



Army Point Plan To Be Abandoned

Men Who Have Been In Army Two Years Will Be Discharged

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—General of the Army George C. Marshall told Congress today that the Army will abandon its point system for discharge by late winter and all men with two years service will be released.

At the same time he advised a joint Senate-House session in the Library of Congress that the Army's present discharge score of 85—based on credit for service, combat and dependency—will be lowered to 70 by October 1. Another cut to 60 points will be made by November 1, the lawmakers were told.

General Douglas MacArthur, army commander in the Pacific, advised the War Department yesterday that the occupation force needed in Japan and Korea could be met with 200,000 soldiers, plus one Marine division, Marshall disclosed.

Marshall made it plain that more than 200,000 troops will be required in the Pacific as a whole. However, he made it plain that the 200,000 figure applied to Japan and Korea alone and that troops were also needed in Alaska, the Aleutians, Hawaii, Formosa and possibly in China.

Congress, he said, "apparently was disturbed" by earlier estimates that the army would number 2,500,000 men by next July 1 and that this would include 900,000 men for occupation duty in the Pacific and 400,000 for duty in Europe. The general said the figures were only estimates and had to be supplied in connection with the drafting of the annual budget and that "labor conditions will give us a new figure." He did not elaborate.

He said that MacArthur first had asked for 17 divisions redeployed from Europe for Pacific duty but later had trimmed his estimate to finally bring it down to two divisions. They have already been sent.

Marshall addressed the joint Congressional session in the Greenedome Library of Congress.

Meanwhile, there were other developments in Capitol Hill.

1. A new tax cutting plan took shape in Congress.

2. The Senate made ready to complete action on the unemployment pay bill and sent it to the House where the scramble will be renewed all over again.

3. The House prepared to debate a bill which would give the State full rights and authority over lands which are under water.

4. Mary Norton, chairman of the House Labor Committee and her bill to raise the minimum wage paid to employees in a interstate commerce from 40 cents to 65 cents per hour has so much support that she doesn't think hearings on the measure are necessary.

5. The Senate Banking Committee was on the verge of approving the so-called "full employment" bill so it can be debated in the Senate next week. This bill, many argued, is strongly backed by President Truman. It provides that the government take steps to see that enough jobs are available for everyone, even if it means another WPA.

STAMP HONORS SMITH

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—A commemorative three-cent stamp honoring the late Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York, will be issued by the Post Office Department. Friday sales will be made in New York City, November 26.

Auto Industry Awaiting Action On Wage Demands

Detroit, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The automotive industry today anxiously awaited government action on its demands for industry-wide 30 per cent wage boosts.

No major development occurred Wednesday, but more than 80,000 Detroit area workers remained idle because of strikes or lay offs, while General Motors indicated that 25,000 more might be laid off before the end of the week because of parts shortages.

Both labor and management kept a close watch on Washington to see what action the newly reorganized Labor Department would take believed to be the first major step in the nation's reconversion program.

These were the questions that observers asked as they watched the companies and the U.A.W. (CIO) jockey for a position in the situation.

1.—Will Edgar L. Warren, named Tuesday at Washington as head of

MONKEY MOTHERS KITTENS



THIS IS SUSIE, the monk, and three of the five kittens she has adopted in the home of W. C. Ut at Winston-Salem, N. C. The latter is said to be very fond of Monkey, Wash. (AP Wirephoto)

Curbs Against Argentina, Spain Might Be Scrapped

Dr. Taylor Wanting To Quit Board

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Dr. George W. Taylor today offered his resignation as chairman of the War Labor Board as Labor Secretary Schweikach sought to bring the board together as a virtually independent agency.

Schweikach prepared a declaration of policy following a conference with the board over exactly what exchanges now being made over the future status of the board.

The W.L.B. the War Manpower Commission and the U. S. Employment Service were shifted to the Labor Department by President Truman last Tuesday.

The Labor Secretary planned to let the board function independently as in the past, reserving to himself the right to enter official dispatches for mediation purposes only when dealing with serious strikes, such as the Detroit strikes.

Market Advance Runs Into Some Selling Trouble

New York, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The stock market advance ran into selling trouble today although real prices were lacking in most cases. In front were Lockheed, Dupont, Goodyears and Union Carbide.

Laggards included U. S. Steel, General Motors, American Telephone and Montgomery Ward.

Bonus was spotty.

MISSIONARIES ASKED TO REMAIN IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The Tokyo newspaper Asahi said today that President Prime Hattori-Kami had invited foreign missionaries to remain in Japan and help build a new nation with high morals and culture.

STATE PRESS GROUP STARTS MEET TODAY

Raleigh, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The North Carolina Press Association will open its 73rd annual convention here tonight with an address by Robert Donnell, managing director for The Associated Press in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Julian S. Miller, editor of The Charlotte Observer will preside and Donnell will be introduced by D. Hiden Ramsey, general manager of The Asheville Citizen-Times.

U. N. C. PRE-FLIGHT WILL CLOSE OCT. 15

Washington, Sept. 20.—The Navy Department disclosed today that a pre-flight training program at universities of North Carolina, Georgia and Iowa will be withdrawn if the near future. Trainees at the U. N. C. at Chapel Hill will be discharged by Oct. 15.

Halsey's Ships Are Bringing Home Sailors For Discharge

MacArthur Is Silent On Criticism

Troops to Continue To Land in Japan Until End of Year

Tokyo, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Seventeen ships of Admiral William F. Halsey's powerful Third Fleet steamed for home today, taking with them several thousand Navy men due for discharge—while General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced the American occupation force will increase to 100,000 before the predicted slash to 200,000 men takes place.

There are about 150,000 American soldiers in Japan now.

State Department expression of "surprise" at Gen. MacArthur's prediction of three days ago on the size of the American occupation force drew a terse "no comment" from General MacArthur himself today. His staff officers said, however, that his comment on future reductions in the size of the occupation force had specified six months.

Troops will continue to pour into Japan through September, October, November and December until, about 400,000 have arrived at the end of the year, headquarters sources reported.

More Men to Land

Japanese demobilization, meanwhile, is proceeding so smoothly that about three-fourths of the homeland army has been discharged and demobilized, MacArthur's headquarters disclosed.

The 400,000 maximum, army spokesmen said, does not include marine units in many zones of occupation nor fleet personnel.

In Washington, acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson said sharply that the United States Government and not General MacArthur is determining American foreign policy toward Japan. He expressed surprise that anyone could determine the number of men needed for occupation.

No Incident Yet

Staff officers pointed out, however, that this for the occupation has been without incident.

Demobilization of the Japanese is continuing at the rate of 50,000 men daily. There were approximately 2,253,000 Japanese under arms in the home islands of August 15 and about 1,045 had been demobilized by September 17—with only 600,000 to go by the October 15 deadline.

In addition to American navy personnel passengers being brought home for discharge by Admiral Halsey's fleet include many members of the crew of the fighting admiral's ships, who are expected to remain in the United States.

Tests TB Serum



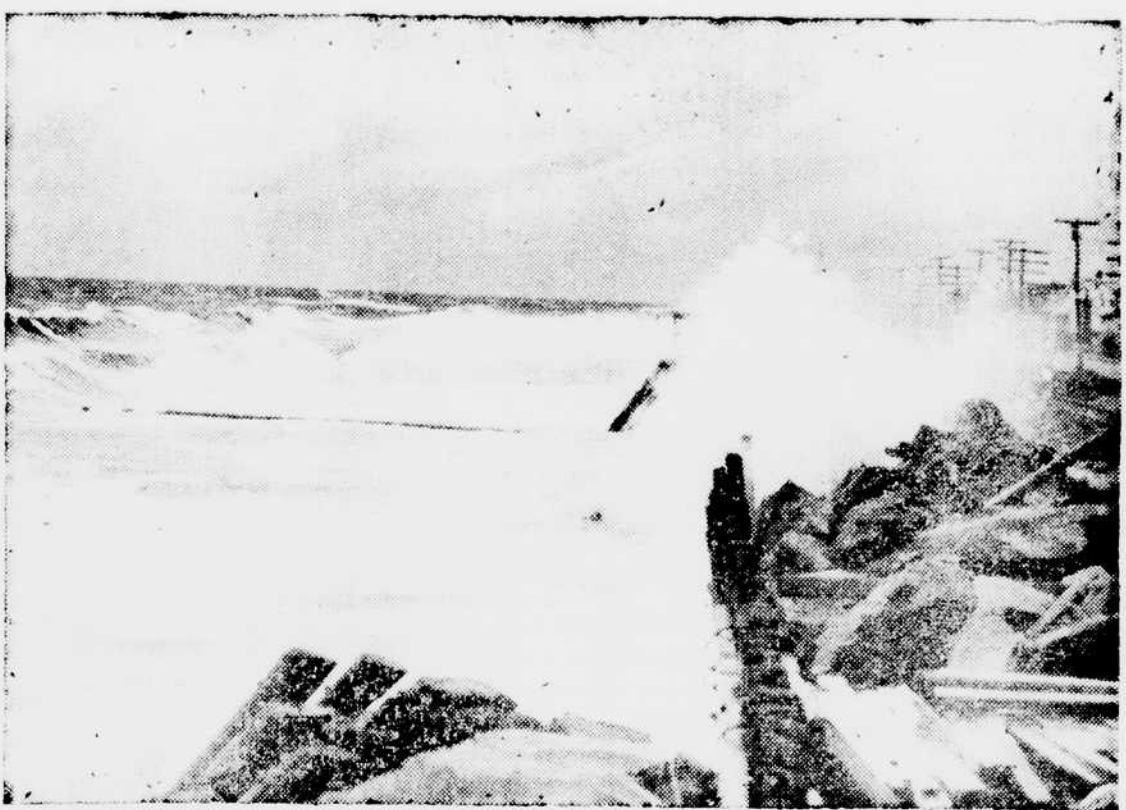
CREATOR of a new inhibitor drug known as Sulfilin, Dr. Anthony J. Salle, professor of Bacteriology at the University of Los Angeles, is shown at his microscope examining tissue infected with tuberculosis and noting the effects of the new substance on the TB bacillus. Experiments with cattle were scheduled to be made. (International)

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy and warmer tonight; scattered thundershowers Friday afternoon and in west and central portions tonight.

REMNANTS OF STORM BATTER NEW JERSEY COAST



LONG, HUGE CONIFERS ROLL IN and smash with loud roars against the rocky coast of New Jersey as a strong northeaster, born of a hurricane which battered Florida and the Carolinas spends itself at sea. (International)

Four Turbulent State Rivers Are Continuing On Rampage

Many Highways Remain Impassable; Thousands Of Dollars Damage Done

Raleigh, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Four turbulent North Carolina rivers continued by overflowing tributaries continued on the rampage today, making many eastern Carolina highways impassable and doing many thousands of dollars worth of damage.

The Cape Fear and the Neuse rivers continued to rise.

At Fayetteville, where the Cape Fear was rising, the weather bureau observer was not allowed to go out on the bridge. Last night's reading reported the river at 65.7 feet.

The Neuse had crested at Neuse and Smithfield but the crest had not been reached below Smithfield. At Smithfield, the river is at 26 feet.

and flood stage there is 13 feet. At Goldsboro, the Neuse continued to rise with a reading of 17.1 feet.

At Monroeville, the Haw river had fallen this morning to 30.5 feet as compared with last night's reading of 35 feet.

The Roanoke, which was receding in its upper reaches, was at 45.1 feet at Weldon and continuing to rise slowly; the flood stage is 51 feet. At Danville, the river had fallen to 14.5 feet this morning, as compared with a reading last night of 20.7 feet.

The Tar River continued to rise at Tarboro, where the waters were reported at 23.9 feet and last night it was 19.3 feet.

Showdown U. S. Plans Job Bill Near To Protest Red Action

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Full employment legislation, number one on President Truman's "must" list today headed for its last test shot of the Senate floor. The Senate Banking Committee prepared for a vote this afternoon on the measure (S. 124) by its sponsors as a "full employment measure."

Chairman Wagner of New York said he had no doubt the measure would be approved.

With heavy Republican support, Senator Fulbright of Arkansas introduced yesterday in changing the basic statement of policy of the bill that all Americans have the right to work "and entitled to full employment." The wording had been that such Americans "have the right to an opportunity."

Senator Seeking To Exempt Vets From Hatch Act

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Legislation exempting veterans of all wars from the provisions of the Hatch unfair politics act has been introduced by Senator Elmer Thomas of Oklahoma. He told reporters that as the act now stands, any veteran drawing any income from the government, including disability allowances, would be prohibited from taking part in politics or even talking about politics. The act is directed primarily at government employees.

REPUBLICANS MAP CAMPAIGN PROGRAM

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Seven House Republicans today began drafting a legislative program they hope will win for their party the 1946 Congressional elections.

The seven, named as a "conservative policy planning group" by GOP leaders, resurrected the idea and "stirred much interest in and out of Congress."

Minority Leader Martin, one of

Balkan Problem May Be Tougher Than Italy Row

London, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Renewed United States protests against unilateral action by Russia in the Balkans may be presented to the council of foreign ministers of the major Allied powers when it takes up peace treaties with former Axis satellite nations.

The council after deciding last night to refer the problems of peace drafts to a committee, decided to discuss the future of Romania, Bulgaria and Hungary.

The Balkan problem may be even tougher than the Italian question. The United States and Great Britain are on record and after and may recognize the predominantly Communist governments in the Balkans while Russia holds the balance as "democratic." The crisis of the matter is the extent of Russian influence to be exerted in eastern Europe.

A reliable source said that the United States delegation will present a memorandum to the session, repeating its insistence that the Yalta agreement, agreed to by Winston Churchill, Stalin and Roosevelt, be carried out.

"An avalanche of suggestions has come in from the general public," the committee's task is to shape the assorted recommendations into a well-rounded program, showing what the Republicans stand for.

Confusion Caused At Epes Trial

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 20.—(AP)—The trial of Lt. Samuel C. Epes of Richmond, Va., for the murder of his party partner, John E. Epes, was through into confusion today as one of his former military friends jockeyed over the case. A tremendous halt in the proceedings came when a friend of the 27-year-old officer collapsed as a prosecution witness said Epes had only made alleged attempts at suicide.

Identified by court officers as John E. Griggs, about Epes' age, the tall blonde man, dressed in brown, fell from his chair immediately behind Epes and the defense table.

The incident jumped to his feet in the first display of emotion he was shown during the four day trial, but was restrained by Leith Beimer, Epes' family attorney from Richmond, who is assisting the defense.

Court attendants brought Griggs back to consciousness with ammonia and helped him from the courtroom.