

**AMERICAS CLOSE DOORS TO AXIS**

MEXICO CITY, March 8.—(AP)—Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., United States Secretary of State, declared tonight that the Inter-American agreements just completed here will "contribute much" to the United Nations Conference at San Francisco.

He asserted also that "under the resolutions adopted here, no Axis leader, official or agent who is guilty of crimes against law and civilization in this war, will be able to escape punishment by fleeing to this hemisphere."

At the close of the conference, Stettinius in a statement summarized its accomplishments by listing six points of agreement which he described as "of outstanding significance."

1. Reaffirmation of wartime collaboration in the "common struggle against the Axis" together with measures to stamp out Nazism in this hemisphere and to deny refuge to Axis war criminals.

2. Endorsement by the 20 American republics which participated here of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals as a basis of the charter for the world organization" which is expected to be created at San Francisco in the meeting starting April 25.

3. Provision in the Act of Chapultepec for "machinery for united action by the American states in the face of aggression or the threat of aggression whether from within or without this hemisphere."

4. Adoption of "sweeping and specific measures towards strengthening and reorganizing the Inter-American System and preparing it for whatever new responsibilities it may assume within the world organization."

5. Re-dedication of the American nations "to American principles of humanity and to raising the standards of living of our peoples, so that all men and women in these republics may live decently in peace, in liberty and in security."

6. Adoption of a resolution calling upon Argentina "to unite with us in our common struggle against the aggressors and so to guide its policies that it may become eligible to sign the declaration by the United Nations and adhere to the final act of this conference."

Stettinius emphasized throughout his statement that the actions here in Mexico City were entirely in line with the proposed security organization to be taken up at San Francisco.

Wood for matches is sawed into planks two inches thick, seasoned for two years, and then sawed into match blocks.

**UP FRONT WITH MAULDIN**



"I got a hangover. Does it show?"

**CARTON CIGS BRINGS \$62**

CHEBOYGAN, Mich., March 8.—(AP)—A fag-famished Michigan man believes in getting his smokes even if he has to pay \$62 a carton. It was legal, though, as the transaction took place during an auction at a chamber of commerce dinner. The same sale brought \$13 for a single pack.

**IN CASE OF A SHORTAGE**

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., March 8.—(AP)—Receipt of a blank sheet of paper and a pencil stub was enough prompting for an East Liverpool resident to write a long letter to his neglected soldier-brother.

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**The Yanks Highball The Freight**

BY A. I. GOLDBERG (Substituting for Kenneth L. Dixon)

AVIGNON, France.—(AP)—Avignon is only a bystop these days on the network of railroads not operated throughout France by the U. S. Army's military railway service and French railway workers. Military security checks how much is being carried on how many trains, but from a third to a half of France is being supplied through Marseilles on a network of lines to the north, west and east.

All along the lines you see American railroaders rebuilding bridges, restoring yards, laying track and ballast and moving food, ammunition and other supplies to the fighting fronts and civil centers.

Here at Avignon, a company of the 77th Railway Operating Battalion commanded by Capt. James Beard of Vinton, Va., former Southern Railway construction executive, is typical of many units scattered along several thousand miles of tracks in southwestern France.

Most railroaders along the Lyon-Marseilles stretch have been overseas upwards of 28 months with stops at Casablanca, Sicily and Italy. Some outfits were brought over as units, but there have been a number of replacements as the work increased. Casualties have been light.

This outfit has railroaders from

all over. A track maintenance gang in the yards included Sgt. Harold Lollar, Atchison, Kas., who used to be a section foreman for the Missouri Pacific; Cpl. August Carmon of Davy, W. Va. and the Norfolk and Western; Cpl. Durille Nelson, Amstown, Ky. Ex-foreman of the Southern; Pfc. Clifford Sonder, Mansfield, Ohio, and the Erie Railroad; Pvt. John Hrusko of Spring Lake, Pa. and the Bessemer and Lake Erie.

Hrusko has been overseas 27 months and says "I'm doing the same kind of work I did back home but at least that was home and I'd sure like to be back there."

Others in gangs on duty, around fires, or just resting were Pfc. Stanley Andraski Milwaukee, Wis.; Pfc. Kenneth Dittmar Miles, Mich.; Pvt. Paul Allard, Skiatook, Okla.; Pfc. Vincent Boland, Rapid City, N. D.; Pvt. Ferlin Kimman, Winslow, Ind.; Cpl. Arthur Langhorst, Barnum, Minn.; Cpl. Harold Fetzer, Delphos, Ohio.

Lt. Col. Charles Sanderson, Augusta, Ga., former Atlantic Coast Line executive, in charge of this area where the 105th Port Construction Engineers, assisted by elements of the 36th General Service Engineer regiment also are operating.

The Germans left bridges blown and trackage torn up all along the path of their retreat, but the rail-

ways service accomplished repairs with amazing speed. One of their principal jobs was to throw a 2,000-foot bridge across a raging, flooded river using captured German material.

The engineers not only have to rebuild spans, but clear tunnels, including one more than six miles long and another a mile and a half long.

Combination steam and diesel hauling is used on the French rail network. The French employes swung right into their jobs and did marvelous work, most Army officers agreed, though they lacked warm clothing and good food in the bitter winter just past.

Lt. Col. Fred Okie, Birmingham, Ala., former division superintendent of the Southern Railway now commanding the 704th Railway Grand Division, said the French

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workers' operating record and morale had been good. Military railways have operated within a mile of the battle front, but average generally about division depth or six miles or so back.

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