art objects from Japan is contrary to the policy of SCAP, which has the responsibility of preserving the cultural treasures of Japan.

At present, approximately 7,951 national treasures (and 8,798 "important art objects" are registered with the Ministry of Education. Included in the latter group are more than 264 art objects registered since the end of the war.

Some members of the Kyoto National Treasure Society are also members of the Ministry's National Registration Committee, which controls designation of paintings, sculpture, literary documents and calligraphy, swords, structures, and archeological objects as national treasures.

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172D STATION HOSPITAL MOVES TO SENDAI

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--The 172d Station Hospital has completed its move from Camp Schimmelpfennig, near Sendai, to a large five story building in Sendai. Less than a dozen of the approximately 100 patients had to be transported as litter cases. The remaining patients were moved the three miles distance by bus.

The 250 bed hospital serves troops in the IX Corps area.

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FIRE DESTROYS GIFU R. T. O. OFFICE

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN GIFU--Fire destroyed the Gifu R. T. O. office here yesterday afternoon. No injuries to personnel were reported.

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MAJOR SENTENCED TO DISMISSAL FOR USING EXTRA PX CARDS

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--For illegally using and possessing excess Eighth Army ration cards, Major Ernest P. Wilson, 1021 Daly Street, Columbia, S. C., formerly of Central Records Depot, No. 4, Headquarters, Eighth Army, was tried by a general court-martial and sentenced to total forfeiture of pay and allowances and dismissal from the service. His case is subject to review in its entirety by Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Eighth Army Commander.

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Evidence in the trial showed that Major Wilson received and receipted for Eighth Army post exchange ration cards for distribution to the personnel under his command at the Records Depot. Investigation of the matter disclosed that he was short of cards, some of which he claimed he never received from the Adjutant General's office. Of the other missing cards, no adequate explanation was made as to their whereabouts.

Testimony in the trial revealed that Major Wilson and two civilian employees assigned to the Record Depot who acted as his agents, used the cards to make purchases at the Customs Building Post Exchange, for the accused.

Post Exchange employees of the customs building exchange reported the excessive purchases of rationed goods by the civilian employees to the C. I. D., who conducted the investigation.

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46 JAPANESE SUSPECTED OF WAR CRIMES, TO FACE TRIAL MONDAY

The mass trial of 46 suspected Japanese war criminals, accused of the killing of three American navy airmen, will open before an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama Monday morning, marking the biggest mass arraignment to date by an American military court in the Far East.

The accused, all former Japanese navy personnel, are charged with events which occurred on the Island of Ishigakajima near Okinawa about April 15, 1945, when they captured three American airmen who parachuted to safety from their falling plane.

It is alleged that two of the victims were decapitated, one of them by Otohiko Inoue, former Japanese navy captain who was commander of the small navy garrison at the island.

The victims, whose bodies were buried in the execution pit, were later disinterred, cremated and the ashes tossed into the ocean, it is alleged in the specifications.

The victims were Lt. Vernon L. Tebo, 1512 East Gonzales St., Pensacola, Fla.; AQ 1/c Robert Tuggle, Jr., Box 175, Brownwood, Texas; and Radioman Warren H. Loyd, 68-11 Burns St., Forest Hills, L. I., N. Y.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section will be Lt. Comdr. Emory C. Smith, 1105 Mulberry St., Denton, Texas, E. Walter Guthrie, Los Angeles, Calif., and Joseph Walton, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Counsel for the defense will be headed by Joseph G. Wiman, 250 West 75th Street, New York City, New York.

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FIRE DESTROYS IX CORPS HEADQUARTERS SUPPLY ROOM

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--Fire of unknown origin destroyed the supply room of Headquarters, IX Corps here yesterday.

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FORMER COMMANDER OF POW CAMP O'DONNELL SENTENCED
TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT AT HARD LABOR FOR WAR CRIMES

Found guilty of contributing to the deaths of numerous American prisoners of war, and of permitting his subordinates to unlawfully kill numerous others, Yoshi Tsuneyoshi, former Japanese Army captain was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor by an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama yesterday.

Tsuneyoshi, who served as Camp Commander at Camp O'Donnell, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during 1942, was charged on counts of permitting and sanctioning members of his command to unlawfully kill American POWs. He was also found guilty of permitting American POWs to perform manual labor while sick and diseased and physically unable to perform such labor.

Listed among the victims who succumbed at Camp O'Donnell, where the "Bataan Death March" ended, are members of the 200th New Mexico Coast Artillery Regiment who were captured in the heroic defense of the harbor posts in Manila Bay.

During the course of the trial, defense counsel established that before the death march, the American POWs had been on a one meal a day diet of bare essentials and were suffering from malaria and dysentery. Tsuneyoshi had been given 30 days in which to prepare a new camp for 20,000 prisoners. On the eighth day of the 30, before his 23 men had completed digging a well, 70,000 American and Filipino survivors of the death march, arrived at the camp. The defense contended that the accused, who was absent from his camp for several hours a day in an effort to procure food and medical supplies, was to some extent relieved of his command responsibility for the conduct of the camp. The defense held also that guards, sent to help handle the American prisoners during this period, had committed atrocities without Tsuneyoshi's knowledge or consent.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section was Calvin A. Newton Jr., Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The defense counsel was James Lackey, Nashville, Tenn.

Among the victims listed in the charges and specifications were: Pvt. Albert Peterson, (deceased), Prescott, Wisconsin; Pvt. Robert Wright (deceased), 316 No. Main St., Wellington, Ohio; Pvt. William Gilbert (deceased), Fort Worth, Texas; Lt. Col. Ralph Hirsch (deceased), Pascagoula, Miss.; Maj. James H. Hazelwood (deceased), Albuquerque, New Mexico; Capt. William Schultz (deceased), Albuquerque, New Mexico; Capt. Reynaldo F. Gonzales (deceased), Taos, New Mexico; Capt. Eddie T. Kemp (deceased), Albuquerque, New Mexico; S/Sgt. John A. Keeler (deceased), Deming, New Mexico; Pvt. Barney E. Prosser (deceased), Deming, New Mexico; Pvt. Charleston J. Miller (deceased), Gallup, New Mexico; Col. Stanley L. James, 820 Hayes St., San Antonio, Texas; and Col. Memory H. Cain, 600 South Granite Ave., Deming, New Mexico. The latter two were witnesses for the prosecution.

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OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES STAGE INTENSIVE DRIVE
AGAINST "SMALL TIME" BLACK MARKET OPERATORS

The relatively large number of violations of regulations has caused occupation authorities throughout Japan to stage an intensive drive against the small black market operators among occupation personnel and employees. Post exchange operations are receiving special attention.

Methods used by the "small time operators" are well known to Criminal Investigation Division officials. Some of these "operators" buy "limited" items in great quantity by returning to the same counter many times in one day, with cosmetics and tobacco the favorite items for this sort of practice. One person was known to have bought 25 jars of face cream in one day.

Others are known to contact clerks in the post exchange after hours to work out schemes for getting extra rations, or for special considerations in the purchase of unrationed items. They have been known to suggest that clerks "forget" to punch their ration cards. It has been noted that many customers purchase clothing items regardless of size, usually in small sizes which can be of use to Japanese.

There are also instances of Japanese counter clerks who short change purchasers a few cents at a time, and thus accumulate occupation currency which they later turn over to occupation personnel to purchase black market items for them.

C.I.D. investigators, with the help of post exchange officials and other occupation authorities, have a broad program to seek out the "small-time operator". Spot checks of post exchange items in possession of individuals will be numerous. Supervision within stores are more rigid, with special spotters employed. The repeat purchases of limited items will cause trial of the offenders. Sources of yen spent on the Japanese market are also checked, it was announced.

Several specific cases of individual deals have already been discovered and persons involved have been prosecuted and punished. Others are now under investigation.

Occupation authorities further emphasized that the authorization to purchase at Army Exchanges is a privilege, and that the continued abuse of these privileges will necessitate rationing of additional items in accordance with actual requirements and will result in the revocation of individual authorizations as well as appropriate disciplinary action.

It was further pointed out that it is the duty of all members of the Occupation to report individuals noted in any irregular transaction to the Military Police, the Exchange officer or his representative. The PX officer is authorized to take up the PX card of the offender pending further investigation.

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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS: Tony Kaye, Radio Unit, C.I. & E., SCAP, will discuss "Organization of Radio Listener's Groups" at a press conference at 11 o'clock this morning in Studio 5, Radio Tokyo Building.

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U. S. A. T. GENERAL WEIGEL SAILS FROM YOKOHAMA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Sailing yesterday afternoon from 2d Major Port was the General Weigel, U. S. Army Transport. The Funston, another Army Transport vessel, is scheduled to depart this afternoon.

A total of 1,962 passengers were embarked aboard the Weigel, including 1,787 troops, 49 officers, 98 dependents, 25 Department of Army Civilians, and three American Red Cross workers.

The Funston's passenger list is made up of 1,056 troops, 58 officers, 56 general prisoners, 98 dependents, and one Red Cross worker.

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COACH OF 24TH DIVISION CAGERS NAMED

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOKURA--Lt. Pat Crizer, former West Point cage star, will coach the 24th Infantry Division's basketball team in the American Basketball League of Japan campaign this winter.

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SCAP AUTHORIZES CONTINUANCE OF REGISTERING NON-JAPANESE WOMEN WHO ENTER COUNTRY WITH JAPANESE HUSBANDS AS JAPANESE

SCAP today authorized the Japanese Government to continue registering as Japanese those non-Japanese women who enter Japan with their Japanese husbands.

It was pointed out, however, that Korean men, and men of other nationalities, who have married Japanese women, are not authorized entry into Japan merely because of such a marriage.

SCAP ordered the Japanese Government not to accept illegal entrants' applications for registration of their marriage, but to treat them as other non-Japanese males under illegal entry regulations.

SCAP authorities, as in the past, will continue to furnish the Japanese Government with names of those non-Japanese nationals, not part of the Occupation Forces, granted permission to enter Japan.

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TWO SOLDIERS CONVICTED OF RAPING JAPANESE WOMAN

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN CAMP CRAWFORD--Pvt. William Higgs, 18, Concord, New Hampshire, and Pfc David R. Mac Nevin, 22, Lyons, Georgia, both of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 187th G. I. R., were convicted of rape of a Japanese woman and sentenced to life imprisonment, dishonorable discharge and total forfeiture of all pay due or to become due, at Camp Crawford, Hokkaido, Friday.

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The case, in its entirety, is subject to review by Maj. Gen. Joseph M. Swing, Commanding General of the 11th Airborne Division.

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OIL BURNING RANGE EXPLODES IN MESS HALL AT SENDAI

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--Personnel of the mess hall of the 1st Battalion, 163th Parachute Infantry, stationed at Camp Schimmelpfennig here, narrowly escaped injury when an oil burning range exploded yesterday. No injuries were reported and the slight damage did not disrupt mess hall operations.

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APO 309 CHALKS UP IX CORPS CAGE CONFERENCE VICTORY

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--With Herb Agase, Evanston, Ill., contributing 16 points to the cause, APO 309 defeated the 2d Region C. I. C., 35 to 31, in an IX Corps Basketball Conference game here last week.

Special Service downed the 54th Engineer Maintenance Co., 46 to 33, in the second game. Lavern Hiebert, Salem, Oregon, and Paul Wright, Big Rapids, Mich., led the winners with 13 and 12 points, respectively, while Walter Latus, De Pere, Wis., was high for the losers with 12.

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U. S. A. T. THISTLE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE WEDNESDAY

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The Thistle, U. S. Army Transport arriving from Seattle, is scheduled to dock here Wednesday, 2d Major Port announced this morning.

The transport is scheduled to debark a total of 196 dependents in addition to 41 DAC's, 43 enlisted men and six officers.

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U.S. REDUCES TARIFFS

WASHINGTON, November 23, (USIS)---Tariff reductions granted by the United States in a 23-nation general agreement on tariffs and trade, which was signed in Geneva October 30 range up to 50 percent of present rates on major imports. United States concessions were made on some 3400 items. In 1939 United States imports of these items had a value of \$1,766,500,000 and represented 78 percent of total United States imports in that year.

The new reductions will bring the general level of United States tariff schedules down to about 16 percent of the value of United States imports subject to duty, according to unofficial trade estimates. This would reduce the United States tariff level to the lowest point in 34 years, or to approximately the same level as in Underwood tariff act of 1913.

Among outstanding reductions in United States tariff from present levels are:

Wool, 25 percent, or from 34 cents a pound to 25 cents; Scotch and Canadian whisky, 40 percent, or from \$2.50 to \$1.50 a gallon; beef and veal, 50 percent; butter, 50 percent, depending upon quota; sugar, 33 1/3 percent; rayon and staple fiber, 20 percent; and copper, 50 percent.

Rubber and newsprint are held to their present "free" basis. Woolens and worsteds are reduced to 25 percent from 35 and 45 percent, with the right to increase them being reserved if imports rise above 5 percent of United States production. Cattle has been maintained at present duty levels, but the import quota has been increased.

Other products on which the United States has made major tariff cuts include all softwood lumber, Portland cement, wheat and wheat flour, bauxite, quicklime, high-quality furs, jute, burlap, manganese ore, textile machinery, photograph film, steel products, electrical items, gasoline, brandy, wines, perfumes and fine silks.

Of the \$1,766,500,000 of imports (based on 1939 trade figures) on which concessions were made by the United States, \$1,336,700,000 or 76 percent came from 22 other countries participating in the general trade and tariff agreement.

Total dutiable imports in 1939 were \$906,500,000. Concessions were made by the United States on \$636,400,000 or 70 percent of total dutiable imports. Of this \$636,400,000, \$543,100,000 or 85 percent came from participating countries.

Existing rates of duty were bound by the United States on imports accounting for \$128,900,000 or 20 percent of total dutiable imports, were reduced less than 25 percent on \$60,300,000, were reduced 25 to 35 percent on \$174,500,000, and were reduced 35 to 50 percent on \$272,700,000.

In return, the United States received lower tariff rates on many of its exports, including grain, fruit, automobiles and machinery. An analysis by the State Department estimated concessions obtained by the United States cover exports valued at \$1,192,300,000. This figure includes only those products of which the United States is principal supplier to participating countries. Concessions on items of which the United States is only secondary supplier are estimated at more than \$200,000,000.

The State Department's analysis pointed out that the general agreement will replace reciprocal trade agreements which the United States already has with a number of the participating countries, namely, Belgium, Luxembourg, Canada, Cuba, France, Netherlands, and the United Kingdom. It says supplementary bilateral agreements have therefore been concluded with these countries making existing trade agreements inoperative for such time as the United States and the other country concerned are both parties to the general agreement.

Other participating countries are Australia, Brazil, Burma, Ceylon, Chile, Czechoslovakia, India, customs union of Lebanon and Syria, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, China, Southern Rhodesia, and Union of South Africa.

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"From every point of view," the analysis concludes, "the general agreement is unprecedented in scope and importance in the history of international trade. It is a demonstration of the kind of constructive work that the United Nations can do in the economic field. The general agreement is the first major step to be taken by important nations to reverse the trend toward trade restriction and economic isolation which has persisted throughout the world since the first World War. It establishes liberal commercial policies for all of the leading trading nations."

"Announcement of this general agreement should create an auspicious atmosphere for opening of the United Nations conference on trade and employment scheduled for Havana on November 21, and within the long-term framework which it establishes, it should be possible for the reconstruction of Europe under the Marshall plan to proceed with more confidence that the efforts to restore world economy will not again be defeated by commercial warfare between the great trading powers."

UN PERSONNEL INVITED TO U.S. HOMES FOR CHRISTMAS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23, (USIS)---About 250 employees and delegation members of the United Nations will spend a three day Christmas holiday as community guests in private homes in Binghamton, Endicott and Johnson City, New York State.

Residents of the three cities, informed recently of the lonely Christmas spent last year by many members of the secretariat and delegations, are issuing invitations to those who want to "join the family" in a typical American Christmas of carol singing, turkey dinners and midnight services.

A special train will take the guests from New York on the afternoon of December 24 in time for arrival at various homes for Christmas eve supper, toasts and the family ceremony of decorating the tree. From that moment until the 250 board their train on December 27 for return to New York they will be "just some of the family" visiting for Christmas.

An international Christmas party will be the tri-cities gesture of reciprocity for hospitality extended to their sons and daughters by many families during war time Christmases.

Major Jan Eisenhart of Canada, United Nations director of secretariat welfare, said the idea is a most welcome one to unite the personnel because "many of them passed miserable Christmases here last year, in furnished rooms, hotels and one room apartments." Altogether there are more than 3,000 clerks, interpreters, typists and other secretariat personnel from 57 nations. Two hundred or more who will participate in the "tri-city" party, he said, will be men and women who have no children and no families here.

CHILDREN ARE HOPE FOR SANER WORLD

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23, (USIS)---The United Nations should turn its attention to children to break down prejudices and "develop a saner world," Professor Gordon W. Allport, Harvard psychologist, told the Institute for Religious and Social Studies in Boston recently.

He called on the United Nations to "consult the social scientist," and added: "We can develop a saner world by focusing more attention on the welfare of children, because in from 12 to 25 years we can develop in them loyalties and moral attitudes. Only in this way can we overcome prejudices and hostilities of parents."

PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR RECEIVES GIFT FROM MOSCOW

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23, (USIS)---A lacquered desk set, gift of the Moscow Philharmonic Society, was presented to Eugene Ormandy, conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra, in ceremonies at Carnegie Hall recently. The set was given in appreciation of gifts of strings, reeds and parts that Philadelphia sent to Moscow musicians during the war, enabling them to continue performances.

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GENERAL FOX DEPARTS FOR WASHINGTON, D. C.

Brig. Gen. Alonzo P. Fox, deputy chief of staff, SCAP, left Tokyo by air yesterday for Washington, D. C., where he will be on temporary duty for routine conferences.

During his absence, Brig. Gen. Paul E. Peabody will be acting deputy chief of staff, SCAP.

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COLONEL BROWN NAMED G-4 OF I CORPS HEADQUARTERS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KYOTO---Lt. Col. Travis T. Brown, Auburn, Ala., has been named Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, of I Corps, succeeding Lt. Col. Evan M. Houseman, Marietta, Ohio, who has returned to the United States for reassignment.

Colonel Brown, a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, served with the 2d Armored Division during the war.

Lt. Col. Joseph C. Toy, Los Angeles, Calif., will replace Colonel Brown as I Corps Quartermaster.

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IX CORPS M. P. PLATOON ELEVEN TRIUMPHS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI---Paced by the passing attack of Lt. Lyle Kurasaki, Salt Lake City, to Jimmy Wray, Newcastle, Texas, the IX Corps Military Police Platoon eleven defeated IX Corps Headquarters Co., 20 to 6, here Saturday in an IX Corps Football Conference game.

A blocked punt set up the pins for the first M. P. touchdown, Wray plunging off-tackle for the tally. Kurasaki converted. Headquarters came back with its lone score on a 60 yard drive, including a 50 yard sprint by Alfred Goertzen, Clatskanie, Oregon, who later smashed across.

A Kurasaki to Wray pass netted 50 yards and the second M. P. touchdown, and Kurasaki connected with a heave to Leroy Wook, Allentown, Pa., for the third marker.

Standouts for the losers included Ralph Buttyan, Gilsonia, Pa., and Jack Shields, Portland, Oregon.

Camp Loeper Gridders Win, 18-0

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI---Chalking up 11 first downs to the losers' seven, Camp Loeper's football team conquered the 62d Signal Battalion, 18 to 0, in an IX Corps Football Conference game here yesterday.

Harold Lovett, Bridgeville, Pa., intercepted a pass and ran 40 yards for the first touchdown, then broke loose off-tackle and scampered 20 yards for the second marker. Jerome Langford, Newark, N. J., completed the scoring in the third quarter on a (over)

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I Corps Stars Sideline with Injuries

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KYOTO--Injuries and the departure of team members for the U.S. have dimmed I Corps' hopes for a gridiron victory over the 24th Infantry Division here Thanksgiving. The Bullseyes, currently in third place in the American Football League of Japan standings, will be slight favorites.

John Karras, Argo, Ill., speedy halfback, will be sidelined the remainder of the season because of a leg injury sustained in the game against Fleet Activities, and Jim Hoesley, Luverne, Ala., regular fullback, and Gilbert Bailey, Lombard, Ill., star tackle and the game captain Thursday, are doubtful starters against the Big Green because of injuries sustained in the same game.

Bill Stamper, Los Angeles, Calif., quarterback and one of the best passers in the league, and Herb Wunsch, Monrovia, Calif., second string tackle, have departed for the United States for discharge.

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SHIPMENT OF GUINEA PIGS ARRIVES AT HANEDA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--A shipment of 450 guinea pigs, the first of six separate groups to be sent from the United States for the purpose of replenishing the Japanese breeding stock, arrived by plane at Haneda airfield yesterday, the Eighth Army Surgeon's Section announced this morning.

Eighth Army's only source of experimental pigs, several breeding farms located near Tokyo, was washed out in September when floods overran the area. The new shipments are expected to number 2,500, and are to be cared for at these farms under the surveillance of the 406th General Laboratories in Tokyo.

In charge of yesterday's shipment was M/Sgt. R. L. Stapleton, Frankfort, Kansas, of the Eighth Army Surgeon's Section, who has been in the United States on leave.

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JAPANESE NATIONAL SENTENCED BY YOKOHAMA PROVOST COURT

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Toshihiko Tayake, a Japanese national, has been sentenced by Yokohama Provost Court to two years imprisonment at hard labor for assault and drunkenness, Lt. Col. L. J. Cartwright, presiding judge, announced.

Tayake was apprehended by a member of the 209th M. P. Battalion while riding a bicycle in an intoxicated condition. While enroute to the Yokohama central police station, Tayake pulled an improvised sword on the M. P. After a short struggle, the soldier wrested the weapon from him.

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TWO AMERICAN SOLDIERS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOBE--Pvt. George Hilton, 19, 25527 Lawson Ave., Knoxville, Tenn., and Pfc. Henry Dorian, Jr., 19, 10 Baker Village, Columbus, Ga., were instantly killed here Nov. 15 when the three-quarter ton weapons carrier they were riding in toppled over an embankment. Margrida Luterres, 19, Portugese national living in Kobe, and Takeo Sakaoto, 24, also of Kobe, who were accompanying the American soldiers, were also killed.

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232 ACCIDENTS RECORDED IN EIGHTH ARMY DURING ONE-MONTH PERIOD

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--A total of 232 automobile accidents occurred in the Eighth Army during the period Oct. 21 - Nov. 20, it was announced today by Col. B. F. Hoge, Eighth Army Safety Director. Excessive speeding caused 57 of the accidents.

Eight persons were killed and 71 were injured during the period.

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11TH AIRBORNE AND 1ST CAVALRY TANGLE WITH GHQ. EIGHTH
ARMY IN THANKSGIVING DAY GRIDIRON FEATURES

Football fans of the Tokyo-Yokohama area will be in for a rare Thanksgiving day treat Thursday when the two leaders of the American Football League of Japan, 11th Airborne and 1st Cavalry, clash with GHQ at Tokyo's Nile Kinnick Stadium, and Eighth Army at Yokohama's Lou Gehrig Stadium, respectively.

The Angels, who suffered their first setback since the end of the war this year on the Nile Kinnick turf against 1st Cavalry, will get a second chance to impress Tokyo fans with their clever offensive featuring Mike Bellipani, New Orleans, La., and Arlen Nihart, Gulfport, Miss.

GHQ, now out of the title running with three setbacks, will be a decided underdog. The Athletics have proved tough against the league's better teams, however, and have two constant scoring threats in David Anderson, Los Gatos, Calif., and Frank Myaki, Spokane, Wash.

Superior reserve strength gives 1st Cavalry the edge over Eighth Army at Yokohama.

I Corps, just one game behind the two loop leaders, will be a slight favorite over the 24th Division at Kokura despite injuries. John Karras, Argo, Ill., speedy halfback, is sidelined with an injured leg, and William Stamper, Los Angeles, Calif., one of the best passers in the loop, has returned to the U. S. for discharge. However, the Bullseyes will still possess one of the best pass catchers in the loop in Haro Brue, end from New Orleans, La.

In other games, Fleet Activities is expected to regain its winning ways at the expense of 25th Division at Osaka, and Kobe Base will attempt to shove Fifth Air Force into the cellar of the standings at Nagoya.

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SCAP AUTHORIZES CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL
TRAWLERS AND TUNA BOATS

Additional construction of 26 trawlers and six tuna boats for use by the Japanese fishing industry has been authorized by SCAP for completion within four to six months. Conversion of 24 trawlers and six tuna boats to fish carriers also has been authorized.

The new vessels, which will be built at shipyards throughout Japan, will be used as replacements for worn out and sunken vessels and those so inefficient that they are being converted into fish carriers. G. E. Meyer, chief of the Shipbuilding Branch of the Industrial Division, SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, explained.

SCAP previously has authorized the construction of 813 fishing vessels totaling 149,079 gross tons, of which 623 ships with a tonnage of 79,644 have been completed and 190 with a tonnage of 69,435 are under construction.

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AMERICAN LIBRARY OF CONGRESS EXHIBITING JAPANESE CHILDREN'S BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

A collection of Japanese children's books and magazines is being featured as part of the Children's Book Week exhibition now under way at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., SCAP Civil Information and Education Section officials disclosed today.

The magazines and books, selected for their colorful illustrations, have been loaned for the exhibition by Mr. Frederick G. Melcher, president of the R.R. Bowker Company and publisher of the Publishers' Weekly and Library Journal, who gathered the material when he visited Japan in April as a copyright consultant to SCAP.

The group includes approximately 140 items, all in color and planned for children from pre-school age to high school. Besides elementary picture books, there are story books and instruction books in science, home economics, music and the English language.

MEETINGS OF PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT SECURITY OFFICIALS IN TOKYO WILL CONTRIBUTE
TOWARD MORE DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM OF PROMOTIONS, SCAP OFFICER DECLARES

A month-long series of lecture meetings now being attended in Tokyo by 100 prefectural and local Third Class Public Employment Security officials was described today by a SCAP labor official as a move toward more democratic promotion of government officials.

E.C. McVoy, Labor Division, SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, said the institute, sponsored by the Labor Ministry, marked the first time local officials have been brought to Tokyo for such training.

The attending officials, many of them with long local employment office experience, were recommended for attendance by their prefectural governors, the Labor Ministry explained, and will be given special consideration in promotions open to second class ratings.

All expenses for the "students" during the term, which will end December 5, are being defrayed by the Labor Ministry. Instruction includes all phases of Public Employment Security administrative work, with lectures by SCAP and Japanese labor and employment officials.

The lecture meeting, planned as an annual event, McVoy added, "should result in more persons being placed in positions for which they are best trained and qualified, rather than according to seniority alone or attendance at the right universities."

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He said the Public Employment Security Bureau is continuing work it started during its reorganization last April in breaking down the old traditions against promotions of local officials.

At that time the Bureau made its local officials part of the national organization and, following a recommendation of SCAP's special advisory committee on labor, began promoting capable persons from within its own ranks.

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WESTERN COMPOSITIONS BEING PERFORMED ON JAPANESE MUSIC PROGRAMS

Contemporary western music is beginning to appear more frequently on Tokyo concert and recital programs during the winter season as a result of music scores being made available to Japanese musicians through SCAP's Civil Information and Education Section library.

The next performance of a western composition is set for Thursday in Hibiya Hall when the Toho Symphony orchestra will present "Adagio for Strings," by Samuel Barber, 36-year-old composer of Mount Kisco, N.Y.

Mr. Barber, who wrote his first composition at seven and who ranks as one of the ablest and most gifted of U.S. composers, is represented on a program celebrating the 150th anniversary of Franz Schubert.

"Adagio for Strings" was the first American work ever recorded by Arturo Toscanini and the NEC Symphony and was played on programs throughout Toscanini's South American tour. It will be broadcast later in December from Radio Tokyo.

Harrison Kerr to Serve as Adviser

Georgia's composer, Wallingford Riegger, whose music has greatly influenced the modern dance in the United States, will be represented by his "Trio for Piano, Violin and Cello" on a chamber music program Nov. 30, at Mainichi Hall.

Harrison Kerr, New York City composer currently visiting Japan, has been invited by members of the Nippon Philharmonic to advise them in their interpretation of his own First Symphony. He will work with them in a rehearsal Dec. 1 at their Ebara rehearsal hall to prepare them for a performance of the symphony sometime in January under the baton of J. Odaka.

Mr. Kerr's works have had major performances in a number of cities in the United States and in France and Germany.

Quincy Porter's "Violin and Piano Sonata No. 1" will be played Dec. 14 on a program of the Japan Modern Music Society at Tokyo Academy of Music, Ueno. The program also includes works of Ravel, Lalo, Schmidt and Odaka.

Mr. Porter, formerly on the music faculties at the Cleveland Institute of Music and Vassar College, and dean of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, is now on the faculty at Yale University.

Daniel Gregory Mason, George Gershwin, Godfrey Turner and Roy Harris are other American composers whose works have been played on recent Japanese programs.

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FORMER CIVILIAN GUARD AT JAPANESE POW CAMP SENTENCED

Found guilty of beating and abusing Allied Prisoners of War, Tsutau Kimura, former civilian guard and supervising employee of the Nittetsu Mining Company, Futase, Kyushu, was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment at hard labor by an Eighth Army Military Commission at Yokohama yesterday.

Kimura was found guilty of beating the following prisoners, who were employed at the mines between May, 1943, and September, 1945: Cpl. Edward L. Howe, 4248 Brunswick Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.; Pvt. Edward V. Gould, 3015 Pick Taylor St., Monroe, La.; Pfc. David R. Spooner, 10035 McKinney Ave., Detroit, Mich.; and MM2/c Albert W. Roberts, 9329 Jefferson Ave., Brookfield, Ill.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section was Thomas D. Aitken, San Francisco, Calif. Counsel for the defense was Stanley Blumenfeld, 1586 St. John's Pl., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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24TH DIVISION INSPECTORS SURVEY RECORDS OF PROVOST COURT PRISONERS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOKURA--In accordance with a recent Eighth Army directive, Provost Court officers of the 24th Infantry Division are currently engaged in making an inspection of all Japanese jails, prisons, and other places of detention on Kyushu. The object of the search is to survey the records of all prisoners confined by Occupation authorities, and to equalize to present day levels all excessive sentences. In this way, the consistency of justice as adjudged by Occupation courts will be assured.

Inspection teams on Kyushu will be under the supervision of the Provost Court judges in the respective areas, who are under the direction of Lt. Col. H. K. Greer, Judge Advocate Section, 24th Division.

Sentences imposed by Occupation courts, including those of the 24th Infantry Division and those of the 2d Marine Division, are to be reviewed, covering the entire duration of the Occupation and correlating actions of both forces.

Brig. Gen. A. C. Smith, Assistant 24th Division Commander, accompanied the Kokura area inspector team Friday on their inspection tour of prisons on Futai-shima, an island some 20 miles north of Kokura.

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COLONEL BRENNAN AWARDED BRONZE STAR

Lt. Col. Mark F. Brennan, member of the staff of Secretary, General Staff, GHQ, yesterday afternoon was awarded the Bronze Star by Maj. Gen. Paul J. Mueller, GHQ chief of staff, in the Dai Ichi Building.

Colonel Brennan was decorated "for exemplary action in ground combat against the armed enemy on or about April 28, 1944." He served as battalion commander with the 168th Infantry Regiment in the 34th Infantry Division, which participated in the Naples-Foggia campaign on the winter line and at Cassino. Later he took his battalion to the Anzio Beachhead, and thence moved to the capture of Rome with other units of the Fifth Army.

Colonel and Mrs. Brennan now live in Tokyo. Their home in the United States is at 4630 No. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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JAPANESE NATIONAL KILLED WHEN GRENADE EXPLODES AT IKEGO

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--One Japanese national was instantly killed early yesterday afternoon at Eighth Army's Ikego Ammunition Depot when a rifle grenade exploded in the immediate area where he and a group of other Japanese laborers were working.

No American personnel were working in the area at the time of the explosion.

Six other Japanese received minor injuries when the grenade exploded at 1:45 p.m. The laborers had been clearing the grounds in the magazine area where the chain explosions occurred a week ago.

Mopping up operations were being continued today.

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FIRST CONTINGENT OF GOATS ARRIVES FROM U. S.

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY--Arriving at Yokohama yesterday aboard the cargo vessel Hastings Victory were a total of 191 pure bred and high grade goats, the first contingents of an estimated 1,000 goats expected to arrive from the U. S. by the end of next year. Among the registered animals were Saamen, Nubian, Alpine, and Toggenberg breeds.

The goats are being donated to the Japanese Government by the Brethren Service Committee, New Windsor, Maryland, an organization backed by various religious groups in the United States. This same group sent 25 Holstein bulls to Japan last May to help replenish the Japanese dairy herds, which were greatly diminished during the war years.

Although the ship encountered bad weather while enroute from San Francisco, the shipment arrived in very good shape. Three goats died during the journey and their deaths were explained by Rev. Robert Kay, accompanying veterinarian, as due to cold inoculations administered in Oakland prior to the journey.

In charge of the shipment was Rev. Harry Fox, Chicago, Illinois, who, with other members of his group, will remain in Japan until the goats are turned over to the Japanese. A formal presentation ceremony is expected to be held at the Japanese quarantine station in Yokohama within the next ten days. The goats are now being held at the station in compliance with quarantine health regulations.

Prior to being unloaded, the goats were physically inspected by Col. Henry Hess, Eighth Army veterinarian; Maj. Edward Sunderville, veterinarian officer for Eighth Army Military Government District; and Capt. Jones Child, veterinarian officer for 2d Major Port. Dr. M. W. Scothorn, Veterinary Affairs Division, SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section, was also aboard the Hastings Victory when the shipment of goats were being inspected.

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA COURT OF HONOR TO BE HELD AT YOKOHAMA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Maj. Gen. Clovis E. Byers, Eighth Army Chief of Staff, will be the guest speaker here Friday evening when a Boy Scouts of America Court of Honor will be held at the Yokohama American School. Maj. Francis G. Thompson, Ontario, Calif., will head the court. Presentation of badges and certificates earned by troop members will be made by Lt. R. C. O'Connor, Whitewater, Wisconsin.

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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS: R. A. Hickerson, Chief of the Silk Branch, Textile Division, ESS, will discuss "The Silk Weaving Program" at a press conference this morning at 10 o'clock in Studio 5, Radio Tokyo Building.

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AUSTRALIAN ARTISTS GIVE CONCERT FOR HIROSHIMA COMMUNITY CHEST FUND

HEADQUARTERS BCOP, KURE--More than 2,000 Japanese attended a concert given by Australian Broadcasting Commission artists Miss Flo Paron, Miss W. Hokin, Mr. Neil Marsh and Mr. Ronald Wilkinson at the Hiroshima Girls Mission school.

The object of the recital was to raise funds for the Hiroshima community chest fund. The Australian artists, who are on a tour of Japan to entertain British Commonwealth troops, sacrificed their rest day to give the concert.

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COLONEL COURSEY TO DEPART FOR U. S. TODAY

Col. Richard R. Coursey, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, will leave Tokyo from Haneda airport this afternoon, enroute to the United States for permanent change of station.

He will join Headquarters, First Army, at Governors Island, New York, after a Christmas leave with his mother, Mrs. Adna B. Coursey, at Mount Vernon, Georgia.

Colonel Coursey joined General MacArthur's headquarters in July, 1945, and stepped into the principal planning job of obtaining replacement for the projected invasion of Japan. When the Japanese surrendered, Colonel Coursey supervised the recovery of Allied personnel from prison camps throughout the Far East, and immediately began promulgating personnel policies incident to the occupation. At the same time he was instrumental in the demobilization of hundreds of thousands of troops after the surrender.

Among other responsibilities were the repatriation of allied, neutral and non-Japanese enemy nationals and the establishment of military government in the Ryukyus.

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He was awarded his second oak leaf cluster to the Legion of Merit for his work on General MacArthur's staff from July 9, 1945, to June 20, 1946. During that period he served as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff in the advance echelon of G-1 in Tokyo, Chief of the Plans and Policies Division G-1 and later as Deputy G-1.

A graduate of the U. S. Military Academy in 1919, Colonel Coursey joined the American Occupation Forces in Germany after World War I. Upon returning he attended the Infantry School and, upon completion of the course in 1920, was assigned to the 5th Division and later as Professor of Military Science and Tactics, Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia. He served three years with the Hawaiian Division and then joined the 12th Infantry at Fort Howard, Maryland. Upon completion of a tour as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at University of Michigan, he attended the Command and General Staff School, graduating in 1937 after which he was ordered back to the Military Academy at West Point as Assistant Commandant. In June, 1941, he became Director of Officer Candidates, The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he stayed until August, 1943. The Officer Candidates School completed its wartime expansion and graduated 42,000 second lieutenants under his directorship.

From Fort Benning, Colonel Coursey was called to the War Department General Staff, in Washington, D. C., where he served as Chief of the Officer Branch, G-1, in the War Department General Staff and later as Executive of Personnel Group G-1. He joined the U. S. Army Forces, Pacific, G-1 Section, July 9, 1945.

Colonel Coursey received his first Legion of Merit designation for his part in training infantry officers at Fort Benning. The first Oak Leaf Cluster was awarded him for his personnel work with the War Department General Staff.

At the family reunion in his mother's home at Mount Vernon, Georgia, Colonel Coursey will join members of his family he has not seen in three years. Both his sons, Maj. Richard R. Coursey, Jr., who is stationed with the Strategic Air Force in Washington, D. C., and John W. Coursey, recently discharged after serving as a lieutenant in the 1st Cavalry Division in Tokyo, and now attending the University of Maryland, will be there. A younger brother, Lt. Col. John P. Coursey, reserve group of U. S. Marines at Atlanta, Georgia, also will attend.

Colonel Coursey's wife, Mrs. Wilhelmina A. Coursey, has been with her husband in Japan since June, 1946.

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COMMUNISTS SUFFER SETBACK IN UAW ELECTIONS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---Reelection of Walter Reuther as president of the United Automobile Workers union and the overwhelming indorsement of his program by union members is regarded by labor observers in Washington as indicating United States Labor's aversion to communist activities in the American labor movement.

This feeling of the rank and file of American trade unionists, which was expressed in the voting at the UAW convention was strong enough also to sweep out top officers of the union, who even though they themselves were not communists, had accepted left wing backing.

UAW, which is part of the CIO, has 920,000 members and is one of the world's largest unions. As UAW president, Reuther has in the past faced opposition from the left wing of the union. Left wing leaders were the three other UAW officers: George F. Addes, long time secretary-treasurer; vice president R.J. Thomas, who was president from 1938 to 1946; and vice president Richard T. Leonard.

Forty year old Reuther who is a former General Motors mechanic, received 79 percent of the vote. Reuther candidates won 18 seats on the executive board to the leftists' four.

While Reuther and his followers are strongly anti-communist, they are not rightist. The Washington Star said editorially: "No one should suppose that Reuther is a conservative merely because by UAW standards, he is a right winger. Reuther is a vigorous, articulate, and extremely able political liberal."

Harlan Trott, Christian Science Monitor staff correspondent said the UAW reelection foreshadowed the rise of Walter Reuther to full stature of an international labor leader, perhaps second only to Phillip Murray, hence heir apparent to the presidency of CIO.

The larger significance of the UAW vote is that Reuther is the American equivalent of a European Social Democrat, and he wants to see American labor become a politically conscious and politically powerful force within the framework of democratic government.

"Organized labor," he says, "must think and act not merely as a narrow economic pressure group but as a broad movement of citizens concerned not only with wages but also with prices, production levels, and the whole impact of a complex economy on the every day lives of our people."

Reuther also has said: "Among other things, the job of unions is to develop political awareness among workers; to make their voices heard in society. I am concerned with the welfare of the whole community." If this means anything---and it does---it means that while Reuther will devote his primary interest to improving wages, hours and working conditions his agenda of "other things" will be considerable and will be likely to grow.

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TRADE BALANCING PACT SIGNED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---France, Italy and the Benelux union (of Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg) have signed an agreement growing out of the 16-power conference at Geneva to lay the cornerstone for European self-help in trade balances, the New York Times reported recently. The dispatch said:

The accord provides that signatory powers will periodically concert for clearing arrangements to clear accounts in their trade balances under trade accords involving these countries. Thus a country that has a favorable balance with one of the countries may use that to cancel a deficit with another. The accord will remain open to partial adherence by any other European country for a specific operation or for permanent entry into the agreement at any time.

It is understood that the Bank of International Settlements, created as result of the Young Plan agreements for settlement of debts of World War I, will be called upon to play a role in this new European financial program. It is also understood that Italy, France and Benelux propose to keep the bank informed of their trade balances and that the bank will serve as an accounting office through which the balance of payments may be regulated.

POPE PRAISES EFFORTS TO AID WAR SUFFERERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---In a message on occasion of the annual meeting of the American Hierarchy, Pope Pius praised efforts to aid those multitudes afflicted by the aftermath of war.

The message, coming at the conclusion of a three-day meeting here of Catholic bishops of the United States, commended contributions toward "solution of pressing problem of resettling in security hundreds of thousands of homeless and languishing displaced persons and refugees" and special relief activities for small children.

KODAK PAYS WAGE DIVIDEND

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---Eastman Kodak Company has announced a record \$11,650,000 wage dividend for about 50,000 employees in the western hemisphere.

This wage dividend, largest in the 30 year history of the plan at Kodak, will be paid next March. Eligible employees will receive \$22.50 for each \$1,000 earned during 1943 through 1947. Last year wage dividend totaled \$8,100,000 for 48,800 employees. Next March the payment will bring the total wage dividend distribution started in 1912 to approximately \$88,500,000.

CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION UP IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---Crude oil production in the U.S. averaged 303,045 barrels daily during the week ended November 15, an increase of 10,655 barrels over the previous week, "The Oil and Gas Journal" has reported.

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DOCTOR SELLS COCAINE TO STREET GIRL---FANTS WHEN CAUGHT

A registered physician fainted recently when caught selling cocaine to street girls, W.L. Speers, narcotics consultant for SCAP's Public Health & Welfare Section revealed today.

"The arrest which shocked the illegal peddler into insensibility was only one in a series recently made by narcotics agents of the Ministry of Welfare," the official said. "The blackmarket in narcotics is gradually being brought under control by these agents who now have the power of arrest and seizure," he added.

Another recent case involved the purchase by an undercover agent of \$300,000 worth of blackmarket narcotics. Other agents covering the transaction arrested the law violator when he delivered the narcotics.

Narcotics agents are averaging 100 arrests per month for illegal traffic in narcotics. Penalties imposed by the courts vary from a few hundred yen fine for minor technical violations to four-year terms of imprisonment for more serious offenses, he explained.

PULMONARY DISEASE RATE HIGH, COL. SAMS REVEALS

Eighty-six percent of all communicable diseases at present reported in Japan are respiratory, Colonel Crawford W. Sams, chief of SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section said today.

He pointed out that during the week ending November 8, of 9,628 cases reported, 59 percent (5,670 cases) were tuberculosis and another 1,269 cases were pneumonia.

"An important means of protection against these diseases is in the education of the public," he explained. "Proper observance of sanitary habits in public places such as theatres and public conveyances will do a great deal to reduce this type of illness. Indiscriminate spitting and coughing or sneezing without covering the mouth and nose expose others to infection. Eating utensils should be thoroughly washed and those used by persons having colds should be reserved for their individual use," he said.

All persons having persistent coughs should seek medical examination by competent physicians or at one of the many public health clinics maintained by the Ministry of Welfare, the official asserted. "The cough may be the first symptom of tuberculosis and if the disease is detected in the early stages, successful treatment is possible. Laboratory sputum tests and chest X-ray are available to the public," Col. Sams said.

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"Tuberculosis is one of the major threats to the health of the Japanese people. It can be controlled if the people will cooperate with public health authorities. Every person must realize that an untreated case of tuberculosis is a threat to the family and the whole community. Afflicted persons must be made to realize that they are obligated by community standards to seek treatment," Col. Sams concluded.

TROPICAL MEDICINE SCIENTISTS TO MEET IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---Delegations from more than 60 nations have been invited to congresses on tropical medicine and on malaria to be held jointly in Washington next May 10-18, the State Department has announced.

The Department pointed out that prevention and treatment of tropical diseases have improved markedly since the last joint congress in Amsterdam in 1938 and the forthcoming meetings will hasten the pooling of knowledge gained during war years. Outstanding scientists will be invited to present their findings, new processes will be demonstrated at the U.S. government laboratories here and there will be scientific and commercial exhibits of recently developed apparatus and techniques.

NARCOTICS PRODUCTION QUOTAS TO BE SET

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---An estimate of next year's world requirements of dangerous drugs has been fixed by the Narcotic Drugs Supervisory Body meeting in London and will form the basis for international control of narcotics manufacture and trade during 1948 it was announced at United Nations headquarters. The estimate for a total of 73 countries and 105 territories will be issued on December 15.

CZECHS SHOW AUTOMOBILE IN NEW YORK

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, (USIS)---The Tatra car, powered by an air cooled V-8 engine in the rear and manufactured by the Tatra Automobile Company in Prague, Czechoslovakia, was presented in New York recently. The sales price delivered in New York is \$6,500 plus city sales tax.

Featured in the car are front and rear seats which accommodate five passengers in all located between the front and rear axles. According to the company, this suspension results in insulation from vibrations and shock of road bumps.

The air cooled engine is rated at 75 HP and is said to be capable of attaining 100 miles an hour.

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OCCUPATION FORCE PERSONNEL AWAIT THANKSGIVING PROGRAM COMPLETE WITH TURKEY, FOOTBALL, CHURCH SERVICES AND CELEBRATIONS

U. S. military and civilian personnel serving with the Occupation Forces are contemplating a typical "Stateside" Thanksgiving, with a program that includes a dinner "like the one Mother used to cook", a full football docket, church services, movies, and parties.

It will be a holiday for the troops of the Far East Command, with only necessary fatigue and guard details on duty.

Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Commander, Eighth Army, has issued the following Thanksgiving statement to all Eighth Army troops:

"In a world troubled by unrest and by the conflict of ideological motives, we still have much for which to be thankful as we once more observe our traditional American holiday of Thanksgiving.

"We are thankful that we pursue a normal way of life. We are thankful that our tremendous task of occupying Japan is proceeding in an orderly manner, that the democratic principles for which so many Americans gave their lives are taking root.

"As we enjoy our holiday dinner which has long symbolized our happiness in the American way of life, we should not forget those who are less fortunate. In many parts of the world and among many people there is little for which to be thankful.

"Today the spirit of Thanksgiving is in our hearts. As deeply in our hearts is an earnest prayer for world understanding."

Grid Games Expected to Draw Big Crowds

Football, the popular sport attraction for Thanksgiving, is expected to draw record crowds at both the GHQ-11th Airborne game, scheduled for 10 a. m. in the Nile Kinnick Stadium Tokyo; and the Eighth Army-1st Cavalry game at 2 o'clock in Lou Gehrig Stadium at Yokohama.

In other games on the Thanksgiving program, I Corps faces 24th Division at Kokura; Fleet Activities meets 25th Division at Osaka; and Kobe Base battles Fifth Air Force at Nagoya.

A Thanksgiving menu that is second to none will include soup cup, ripe olives, pickles, stuffed celery, turkey-rice soup, croutons, baked Virginia ham, roast young Tom turkey, sage dressing, cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, whipped potatoes, baked sweet potatoes with apple, buttered green peas, whole kernel corn, head lettuce with thousand island dressing, Parker house rolls, coffee, tea, pumpkin pie, raisin-apple pie, ice cream, fruit-cake, candy, mixed nuts and grapes. Any person not authorized to eat in GHQ messes will be charged 75¢.

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Thanksgiving church services start at 8:00 with Catholic services in the Finance Building, Protestant Services at 8:30 in the main chapel of Chapel Center, followed by a breakfast; and 10:30 Jewish services, also in the main chapel.

Eighth Army's Chapel Center will hold Protestant Services at 10:30 a. m., and communion services at 11:20 a. m. Catholic solemn high mass will be held at 9 a. m., followed by St. Joseph's college choir. At 7 p. m. Protestant choir practice will be held, followed by a Massachusetts "native-son" party, which has on the program the showing of the motion picture "New England Holiday".

Commander, FEAF, issues message

The Commanding General of the Far East Air Forces has sent the following Thanksgiving Day Message to members of his command:

"On this traditionally American holiday occasion I extend my greetings. It is healthy and satisfying to pause and give thanks for the way of life we have inherited and to reflect on the responsibilities of protecting that inheritance for all future generations of Americans. We can feel proud of our actions in the past. We can justify those actions by perfecting ourselves in our profession and by proceeding with our present job."

Enlisted men in Tokyo have a choice of taking in either the "open-house" at the beautiful GHQ Club or at the Club Ichiban, to be held tomorrow afternoon between 3 o'clock and 6. Similar parties are being held at officers and civilians clubs throughout the city.

Hospital Bed-Patients Remembered

In addition to their usual open-houses in hospitals and clubs, the Red Cross is placing the accent on the bed-patient who has to spend his holiday in bed. Each patient will have a nut-cup and tray favor with his holiday meal. Detachment personnel will be afforded parties also.

The Red Cross of the 11th Airborne Division Special Service, and the Camp Crawford Enlisted Mens Club have planned a large carnival for the paratroopers of Camp Crawford. The carnival will be held in the field house and will be formally opened at 2 p. m. Thanksgiving Day.

The festivities will include penny arcades, concessions, boxing, and Japanese exhibitions of china and kimonos.

A side show featuring rouged and lipsticked "dancing girls" from the 187th Glider Infantry will give their interpretation of side show dancers. Upon entering the field house troopers will be given carnival money which will be honored for concessions and refreshments. At the gambling concessions, carnival money will be used and winners will be awarded gift certificates which will claim prizes. Winners can either buy small prizes with the certificates or save them up and win larger prizes such as radios or fountain pens.

Some lucky soldier at Sendai, one who is adjudged a good representative of the Occupation Forces, will be named "King of Iawauchi".

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Service Club No. 7 sponsored the contest to be given Thanksgiving Day, with the lucky man to have as first prize a three-day pass, a brand new radio, and a three minute telephone call to the United States from the overseas phone station located in Service Club No. 6, in downtown Sendai.

The eight contestants are Pfc. Louis A. Braconi, IX Corps M. P. Platoon, New York City; M/Sgt. Francis C. Blandin from Framingham, Mass., and T/5 Alvin McAfee from Celeste, Texas, both representing Camp Fowler; pfc. Frederic J. Newton, Portland, Oregon, and S/Sgt. Donald Reynolds, Houghton, Michigan, the pick of IX Corps Headquarters Company; T/5 John A. Simmons, Wilmington, N. C., Camp Loeper's hopeful; and T/5 Paul F. Brown, Coffeyville, Kansas, and T/5 Frank Canada from Oahu, T. H., the aspirants from the "Flying Bootmen" the 62d Signal Battalion.

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U. S. A. T. THISTLE DOCKS AT YOKOHAMA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The U. S. Army Transport Thistle, arriving from Seattle, docked at 2d Major Port this morning, Port officials announced.

The vessel debarked a total of 196 dependents, in addition to 41 DAC's, 43 enlisted men, and six officers.

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SOLDIER KILLED WHILE WORKING AT GUAM HOUSING AREA

HEADQUARTERS TWENTIETH AIR FORCE, GUAM--Cpl. Robert L. Williams, Phoenix, Arizona, was killed here Nov. 20 while working on a building in the North Field housing area. A cable snapped, causing a pulley and the tin plate to strike Williams. He was a member of the 811th Engineers.

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SCAP AUTHORIZES REPRODUCTION OF PHONOGRAPH RECORDS

The Victor Talking Machine Company of Japan, Ltd., has been authorized to reproduce phonograph records, SCAP's Civil Property Custodian announced today.

In answer to a request made through the Japanese Government, SCAP has authorized the Japanese Company to manufacture records from phonograph matrices sold or leased to it by RCA Manufacturing Company, Inc., under an agreement contracted in 1936, which does not expire until 1952.

As the result of the SCAP directive the Japanese Government will deposit monthly to the credit of the SCAP custody account an amount equal to the royalties due for the previous month's manufacture of phonograph records.

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JAMES S. KILLEN RETURNS FROM U. S.

James S. Killen has returned to his duties as chief of the Labor Division, SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, after a seven weeks' absence in the United States. He was a speaker at the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor in San Francisco and conferred with officials in Washington, D. C., on Japanese labor problems.

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GENERAL LESTER ISSUES THANKSGIVING MESSAGE

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOKURA, JAPAN---Calling upon the members of his command to give thanks for the blessings of the past year, Maj. Gen. James A. Lester, commanding general of the 24th Infantry Division in Kyushu, delivered the following Thanksgiving Day message to division personnel:

"Today, as we observe Thanksgiving Day, one of our great and immutable holidays, we join with Americans throughout the world in giving thanks for the many good things that we possess.

"We are free from so much of the discord and strife that besets the world. Our mission of occupation progresses smoothly, as the pleasant conditions under which we live permit us to pursue our tasks in comfort and dignity.

"But let us not pass the day unmindful of its real purpose. We should take from it a few moments for devout thanks to God for the blessings He has given us. To do so will be in the true spirit of Thanksgiving 1947."

Special church services are planned throughout the Division.

As the sports highlight of the holiday the 24th Division "Big Green" football team is slated to play the I Corps "Bullseyes" at the 3d Engineer Stadium in Kokura.

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ALL-JAPAN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN YOKOHAMA FEB. 18

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA---The All-Japan Basketball Tournament to determine Japan's representative for the Far East Command cage championships will be held in Yokohama's Fryar Gym, Feb. 18, Eighth Army Special Services announced today.

Each major command will conduct a tournament to determine its representative for the all-Japan classic.

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GENERAL KELLY NAMED SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER OF F.E.C.

Brig. Gen. Paul B. Kelly, who recently came to this theater and has been assigned to the Office of the Chief of Staff, today was announced Special Services Officer for the Far East Command by the Chief of Staff, Maj. Gen. Paul J. Mueller.

Col. William S. Morris, formerly Special Services Officer, will continue on duty with the Special Services Office until he returns to the United States early next year.

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JAPANESE GANG LEADER RECEIVES MAXIMUM SENTENCE FROM PROVOST COURT

Masaru (Ken) Sekine, 50-year-old gang leader and contractor, was found guilty of "acts prejudicial to the security of the Occupation Forces" and sentenced to five years imprisonment at hard labor and a 75,000 yen fine by a 1st Cavalry Division Provost Court in Tokyo today.

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It was the maximum sentence that could be imposed by the court.

Eight of Sekine's hench-men, co-defendants in charges involving illegal possession of a machine gun and establishing a headquarters and assembling "for the disorderly purpose and with the felonious intent of carrying out acts of physical violence," were also convicted and sentenced to various terms from one year suspended sentences to the maximum punishment.

Sekine was exonerated of charges implicating him in the illegal possession and transportation of the machine gun.

Masao Kizu, leader of the Kizu Gumi found guilty of all charges and specifications including possession of the machine gun, a former Japanese Navy weapon, also received the maximum penalty.

Both Harushige Sekihara and Tokuchi Tayama were exonerated of all charges and specifications and immediately released by the judge, Maj. Willard Shopp, Missoula, Montana, 1st Cavalry Division.

Found guilty of possessing, transporting, storing and preparing for use, the machine gun which figured prominently in the case, Tetsuro Masuko was sentenced to 5 years imprisonment at hard labor.

Other sentences were: Tokio Sekine, brother of the gang leader, a 50,000 yen fine and a five year suspended sentence; Kenzo Miura, 50,000 yen fine and 3 to 5 years; Uichiro Fujita, 50,000 yen fine and 5 years suspended sentence; Shokichi Watabe, 1 to 5 years and 50,000 yen fine; Yoshikiyo Oguri, 3 to 5 years and 50,000 yen fine; and Kyuemon Murata (also a Gumi leader), 3 to 5 years sentence and 50,000 yen fine.

The case, in its entirety, is subject to review by Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, Commanding General, 1st Cavalry Division.

Salvatore B. Cafiero, Jersey City, N.J., prosecuted the case.

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U.S.A.T. THISTLE GOES INTO DRY DOCK

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA---The U.S. Army Transport Thistle, which arrived this morning at Yokohama after a delay of four days because of rough weather, will be berthed at the Asano drydock for a damage survey and repairs, 2d Transportation Major Port announced this morning.

Although total damages to the transport vessel, smallest of the Army's Pacific fleet, are not believed to be extensive, an inspection will have to be made before the exact amount can be determined.

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FOUR NATIONS SUBMIT CLAIMS FOR 822 ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT ALLOCATED AS REPARATIONS IN KAMARIYA PLANT OF FIRST NAVAL TECHNICAL ARSENAL

The four claimant nations participating in the advance transfer reparations program have submitted initial claims for a total of 822 machine tools and secondary metalworking equipment items, located in the Kamariya Branch of the First Naval Technical Arsenal, SCAP's Reparations Section reported today. The arsenal is located in Isogo-ku, Yokohama-shi.

SCAP has directed the Japanese Government to dismantle and package this equipment and to transport it to ports. At the ports the Japanese Government will be responsible for loading, stowing and bracing the equipment aboard ships provided by the claimant nations according to a schedule which will be announced later.

The 822 items initially selected by China, the Philippine Republic, The Netherlands and the United Kingdom are from a total of 1,369 machine tools and secondary metalworking equipment items which have been allocated to the four nations in that particular plant.

Breakdown of the initial claims submitted by the four nations for equipment in the Kamariya plant is as follows: China, 451 tools claimed to date from a total of 655 allocated; The Netherlands, 125 claimed from 215 allocated; Philippine Republic, 221 claimed from 247 allocated, and United Kingdom, 25 claimed from 252 allocated.

Brig. Gen. William K. Harrison Jr., chief of the Reparations Section, emphasized that the selection is preliminary and that the claimant nations may still select additional tools from those allocated them in the plant.

Reparations equipment not claimed by the four nations remains subject to future allocation as part of the reparations program, General Harrison noted. He stressed that allocated equipment which is unclaimed will not revert to the Japanese until the conclusion of the entire reparations program.

A total of approximately 19,000 machine tools and secondary metalworking equipment items in 17 former government-owned arsenals comprise the first segment of Japanese reparations assets to be allocated in the advance transfer program.

General Harrison said that reparations delegations already have inspected 10 of the 17 arsenals. Claims for equipment allocated in these plants are being submitted to the Reparations Section as the inspections progress.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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Immediate Release:

27 November 1947

The following statement was made by H. F. Alber, Chief, Price Control and Rationing Division, Economic and Scientific Section, SCAP, to the Conference of Prefectural Governors in Tokyo today:

"In the past two years, SCAP has continually impressed upon the Japanese Government the imperative need for effective utilization of indigenous food supplies. This year there is a serious world food shortage and it is now more necessary than ever that Japan exert all efforts to make the best possible use of her own food resources.

"The world food situation requires that fullest use be made of all available supplies of both staple and perishable foodstuffs. Obviously, fish and vegetables are an essential part of the Japanese diet and they must be available to consumers through official rationing channels and at official prices.

"The present distribution of fish and vegetables is not satisfactory. Equitable distribution among all consumers has not been secured and prices have been exorbitantly high. Studies of consumers expenditures conducted by the Cabinet Bureau of Statistics show beyond a doubt that the blackmarket in fish and vegetables is a major cause of the increasing cost of living and in turn, this is a primary cause of the inflation which is delaying Japan's recovery and depressing the standard of living of her people.

"The extreme difficulty of controlling the distribution of fish and vegetables because of their perishability is fully recognized. However, despite this difficulty, marked improvement can be secured. The reasons fish and vegetable controls have not been effective are probably well known to this group but I would like to emphasize a few of them. First, there has been a division of opinion as to the desirability of controlling these products. Certain newspapers, Diet members, government officials and other political and private groups have opposed fish and vegetable controls. In this connection, I should like to call your attention to Directive No. 3 issued by the Supreme Commander on 22 September 1945. This Directive requires that essential commodities in short supply be effectively controlled by the Japanese Government to assure equitable distribution at reasonable prices. Fish and vegetables are essential commodities in short supply and they must be effectively controlled.

"A second reason for the inadequacy of these controls has been the inefficiency of some of the government agencies responsible for their administration. It is imperative in this time of acute world food shortage that all concerned concentrate their efforts on effective administration of the official distribution and price control system. Determined, coordinated action is required. If the personnel in charge of these programs are incapable of wholehearted, continuing and effective effort they should be replaced by men of greater energy and vision. Forceful administration is particularly important at the prefectural level where direct action must be taken on the day-to-day problems of operating fish and vegetable controls.

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"Thirdly, in the past, control of perishable foods has been characterized by infrequent, short-lived and half hearted enforcement drives. These methods will never get results. What is required is continuing and determined action to remove fish and vegetables from the blackmarket and to keep them in the official rationing system.

"In his letter to the Prime Minister in March of this year, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers pointed out the necessity for full utilization of indigenous food supplies as a prerequisite for release of the imported food. This requirement also applies to other imported materials, such as petroleum which is intended to be used to increase the food supplies of all of the Japanese people and must not be allowed to contribute to a blackmarket in fish.

"The government is now undertaking a broad program to crush the blackmarket and to achieve equitable rationing of fish and vegetables at official prices. This is a democratic effort which must receive the support of all agencies of government working in cooperation with producers, consumers, organized labor and public spirited businessmen.

"A real effort for effective execution of this program must be made by government officials at all levels, and in particular, the prefectural governors and their staffs must assume a large share of the responsibility.

"Effective distribution controls must be maintained over all essential commodities. It is particularly important that both staple and perishable food supplies be equitably distributed. The Central Government and the prefectural governors have a grave obligation to the Japanese people to ensure the efficient distribution of these essential foods through official rationing channels and at official prices."

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11TH AIRBORNE GRIDDERS DEFEAT STUBBORN GHQ ELEVEN 31-20

Paced by Lt. Robert Woods, Corning, N.Y., the 11th Airborne Angels kept their noses for the American Football League of Japan title alive yesterday morning by downing a stubborn GHQ eleven, 31 to 20, at Nile Kinnick Stadium here.

A pass from Pfc. Jack Herron, El Dorado, Ark., to Sgt. Hugh Mitchell, Yreka, Calif., accounted for the first touchdown, and Lieutenant Woods skirted the GHQ left side for eight yards and the second marker. Lt. James Johnson, Mount Pleasant, Tenn., added the extra point.

The undermanned Athletics struck back at the start of the second half, and assumed a 14 to 13 lead when Pfc. Phillip Jones, Bend, Ore., and T/5 Donald Peterson, Racine Wis., scored touchdowns, and Pfc. Anthony Dugas, Port Arthur, Texas, added extra points.

Lieutenant Woods then took matters in his own hands and sprinted 68 yards to give the Angels the lead they never relinquished. Later touchdowns were added by Pfc. William Bushell, Lincoln, Ill., and Pfc. Joseph Scott, San Gabriel, Calif.

GHQ added its final score in the waning moments of the game on a pass to Pfc. Daniel Witt, Teaneck, N.J.

1st Cavalry Remains in Tie for Lead

The 11th Airborne and 1st Cavalry Division teams maintained their leadership in the American Football League of Japan yesterday by edging past stubborn GHQ and Eighth Army elevens, 31 to 20, and 20 to 14, respectively. Both teams have one game remaining on their schedules, the Angels meeting Fleet Activities and the Horsemen tangling with GHQ Dec. 7.

I Corps' hopes for a possible share of the title were blasted when 24th Division administered a 20 to 0 upset, while Fleet Activities and Fifth Air Force also turned in triumphs.

League statistics:

	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
11th Airborne Division.....	7	1	0	.875	226	40
1st Cavalry Division.....	7	1	0	.875	194	45
I Corps.....	5	3	0	.625	124	85
24th Infantry Division.....	4	3	1	.571	60	84
GHQ.....	4	4	0	.500	85	74
Eighth Army.....	4	4	0	.500	85	107
Fleet Activities.....	3	5	0	.375	33	61
Fifth Air Force.....	2	5	1	.286	51	101
25th Infantry Division.....	2	6	0	.250	45	94
Kobe Base.....	1	7	0	.125	25	237

Thanksgiving Results

11th Airborne 31, GHQ 20; 1st Cavalry 20, Eighth Army 14; 24th Division 20, I Corps 0; Fleet Activities 7, 25th Division 0; Fifth Air Force 25, Kobe Base 0.

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Schedule for Dec. 7

11th Airborne vs. Fleet Activities at Sendai; 1st Cavalry vs. GHQ at Tokyo; 1 Corps vs. Fifth Air Force at Kyoto; 24th Division vs. Kobe Base at Kobe; Eighth Army vs. 25th Division at Osaka.

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1ST CAVALRY PROVOST COURT SENTENCES JAPANESE NATIONAL

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--The 1st Cavalry Provost Court announced today it had sentenced Hiroshi Kawamata, 109 Yamashita-cho, Naka-ku, Yokohara, to one year imprisonment at hard labor and a fine of 20,000 yen for participation in a black market deal involving coffee.

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DR. PATTERSON VISITS BCOF AREA

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--Dr. G. S. Patterson, who acted as head of the Canadian Liaison Mission in Tokyo during the absence of Dr. E. H. Norman in Canberra and Canada, is paying a short visit to the British Commonwealth Occupation Force area as the guest of Lt. Gen. H.C.H. Robertson, Commander-in-Chief, BCOF.

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20 JAPANESE WAR CRIMINALS SENTENCED

A former Japanese 1st lieutenant and 19 other Japanese war criminals, both military and civilian, received sentences ranging from one to 30 years' imprisonment at hard labor by an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama, Wednesday, for war crimes committed in the Nagoya Area. POW Camp, Narumi, Honshu, Japan, between 1943 and 1945.

Hiroshi Tanaka, former 1st lieutenant in the Japanese Navy, and commander at Narumi POW Camp from December, 1943, to May, 1945, was sentenced to 16 years imprisonment at hard labor for failing to properly discharge his duties as camp commander, and for beating, mistreating and otherwise abusing American and Allied POWs. He was also convicted of imposing collective punishments and decreasing the rations of individual prisoners.

The heaviest sentence, 30 years, was given to Tokuchi Tanaka, a civilian stationed at the same camp, who was found guilty of beating, burning, mistreating and abusing Allied Prisoners of war.

Other accused were also convicted for their part in the multiple beatings which took place at this camp. The remaining civilians serving with the Japanese Army, whose names appeared in the case, received sentences of imprisonment at hard labor as follows:

Kameki Kawamura, 18 years; Shoji Kawai, 18 years; Isao Yadoiwa, 15 years; Tatsuo Nakagawa, 6 years; Jirokichi Kameda, 5 years; Yoshikazu Sawano, 4 years; Hideo Sakai, 4 years; Nobuo Kokubo, 4 years; Isamu Hara, 3 years; Masakazu Yagagishi, 3 years; Genzo Kato, 2 years; Kinpachi Kondo, 1 year; and Akihisa Murase, 1 year.

The remaining five soldiers, members of the Japanese Army, whose names appeared in the case received sentences of imprisonment at hard labor as follows:

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Yukio Hitosugi, formerly sergeant, 10 years; Tatsuo Mizuno, formerly sergeant, 8 years; Nakazo Ieda, formerly sergeant, 4 years; Masao Hayashi, formerly sergeant, 18 months, and Torohisa Kawamura, formerly master sergeant, 1 year.

Taduo Asakura, formerly superior private, and Minoru Mayeda, formerly a leading private, both members of the Japanese Army, were acquitted by the Commission.

SCAP's prosecutors in the case were Murray Gray, 1579 East 2d St., Brooklyn, N.Y., and Mr. Thomas J. O'Connor, 2755 Reservoir Ave., Bronx, N.Y.

Defense counsel were William H. Jacobs, 3913 Gwynn Falls Pky., Baltimore Md.; Albert L. O'Connell, 331 Park Ave., Nutley, N.J.; and Edmund W. Peters, 145 Broadway, Salem, Ohio.

NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS: Names and addresses of Allied prisoners represented by the defendants in the case are available in the PIO Press Branch Library.

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(Announcement of the occupation program for the decentralization of the national police system keynoted a month of significant developments in the reorganization of the administrative machinery of the Japanese government to facilitate democratic reform, General MacArthur reported today in his summary of the occupation of Japan for October.

In a letter to the Japanese Prime Minister regarding the police program, the Supreme Commander approved an overall strength of 125,000 men, with autonomous city and town police forces, and prefectural police which would serve under national control in time of emergency. He also recommended the abolition of the Ministry of Justice and the substitution of an office of the Attorney General, serving as chief legal adviser to the executive branch of the government. The Cabinet approved the draft of a bill along these lines on October 13.

A National Personnel Commission was established by the law to administer its provisions.

With only the final steps remaining in the task of demobilizing Japan's army and navy, General MacArthur directed on October 9 that the Second Demobilization Bureau, which handled former Navy personnel, be abolished by January 1, 1948. At the same time he ordered the First Demobilization Bureau, dealing with former Army personnel, transferred to the Ministry of Welfare by October 15.

Diet committees, meanwhile, were preparing measures to remove branch offices of central government bureaus which are located in the prefectures and obstruct or usurp the authority of local government bureaus. Bills were introduced into the Diet to streamline local government and pare off unnecessary branch agencies of the central government.

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The Diet passed 21 bills from September 25 to October 25, and nine other bills were introduced.

Other political developments in October included discussions of the state coal control bill and the economic decentralization bill.

The government held firmly the line of its 1800 yen wage standard and set the new price of rice at 1700 yen per koku in harmony with this, notwithstanding some protests from labor and farmers, the former concerned with the wage standard, the latter with the new price for rice.

The new Imperial Household Council made "commoners" of 51 princes and princesses, leaving only the immediate members of the Emperor's family as Imperial Family members. The change went into effect October 14. Retirement allowances of former Imperial Family members also were decided, with 11 princes who were former career militarists deprived of any stipend.

The Liberal Party brought into the open in October its campaign to form a new party, on the grounds that the coming peace conference requires the formation of a powerful single-party Cabinet to replace the present coalition, according to the views expressed by the Liberal Party President.

Purge committees screened 18,515 persons from September 26 to October 25, to determine their desirability for posts of public responsibility on the basis of their previous records in regard to militarism and ultra-nationalism. The central screening committee removed 315 and barred 36 of the 7,207 it considered. On the local government level, 11,245 were screened, 430 were removed, and 10 barred.

LEGAL AFFAIRS AND WAR CRIMES

The revised criminal code, enacted into law October 26, provided among other things, for the abolition of lese majesty provisions of former days which had afforded the emperor and members of the Imperial Family special protection. The Diet thus went on record as finding lese majesty incompatible with the spirit of the new Constitution, which changed the position of the emperor and proclaimed the equality of all citizens.

Five laws affecting the judiciary were enacted in October including one which provided for the people's approval of Supreme Court judge appointments. At the first general election following each appointment, the law provides, a majority of voters must favor the judges named, and review referendums must be scheduled every ten years. The new Supreme Court held its first hearings October 1.

While the Japanese government was directed to seek out 31 persons wanted for alleged war crimes, 11 trials were completed involving 21 persons. Twenty of these received prison terms ranging from six months to 20 years, and one was acquitted.

Trial of 25 war leaders at the International Military Tribunal for the Far East continued in October, and by the end of the month 11 of the 25 accused Japanese leaders had completed presentations of their individual defenses.

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AGRARIAN REFORM AND AGRICULTURE

Tenant farmers in 24 prefectures had bought 170,483 acres of land under the agrarian reform program by September 20, 44,427 acres of it in September. There were 312,280 tenant purchasers.

With the Government's third purchase of land holdings from large owners comprising 854,598 acres, the total amount of land purchased by the Government since the land reform program went into effect stood at 1,708,107 acres. An additional 668,656 acres of land was turned over to the Government as tax payment, making a total of 2,376,763 acres available for resale to farmers.

Summer typhoons accompanied by heavy rains were reported to have damaged more than 123,000 acres of cultivated land, more than 38,000 irrigation facilities, and approximately 7,176 kilometers of roads and canals serving farming areas in 43 of the 46 prefectures.

September floods were reported to have damaged approximately 73,330 acres of farmlands to the extent of 1,152,874,171 yen. Repair costs of roads, reservoirs, dams, and canals serving farming areas rose to 3,224,773,722 yen. Floods in June, July and August accounted for damages totaling 2,657,869,969 yen.

September marine production, including fish and sea animals, was 113,280 metric tons, slightly higher than in August.

MINING AND FORESTRY

Coal production in the first 20 days of October was 1,484,700 metric tons. The complete September coal production came to 2,292,300 metric tons, 188,300 more than the revised August production total and 99.4 percent of the quota. September lignite production also rose by 32,575 metric tons to 243,821 metric tons.

September coke production was also slightly above the August figure, reaching 176,900 metric tons.

The number of coal mine employees drawing daily wages on October 20 was 435,786, an increase of 6,167 persons over September. Mine employees, including engineers and office workers paid on a monthly basis, totaled 479,364 persons.

September crude oil production was 16,817 kiloliters.

Two new wells were brought in by the Imperial Oil Company in September, a gas well in Niigata Prefecture and an oil well in Akita Prefecture.

Output of seven of 24 mineral commodities gained in August, chief among them being cobalt, sulfur and iron.

INDUSTRY

Open hearth steel ingots, steel castings and forgings, aluminum blister copper, brass sheet, bronze, and bismuth production registered moderate gains in September. Crude petroleum runs and refined petroleum products also increased in September.

September construction activities showed an increase over August in spite of declines in cement and clinker production.

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Continued lack of electrical power was blamed for the decrease in output from chemical industries. There was little change in unit production of machinery in September although value of production increased moderately.

Increases in the manufacture of pulp, lacquerware, refractory bricks, high pressure and concrete pipe, medical equipment, trucks, light carts, bicycles, sewing machines, and aluminum utensils were reported for September.

In the textile field, raw silk production increased as the industry's labor supplies improved, and production of rayon filament and silk yarns for export increased slightly. Output of cotton, woolen, and worsted yarns, meanwhile, decreased because of diminishing supplies of raw materials. Large silk yarn allocations stimulated fabric output for export and domestic consumption.

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES

Railway freight and passenger train kilometers decreased in September because of the flood damages in Central Honshu.

Coastal shipping in large wooden and steel vessels increased in September over August, but foreign shipping declined. Ten foreign shipping companies were issued licenses to engage in business in Japan.

Addition of 402 U.S. Army surplus vehicles, 909 newly manufactured ones and 151 reconstructed from abandoned vehicles increased the trucks and buses registered in Japan in September to 99,492. These along with 128,136 registered passenger and special vehicles were operating at 65.9 per cent of capacity because of shortages of tires, fuel and parts.

Partially because of flood damages to hydroelectric plants, there was a decrease in electric power generation of 3.8 per cent in September.

There were further expansions of international communications for the benefit of foreign traders in October. Private messages between Japan and United States ships, and between Japan and about 75 British Commonwealth points and Egypt were authorized.

Nearly 18,000 new telephone were put into service in September, bringing the total in use to 1,090,426. Almost all of the service which had been temporarily interrupted by the September flood was back in operation in October.

International telecommunications rates for diplomatic missions in Japan other than those of the United States, British Commonwealth and the Philippines went up in October with the rise in conversion rate for communications charges between the yen and gold franc, from 70 sen to 16 yen per gold franc.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

Private trade transactions by the end of October had grown to 15 import contracts worth \$4,104,485, and 371 export contracts valued at \$4,072,249. Principal import purchases were scrap rubber, rayon pulp, quebracho, salt, wool, shellac, and kaolin. Among the exports were machinery, metals, textiles, fibers, ceramics, bamboo, paper, furs, chemicals and foods.

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Government-to-Government trade in October included a 29,857 bale shipment of raw cotton from India, the initial shipment of a contract calling for import of 170,000 bales. India has purchased from Japan 3,000 bales of raw silk (132 pounds per bale) and 2,800,000 pounds of rayon yarn against the cotton contract.

The cotton purchase contract permits barter of goods manufactured from either Japanese or imported raw materials, or optional payment in pounds sterling.

Under an agreement similar to the India contract, Egypt will sell to Japan 5,000 bales (725 pounds per bale) of cotton.

Among new postwar business in September were imports of apples and tungsten from Korea, mixed beans, peas, and cutch from Hong Kong, raw wool from Australia through Singapore, cobalt oxide, electrolytic copper and carbon black from the United States; and exports of silk fabric, canned peaches and asparagus to Singapore, machinery and silk fabric to French Indo-China, cotton fabric to Burma, Sweden, Turkey, Ceylon, Netherlands East Indies and French Somaliland; iron products to the Netherlands East Indies, buttons to Sweden, bamboo blinds to the United States, dyestuffs to Burma, zinc oxide to Hong Kong, vaccine to the Ryukyus Islands and Greece, and automatic looms and radio parts to China.

Japan received sea shells from the Ryukyus Islands for the manufacture of buttons in Japan. Export of hat bodies to the United States also was resumed in September.

LABOR

Both labor and management pledged support of the Katayama Cabinet in its program of economic rehabilitation after round-table conferences with Cabinet ministers. Both agreed to participate in the development of implementing measures through the Economic Reconstruction Council, the labor-management body.

The General Federation of Japanese Trade Unions and the All-Japan Council of Labor Unions both pledged their cooperation with the Government in holding the framework of the 1800 yen wage policy. The Federation advocated stop-gap wage allowances until the effects of the price-wage structure were apparent. Some monthly wage agreements negotiated in private enterprises ranged between 2500 and 3500 yen.

End of August figures on labor unions showed there were 5,810,437 members in 23,971 unions, of which 701 with 85,586 were organized in August. In the total membership, 1,366,623 were women.

Despite extensive negotiations involving a large number of workers, work stoppages and disruptions in operations occurred in only a limited number of disputes.

Success of the Government's price-wage policy was at stake in the Central Labor Relations Committee's mediation of the three-month-old dispute between the Government and Government workers over wage demands above the 1800 yen standard. The All-Japan Communications Workers' union was the center of the dispute. Following "mass absenteeism" in the Tokyo Central Post Office, the Tokyo Central Telegraph Office, and the Osaka Post Office, the Government warned that absent workers would not be paid and were subject to loss of status under civil service regulations. The workers later resumed normal attendance.

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Both Government and labor organizations continued to expand their education programs, emphasizing education of rank-and-file union membership.

The most ambitious labor education program yet undertaken in Japan was approved by the General Federation of Japanese Trade Unions at its convention in October. The federation appropriated 762,000 yen of its total 4,000,000 yen 1948 budget for the program, which called for labor schools on four levels, including "labor colleges" for selected graduates of prefectural schools, and a "labor university" in Tokyo to be opened in April, 1948.

The Government announced a program to reduce the number of workers it employed, calling for gradual retrenchment.

The Employment Security Bureau of the Ministry of Labor in cooperation with the Ministry of Education initiated a vocational counseling program.

RATIONING AND PRICE CONTROL

Collection quotas for the 1947 crops of rice and rice substitutes, and sweet potatoes called for 4,582,500 metric tons of rice and rice substitutes, and 2,163,750 metric tons of sweet potatoes. Quotas are based on estimated production minus the needs of the growers. This year's rice quota was about nine per cent above last year's. The Ministry of Agriculture set February 15, 1948, as the deadline for rice and sweet potato collections in Northern Japan and March 15 in Southern Japan.

The rice and sweet potato crops of 1947 already were being collected, with 439,200 metric tons, in brown rice equivalents, of rice and rice substitutes bought by October 20. Sweet potato collections amounted to 187,574 metric tons.

By the same date, 798,729 metric tons, in brown rice equivalents, of summer grains and 526,800 metric tons of white potatoes, were collected. The late growing season in Hokkaido, where half Japan's crop is produced, delayed white potato collections.

In October, the last food deficit month of the year, 260,000 metric tons of imported staple food, including 7,470 metric tons of rice stored in substitution for previously released imported food, were released for domestic consumption. The imported staple food portion comprised 44 per cent of the entire ration.

Tokyo and Yokohama did not get the usual amount of sardines from Tokyo Bay in August and September because schools were driven offshore out of reach of ordinary sardine fishermen by muddied water from the September floods and by unusually high temperature in shallow Tokyo Bay.

Price increases to bring official producer and consumer goods' prices into line with the new stabilization program were nearly completed in October.

Old "control associations" went out of existence in October when a new textile distribution system was started in which consumers were issued coupons entitling them to buy directly from licensed wholesalers and retailers.

All of Japan's 78,000,000 people were issued general coupons entitling them to purchase at official prices one square yard of cloth for mending, one towel, one pair of socks, and about two ounces of sewing thread. Special coupons for work clothes were

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issued to farmers, fishermen, and laborers. Other special provisions take care of school children, babies, war sufferers, and destitute persons.

FINANCE

A total of 46 foreign concerns were licensed by October 20. Included were 12 news agencies, 10 steamship firms, nine banks, three film distributing agencies, seven publishing concerns, two airlines, one insurance company, one communications concern, and one relief agency.

Bank of Japan notes in circulation October 30 amounted to 167,665,000,000 yen. The national debt totaled 312,091,000,000 yen, of which 64.6 per cent represented domestic government bonds.

When the Securities Coordinating Liquidation Commission offered 300,000 shares of Japan Electric Generating Transmission company stock to the public September 24, the issue was almost twice oversubscribed, and delivery was made to purchasers October 1. Publicity and education programs explaining the benefits of wide distribution of corporate ownership continued.

The Closed Institutions Liquidating Commission closed 32 control companies and associations in September.

Seventeen arsenals were designated October 2 under the advance transfer program for reparations. From these plants 19,054 metalworking machines were to be removed to China, the Netherlands, the Philippines, and the United Kingdom.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

The August nutrition survey showed average per capita caloric consumption per day to be lower than in May, although consumption of rice, other grains, fruits, and vegetables was higher for most localities. From June through August restricted food supply resulted in increased weight losses although the distribution of imported food in urban areas prevented mass starvation. About 20 to 25 per cent of all infants under one year were more than 10 per cent underweight, as were a high percentage of persons 31 years of age and over.

Prompt and thorough sanitation measures prevented any epidemics in the wake of the Kanto region floods. Incidence rates of most communicable diseases declined in September.

Increased interest of public and private welfare agencies in social problems was evidenced by the convocation of a national assembly on social work; formation of a national council to study prison training; launching of the country's first Red Cross voluntary membership drive with two-thirds of the goal earmarked for an expanded disaster program; and the promulgation of the National Disaster Law, effective September 20.

More than six million persons employed in businesses or concerns hiring five or more people are now covered by some form of health insurance.

From October 3 to 30, there were 47,659 Japanese repatriated--27,622 from Soviet areas, 8,972 from Southeast Asia, 8,902 from Manchuria, 1,980 from China, 75 from the Ryukyus, 47 from South Korea, 28 from the Philippines, 23 from Pacific Ocean areas, and 10 from Australia. During the same period 2,348 repatriates left Japan for the Ryukyus and South Korea.

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EDUCATION, RELIGION, MEDIA OF EXPRESSION

Emphasis in education was on training of teachers and administration of the new 6-3-3-4 school system. A textbook especially designed for use in teacher-education classes was published; several conferences for in-teacher training were held; and handbooks on the new school system were distributed. Further steps were taken to promote adult education and guide the development of correspondence schools.

A survey of September flood damage showed that 572 schools in nine prefectures had been damaged or destroyed.

Restrictions on importing printed matter have been amended to permit entry of all sacred writings of all religious faiths and sects. A national Sunday School Association was formed by Protestant sects in Japan to promote religious education.

The Roman Catholic Apostolic Delegate in Japan reported October 23 a membership of 109,265 in the Roman Catholic Church in Japan as of June 30. As of October 30 there were 220 Protestant and 1,120 Roman Catholic foreign missionaries in Japan. Of these, 208 Protestants and 157 Roman Catholics entered since the beginning of the occupation.

Information programs in October dealt with housing and reconstruction, labor-management problems, decentralization of industry, the revised criminal and civil codes, extension of the purge, campaigns to eliminate gangsterism from the Japanese "boss system", public health, fire prevention, land reform, agricultural cooperatives, and the food collection program.

As radio in Japan became more decentralized, a survey of September radio broadcasts revealed that 11,698 programs using more than 1,621 hours broadcasting time were locally originated. Fifteen educational pictures were produced by Japanese companies for release during October.

The Ministry of Education sponsored an Annual Arts Festival, extending from October 4 to November 15, presenting drama, dancing, and music.

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AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES---No. 2
FOR RELEASE ONE WEEK AFTER No. 1

NOGYOKAI MEMBERS SHOULD PROTECT RIGHTS, SCAP OFFICIAL DECLARES

Members of the Nogyokai should use the opportunity to protect their rights when the Nogyokai is dissolved under the new legislation recently passed by the Diet, a SCAP Natural Resources Section official has stated.

To protect his rights a member should attend dissolution meetings which must be held by each Nogyokai. The first meeting must be held before 1 February 1948.

"Farmers are urged to express their opinions and cast their votes at these meetings and help make the decisions which affect the distribution of this valuable Nogyokai property," the NRS official said.

Financial reports and inventories of Nogyokai property will be submitted to the members at the meetings. Each member should study these reports carefully, the SCAP official said.

In addition, members will have the right to elect members for Property Disposal Boards. These boards will make recommendations for the disposal of Nogyokai property.

Assets of local Nogyokai may be transferred to an Agricultural Cooperative Association. It is now possible to organize the cooperative in each community under the recently passed laws.

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1ST CAVALRY ELEVEN EDGES EIGHTH ARMY, 20-14
HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--The 1st Cavalry Division's gridiron juggernaut overpowered the Eighth Army Chicks, 20 to 14, here in an American Football League of Japan battle yesterday before a crowd of more than 12,000.
The victorious Horsemen grabbed the lead in the opening period when Halfback Junior Coe, Big Bend, Wis., slashed off-tackle for 52 yards and a score. Dick Pitzer, Connellsville, Pa., end, added the extra point. Another touchdown and conversion by Pitzer made it 14-0 at halftime.
Coe scored the winning touchdown in the third period, and that signalled the beginning of a Chick rally that fell but six points short of its goal.
A 50 yard drive, culminated by a plunge by Upshaw Sams, Beaumont, Texas, and extra point by Gene Offield, Breckenridge, Texas, made the count 20-7, and another downfield drive accounted for 55 yards and the final scoring of the afternoon. Sams again made the touchdown, and Offield converted.
24th Division Upsets I Corps
WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN KOKURA--Matt Gugliemetti, Providence R. I., chalked up all three touchdowns here yesterday afternoon as the 24th Infantry Division gridders walloped I Corps, 20 to 0, in an American Football League of Japan upset.
With star backs John Karras, Argo, Ill., and Angus Williams, Tampa, Fla., sidelined with injuries, the visiting Bullseyes were unable to get their usually potent offensive mobilized.
The Big Green forged ahead in the opening period on a 48 yard drive, Gugliemetti bulling his way across from the two. Karmiel Wysocki, Philadelphia, Pa., added the extra point.
Four straight plunges by Gugliemetti accounted for 26 yards and a second quarter touchdown, and the final tally came from the six after a pass from Bob Respecke, Gary, Ind., to Fred Weisemeyer, Springfield, Ill., had set up the pins for the marker. Wysocki again converted.
Bob Hendrix, Inverness, Fla., also stood out for the victors, while John Horwath, Detroit, Mich., and John McMahon, Toledo, Ohio, were the I Corps' main threats.
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PRESS AND GOVERNMENT MESSAGES HANDLED BETWEEN JAPAN AND EUROPE AFTER DEC. 1 MUST BE SENT COLLECT FROM, AND PREPAID TO, JAPAN
All press and government messages handled between Japan and Europe over radiotelegraph circuits operating on a yen payment basis in Japan must be sent collect from Japan and prepaid to Japan effective Dec. 1, SCAP's Civil Communications Section announced today.
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農業共同組合発表文第二號
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總司令部天然資源局代辯者によれば最近議會を通過した新立法により、農業會が解散された時、農業會の會員はその機會を利用して彼等の權利を保護すべきである。
會員が自己の權利を保護するためには各農業會によつて開かれるべき開散に關する會議に出席すべきである。第一會議は一九四八年二月一日迄に開かるべきである。
農業連はこれ等の會議に於て彼等の意見を表現し彼等の一票を投ずる様に奨励せらるべきであるのみならず、この大切な農業會の財産の分配に影響する決議をなす助けをしなけれはならない。と天然資源局代辯者が言明した。
農業會の財産の財政報告並びに財産目録は會議の席上會員達に提出される。總司令部代辯者によれば、各會員は深重に、これらの報告書を研究すべきである。
その上會員達は財産處理院の會員を選挙する權利を持つ。これらの院は農業會の財産の處理に關する推薦事項をなす。その土地の農業會の資産は農業共同組合へ移讓出来る。最近通過した法律により各地方に共同組合を組織することが現在可能である。

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Under arrangements which now apply to these circuits, press and government messages may be sent prepaid in yen from Japan and collect to Japan. Under this system accounts can not be settled because Japanese yen currency does not yet have an established value in terms of foreign exchange, CCS officials explained. They added that this situation is unfavorable to Japan's economy and foreign exchange position.

Under the new system, payment of charges will be in the currencies of the countries, other than Japan, to which such messages are sent, or from which such messages are received. This will make immediately available to the foreign administrations the revenue due them.

This arrangement affects messages filed over four circuits, those between Japan and France, Sweden, Switzerland and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

PARATROOPERS PLACE FIRST TELEPHONE CALLS EVER TO BE MADE TO UNITED STATES FROM ISLAND OF HOKKAIDO

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN CAMP CRAWFORD--Lt. Col. Charles O. Cornett, of Forrest City, Arkansas, 3d Bn., 187th Glider Infantry, and T/Sgt. John McCann of Columbus, Ga., Headquarters 11th Airborne Division, yesterday placed the first two telephone calls ever to be made to the United States from the island of Hokkaido.

The calls marked the opening of the new trans-Pacific telephone circuit at Camp Crawford. The inauguration of the service not only represents an important step in the history of communications systems in Japan, but also provides a long-desired line with home for paratroopers of the 187th Glider Infantry and the 11th Airborne Division headquarters.

The new overseas exchange, the seventh to be opened in Japan, will place calls between the hours of noon and 6 p.m. daily. Maximum capacity for the Camp Crawford exchange will vary between 60 and 75 calls per day, depending on the length of individual calls. Those calling can talk a maximum of six minutes and the charge, standard in all exchanges in Japan, is four dollars a minute, or 24 dollars for the maximum six minutes.

BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS PLANE COMPLETES SURVEY FLIGHT

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--British Overseas Airways Corporation Wednesday made a survey flight from Hong Kong to the BCOF airport at Iwakuni in a Plymouth flying boat. The aircraft made the flight in the same time as a RAF Sunderland, which left Hong Kong at the same time. On arrival at Iwakuni, the aircraft was met by company officials, who are in Japan to make arrangements for the new service.

EHIME PREFECTURE NEWSPAPER TO SPONSOR "NEWSPAPER WEEK"

The Ehime Shimbun, Matsuyama, Ehime Prefecture, Japan, will sponsor a "Newspaper Week," beginning Dec. 1, the first such observance in the history of Japan, SCAP's Civil Information and Education Section announced today.

The program, which will be launched with a proclamation from the Governor of Ehime Prefecture, and which is supported by the local Military Government teams, will be dedicated to teaching what a free press means to the readers.

Many American newspapers, along with Japanese journals, will be displayed in exhibits of various types of newspapers. The Ehime Shimbun has a daily circulation of 45,000.

SCAP Press and Publication officials expressed the belief that this observance will spread to other areas in Japan and perhaps will become an annual observance.

CALIFORNIAN ADDED TO FACULTY AT YOYOGI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Miss Barbara Vestal, San Diego, Calif., has been added to the faculty at Yoyogi Elementary School to assist with music studies under Miss Deborah Smith, music supervisor, Miss Ruth M. Hamill, principal, announced today.

At present, students are being given practice in group singing and plans for instruction in music appreciation are underway.

TWO SOLDIERS RECEIVE FIVE YEAR SENTENCES FOR ROBBING JAPANESE

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--Privates Harry N. Pulliam, 20, Grovertown, Indiana, and Genero Amaro, Jr., 17, 905 Wyoming St., El Paso, Texas, formerly of Hq. and Hq. Detachment, Eighth Army Stockade, have been found guilty by an Eighth Army general court-martial on charges of robbery. Each was sentenced to total forfeitures, dishonorable discharge, and confinement at hard labor for five years.

Their case is subject to review in its entirety by Maj. Gen. Charles W. Ryder, Acting Eighth Army Commander.

Testimony revealed that Pulliam and Amaro, with threats of violence, robbed three Japanese nationals of personal effects in the vicinity of Shinjuku Oct. 18, with 2,700 yen being taken from one Japanese.

TWO JAPANESE SENTENCED BY 1ST CAVALRY PROVOST COURT

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Hana, Akagi, Japanese woman, 65-2 chome-Ishikawacho, Naka-ku, Yokohama, has been fined 60,000 yen and sentenced to three years at hard labor in Tichi prison for women, 1st Cavalry Division Provost Court authorities announced today.

The woman was convicted recently in Yokohama Provost Court No. 1 for selling blankets, towels, napkins, table cloths and sheets obtained from U. S. Army sources.

Masao Arai, Japanese male, No. 11 chome, Shiyamashi-Itacho, Naka-ku, Yokohama, also convicted of selling goods obtained from U. S. Army sources, was sentenced to pay a fine of 23,000 yen and serve 18 months in prison at hard labor.

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REPATRIATION OF 9,422 JAPANESE COMPLETED DURING NOV. 14-20 PERIOD

There were 9,422 Japanese repatriated between Nov. 14 and Nov. 20 inclusive, 7,031 from Siberia, 2,256 from Karafuto and the Kuriles, 112 from China, and 23 from the Ryukyus.

According to SCAP's latest repatriation status report, 5,810,356 Japanese have been brought home since the surrender, and 796,516 are estimated to be abroad awaiting shipment back.

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WHITEHALL PRODUCTIONS WILL PROBABLY TOUR BCOF AREA NEXT YEAR

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--First rate live shows from Whitehall Productions' Minerva Theatre, Sydney, Australia, will probably tour BCOF areas next year, Roland Walton, a director of the Whitehall Productions, said yesterday on his arrival in Japan. The shows will include straight plays and musical reviews.

Mr. Walton, accompanied by his wife, is now on a two weeks tour of BCOF theatres with a view to adapting existing stage arrangements and deciding what equipment will have to be brought from Australia. The cast of the productions which are to come to Japan will be much larger than those in the past, he declared.

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BCOF INTER-FORMATION RIFLE MEETING GETS UNDER WAY

HEADQUARTERS BCOF, KURE--Individual and team competition got under way in the BCOF Inter-Formation rifle meeting at Matsuyama yesterday, with two contestants, Molloy of the 2 NZEF "A" team and Barry of Air Group, each scoring 96 out of a possible 100 to pace the field.

Contesting teams include two from the 34th Australian Brigade, two from 2 NZEF, and one each from the British Commonwealth Air Group, the British Commonwealth Army Training School, and the 1st U. S. Cavalry Division.

Slate of the 1st Cavalry was third in the day's shooting with 94.

Competition Thursday included grouping at 100 yards, application at 200 yards and snap shooting at 200 yards. Gusty winds and intermittent showers hampered the firers.

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1ST CAVALRY PROVOST COURT SENTENCES FIVE JAPANESE

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Three Japanese have been sentenced by a 1st Cavalry Division Provost Court for black market dealings in coffee obtained from U. S. Army sources.

The three and their sentences include: Vichi Negishi, 75,000 yen and two years imprisonment at hard labor; Genjiro Tarahashi, 75,000 yen and two years at hard labor; and Kiyoshi Kanesaka, 40,000 yen and 18 months at hard labor.

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In other cases, Kumio Kubota was fined 75,000 yen and sentenced to four years at hard labor for the sale of 60 drums of gasoline and the theft of 3,000 gallons of gasoline from U. S. Army sources; and Katsuichiro Asano was fined 40,000 yen and given a one-year suspended sentence for the purchase of 20 drums of gasoline stolen from the U. S. Army.

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JAPANESE PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO WAR CRIMES CHARGES

Toshi Mori pleaded not guilty today before an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama to charges that he participated in brutal atrocities and was responsible for intolerable conditions at the Tsumori POW Camp, Osaka, Honshu, Japan, between December, 1944, and May, 1945.

He is charged with personally committing atrocities against numerous Allied prisoners of war, and of permitting his subordinates to commit similar crimes.

Among the numerous POWs mistreated by Mori, it is alleged, were Maj. Lassiter A. Mason, 409 Sharvard Rd., Los Angeles, Calif., and S/Sgt. Wiley E. Tipton, 2795 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, California.

Further allegations charge Mori with forcing 950 Allied POWs to stand at attention in the cold for approximately three hours in February, 1945.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section is Jesse Deitch, 167 Greenridge Ave., White Plains, New York.

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TRIAL OF SIX JAPANESE BEGINS AT YOKOHAMA

Charged with the brutal mistreatment of Allied Prisoners of War, six Japanese war crimes suspects pleaded not guilty Wednesday before an Eighth Army Military Commission in Yokohama.

Ko Osako, former Japanese army lieutenant, who served as Camp Commander at POW Camp No. 8, Motoyama, Honshu, Japan, where the alleged atrocities took place, is one of the defendants. His co-defendants are Tetsuya Murakami, former sergeant, Hiraza Goto, Nobura Kodama, Bunki Nishimura, and Motomu Okamoto, all former civilian guards who were employed at the camp.

Prosecuting the case for SCAP's Legal Section are Gray Anderson, 310 Stuart Pr., Galax, Va., and C.R. Liggit, 1202 Genoa St., Coral Gables, Fla. Counsel for the defense is Seymore M. Alpert, 500 East Main St., Meriden, Conn.

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TURKEYS GET AIR RIDE: ARRIVE AT AKITA IN TIME FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY AT SENDAI--The Military Government team at Akita on northern Honshu received its Thanksgiving dinner by air.

The commissary train arrived at Camp Schimmelpfennig with Thanksgiving turkeys Wednesday, but it was too late to make delivery to Akita in time for the holiday dinner.

Immediate action was taken by 11th Airborne Division Rear at Camp Schimmelpfennig, which resulted in six turkeys being flown 110 miles across 5,000 foot mountains by 1st Lt. James K. Sterling of Clearfield, Pennsylvania, in an L-5.

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ENGINEERS WIN IX CORPS BASKETBALL LEAGUE GAME EASILY

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI--James Waters, Knoxville, Tenn. accounted for 22 points here Thursday evening to lead his 583d Engineer Construction Group mates to a 50 to 28 triumph over the 49th Ordnance Co. in an IX Corps Basketball League game.

In the opening game of the doubleheader, Sendai Division 3d MRS edged the IX Corps M.P. Platoon five, 43 to 39. Lt. Robert Dye, Hamilton, Ohio, was high individual scorer with 21 points.

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RECONNAISSANCE PATROL LOCATES JAPANESE AMMUNITION DUMP

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN GIFU--A 24th Infantry Regiment reconnaissance patrol, led by 2d Lt. Kingston M. Winget, Lima, Ohio, recently located a Japanese ammunition dump containing three tons of small arms ammunition in Kowa, a former Japanese naval seaplane base 30 miles south of Nagoya. The dump was blown up by the 25th Division bomb disposal squad.

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OFFICER AND ENLISTED MAN KILLED IN A-26 CRASH

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH AIR FORCE, NAGOYA--The crash of an A-26 Invader in the Sea of Japan 15 miles northwest of Kobe, Nov. 25, cost the lives of two Fifth Air Force men, Capt. Ralph Ernest Bone, 32, and Cpl. Charlie Conner, 20, both of Itami Air Base.

While on a routine training flight, the A-26, with Captain Bone piloting, failed to complete a formation turn and plunged into the sea. Japanese fishing boats in the immediate area hastened to the scene of the crash but there were no survivors. Crashboats, liaison aircraft and B-17 aircraft of the 3d Emergency Rescue Squadron rushed to the scene but an exhausting search failed to reveal any trace of the aircraft's occupants.

A group of Air Force officers has been appointed to determine the cause of the accident.

Both Captain Bone and Corporal Conner were married. Captain Bone is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ralph E. Bone, 44 West 66th St. Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Charles David Conner, wife of Corporal Conner, is living with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe D. Conner, at their home in Chetopa, Kansas.

Entering the Air Force at Keesler Field, Mississippi, in March, 1942, Captain Bone first attended Airplane and Engine Mechanics School at Keesler prior to enlisting in the Aviation Cadet Training and Flying program. Graduating at Flying Training School at Brooks Field, San Antonio, in December, 1942, he was commissioned a second lieutenant and rated pilot. Upon completion of the Aircraft Observance course in January, 1943, Captain Bone was assigned to the Greenland Base Command, where he served until 1944. He was then rotated to the United States and assigned to Laredo Air Field as a four-engine pilot. In September, 1946, Captain Bone was assigned to Biggs Field, El Paso, Texas, as an A-26 pilot until alerted for movement to the Pacific theater in June, 1947. He was first assigned to Guam until early this month, when he was assigned to a unit at Itami.

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Corporal Conner enlisted in the Air Force in 1946 at San Antonio, Texas. Following completion of basic training he was sent to the Pacific Theater in December, 1946, and arrived in Japan in January, 1947. He was assigned to the Fifth Air Force and subsequently re-assigned to Itami Air Base as an airplane and engine mechanic.

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FLEET ACTIVITIES ELEVEN SPANKS 25TH DIVISION, 7-0

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN OSAKA--Scoring early in the game and then turning back several desperate touchdown bids by the Stags, the Fleet Activities Seahawks defeated the 25th Infantry Division, 7 to 0, in a thrilling Thanksgiving Day battle here.

Two long passes in the first quarter by R.J. Appuglise, Denver, Colo., moved the Seahawks from their own 31 to the 25th Division's seven. Two plays later, R. Gianti, San Francisco, Calif., plunged for the marker. H. A. Usher, Cedar Rapids, Ia., converted.

The major 25th Division threat came in the fourth period, when Ben McCauley, Houston, Texas, intercepted a Seahawk pass and sprinted 73 yards to the Fleet Activities' four. There the Navy line dug in, however, and took the ball on downs.

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NEWSPRINT SHORTAGE FORECAST FOR 1948

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, (USIS)---Excepting newsprint, most grades of paper will reach a balance in supply and demand in the United States by spring of 1948, the Commerce Department said recent.

The Department said its estimates allowed for some additional expansion of demand during the next year but added this would be more than offset by production from new plants coming into operation soon. Calculations assumed there will be no material increase in exports of pulp, paper and products or substantial changes in the relative volume of pulp and newsprint imports from Canada, Newfoundland and northern Europe.

Currently, the Department said, "supplies of woodpulp and paper in the United States while greatly improved over last year are still inadequate to meet all consumption requirements." Nevertheless, it said that pulp and paper industries' "production, demand, profits and actual and planned expansion appeared destined (in 1947) to exceed all previous records."

Present overall pulp wood production, the Department said, already appears adequate to meet the industry's needs.

Regarding newsprint, it said imports reached a new monthly high in September of 358,000 tons and stocks in the hands of publishers were 30 percent higher than a year ago.

"Owing to heavier consumption this year however supplies on hand represent an increase of only five days supply," the Department said. "Newsprint is expected to remain in substantially short supply throughout 1948 and possibly longer."

EVATT PRAISES WORK OF UN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, (USIS)---Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Foreign Minister, one of the authors of the United Nations charter, said recently that the 1947 General Assembly has done "good work."

"It shows that international cooperation is still possible and brings good results," Dr. Evatt said in a statement, stressing middle power effort at leadership. "We have no reason to be pessimistic about the coming year's work."

With the Assembly having finished its 1947 business except for the Palestine problem, and with the plenary meeting indefinitely recessed until a committee completes work on that issue, Dr. Evatt cited the large number of decisions reached and the failure of prophets who had expected the organization to "split apart."

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The Australian leader said that "in fact, the atmosphere of discussions has greatly improved since the beginning of the session," and attributed this largely to the unanimous resolution attained on "warmongering." Joint Australian-Canadian-French leadership sponsored that final motion, he said, demonstrating "that the Assembly is not irrevocably divided into two rigid unyielding blocs, and that middle and small powers have a key role to play and can give leadership to the great powers in the search for agreement."

Dr. Evatt said the session had been "notable for far greater exercise of its existing powers by the General Assembly." It had created a commission to aid a peaceful settlement in the Balkans. It had set up a Little Assembly as an interim committee to gather facts and make studies as a basis for full Assembly action. It had returned six Soviet vetoed membership applications to the Security Council with "a firm criticism of the way in which the power of individual veto has been misused in the Security Council."

The present session of the General Assembly," Dr. Evatt added, "has also done a great deal of useful work in less spectacular fields. It has called on the Economic and Social Council to concentrate less on machinery and more on practical cooperation in the international field, for example by making periodic reviews of world economic conditions."

"It has decided that greater use should be made of the International Court of Justice, recognizing its place as the principal judicial organ for interpretation of the United Nations. It has approved a trusteeship agreement for Nauru to be administered by Australia on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. It has greatly developed its work in connection with non-self-governing areas."

UN TO APPOINT LAW CODIFICATION GROUP

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, (USIS)---The United Nations General Assembly has set up a new United Nations body---the International Law Commission---to speed development of international law and bring about its eventual codification. The commission will have a membership of 15 jurists of "recognized competence," to be elected at the 1948 General Assembly after nominations by United Nations members. The new body was created by a vote of 44-0 with six states of the Russian group abstaining.

TRANSLATION EXPERT GETS NEW POST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, (USIS)---Colonel Leon E. Dostert, who built up the United Nations simultaneous interpretation system from an experiment to a major time server for the United Nations will leave the United Nations to become chief administrative counsel for the International Telecommunications Union in Geneva. Colonel Dostert who was in charge of simultaneous interpretation at the Nuremberg Trials, joined the United Nations staff in June 1946.

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UNEMPLOYMENT LAWS WILL HELP END OLD FEUDALISTIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES, SCAP OFFICIAL DECLARES

Passage of the Unemployment Allowance Law and the Unemployment Insurance Law by the Diet last week gives Japan major legislation needed for a modern social security system, a SCAP Labor official explained today.

Dudley D. Davis, Labor Division, Economic and Scientific Section, said the new laws will help to end the old feudalistic relationship between employers and employees.

"In the past," he commented, "some employers paid certain workers off with big separation allowances on which they were supposed to live for the rest of their lives, while others received nothing when laid off."

This was bad, he explained, because the system made workers too dependent on employers, created a financial burden for employers, provided uncertain and erratic protection for workers and made it hard for workers to change jobs freely.

Davis cited as of particular importance in the new laws, provisions allowing persons to appeal the amount of unemployment benefits paid, before an impartial referee or board composed of an equal number of workers, employers and public representatives.

"This concept of the right of appeal," he added, "is new in Japan and has only recently been recognized in other social security programs throughout the world."

An Unemployment Advisory Committee, consisting of worker, employer and public representatives, also will be named to advise the Labor Minister on matters pertaining to benefits.

Both laws, retroactive to Nov. 1, will be administered by the Employment Security Bureau of the Labor Ministry through the Employment Exchange system.

The laws provide unemployment benefits will be paid only to those actually unable to find work in enterprises employing five or more workers. They apply in almost all industries except agriculture, construction and forestry. Government workers, who receive equivalent benefits from other sources, will not be covered.

The present Allowance Law, to be terminated April 30, the day before benefits authorized by the new Unemployment Insurance Law can be paid, sets up a temporary system of unemployment benefits, financed entirely by the government.

Under the new Unemployment Insurance Law, employers and workers contribute equally to the benefit fund 1.1% of the workers wages; the government pays the cost of administration and a third of benefits.

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To be eligible for the insurance benefits, workers must have had six months employment during the preceeding 12 month period, with only those months counted in which at least 10 days were worked.

To be eligible for allowance benefits, workers must have become unemployed after November 1 and have had six months employment in an industry covered by the law. Employment before Nov. 1 is credited only with a single employer.

In general, benefits under the Insurance Law, will amount to 60 percent of wages earned and be paid for a maximum period of 180 days during a year, with payments starting a week after application.

Under the Allowance Law, benefits paid will usually amount to 55 percent of wages for a maximum period of 120 days, with payment possible a month after application. Low-paid workers will receive up to 75 percent of their normal earnings.

Claimants who refuse suitable work offered by Employment Security offices will be disqualified for a month under the Insurance Law and permanently under the Allowance Law.

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STATISTICS REVEAL WELFARE INSTITUTIONAL PICTURE OF JAPAN

Both public and private social work agencies throughout Japan are doing a creditable job of housing and caring for the several hundred thousands of homeless and needy Japanese, according to Welfare Division officials in SCAP's Public Health and Welfare Section.

Prefectural welfare workers are becoming well informed on social service problems which are peculiar to Japan and are learning to give valuable advice to troubled persons. Operating as teams, these welfare officials are alert to finding needy persons and establishing them in appropriate homes or institutions where they will be clothed, fed, and given medical attention, Milton J. Evans, of the Welfare Division, asserted.

Great quantities of LARA (Licensed Agencies for Relief in Asia) food, clothing, and medical supplies are distributed monthly to Japanese hospitals and welfare institutions. In addition to these supplemental LARA goods, the balance of supplies needed for continuous and effective operation are procured by the institutions through the regular channels set up by the Japanese Government.

The following statistics covering public and private social work agencies in Japan were submitted to SCAP by the Ministry of Welfare and represent the welfare institutional picture as of the summer of this year:

TYPE OF INSTITUTION	STATUS OF INSTITUTION	NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONS	CAPACITY	NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED
Old Age Home	Public	24	2,167	2,071
	Private	83	4,174	2,734
	Total	107	6,341	4,805

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TYPE OF INSTITUTION	STATUS OF INSTITUTION	NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONS	CAPACITY	NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED
Infant & Children's Home	Public	14	1,165	644
	Private	121	6,347	4,509
	Total	135	7,512	5,153
Child Protection Inst. (Infants & Children's Homes, Day Nursery)	Public	335	32,143	24,836
	Private	1,058	102,700	92,579
	Total	1,393	134,843	114,415
Special Child Protection Inst. (war orphans, vagrants, mentally handicapped)	Public	60	7,194	2,558
	Private	90	5,590	5,037
	Total	150	12,784	7,595
Widowed Mothers' & Children's Home	Public	62	5,447	3,113
	Private	92	6,290	4,423
	Total	154	11,737	7,536
Protection of Blind, Deaf & Mute Persons	Public	18	2,248	1,518
	Private	20	863	409
	Total	38	3,111	1,927
Protection of Juvenile Delinquents	Public	48	3,281	2,600
	Private	62	2,260	1,311
	Total	110	5,541	3,911
Medical care homes	Public	214	23,811	11,168
	Private	279	20,014	11,479
	Total	493	43,893	22,647
Lying-in Agencies	Public	11	543	126
	Private	18	581	305
	Total	29	1,124	431
Work Shop Homes	Public	579	35,942	22,676
	Private	640	43,272	28,133
	Total	1,219	79,214	50,809
Hotels - temporary while awaiting housing	Public	72	10,361	5,604
	Private	88	15,356	13,411
	Total	160	25,717	19,015
Housing for Repatriates & war sufferers	Public	284	50,490	36,175
	Private	278	65,182	54,543
	Total	562	115,672	90,718
Protection of Delinquents	Public	6	374	316
	Private	93	3,042	1,622
	Total	99	3,416	1,938
Settlement Houses	Public	22	5,037	2,709
	Private	78	4,273	2,862
	Total	100	9,310	5,602
Homes for General Relief and Aid	Public	24	2,631	1,825
	Private	16	1,379	1,177
	Total	40	4,010	2,992
Other homes not covered in above classifications	Public	14	360	2
	Private	53	1,341	78
	Total	57	1,071	80
Total Accommodations	Public	1,787	183,264	118,025
	Private	3,069	232,664	225,311
	Total	4,856	465,928	343,344

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FIRE DESTROYS U. S. ARMY GENERATOR REPAIR PLANT AT YOKOHAMA

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY, YOKOHAMA--A fire of undetermined origin yesterday afternoon destroyed a U. S. Army generator repair plant and several other buildings located adjacent to the Eighth Army motor pool.

Several Japanese were treated for minor burns, but no American personnel were reported injured by the blaze.

The fire was brought under control by the 543d Firefighting Platoon and Japanese personnel before it could spread to the motor pool and other buildings.

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1ST CAVALRY PROVOST COURT SENTENCES THREE KOREANS

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN TOKYO--Three Koreans have been sentenced by a 1st Cavalry Division Provost Court for attempting to bribe three soldiers of the Division with 50,000 yen.

The convicted, and their sentences, are Kin Shoo Kyo, three years imprisonment; Kin Shiu Tai, three years imprisonment suspended; and Kim Zenryu, three years imprisonment suspended upon payment of a 50,000 yen fine.

Testimony revealed the three had attempted to have the three soldiers--T/5 Theodore C. Sanger, Kent, Wash.; Pfc. Elbert R. Curling, Norfolk, Va.; and Pfc. Arthur M. Thorasen, The Dalles, Ore.--help them hijack a cargo of precious metals. The soldiers immediately notified the authorities, who arrested the Koreans.

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