

### ALLEGED SLAYER ARRIVES IN D. C.

WASHINGTON, March 19. —(UP)—Joseph Dunbar Medley, 43, handsome and smooth-talking escaped convict suspected in the death of three red-haired women, arrived here from St. Louis today in the custody of FBI agents.

He was taken immediately to the office of U. S. Commissioner Needham C. Turnage for arraignment on a Federal charge of fleeing the District of Columbia to escape prosecution for murder.

Police have issued a warrant for his arrest in connection with the brutal slaying of Mrs. Nancy Boyer, 45-year-old Washington socialite found shot to death in her swank apartment here on March 8.

He also had been sought by Chicago and New Orleans police for questioning about the mysterious bathtub deaths of red-haired women in each of those cities.

His arrival by train shortly after 6 p.m. (EWT) climaxed an intensive manhunt which started when police allegedly traced Mrs. Boyer's slaying to Medley through fingerprints. He had been in Pittsburgh and Chicago since skipping Washington and tips had placed him all over the Eastern Seaboard.

He was seized yesterday at the Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis as he was entering his suite with his latest girl friend—an attractive platinum blond who still is being held incommunicado by St. Louis police.

A gun found in his room was sent here for comparison with bullets taken from Mrs. Boyer's body. Also recovered were a sleeve-length silver fox jacket and a handbag similar to items missing from Mrs. Boyer's apartment.

Chicago and New Orleans police went to St. Louis to question Medley but he reportedly was spirited away by the FBI last night.

Chicago police want to question him about the "accidental death" of Mrs. Blanche Zimmerman, 38, a telephone operator whose nude body was found in the bathtub in a Loop hotel room. A coroner's jury ruled that she died of benzidine intoxication. But police want to find out why Medley, who registered as James H. Hanan, the same alias he used in St. Louis, left the room a short time before the body was discovered, leaving a "do not disturb" sign on the door.

The New Orleans case is still unsolved. The nude body of Laura Fisher, 28, a New York textile worker, who registered with Medley also was found in a hotel bathtub.

Medley's arrest followed a tip to Washington police by Dr. J. H. Elder, Louisiana State University psychologist now employed by the War Department. He recognized the suspect in the cocktail lounge of a St. Louis hotel last Thursday. But he was not "positive" of the identification until he returned here and looked again at newspaper photographs of the wanted man.

FBI agents, headed by Special Agent G. B. Norris, swarmed around the Jefferson Hotel at 5 p.m. Saturday. One showed the clerk a photo of Medley who identified it, as the registered "James H. Hanan."

But Medley was out. A guard was thrown around the hotel and two agents and St. Louis police were stationed in his suite. He was captured without a struggle when he returned.

He was serving a 30-to-60 year term in southern Michigan prison when he escaped last November. He had been convicted of the kidnap-robbery of Louis E. Brooks, a wealthy manufacturer and ex-mayor of Marshall, Mich.

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Officers of the company, Captain Leo Skyes, commanding, First Lt. C. T. Farrow, executive officer, First Lt. D. B. Upchurch and First Lt. Harris Haskett are shown in the center right photo. Not present were Second Lieutenant P. L. Canady, supply officer, and First Sgt. Kenneth Johnson.

In the bottom right picture, members are shown in flying wedge formation.

### GUARD PREPARED FOR RIOT ACTION

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Having an authorized strength of 57 men and officers, the Guard has trained nearly 400 men now in the regular Army from this section, several being commissioned officers, serving in all theaters of war.

The emphasis on drilling has helped men going into the service, leading to non-commissioned ratings in many cases. The local unit is inspected every month by officers of the Fourth Service command of the U. S. Army. Test mobilizations have revealed a high degree of efficiency and are held under orders of the 4th Service Command. The Guard may be sent anywhere in the state by the Governor, and when on active duty has regular Army pay and status.

The N. C. State Guard is composed of approximately 3,000 men and units are stationed in all key cities.

A call has been issued by Capt. Sykes for 12 additional men as eight men have been lost in the last 10 days to the regular Army. He emphasized that applicants should be between the ages of 18 and 50, draft exempt and able to pass a reasonable physical examination. Honorably discharged veterans are especially needed. Officers of the Guard, trained at Fort Bragg and Fort Benning, Ga., all range in military experience from eight to 22 years.

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### German Civilians Flee Homes to Make Way For Simpson's Rhine Drive

UERDINGEN, Germany, March 19. —(AP)—German civilians left their home here and elsewhere along the front today and made room for Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's Ninth Army to cross the Rhine.

They have been streaming out of this Rhine river city since yesterday morning, taking their immediate personal effects along on wagons, bicycles, pusharts, over-flowing baby carriages and on their backs.

Places cleared on order of the American Army included Homberg, Ossenberg, Orsoy, Rheinhausen and many other smaller places, bringing about the total evacuation of more than 100,000 persons on this front alone.

### Tokyo Guardedly Admits Loss of Iwo Jima Force

By United Press  
A Tokyo broadcast admitted indirectly Monday that the Japanese garrison on Iwo island had been wiped out.

The Japanese troops, Tokyo said in a broadcast recorded by the United Press and the FCC, made a "final attack" Sunday after a month of bitter resistance.

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### Compromise On Labor Draft Bill Is Talked

WASHINGTON, March 19. —(UP)— At least one compromise proposal was in the making today as Senate and House conferees met to decide what kind of manpower bill, if any, should be passed by Congress.

The discussions were scheduled to get underway this afternoon with the 10 conferees apparently split evenly in their preference toward the work-or-else bill passed by the House and the voluntary measure approved by the Senate.

Sen. Warren R. Austin, R., W. said he would suggest a compromise that would make the Labor Draft features of the House bill apply only to a few areas where the manpower shortage was the greatest.

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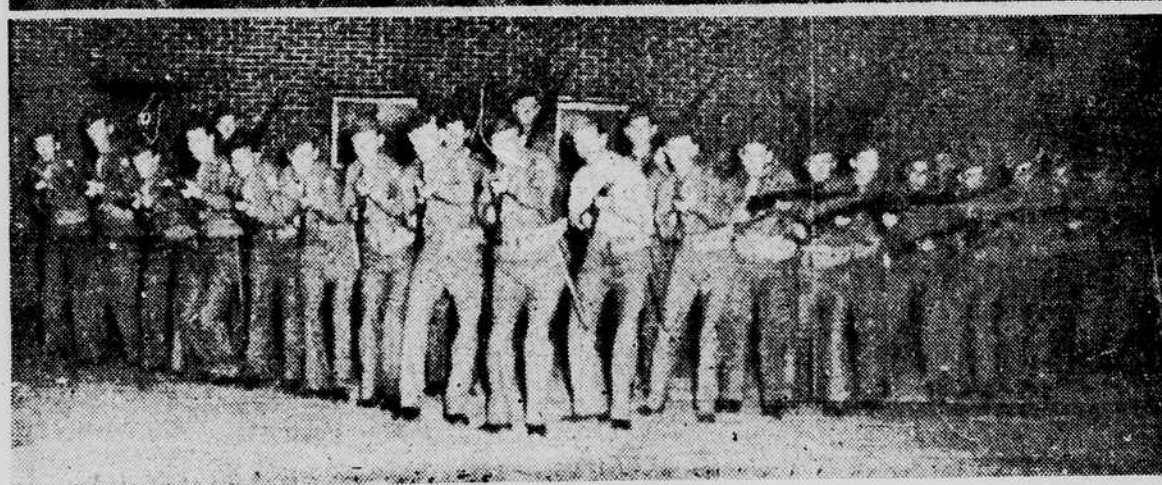
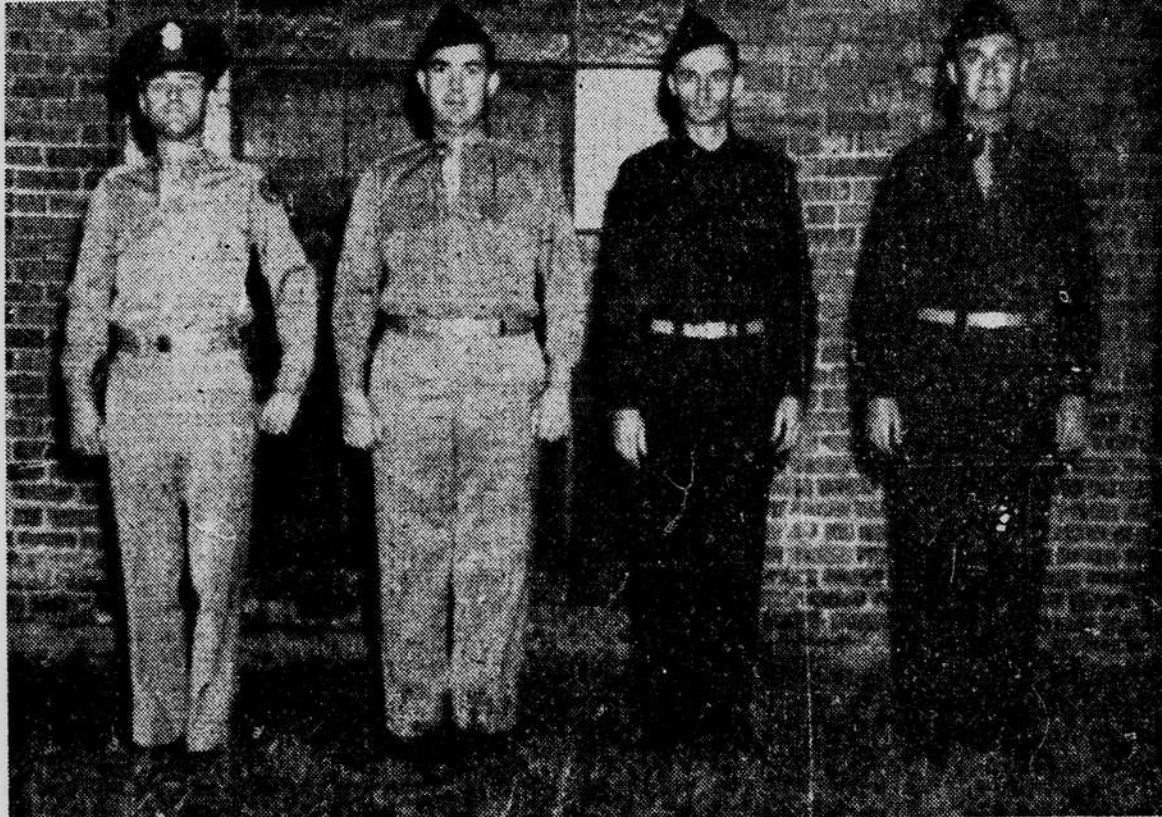
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