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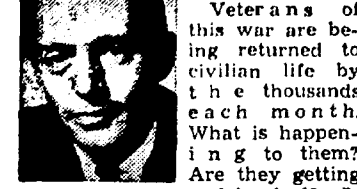
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We Must 'Detrain' Our Killers

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON — In the vast sweep of the news, in the incredible time in which we're living, we often lose sight of all but the pre-eminent events that hold the front page headlines.



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We "detrain" the dogs that served in the battle zones. Isn't it perhaps just as important to "detrain" the men who have been conditioned as killers?

This is not something that concerns veterans alone or their immediate families. It relates to the continuing stability of our society under the hammer blows of this terrible conflict.

Because I believe it is so important to start talking and thinking along these lines, I am devoting this and two succeeding columns to the problem. I have talked to a great many men in authority and to others with specialized knowledge on the subject to get the background for this.

One opinion from many sources is that the veterans' administration, as it is constituted today, is inadequate to the task before it. From my own brief inquiry I think this is a correct conclusion.

Some critics of the veterans' administration go on to say that the administrator, Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, is an excellent public servant — efficient and conscientious. But, at 65, he has had put on his shoulders a burden that might overwhelm a man half his years.

The GI bill of rights provides a host of benefits for veterans of this war, and that means a big job of administration. It means that the red tape and the top-heavy bureaucracy of the veterans' administration must be slashed if the army of veterans out of this war are to get the benefits congress intended them to have.

It is on the side of medical care that the inadequacy of the veterans' administration is perhaps most conspicuous. Partly, this may be the fault of the American Legion and other pressure groups that have used their political power to force out of the veterans' administration, by way of congress, all sorts of special privileges.

Veterans' hospitals have had no real control over their patients, who have received free medical care at their own whim. If tubercular patients decide to go back home, there is nothing the hospital can do about it.

A high medical authority outside the government told me of instances in which drunken patients, terrorized doctors and nurses. The "morale problem" is of constant concern to those in charge of veterans' hospitals.

Over insane veterans committed by the courts there is legal control. Newspapers last fall reported maltreatment of insane veterans at the hospital at Lyons, N. J., and a subsequent investigation by the administration confirmed the charges.

Gen. Hines put the blame largely on inadequate and poorly trained personnel resulting from the war demand for nurses and doctors.

More important than such isolated and doubtless rare instances is the general level of the medical service. Under civil service regulations, first-rate medical men have not been attracted to the service. The hospitals have had no connection with the great medical schools and with new research. In other words, they have been shut away from all new ideas.

The basic attitude has been to get veterans into hospitals and keep them there. The great lack is a real drive to restore men to usefulness, and it is precisely this lack that raises a serious question

Jap General's Suicide Failed

Aide on Saipan Killed Chief, Bodies Indicate

U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, Corona, Calif. (U.P.) — The charred body of Lieut. Gen. Yoshiji Saito, commander of Japanese troops on Saipan, was found in a cave on the island under conditions indicating he tried to commit hara-kiri and failed, it was revealed today by Marine Capt. Richard L. Sullivan, Washington, D. C.

The son of Col. Leo Sullivan of the paymasters office, marine headquarters, Washington, Sullivan is consoling here from wounds received from a Japanese hand grenade.

A detachment searching the caves in the Jap-styled "Valley of Hell," found four charred bodies. "We didn't know we had Saito's body until we found his personal effects," Sullivan said. "The bodies were burned beyond recognition."

"The condition indicated," Sullivan said, "that Saito tried to commit suicide, failed, and was then shot by his adjutant, who then committed suicide. Two other officers with them also shot themselves."

Loft Schedules Five Parties

The holiday season for the Loft, Madison's youth center, includes a Christmas party, a New Year's Eve party, an orchestra dance, and two juke box dances.

Members of the center will dance tonight to Jim Wundrek's orchestra, with Dr. and Mrs. Elmer Sevringhaus and Prof. and Mrs. J. Homer Herriot as the senior hosts.

Friday night the Loft will be the scene of a Christmas party. The Loft will be closed next Saturday, but the Cola-Cabana and the lounge room will be open Wednesday night, Dec. 27.

Juke box dances will be held at the Loft Friday and Saturday nights, Dec. 29 and 30, and Sunday night, Dec. 31, an orchestra dance with favors, prizes, and noise makers will be held in the center in the Madison YMCA.

Membership in the Loft now numbers 1,448 high school pupils from 15 through 19 years of age.

25 Groups to Meet at Traffic Parley

Twenty-five organizations, including three national groups will be represented at Wisconsin's first traffic courts conference Tuesday, H. C. Sallisbury, safety director for the state motor vehicle department announced today.

Panel discussions on "Administrative problems of the Traffic Courts" and "Problems of Traffic Law Enforcement" will be held during the morning and afternoon sessions respectively.

Featured on the morning panel will be District Court Judge Harvey Neelen, Milwaukee; County Judge Frank Carter, Eagle River; Municipal Court Judge Chester Christiansen, Beloit; Mayor Leo Promen, Fond du Lac; Traffic Captain Walter Schwenk, Eau Claire; Chief of County Highway Police, Ivan Wright, La Crosse; City Attorney, John Doerfer, West Allis; and Dist. Atty. Norman E. Maloney.

Afternoon speakers include Traffic Capt. H. J. Morris, Madison police; Municipal Judge S. J. Luchsinger, Oshkosh; Superior Judge Roy H. Proctor; Justice of the Peace Adolph Andro, Baraboo; Chief of Police Walter Wagner, Sheboygan; Chief of Police Jasper Webb, Janesville; and Dist. Atty. K. Thomas Savage, Kenosha.

Three McCoy Area Condemnations Made

Three verdicts were returned by a jury in U. S. district court late Thursday in condemnation actions on land wanted by the government as an addition to Camp McCoy.

The jury awarded \$1,750 to Fedelia A. Antwerp and others for 169 acres, and \$3,500 for 120 acres; also \$1,800 to Frank E. Antwerp for 200 acres.

Bingo Corporation to Meet Tuesday

First meeting of the newly incorporated Bingo Legalizing corporation of Wisconsin will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday at the Eagles club, it was announced today by the incorporators, Ed C. Brendler, Joseph Bedner, Albert A. Stewart, A. J. Gast, and Sol Reist.

Members of the group will adopt the by-laws and elect nine directors, who in turn will elect the president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

Dumbarton Oaks Plan Practical, Ball Declares

NEW YORK (U.P.)—Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn.) said Thursday night that the Dumbarton Oaks proposal, which "came two years too late," was the only practical plan thus far presented to the United Nations for peace in the post-war world. Ball addressed lawyers associated with the Federation on Jewish Philanthropies.

Grin and Bear It



"I'd watch your boy friend's line, Sis... He just told me what lustrous pigtails I have, and how my buck teeth enhanced my beauty!"

Wisconsin Casualties

ARMY WOUNDED European Area: Adamki, Pfc. Robert A.—Mrs. Madeline Adamski, mother, Racine.

Bork, Second Lieut. Ruben G.—Edward J. Bork, father, Route 1, Bowler.

Cornelius, Pfc. Donald J.—Mrs. Clara C. Cornelius, mother, Milwaukee.

Gilbertson, Sgt. Glenn C.—Mrs. Andrew C. Gilbertson, mother, Black River Falls.

Gloyd, Technician Fourth Class Charles E.—Mrs. Violet Gloyd, wife, Ripon.

Graur, Pfc. Burton D.—Mrs. Louise Gmur, New Glarus.

Gregovitch, Technician Fourth Grade John W.—Mrs. Rose J. Gregovitch, mother, Butler.

Griesch, Technician Fifth Grade Clement M.—Mrs. Mamie Griesch, mother, Random Lake.

Gross, Pvt. Herbert J.—Mrs. Julia Gross, mother, Milwaukee.

Gross, Pfc. Reno A.—Fred Gross, father, Route 1, Comstock.

Hall, Staff Sgt. John M.—Mrs. Rose Hall, mother, 854 Terry pl., Madison.

Hanson, Staff Sgt. Clarence A.—Mrs. Nora C. Hanson, wife, 120 N. Bassett st., Madison.

Hassel, Pfc. John W.—John C. Hassel, father, Superior.

Heideman, Pvt. Raymond—William Heideman, brother, Route 1, Waupun.

Loebforo, Technician Fifth Grade Elmer L.—Mrs. Hazel Loebforo, mother, Route 1, New Auburn.

Marsh, Pfc. Harris P.—Mrs. Carmen J. Marsh, wife, Phillips.

Midhun, Staff Sgt. Maynard V.—Mrs. Alma Midhun, mother, Verona.

Moore, Pfc. James L.—Mrs. Anne C. Moore, mother, Eau Claire.

Pitroski, Staff Sgt. Walter S.—Mrs. Anna Pitroski, mother, Route 2, Abrams.

Pozenel, Pvt. John—Mrs. Louise Pozenel, mother, Sheboygan.

Frederick Hunt Gets Probation

Frederick Hunt, 21, of 147 N. Hancock st., drew a suspended reformatory term and was placed on probation to the state department of public welfare Friday when he was brought before Superior Judge Roy H. Proctor for sentence in a car theft case.

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Republicans Have Surplus

\$350,000 'Leftover' After Campaign

CHICAGO (U.P.) — For the first time in Republican party history, there is a post-presidential-election surplus, according to James S. Kemper, chairman of the GOP finance committee, who credits the party with \$350,000 in surplus campaign funds.

Kemper's report was read to members of the Illinois finance committee who heard national Republican chairman Herbert Brownell pledge use of the funds for the development of an organization to keep the party functioning on a "year-round basis."

Brownell, attending a meeting of the American Hotel assn., for which he is general counsel, revealed that he does not contemplate resigning his party post, but rather intends to "work with quiet determination for the next congressional election and the campaign of '48."

Kemper's report, crediting the party with \$400,000 including approximately \$50,000 in outstanding bills, was read to the group by Silas H. Strawn, state finance committee member. The funds, Kemper was quoted as saying, will be used "to carry on the fight against the things in Washington which we don't like."

Brownell told state committee members that he would meet with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Gov. John W. Bricker, the party's 1944 standard bearers, on his return to New York, and would call a meeting of the national committee in the near future.

Francesca Schumacher to Play on Radio

Francesca Schumacher, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schumacher, 2250 Sherman ave., has been selected as one of 56 young Wisconsin musicians who will appear on the 26-week radio recital program series, "Starring Young Wisconsin Artists," that will be heard over WTMJ beginning in February.

Miss Schumacher, a piano pupil of Stella Kayser, of the Wisconsin school of music, was chosen in competition with 350 young state artists. She has played on several of the Milwaukee Little Theater programs and at the Whitewater normal school, Madison USO, and Truax Field.

The radio series, sponsored by the Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs, will originate at the Radio City Auditorium studio, and is aimed at giving young Wisconsin musicians state-wide recognition and an opportunity to appear in public recital and on radio programs. Each program will feature two different artists.

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SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK advertisement featuring an illustration of a man on an elephant and a tree, with text about the book's contents and price.

In 4 Months, 7th Army Drives from French Riviera to Reich

By CLINTON B. CONGER (United Press War Correspondent)

INSIDE GERMANY — Four months to the day after their landing on the shores of southern France Lieut. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh U. S. army slashed through the low Vosges mountains into Germany at a point near Wissembourg and I came across the German frontier with them.

It was an anniversary for me as well as for the Seventh army. It was just three years ago that the Germans threw me into an internment camp after the declaration of war. At that time I was a member of the United Press Berlin staff.

Friday I stepped across the Reich frontier once again after our first units had gone across at about 1:30 p. m. at a point where a sign marked the German frontier. It was only about a mile to the Siegfried line at this position.

We walked across the border on a narrow footpath. Ahead of us lay the Siegfried guns which for the last three days have been pounding the advancing Yanks without being able to halt their advance.

A final 3-mile spurt to the border put the veteran division I am with across the line ahead of the aggressive 79th division which has been racing our outfit for the honor of being the first Seventh army division to cross the line.

What's on the Air

Table listing radio programs for WIBA TONIGHT, including 'Music of the Day', 'Sports Parade', 'World's Great Novels', etc.

Table listing radio programs for OTHER STATIONS TONIGHT, including 'Country Sheriff', 'University Special', 'Waltz Dreams', etc.

Table listing radio programs for WIBA SUNDAY, including 'NBC News', 'NBC World Parade', 'NBC The Army Hour', etc.

Table listing radio programs for WHA SUNDAY, including 'John F. Kohl, rural sociology department', 'agricultural economics department', etc.

Table listing radio programs for OTHER STATIONS SUNDAY, including 'Star Theater', 'Family Hour', 'Jimmy Fidler', etc.

Table listing radio programs for NEWS BROADCASTS TONIGHT, including 'WGN WGN 9:00 WIND', 'WBBM WBBM 9:45 WLS', etc.

Table listing radio programs for NEWS BROADCASTS SUNDAY, including 'WIBA WBBM 7:00 WCFM WTMJ', 'WISN WISN 5:15 WJWL WJWL', etc.

Table listing radio programs for SPORTS REVIEWS TONIGHT, including 'WCFM WCFM 9:00 WIND', 'WIBA WTMJ 9:15 WIND', etc.

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Pope Receives U. S. Congressmen

ROME (U.P.) — Pope Pius received the American congressional delegation in his private study Friday and emphasized the necessity of making a charitable and merciful as well as a practical peace in his talk with them.

The members of the house military affairs committee visited the pope at 11 a. m. "We pray daily," the pope told the delegation, "that you who have so much to do in formulating the peace will have the spiritual guidance necessary to establish a permanent peace."

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