

## British Women To Attend San Francisco Conference

**By BARBARA WACE AP Newsfeatures**  
LONDON—Britain has announced that two of her foremost feminine members of Parliament, women of vastly different temperaments, will be among the delegates at the World Security Conference in San Francisco next month.

Miss Florence Horsburgh, conservative member for Dundee, has been parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Health throughout the war. A tall woman with a sympathetic voice, she never heeds speakers in the House of Commons and is noted for a tremendous capacity for hard work without fuss.

Always dressed quietly, she achieved more publicity than usual when she made history as the first woman to reply to the King's speech opening Parliament. She wore a soft brown evening dress which now is in the London Museum.

Miss Elle Wilkinson, who as a laborer was named parliamentary secretary to the Ministry of Pensions in 1940 and later transferred to the Ministry of Home Security, is effective in an entirely different manner.

Red-haired and only five feet tall, she stores a great deal of energy in a frail body. For many years, as organizer of the union of distributive allied workers, she was known for her forthright manner and her quick, sometimes biting, comebacks which usually were very effective.

"If you want to fight—fight Hitler," she told a group of strikers during the war—and the strike ended in five minutes.

Miss Horsburgh piloted several bills through the House of Commons, including the "Red Biddy" bill in Scotland which forbade the sale of methylated alcohol for drinking purposes. Her wartime duties as Ministry of Health included traveling hundreds of miles during the blitz, visiting mothers and babies evacuated to safe areas and coping with war-time shortages of maternity beds, midwives and domestic hospital staffs. Recently she has handled the problem of children boarded out in foster homes.

Miss Wilkinson as "firewatcher in chief" was largely responsible for the compulsory firewatching scheme which controlled the London fireblitz. In 1941 she made a lecture tour of the United States as a guest of the AFL and is interested in an understanding between the workers of both countries to ensure post-war peace.

## CLUB CLOCK

The Colonial Village Mothers club will meet Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. H. C. Hammond, 164 Colonial circle.

A meeting of the Ladies Concordia Society of the Temple of Israel will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Temple lounge.

The W. H. Sprunt Bible class will meet Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Mrs. J. L. White and Mrs. L. R. Roberts, 712 Orange street, will be hostesses.

The monthly meeting of the Business and Professional Women's club will be held Friday evening at 6 o'clock at the Friendly. Reservations can be made with Miss Verna Sheppard, 7788.

The W. S. C. S. of Grace Methodist church will hold the regular church day Wednesday at the church as follows: Spiritual Life group 11 a. m. Circles 11:30 a. m., business meeting 12 noon, luncheon 1:15 p. m. with circle six as hostesses. The Wesleyan Service guild will meet with Miss Agnes Chesten, 602 Chestnut street Wednesday at 8 p. m.

The James Walker Memorial hospital alumnae will hold the monthly meeting Thursday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock.

North Carolina Sorosis will hold the monthly business meeting Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The executive committee will meet at 3 o'clock. At 4:30 o'clock Rabbi M. M. Thurman will speak to the club on the subject, Dumbarton Oaks.

The King's Daughters class of the Winter Park Baptist church will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. C. Smith, Jr., with Mrs. John Wood as hostess.

The American Legion auxiliary will hold the regular meeting this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Legion home, Third and Dock streets.

The Philathea class of the First Baptist Sunday school will meet with Mrs. M. L. Rooks, 1905 Grace street, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

A meeting of the Past Noble Grand club of Letitia Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, IOOF, will meet Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Florence Tienken, 207 North 17th street.

## Victory Menu

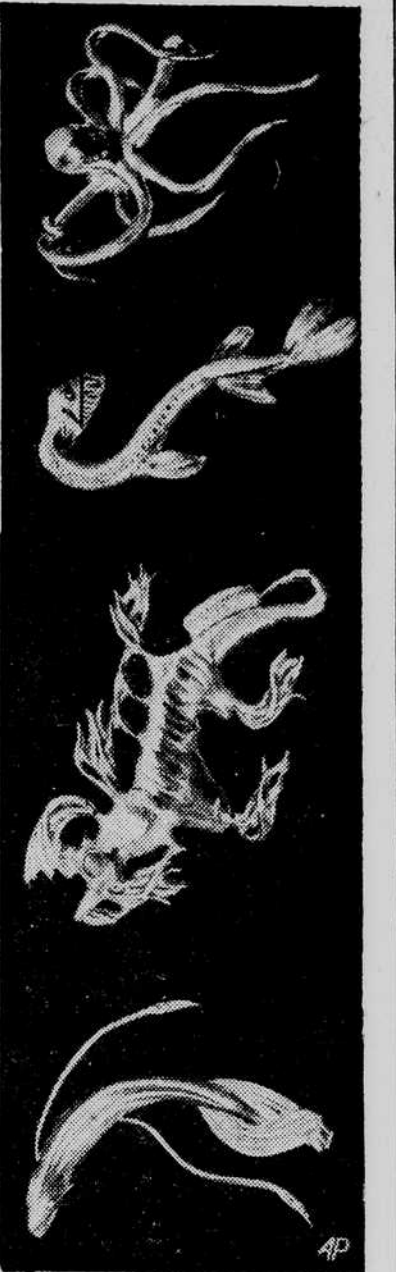
- By CHARLOTTE ADAMS**  
Cauliflower Casserole  
Lamb Patties  
Baked Cauliflower  
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Pecan Cookies  
(Recipes serve four)
- Bake Cauliflower**  
1 head cauliflower  
2 cups milk  
1 cup bread cubes  
4 tablespoons butter or margarine  
3 tablespoons flour  
1-2 teaspoon salt  
1-8 teaspoon pepper  
Saute bread cubes in butter or margarine until lightly browned. Remove bread. Blend flour and butter, add milk and stir over low heat until the sauce thickens. Add seasonings. Cook cauliflower in a small amount of boiling water, covered, until just tender but still white. Drain. Place in greased casserole cover with sauce, top with bread cubes and bake at 400 degrees 15 minutes.
- Chocolate Pecan Cookies**  
3 squares melted chocolate  
4 egg whites  
3/4 cup sugar  
1-2 cup cake flour  
1-2 cup pecans, chopped  
1-2 teaspoon salt  
1-2 teaspoon vanilla  
Melt chocolate and cool slightly. Beat egg whites until frothy, sprinkle salt over the surface and continue beating until whites are stiff but still moist. Beat in 1-2 cup sugar, two tablespoons at a time. Combine remaining sugar and flour and fold into sweetened egg whites, by sitting a few tablespoons at a time over the surface. Add chopped nuts, vanilla and melted chocolate to the batter. Drop by teaspoon on waxed paper on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 325 degrees 30-40 minutes. Remove quickly from paper as they stick easily.

**NLRB ORDERS BALLOT**  
WASHINGTON, April 2.—(AP)—The National Labor Relations Board today announced that it had ordered an election among the employees of the Hadley-Peoples Manufacturing Co., Siler City, N. C., to determine whether the Textile Workers Union of America, CIO, should be designated as the collective bargaining agency for the employees.

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## Little Things In Life Add To Loneliness Of War Wife

**By RUTH MILLETT**  
Everybody talks about the war wife's "loneliness." But only a war wife knows the little every-day incidents that high-light her loneliness, that are sharp reminders that she is a woman entirely on her own.

And they're such little things: Going out after dark to put the car in the garage.

Seeing a man and woman working together in their yard, or hearing a woman say, "I must tell Jim about that."

Having a child ask, "But WHEN is daddy coming home?"

Hearing another woman worrying out loud about what to give Bill for dinner.

Seeing a father on an outing with his children.

Buying a silly hat she knows she won't be teased about.

Having a neighbor say, "Joe was an hour late last night—and I was fit to be tied."

Turning out the lights at night and making sure the doors are locked.

Having to make an important family decision entirely on her own.

**NIGHT OUT WITH GIRLS**  
Seeing a man in the uniform her husband wears with his wife beside him.

Walking home from a movie with "the girls."

Trying to find somebody to take down the storm windows, or mow the lawn.

Getting birthday greeting from her husband two weeks early or two weeks late.

Buying another box of V-mail stationery.

Standing alone at the door bidding guests "good-night."

## CLOTHING DRIVE PLANS ANNOUNCED

W. R. Doshier, chairman of the United Clothing collection campaign for War Relief, yesterday asked that donations be sent to churches and schools.

Plans for house-to-house solicitations are being considered but will not be formulated until the last two weeks of the campaign, which started Sunday. Solicitors will wear identification tags if this method of collection becomes necessary.

Sponsored by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, the drive will be the only one of its kind this spring.

J. B. Huntington and George Willard will direct the campaign through the churches and schools. Thurston Davis will be in charge of the fleet of trucks and R. A. Dunlea will head the publicity committee. Emory H. Southerland will head the shipping and sorting committee, with Robert Dannenbaum chairman of the reports committee. Cecil Lewis will direct the campaign at the North Carolina Shipbuilding Co.

## Four Persons Hurt In Auto Accident

Four persons were injured in the collision of two automobiles at the intersection of Elvetham and Ann streets Sunday night, police reported yesterday.

Clarence Spencer of 706 Ann street, driver of one of the vehicles, was treated at James Walker Memorial hospital for lacerations of the scalp and forehead, and released.

Others injured were Maggie McQuire, Negro, abrasion of leg and possible fracture of right ribs; Lewis Whitty, abrasion of forearm and possible contusion of forehead; and Elizabeth Grady, laceration of left knee and right wrist. The trio was treated and released from Community hospital.

Police said considerable damage was done to the vehicle operated by Wright Grady of Castle Hayne, and the right side of the Spencer car. No arrest was made.

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## Canteen Girls Play Big Sisters To The Yanks

**By VIVIAN BROWN AP Newsfeature Writer**  
NEW YORK—You can bet the baby's shoes that your best beau, husband or brother isn't showering wine and bouquets on the country's canteen hostesses. So says Alice Marie Casey of Parsons, Kansas, recently selected the most typical canteen hostess in the country.

Since the blonde, brown-eyed Alice won the contest and a trip East, she has had her first sip of champagne, worn her first orchid and eaten her first oyster. Says she:

"No, the boys don't buy us gifts—and we don't want them to. Most of the girls have their own beaus in the service, and our six-week hostess training course teaches us to respect the fact that the boys have their own girls at home."

Once in a while there is romance, she says. But it usually develops where the girl and boy haven't any other attachments.

Alice, who has been helping at the U.S.O. canteen for almost two years, says she joined because, not having any brothers, she thought she ought to do something in the war effort.

She and the 75 other hostesses divide into shifts and meet the trains at Parsons to dispense doughnuts, apples and matches. On Sundays they invite the boys to their homes for dinner.

The canteen orchestra which is supplied by the girls' contributions can play its most romantic music but there is no cuddling or snuggling.

"We've discovered a lonesome boy is happiest when we ask him to talk about his family. So we concentrate on his mother, sister, sweetheart or wife," says Alice.

One thing Alice has noticed is that the boys want girls to look feminine. She says:

"All this bobby sock and sweat-belt talk is a lot of hooey—the boys don't even want to dance with a girl who doesn't look frilly."

After the dances, to avoid any coupling off, the girls and boys leave in groups. This was the agreement the hostesses made in the beginning and they stick to it. The only trouble with that, says Alice, is that she's gone out on nothing but group dates since she's grown up. She says:

"When the war is over and I get a chance to go out on a single date, I don't think I'll know how to act."

## JAPS REPULSED NEAR LAOHOKOW

CHUNGKING, April 2.—(AP)—Japanese troops fought into Laohokow and Nanyang over the weekend, but were driven back with heavy losses. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek disclosed today in a special order of the day commending Chinese forces for their defense of both key cities.

Laohokow, in Hupeh province, and Nanyang, in Honan province, lie in an arc about 200 miles northwest of Hankow.

The Chinese said they had mended a breach in their lines Saturday at Laohokow, until recently the site of an advanced base of the U. S. 14th Air Force.

The high command reported the Chinese had recaptured Nanchang, 45 miles south of Laohokow, and were counterattacking 40 miles north of there in the vicinity of Tenghsien. The Chinese also reported flanking attacks in progress at Siangyang on the Han river 30 miles southeast of Laohokow.

Eight hundred Japanese were killed and Lieutenant-General Okua, commanding the Japanese 110th Division, was severely wounded in fighting northwest and southwest of Neisiang on the Honan-Shensi highway, the Chinese communicate said.

## Easy to Crochet Cape Fear Navy Mothers Club To Meet This Evening

The Cape Fear Navy Mothers' club will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the American Legion home.

Every member is requested to be present as final plans for the tag day, Saturday, April 7, will be made at this time. Since this is the first meeting of the quarter, members are reminded to bring their dues.

## Gen. Rose, Commander Of Third Armored Unit, Killed On West Front

WASHINGTON, April 2.—(AP)—Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose, commander of the Third Armored Division, has been killed in action in Germany, the War Department announced today.

The Department said Rose "was killed by enemy action in Germany, the War Department announced today.

The Department said Rose "was killed by enemy action while leading his division in spearheading the advance of United States troops in Germany." The date of his death was not given.

## Delay In 'Frisco Parley Discounted By State Aide

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—(AP)—John Peurifoy of the U. S. State Department declared today "there is absolutely nothing to the rumors" that the World Security Conference, scheduled to open here April 25, "will be postponed or cancelled. It will proceed as scheduled."

Peurifoy, special assistant to the director of the State Department's Office of Public Affairs, is here to outline arrangements for the meeting.

An inch of rainfall is equal to 100 tons of water to an acre. Twelve inches of snowfall equals one inch of rainfall.

## British Units Mopping Up Enemy In Irrawaddy Area

CALCUTTA, April 2.—(AP)—British armored units roved at will in the Irrawaddy pocket today wiping out isolated groups of fanatical Japanese troops, while planes of the Eastern Air Command tracked down enemy forces attempting to sneak eastward into Thailand.

A Southeast Asia Command communiqué said destroyers of the East India fleet in cooperation with RAF planes sank a Japanese convoy in recent offensive sweeps in the Andaman Sea.

In addition, the communiqué said, the destroyers bombarded Sigli, in north Sumatra, and Port Blain.

## Pravda Compares Yank Speed With Russians'

MOSCOW, April 2.—(AP)—A Pravda commentator declared today that the speed of the Allied drive beyond the Rhine was not extraordinary because, he said, while the Americans advanced 94 miles in three weeks, the First White Russian Army had gone 150 miles in the same time was tyn. "What really astonishes us is that the Allied armies have met almost no real resistance," Maj. Gen. Mikhail Galactianov wrote.

He said Germany's main strength has been on the Eastern Front since 1941, and "here it has been destroyed."

Discussing the American-British advances, he wrote that to appraise a military success the strength of the defense must be considered.

The British and Americans were opposed by only 60 divisions when they invaded France, while the Red Army at the same time was tyn. "In order to delay disaster on the Eastern Front the Nazi High Command threw all its existing reserves into the east, "even risking to bare the Western Front," Galactianov added.

Summing up, he said "these are the facts which show why the Germans could not offer serious resistance on the Siegfried Line. In several sections there was no kind of opposition to Allies even on such a large waterway as the Rhine. The Germans have resisted fiercely on every sector of the Eastern Front and judging from this experience we had expected resistance in the west."

## WEALTHY MATRON KILLED, BURNED

RALEIGH, April 2.—(AP)—Wealthy Mrs. John V. Higham, club and civic leader and active in the entertaining of servicemen in Raleigh on furloughs, was found dead early today in her home in the Hayes-barton area, her body charred and her skull fractured. She was 71.

Coroner Roy M. Banks said that circumstances surrounding her death were "very mysterious"; that she kept a box of highly valuable jewels in a box in her bedroom, where the fire is believed to have started. Neighbors said she kept some of the jewels for servicemen, some of whom are overseas.

Firemen had not found the box late today, nor had they determined the origin of the fire.

In announcing the findings of an autopsy, Banks said that Mrs. Higham had a fractured skull and it was believed that caused her death. He said that she could have fallen down the stairway but he had no evidence to support that theory. Her body was found several feet from the base of the stairway, as if she had started toward the front door.

Most of her clothes had been burned off, but Banks said that part of her corset was found under the body, leading him to the belief that she was clothed and had not retired for the night.

Two diamond rings which Banks said he was told Mrs. Higham customarily wore were missing from her fingers, but her wedding band was intact.

Banks said Mrs. Higham, who apparently was alone in the house, had been accustomed to entertain servicemen in her home over the week-ends. But this week-end she had a neighbor about 10 o'clock last night. The fire broke out about two hours later.

Banks said that he had not called an immediate inquest, pending a further investigation of the case by police. Mrs. Higham was known to have kept some of her other valuables and jewelry in a lock box in a bank here and plans were made to open the box within a day or so.

Mrs. Higham's husband died about 10 years ago. They had no children. Several of her relatives arrived here today.

## Women Report Attack, Purse Stolen By Negro

Mrs. Elizabeth Atkinson, of 819 Chestnut street, suffered injuries when she and Mrs. J. G. English, of 810 Chestnut street, were knocked down at Eight and Princess street Sunday night by a Negro, who afterward seized Mrs. English's purse, police reported yesterday.

Mrs. Atkinson was treated for a fractured right wrist and badly bruised knee at James Walker Memorial hospital and released.

The women reported to officers that the "ginger-cake skin" Negro assaulted and robbed them on the sidewalk at Eight and Princess streets as they were walking home from church. A pair of kid gloves was stolen from Mrs. Atkinson. The value of contents of the purse was estimated at \$18.50.

## Stream Of Refugees From Reich Increases

STOCKHOLM, April 2.—(AP)—Three small vessels carrying fleeing Germans arrived in southern Swedish ports today as the stream of refugees from the Reich increased.

One boat carried seven German officers while the number of persons aboard the other two was not known immediately.

Fifty-one Germans, of which half were members of the German Todt military construction organization, reached Kalmars Sunday aboard a flat-bottomed river steamer from Gdynia.

The ship's captain was reported to have said he intended to sail to the Danish island of Bornholm but landed in Sweden because of a faulty compass. The boat was well stocked with food and some passengers looked like Nazi party functionaries, the Stockholm Express reported. All of the passengers will be interned.

## Salisbury Vet Hospital Approved By Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, April 2.—(AP)—The President has approved a 900-bed veterans hospital to be located at Salisbury, N. C., the Veterans Administration announced this afternoon.

The hospital is to cost \$4,500,000 and is to be classed as a psychiatric hospital, the Veterans Administration said.

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