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## BRUSSELS OURS: ANTWERP IS ENTERED—FRONTIER REPORT

### High Command 'Stop' defied

#### F-BOMB COAST NEUTRALISED

BRUSSELS has been liberated by British troops, the whole 300 miles of the Siegfried Line from Aachen to the Swiss frontier is directly threatened by the Allied armies, and an A.P. message from the French frontier this afternoon says it is reliably reported that Antwerp has been entered.

Antwerp, the chief port of Belgium, is 16 miles from the Dutch border, and 27 from Brussels.

The north to south line-up against the Siegfried Line has been practically completed by the British 21st Army group column, which has liberated Brussels and pushed beyond to within about 25 miles of the Dutch border.

It formed the spearhead of the whole Allied northward thrust, and the latest advance has completely neutralised the flying-bomb coast from the Somme to the Scheldt.

Desmond Tighe, a correspondent with the British Second Army, says General Dempsey told war correspondents that the German Higher Command had completely lost their grip of the situation and the German retreat was taking place directly against the orders of the Higher Command.

#### 130 miles on

The Second Army, he said, had advanced 130 miles in four days. The Germans, said General Dempsey, cannot put up a united front.

"Putting it plainly," he said, "a very hasty unco-ordinated retreat is taking place against the orders of the Higher Command. Perhaps we can hardly call it a rout."

Two crossings of the German border were reported to-day. American First and Third Army spearheads were reported to-day by unofficial foreign sources to have stabbed into Germany at two points 100 miles apart.

Reports from Stockholm say that the Americans have broken through to Perl, just over the German border, 12 miles north-east of Thionville.

#### To Aachen

A Paris F.F.I. broadcast says that another column has driven through 100 miles north to Aachen, Germany, just beyond the Belgian border, 70 miles east of Brussels.

This, if confirmed, would put the Allies near the east coast of Belgium in the neighbourhood of Liege.

The whole front reflects rising exhilaration. Correspondents back from the battlefield say that troops and civilians throughout France are betting that the war in the West will end this month.

Belgium is falling without a battle and many Allied columns are racing on the heels of the routed Germans making for the Siegfried Line. The situation is so fluid that any estimate of the distance to the Siegfried Line

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#### GEN. DEMPSEY ON WHY WE HELD BACK

"ONE or two wrong statements have been made regarding the Allied advance," said General Dempsey at a Press conference to-day. "I will give a clear explanation of what has happened."

"After the Falaise pocket disaster, with the writing off of the German 5th Army, I was forced to hold back our British forces while the Americans, who had swung round from the right flank, had withdrawn from my boundaries."

"That shoved the Hun into the pocket at the mouth of the Seine. For six hours each day I met American Army chiefs to plan operations."

"Eventually the Americans withdrew two divisions which

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#### NORTH-SOUTH GAP CUT TO 110 MILES

THE gap between General Patch's Army in the south and General Patton's Army in the north has been narrowed to about 110 miles.

Patch's Seventh Army has now advanced more than 200 miles since it landed on the Riviera less than three weeks ago, according to official news at Allied H.Q. Mediterranean to-day.

French and American troops, after capturing Lyons, third city of France, have pushed on well to the north and north-east, and French units are at Villefranche, 15 miles north of the city.

The Americans have occupied the airport to the east of the city, cabled David Brown, Reuter's special correspondent, to-day.

Pushing on north-east against stiff resistance they have reached Montrevel, 11 miles north-west of Bourg.

There are no reports from Allied H.Q. of the progress of either the Americans now on the Italian Riviera, or the Allied units pushing along the coast to the Spanish frontier.

#### Remnants flee

An exciting race is in progress between Americans and the remnants of the German 85th Army in the Rhone Valley.

The withdrawing forces are probably reduced to the equivalent of two weak infantry divisions and one depleted panzer division.



#### No fly-bombs over for 66 hours

DURING darkness there was no enemy air activity over this country.

For more than 66 hours no flying bombs have fallen on Southern England. The last

#### UNSETTLED IN THE STRAITS

CONDITIONS were generally unsettled in the Straits of Dover to-day, following a stormy night, during which a high and gusty south-westerly wind blew near gale force at times.

#### Czechs told "the Allies are coming"

Declaring a mass invasion of Germany was imminent, the underground Sudeten radio freedom station stated to-day: "Czechs, the Allies are coming. The Russians are racing to the Iron Gate, while the Allies will shortly launch a lightning advance through Germany."

was on Friday afternoon. One crashed in a field causing no casualties.

Two "composite" aircraft bombs fell in country districts on Friday night causing no casualties. Since then no bombs have reached Britain.

German long-range guns fired shells across the Straits of Dover yesterday.

More explosions occurred in the Boulogne area during the night as the Germans continued to blow up installations. The flashes were seen at Folkestone.

There was one very big explosion at Boulogne, followed later by another, which was more distant and may have been nearer Abbeville.

People on the cliffs at Dover heard above the roar of the wind the roll of gunfire from the French coast.

Again this afternoon gunfire from the other side of the Channel was heard at Folkestone.

#### Bases captured

A considerable number of flying-bomb bases, some under construction and other completed, have been captured by the British and Canadian thrust from Rouen to Dieppe and towards Le Havre.

The Germans started building flying-bomb bases at frequent intervals in this area several months ago, and had got some of them into operation before they were forced to abandon them.

They guarded all their preparations with thorough German secrecy. Small gangs, often of Italian labourers, were used, and were given directions only for their individual tasks. The main design was concealed from them.

French people were not allowed to go near the sites and know comparatively little about them.

#### Warsaw line breached

THE Russians on a broad front have launched their expected major attack north-east of Wyszkiow, on the River Bug, 30 miles north-east of Warsaw, states the German News Agency.

Small breaches achieved in the deeply staggered German defence system are of no importance and have been sealed off, the Nazis claim.

#### FINLAND OUT OF THE FIGHT WAR'S FIRST "CEASE-FIRE"

FIGHTING CEASED BETWEEN RUSSIA AND FINLAND AT 10 A.M. D.B.S.T. TO-DAY.

This agreement was officially announced in Helsinki and Field-Marshal Mannerheim, Finnish President, issued the appropriate orders.

The "cease fire" order, the first of this war, followed reports that General Rendulic, German C-in-C., had promised Mannerheim that he will have his men out by September 15.

If he fails, the Finns by the terms of the preliminary Russian conditions for Armistice negotiations, will disarm them and hand them over to the Russians as prisoners of war.

Indications that the Germans have already begun to move out of Finland and that the R.A.F. has started to hamper their evacuation operations came from the official German News Agency to-day.

The agency reported a big attack by R.A.F. Beaufighters on a German convoy off the north-western coast of Norway. Three waves of planes swooped

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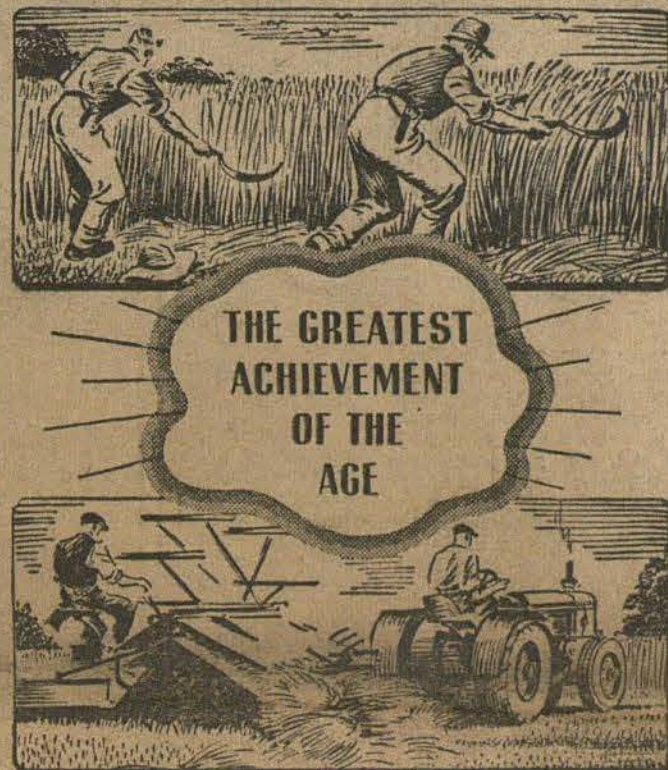
#### Black-out— Salford call

SALFORD Light, Heat, and Power Committee at its meeting to-day urged the relaxation of the black-out, and decided to write Mr. Herbert Morrison (Minister of Home Security) asking for a modified system of street lighting for the coming winter months.

The City Council at its October meeting will be asked to support the plea and review present lighting conditions in the city.

Dr. Clodius, Germany's economic expert in Rumania, is in Rumanian hands, said Paris radio, heard to-day by the Evening Chronicle Listening Station.

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**APOLLO (A.B.C.).** Ard. 1141. Cen. 2.15. Noel Coward's All-colour Classic, "THIS HAPPY BREED." Robert Newton, Celia Johnson. At 2.40. 5.15. 7.50. Last Show 7.10. Dances at the Apollo Organ, 7.40. Cafe-Rest. 10.30-7.30. Sun. 3.30-7.30.

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## First "Cease Fire"

THE "cease fire" on the Russo-Finnish front reported from Helsinki to-day is the first of the war and may be the last of its kind.

Quitting Germany's side did not mean a cessation of hostilities for the Italians and Rumanians; it is unlikely that Hungary, if she decides to get out of the war, will be able to do so without "working her passage," and Bulgaria, though at war with us, has no active fighting front with the Western Allies.

As for the form which the end of fighting with Germany will take, that is purely a matter of conjecture, but it is improbable that it will ever be through an armistice preceding negotiations.

THE Finnish cease fire is the outcome, primarily, of two things—her special geographical position, and Russia's moderation. Finland is not contiguous with any enemy occupied territory except the narrow corridor of Northern Norway and all along Russia has stopped short of demanding her unconditional surrender.

In this the Finns must count themselves luckier than their deserts. For their second entry into this war they cannot make such excuses as are possible for the Rumanians. They attacked Russia out of hatred, the desire to "get even," and because they thought Hitler was bound to be victorious.

war without much risk months ago; they preferred to play for time, and now they have to make a hurried and inglorious exit. The terms for Finland will be worked out in due course; what immediately concerns us is the effect of her exit on the course of the war in its closing stages.

IF Germany is to keep the war going at all, if she is to give any substance to the much talked of last ditch defence of the Reich, a frantic effort must be made to get home the forces now perilously scattered from the North Cape to Crete.

Most of them, we predict, will never arrive. The Bulgarians may be willing to help or connive at the escape of divisions from the Balkans, but neither will have much time. In one way or another Bulgaria will soon be out of the war, and the final collapse of the Nazi military positions in the Balkans will follow with a rush.

Far to the north any Nazi attempt to evacuate the Baltic States can be safely left to the Russians, while Hitler, faced with the drive of the Allies to the Reich, must consider whether he will leave his Norwegian divisions (augmented perhaps by German troops from Finland) to stew impotently, or make an inglorious effort to get back to the Reich.

Such strategy as is still open to the Nazis demands the simultaneous return of all her scattered armies and the mounting of a great battle of resistance all round her frontiers. Allied strategy is to break both designs.

In doing so we should be powerfully aided by Hitler's need. Every satellite that falls, every occupied land that is evacuated, is a message of impending doom for the German people, sapping the remnants of morale which the Nazis are desperately seeking to lash up for the last and hopeless defence of the Reich.

## I Saw Nazis Enter Brussels Four Years Ago

by R. F. CONRAD

AT 4-45 on the morning of Friday, May 10, 1940, the Germans invaded Belgium. People in Brussels were suddenly awakened by gunfire, and rushing to their windows they saw about 100 German planes overhead.

From my window in the Rue Potagere I watched, almost fascinated, as these huge black birds headed in our direction, not realising then that they were bringing death and destruction.

I followed them as they passed overhead and almost immediately there was a terrific explosion. A bomb had fallen on a house 50 yards down the street, almost completely wrecking it.

Four people were killed, a man and his wife and their two children. Another explosion was heard—the bomb had dropped at the rear of our house in the Chaussee de Louvain.

## Confusion

Both these houses were a long way from any military objectives, and it was obvious that this indiscriminate bombing was meant to spread panic among the civilian population. The planes kept returning every hour during the rest of that eventful day.

It was not until about 7-30 a.m. when the radio announced that the Germans had invaded the capital and that the Belgian Government had called in the aid of Britain and France that the people knew their country was at war.

During the whole of that day the town was in a state of confusion. General mobilisation was in effect, but into force, and

soon the streets of Brussels were filled with soldiers in all manner of dress and undress, rushing to the stations, Gare du Nord, Luxembourg and Gare du Midi. Relatives and sweethearts clung to them. Brussels was in a fever of excitement.

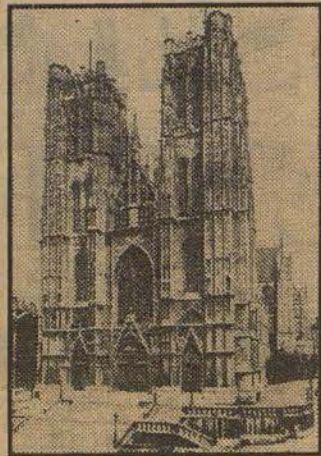
A violent demonstration took place in front of the Palace Hotel, Place Rogier, when several Germans staying in the hotel were dragged out and bundled into an army lorry.

## Round-up

Though strongly guarded by soldiers, two of the frightened Germans were dragged off the lorry by the crowds and badly manhandled.

During the first day of the invasion many thousands of Germans and Austrians were rounded up. On Saturday morning the first of the refugees began to pour into Brussels, many arriving on foot, wearing slippers or clogs.

It was pitiful to hear their stories as they described how German dive-bombers machine-gunned them, how the planes circled round lonely cottages keeping the peasants imprisoned in fear and trembling—like a cat playing with a mouse, how trains had been raked from end to end with machine-gun fire. The invasion of Belgium had



BRUSSELS CATHEDRAL

been carefully planned: 300,000 francs a day were spent by the Germans on propaganda with a well-organised Fifth Column movement which had a headquarters staff 140 strong at the German Embassy.

The operating centre was the Austrian Tourist Bureau, Place Royale.

Members of the German Embassy, acting under direct orders from their Ambassador, Herr Bulow Schwante, were made to pose as ardent anti-Nazis, mingle with German, Austrian and other refugees, and obtain information which

would be useful to the Himmler organisation in Berlin.

Thousands of parachutists in civilian clothes were dropped during the first two days, many of them members of the Fifth Column, who had previously lived in Belgium, knew every inch of the country, and had Belgian identity cards.

A mobile squad of police was ordered to round them up.

## Plus Fours

A young man in plus fours and wearing glasses called at the house where I was living and asked for me.

I was suspicious of him because I had been doing anti-German propaganda, and was probably on Hitler's black list.

Fortunately there was someone with me when I answered the door, and he mumbled some incoherent remark, turned on his heels and hurried away.

Late that Saturday afternoon Belgian soldiers rushing back from the front told me that the Germans had taken their rifles, smashed them in two, and said: "We don't want you. Where are the English?"

Those Germans have since met the English—they met them in Egypt, in Italy, and in France, where they have suffered ignominious defeat.

## Readers' Views Brick Industry's Big Resources

RECENT statements upon the subject of post-war housing have alluded to shortages of building materials. Brick being the staple building material of this country, it is but natural that an impression should be created that the resources of the brick industry are quite inadequate to meet

the enormous demands likely to be made upon them.

Knowledge of the true position will enable the many authorities and individuals concerned more accurately to assess the possibilities of permanent house construction.

At present the stock of bricks in this country exceeds 900,000,000. This, however,

represents but a few weeks' production under normal conditions. After spectacular achievements in the manufacture of bricks for ordnance and aircraft factories, aerodromes, dockyards, defence works, hospitals, hostels, air-raid shelters, food stores, etc., brick production was curtailed, and thousands of brick workers drafted to the Forces and to factories.

Meanwhile brickworks temporarily closed are maintained in good order, and are ready, when circumstances permit, to provide large-scale re-employment and to swell the present limited output to its vast pre-war figure.

The normal capacity of the brick industry is 8,000,000,000 (eight-thousand-million) bricks a year, sufficient to build half-a-million houses. — G. P. Hughes, National Federation of Clay Industries.

## The Washing

OUR "washing's" been a bit delayed. But now the prospect's fine, And soon it will be fluttering Upon the Siegfried Line.

The dirty mess which Hitler made Montgomery's scrubbed away, With Bradley standing at the tub And helping him to-day.

Both giving everything they've got To make our "laundry" clean, Though working at the biggest "wash."

This world has ever seen, They twist and twirl their "dolly pegs," Their "posers" never rest, The "soap" and "powder" which they use Are certainly the best.

And when through "wringer" Hitler goes, In spite of threat and shout, A cleaner world will then be ours, With the Nazis all "washed out."

And though it's been a lengthy job Let no one now repine, For our "Victory Wash" will soon be seen Upon the Siegfried Line.

"Mancunian."

## Northern Window By Denys

THE American soldier in the opposite corner of the compartment contemplated the stooks still standing in the cornfield we were passing.

Then he turned to the rest of us in the carriage. "That's the kind of thing I'd like a picture of, to take home," he said. "I like it."

As we rumbled over the bridge which spans the Manchester Ship Canal at Irlam, he turned back to the window, his interest caught by something else on what, I suppose, many of us would consider a pretty dull stretch of railway line.

## Time Marches

I WONDER if he knew that as we left "Steel town" behind, we were crossing what was once one of Lancashire's most dangerous bogs, Chat Moss, which to Defoe was "frightful to think of" because it would bear neither horse nor man except in an extraordinary dry season.

Corn where there was bog, ocean-going ships where they once found a Bronze Age dug-out canoe, steel from a town whose Elizabethan hall claims to have the biggest beam in the country.

Only the carriage pictures—men in boaters and tight-legged trousers, women in massive hats and ankle-length skirts—seemed to have forgotten that time has marched on.

## Barrel Test

THE story of the Cumberland woman who complained of the flatness of the south side of Manchester, where she is now living, came to mind last night as I was reading a description of Kirkham by an old friend of mine—an amusing fellow without knowing it (writes Muff).

Here he is on Kirkham: "It is a wavy, camel-backed sort of place... you are always going up or down in it, and where the end is you cannot find out in a hurry. A spirit-level would have a difficulty in obtaining central steadiness in the place, and there are only about three spots where a barrel, if left upon its side, would keep quiet."

That the writer actually experimented with a real live barrel I do not know, but he was rather the sort of man who would.

## Stainless At Home

STAINLESS STEPHEN, back in this country after a 30,000-mile tour of Algeria, Tunisia, Malta, Sicily, Egypt, Iraq, Persia, India, Assam, Burma, and Ceylon, is hoping to meet the Manchester relatives of some of the boys he met and entertained.

"If any of the lads have written home saying they saw or met me I shall be only too pleased to see their parents or their sweethearts while I am at the Palace this week," he told me.

He gathered plenty of talking points, to say nothing of an interesting collection of pictures, during the tour, in the course of which he met a number of the boys he taught when he was a teacher in a Sheffield school.

## "Lancashire Hero"

A CENTURY ago this month sporting Manchester was mourning the death of "The Lancashire Hero," John Carter, who for three years held the pugilistic championship of England.

John, who was shoemaker and navvy, acquired fame both as a pedestrian and pugilist, and must have caused something of a sensation when he went to London by way of fights on Manchester's racecourse at Kersal Moor.

He was introduced to the fancy by Robert Gregson, the Lancashire poet-pugilist, and proceeded to entertain them by dancing a clog hornpipe in the Lancashire fashion and by drinking a glass of ale while standing on his head.

After losing the championship in 1819, he ran his own booth for a time and gave sparring exhibitions. He died at his home

in Tame-street, Ancoats, at the age of 55.

## Keep Off the Course

MENTION of Kersal Moor racecourse brings to mind a bill of Preston races of 1780 I was looking at recently. Incidentally, at a time when the county hasn't a single race meeting of its own, one wonders how many meetings it did have in the old days, even if they were somewhat elementary affairs.

So elementary, in fact, that a warning had to be given in the Preston Bill I have mentioned.

"As great sums are depending on each day, and accidents frequently happen owing to people crowding into the course during the time of running, the Stewards earnestly request that all persons will keep without the cords; and it is also particularly desired that all persons will leave their dogs at home."

## Hat Trick

ONE of three hikers, A, B, and C, wore a grey hat, one a black, and one a blue. Just to pass the time, A changed hats with C, whereupon C changed hats with B. Neither B nor C was then wearing a grey hat, and neither C nor A a blue. What coloured hat was each originally wearing?

Answer to Saturday's problem: Three-fifths of a mile.

## And Finally

DOCTOR: I don't want to alarm you, but you have a carbuncle developing on the back of your neck, and I should advise you to keep your eye on it.

## HOME

6—News. 6-30: Books: John Brophy. 6-45: Records. 7-15—Jimmy O'Dea. 7-45: International Friendships (talk). 8—"The Laughing Lady" (musical play), with Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth. 9—Big Ben (minute for reflection). News. 9-30: Henry Hall's Gala Guest Night. 10-30: Records. 10-45: News, etc. in Gaelic. 11-15: Phil Green's Band. 12-0: News.

## RADIO

5—News. 5-15: "Country Letter." 5-35: B.B.C. Scottish Orch. 6-35—The Winning Band from the Belle Vue Contest. 7—News. 7-15: "Command Performance" (recorded in Hollywood). 7-45: Variety. 8-15—B.B.C. Midland Light Band. 9—News from all quarters. 9-15: Jay Wilbur's Band. 10-0: Welsh Half-Hour. 10-30: Scottish Variety Orch. 10-59: Headlines.

## FORCES



# CALL FOR PEACE AIR POLICY

## Councils seek Ministry hint

THE airport section of the Association of Municipal Corporations, meeting in Manchester this afternoon, took steps to secure an early interview with the Air Minister (Sir Archibald Sinclair) in an effort to get an indication of Government policy on post-war airports.

The committee had before it the report of a deputation of six to the Director-General of Civil Aviation in July. It disclosed that the deputation had stressed the need for the Government to review the air-drome position and to control the location of dromes established in the future to serve overseas air traffic and main internal air services of this country.

The deputation told the Director that in its view compensation should follow in cases where Government control over the location of airdromes necessitated the abandonment of a municipal drome or restricted its use. Local authorities should not be asked to assume responsibility for airdromes required for services wholly or mainly of an international character.

A further vital point placed before the Director was the desirability of decisions being reached as soon as possible on the future of 'dromes which would be surplus to R.A.F. needs after the war.

Apart from control over the location of the large airdromes the deputation stressed the desirability of the Government controlling the activities of the company or companies operating internal air services, and said the association was not satisfied that the development of internal air services could be left to organisations representative of a rival mode of transport.

### Director's view

The Director, the report added, told the deputation that the Ministry was well aware of the need for a clear policy for airdrome development, and a survey of the potentialities of civil 'dromes had been initiated. Full consideration had been given by his department to the form of organisation of internal air services in the post-war period, the need for the provision of adequate ground equipment and the desirability of imposing adequate control over aircraft in flight in the interests of safety.

He described the suggested Government control of location of airdromes as a departure from pre-war policy.

The resolution requesting an interview with the Air Minister followed discussion of this report.

## Northern Roll Call



Pte. H. Holland, Fus. David Turner



Private A. Edge Pl. J. A. Millington

MR. AND MRS. H. RICHARDSON, of Cecil-street, Tarvin-road, Chester, have been notified that their son, Sergeant-Pilot Eric J. E. Richardson (21), is missing. He was employed at Chester Post Office.

Private Thomas Towers (31), son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Towers, of North-bridge-road, Higher Blackley, Manchester, has been wounded in action.

Private John Albert Millington (21), of Sloane-street, Moss Side, Manchester, has died of wounds.

Private Harry Holland (21), son of Mr. and Mrs. Holland, of 9, Pickering-street, Harpurhey, Manchester, has died of wounds. He had previously been reported missing.

Private Albert Edge (22), of Flag-row, Dantzic-street, Manchester 4, has been reported wounded and seriously ill in hospital. A later letter, however, states that he has been removed from the dangerously ill list.

Private H. Lucas, of Poolstock-lane, Wigan, is reported to be a prisoner of war in Germany. He had previously been posted missing.

Private H. Sealdwell, of Tram-street, Platt Bridge, near Wigan, who had been posted missing, is now reported to be a prisoner of war in Germany.

Fusilier T. Wellings, of Liverpool-road, Hindley, near Wigan, has died of wounds.

Lance-Corporal H. Bond, of Rock-villa, Dalton, near Wigan, has died of wounds while serving with the British Liberation Army.

Fusilier David Turner (24), of Wright-street, Salford, has been reported killed in action.

## FAMOUS F.R.S., BLIND, ENDED HIS BOOK, THEN DIED HAPPY

SIR ARTHUR SMITH WOODWARD, F.R.S., discoverer of the Pittdown skull, who has died, aged 80, at his home at Haywards Heath, Sussex, was one of the most famous geologists educated at Owen's College, Manchester.

He received his early education at Macclesfield Grammar School. A few hours before he died he finished his book on which

he had been working for three years. For the last two years he had been blind with cataract, and Lady Woodward acted as his "eyes." His last work was to dictate the preface to her. The book is still only in manuscript.

"He died peacefully and happily," Lady Woodward told a reporter. "As he was about to get out of bed his head just fell back on the pillows."

## TOOK TEST POSTAL PACKET, IS GAOLED

THEFTS from the Post Office were admitted at Manchester City Police Court to-day by Harry Walker (52), Walker-street, Blackley, temporary postman.

## FACES THEFT AND BIGAMY CHARGES

WHEN Harold Smith, Catherine-road, Swinton, formerly a sergeant at the British Red Cross and St. John stores in York-avenue, Sale, was charged on remand at Sale to-day, with stealing, as servant, bedding and clothing value £21 from the store, he was also charged with bigamy.

Detective-Constable Cooper said that sheets, pillow slips, a bedspread, towels, pillowcases, and shoes were recovered from Smith's home in Swinton.

In a statement after arrest Smith was alleged to have said that he took the articles to help the home, adding: "I can now ask for a fresh start. I have always lived a good life up to this mistake, and it will not be difficult to do so again, more so with the very good wife I am now lucky to have."

### Separation order

His wife, Jessica Smith, vine-row, Salford, said she obtained a separation order on the grounds of neglect and desertion in 1937.

Sarah Illingworth, Catherine-road, Swinton, said that she went through a form of marriage with Smith at Ashton Congregational Church, Sale, in July, 1941. She understood that he was a widower.

Smith pleaded guilty to both charges, and was committed for trial at Chester Assizes. Bail was allowed.

## DIVED 20FT. IN TRUNKS AND GOGGLES TO RETRIEVE LOST ANCHOR

### Boy accused of girl's murder

A BOY aged 16 was accused at Ashford (Kent) Juvenile Court to-day with the murder of Evelyn Joan Groves, aged 12 years 11 months, at Kingsnorth, near Ashford.

The case was adjourned until September 26. Evelyn, who lived with her father at Fairview, Pound-lane, Kingsnorth, went out to play on Sunday. When she did not return to tea a search was made, and her body, covered with a coat, was found by a farm hedge.

To-day Detective-Superintendent Smeed said it was obvious the girl had met a violent death. The accused lad was detained and made a statement.

Supt. Broughton asked that accused be remanded in custody.

A certificate for legal aid was granted to the boy who, it is understood, was in lodgings in the district.

Stole cycle parts  
"Two other innocent men have been arrested for this, but I accept full responsibility for the theft of these goods," said Francis Farrell (38), of Upper Chorlton-road, Brooks's Bar, at Manchester City Police Court to-day.

For stealing motor-cycle parts valued at £30 from a yard in City-road, where he had been employed on repair work, he was fined £5. Two other men who had been arrested with him were discharged.

IF Radio Officer Frank Thomson, of Alfred-street, Harpurhey, Manchester, had not been a Lancashire life-guard in peacetime his ship would probably have run into a lot of trouble off the Normandy beaches two days after D-Day.

The Norwegian ship in which he was serving was about to anchor close inshore. As the anchor went down the shackle-pin broke and the anchor was lost.

When Radio Officer Thomson was told by the skipper to send a signal ashore asking for a deep-sea diver to recover the lost anchor, he volunteered to make a dive for it.

He made the dive in swimming trunks and goggles.

When he started to go down to the 20ft depth to reach the lost anchor he was almost blinded by sand churned up by a strong undercurrent.

He found the anchor on his first dive, but had to come up for breath before he could get a new shackle on it.

"On the second dive I got it right away," he says, "but the six feet long anchor which weights about three tons had its top buried deep in the sand."

The success of his efforts he modestly records in these words: "After two or three more dives into the depths I succeeded in fixing the wire round the shaft of the anchor."

Radio Officer Thomson before the war was a life-guard at Almsdale Beach, Southport. He is coming home next month to marry Miss Dorothy Ashcroft, of Collyhurst-road, Collyhurst, Manchester.

## Communist M.P.'s son is killed

LT. DONALD GALLACHER (Royal Tank Regiment), adopted son of Mr. William Gallacher, Communist M.P. for West Fife, has been killed in action. He was 21.

Mr. Gallacher adopted Donald his nephew, and Donald's elder brother John, now a flight-sergeant in the R.A.F. in India, on the death of their parents in America.

Donald had a brilliant career at Glasgow University, being top of his year in philosophy and was third in his year at Sandhurst.

"He was a brilliant young man," a friend said to-day. "He had been an active member of the Young Communist League, and I believe there was some little bother over that before he was commissioned."

## Edward VII's statue replaced to-day

The statue of King Edward VII in Paris, removed by the Germans, is to be re-erected in the Place Edward VII to-day, says F.F.I. radio.—Rtr.

## H.G. pioneer dies

CAPTAIN WILLIAM ROSS PATTINSON one of the first organisers of the Home Guard in the Manchester area, has died suddenly at Hale, Cheshire.

After serving with the Lancashire Fusiliers in the last war he was gazetted to the Regular Army in 1940 and appointed adjutant to the 39th Cheshire Battalion of the Home Guard.

Captain Pattinson took an honours degree in science at Manchester University, and was captain of its hockey club. He took a great interest in the North of England Hockey Club and until his death was treasurer of Bowdon Hockey Club.

In 1915 he joined the 7th Battalion of the Lancashire Fusiliers, served in France and was wounded in 1917. He then became lecturer at an officers' school at Cannock Chase. After the war he continued his association with the Lancashire Fusiliers.

## Tribute to Chief Scout

The Rev. H. W. Rogers, vicar of St. Ann's Church, Tottington, and a personal friend of the late Chief Scout, Lord Somers, when he was at college, gave an address at a memorial service to the Chief Scout, held at New-road Congregational Church, Bury.

Scouts and Guides numbering 500 from troops in the district attended the service.

## Belgium's thanks

M. Hubert Pierlot, the Belgian Premier, has cabled to Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, his thanks for the brilliant part the Canadians have played in the liberation of the first Belgian soil.

Mr. Mackenzie King has replied that Canada shares in the rejoicing.—Exchange.

## NOT 'HURT AT WORK,' MUST REFUND £23

BY inventing a story that he had been injured during the course of his employment as a labourer on a building site in Trafford Park, Patrick William O'Neill (17), February-street, Chorlton-on-Medlock, according to his own admission at Manchester City Police Court to-day, secured workmen's compensation for 11 weeks.

Detective Sergeant A. Davies, in bringing two charges of false pretences against O'Neill in respect of two weeks' compensation, said the total amount wrongly received was £23 10s.

The officer said O'Neill had received a very slight injury to his arm at work, but later, according to his own statement made after arrest, said his arm was fractured when playing football.

Apparently he induced his father and his employers to believe that this second injury was caused in the course of his employment.

O'Neill was bound over for two years, and ordered to refund the £23 10s. as a condition.

## Finger-prints were on windowsill

Albert Henry Tarry (17), Marsland-road, Sale, was sent for trial at Sale to-day on charges of breaking into Brooklands Cricket Club and a Scout hut in Trinity-road, Sale.

Mr. W. H. Lill, prosecuting, said fingerprints were found on the windowsill of the cricket club corresponding to Tarry's, and he admitted the offences when interviewed by the police.

## Condition of patients

### MONSALL HOSPITAL

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## SUBURBAN CINEMAS

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Leslie Banks, "His Butler's Sister."  
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# LANCASHIRE GIRL WEDS HOPKINS' SON

## F-BOMB IS SHAKING UP POWER IDEAS

CLAIMING that the future of this country rests largely in the hands of its engineers, Sir Miles Thomas, vice-chairman of the Nuffield Organisation and chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, told Leicester Rotarians to-day that the advent of the flying bomb had given our engineering esteem a nasty jolt.

It was evident that other minds than our own are pushing ahead very rapidly in what are to us largely unexplored regions of aeronautical power engineering, said Sir Miles.

The Government's refusal to permit motor manufacturers to start preparatory work and planning for peace-time production was perturbing the British motor industry, added Sir Miles Thomas.

## Bishop's son missing

Flying Officer Peter B. Graham, who is reported missing from air operations, is the second son of the Right Rev. Eric Graham, formerly principal of Cuddesdon Theological College, Oxford, who was appointed Bishop of Brechin in March this year.

## Fur coat chance

By "making do and mending" British women are dressing smartly, even though we have just passed the fifth anniversary of war.

One of the disappointments to many has been the difficulty in purchasing a good fur coat. To-day there is an opportunity for one of the disappointed to get a grey Indian lamb coat, offered for sale in the small advertisements on Page Seven.

## Secret ceremony in London

IT is now revealed that Lancashire-born Miss Brenda I. Stephenson was married on August 30 to 23-year-old Sergeant Robert Hopkins, son of Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal adviser, at the 13th century parish church of Perivale, a north-western suburb of London, where the bride and her parents had lived for the past 10 years.

### Girl guide weds Army officer



**DOROTHY NUGENT**, a Girl Guide officer with the 1st "Height" Company and of Parkway, Pendlebury, after her wedding to Lieut. R. B. Knight, of St. Austells-drive, Pendlebury, at St. John's Church, Pendlebury.

### Chester savings

Sales of National Savings certificates, defence and other bonds, and deposits in Chester Savings Bank for the week ending August 26 totalled £21,754.

It was almost a secret wedding the only people present being the bridegroom's commanding officer and the bride's father and mother.

The ceremony was performed by the rector (the Rev. Arthur N. M. Hope), who confirmed the bride 10 years ago.

The bridegroom left for France on Saturday, having only a few days' leave.

### Honeymoon plan

It was a whirlwind courtship. Miss Stephenson, an attractive, tall, slim girl of 18, met Sergeant Hopkins at the Washington Club in London, and they became engaged just before "D"-day.

Soon afterwards Sergeant Hopkins had to join his unit in France. The engagement ring was bought by the bridegroom's mother and sent to him from America.

Born in Burnley, Miss Stephenson worked as a secretary in the West End, and she is already back at her job.

She has an aunt, her mother's sister, at Pasadena, California, where the couple have already been invited to spend the honeymoon after the war.

Her father is a hydraulic engineer at Watford.

### C.I.D. officer is promoted

Det.-Insp. C. E. Barnfield, head of Salford's C.I.D., was to-day promoted temporary chief inspector.

He has been in the force 24 years and has had 20 years in the detective office of the City Police. He is also a police prosecutor, taking charge of all the daily prosecutions in C.C. Salford courts.

### Film shows centre for miners

"Now we see realised that which seemed for so long only a wishful dream," said Mr. Edwin Hall, miners' agent, at St. Helens, where a film, "Life Begins Again," was shown in connection with the purchase of Oakmere Hall, Sandiway, Cheshire, as a rehabilitation centre for miners.

The film illustrated the nature of the treatment which will be given to miners at Oakmere Hall.

### 'Mr. Lloyd George's jewellery'

Stolen jewellery, said to belong to Mr. David Lloyd George, was stated at Doncaster to-day to have been found in the possession of Samuel Moreton (49), fruiterer, of Whiston House, Whiston, who was remanded in custody charged with receiving a diamond and sapphire necklet valued at £100.

## Employers sift staff lists to find harvest workers

MANY firms in the Manchester area are to-day looking over their lists of employees to select those who can be spared to do a week's harvesting in Cheshire, Cumberland, and Staffordshire.

This step follows an urgent appeal by the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Production asking engineering and other employers to aim at releasing one per cent. of their staffs for farm work, giving them an extra week's leave with pay.

Leading concerns have already decided to do this and volunteers are being booked in at hostels and camps.

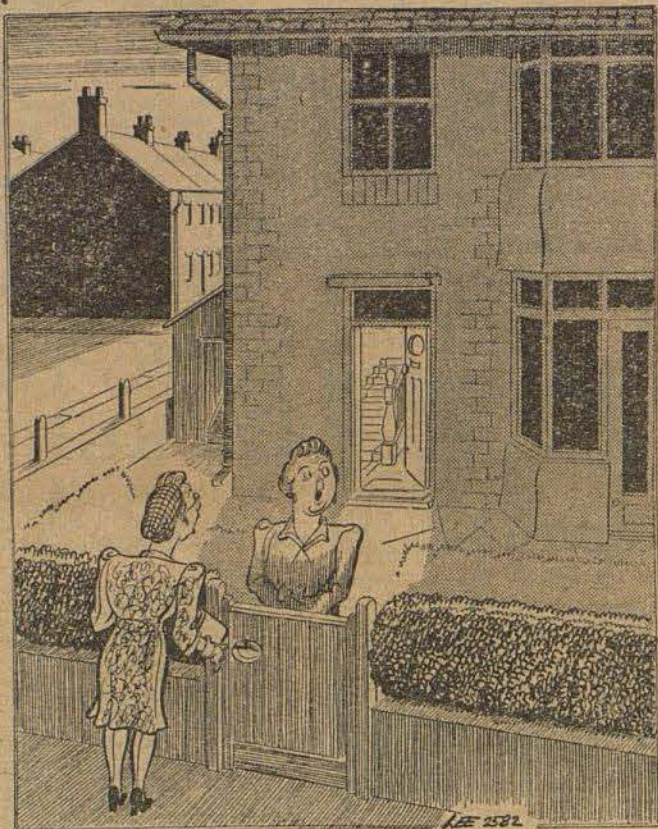
In some cases members of staffs are being released, but one or two firms have said they can spare persons from the workshops owing to temporary dislocation caused by changes to new war products.

Record crops of potatoes, mangolds, and swedes have been grown and 2,500 town volunteers are needed to harvest them by the end of October.

Enrolments and inquiries should be sent to Farm Office, Arkwright House, Manchester 3 (Bla 0718).

## Permanency

By LEE



"Of course I haven't re-done my black-out. It's just I haven't been able to get a window-cleaner since 1939."

## £1,000 GIFT AIDS FUND FOR AGED

A GIFT of £1,000 was received by the Mayor of Hyde (Councillor W. Barton) to-day towards the £5,000 he hopes to collect in the next two months to inaugurate a welfare scheme for the town's aged, infirm and lonely people.

Ten thousand householders in the borough will this week get a brochure copy of the Mayor's scheme towards which a total of £3,000 has altogether been subscribed in the past fortnight.

"I attach tremendous importance to this scheme," the Mayor told the *Evening Chronicle* to-day, "as I consider it an important duty for us to do something for people who have to live precariously in the closing years of their lives."

Every mill, factory, and business in Hyde will receive a call from 100 voluntary workers who are making a big drive to get the money.

### Names list

"I hoped to launch the scheme much earlier and make it a feature of my mayoral year," Councillor Barton said, "but it has been delayed by other charitable appeals, and I now hope to be able to raise the money before I go out of office on November 9."

Records are being compiled of all people likely to have a call on the fund, and requests are being made to people to bequeath money in their wills to the central fund.

Several such bequests have been made.

## "Stay put" call to evacuees

EVACUEES who left London and other areas of Southern England to escape flying-bomb dangers should still "stay put," states the Ministry of Health.

"They should remain until we tell them that it is safe to return," a reporter was told to-day.

"Those who return before they get such advice do so at their own risk, and will receive no assistance from the Government."

### More due here

"The registration scheme is still open. About 2,400 mothers and children left London for the safer areas last Friday."

To-morrow about 750 will arrive at Wigan and St. Helens, and another contingent is expected at the end of the week.

## Rest of the news is—

TWO brothers, aged 16 and 12, were killed when an explosion occurred in the back-yard of their home at Twinstead, Essex, after they had been hitting a supposed bomb-fuse with a hammer.

M. Hubert Pierlot, the Belgian Premier, has cabled to Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, his thanks for the brilliant part the Canadians have played in the liberation of the first Belgian soil.

Stanley Pearson, Manchester United's best inside forward discovery for many years, is now in the Burma fighting.

The remains of a fossilized fish, estimated to be 9,000 years old, have been found near the Swedish University of Upsala.

A special celebration was held at the plant of Defence Industries Limited at Chertier, Quebec, to mark the production of the 100,000,000th 25lb. shell manufactured in Canada during the war.

Mr. Frank Oldfield, managing director of Jesse Oldfield, Ltd., Brixham-road, Old Trafford, has died suddenly at his home in Daylesford-road, Cheadle.

The Nobel Peace Prize is to be awarded this year for the first time since 1939, according to the Swedish newspaper "Dagens Nyheter."

Stoker (First-Class) Kenneth Peel (21), Claremont-road, Rusholme, Manchester, an amateur inside forward on Manchester City's books, has been awarded the D.S.M.

The weather was still very unsettled this afternoon with a high wind lashing the sea. The sky was overcast with average visibility.

Miss M. S. Cox, C.B.E., has been appointed principal assistant secretary to the senior officer at the Ministry of Pensions headquarter offices in Lancashire.

## Seaman's diary costs him £10

A DIARY kept by Walter Hull, a merchant seaman, of Cranbrook-avenue, North Hull Estate, Hull, from D-Day onwards led to him being fined £10 at Sheerness to-day for recording the movements of ships.

He was stated to be a man of unimpeachable loyalty.

Mr. Parham, prosecuting, said if the diary had come into the enemy's possession, supposing his ship had sunk, they would have had something of great harm to us and very useful to them.

## Rents "support"

To support scholarships at Cambridge University for girls from Blackburn, Mr. R. E. Hart, of Blackburn, is transferring yearly rent charges of £65 and £40 on land and premises at Egremont and Liscard. He made a similar provision for Blackburn Grammar School boys.



'You bet I took her advice . . .

When our Street Savings Group Secretary told us we ought to go on saving, it didn't take me long to see that she was talking good sound common sense. Take my case . . . what Ted and I have got in Savings seems a lot to us, but how far would it go now, even if the war ended to-morrow? We're going to let our savings go on growing until there's a better lot of things in the shops to choose from. That's our motto—keep on saving!

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JUST RECEIVED. Maternity Dresses in good quality check fabric—exceptional value. Price 27/6

NEW DELIVERY. Outsize Dresses in fine woollen material, neatly styled for the fuller figure. Sizes 50-60 hip. Price 67/6

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Cosy woollen frocks, dainty yoke style, trimmed piping to tone in sage, green, rust and navy. Sizes 24 in. to 36 in. Price from 24/-

SPECIALLY REDUCED Tweed Coats, ideal for autumn wear. Sizes 22 to 39 in. Colls. Rust, blue, green, brown. Price according to size 27/11

Children's warm woollen Gloves in bright colours. Hardwearing. Sizes 2 and 3 2/5 (pair) Sizes 4 and 5, 2/7 pr.

Small Boys' double-breasted Overcoats, blue Melton. Half-belt, and pleated backs, lined. 32 COUPON. Price 14/11

Attractive Coat and Hat Sets, with full skirt, flap pockets, trimmed collars. Colls. to suit all tastes. Price from 32/6

Babies' Shirts, in lovely silk and wool. Fancy designs. 54 ins. square. Price (each) 9/6

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A grand Cot Toy—soft, well-filled Fluffy Ball, suitable for the very young child. (each) 3/11

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# 12-MILE GAP IN GOTHIC LINE 8th shatter last defence before North Italy FIFTH ARMY HOLD VITAL HEIGHTS

THE Eighth Army in an overnight advance have penetrated through the shattered Gothic Line to a depth of more than 12 miles. The Gothic Line is the last defence before Northern Italy.

Announcing this to-day the Allied Mediterranean command stated that Allied armies in Italy continue to make good progress on both flanks of their extensive battlefield.

The British and Canadian troops of the Eighth Army have now established a considerable bridgehead over the River Conca, where fierce fighting continues and good progress has also been made on the higher ground west of this bridgehead.

The Gothic Line from Pesaro to a point 20 miles inland is now completely in Eighth Army hands.

West of Florence troops of the Fifth Army now command the two dominating features north of the Arno River and hold a line overlooking the important lateral road running from Pisa to Florence, through Lucca and Pistoia.

## Rimini seven miles

After a brilliant night advance Canadian tanks and infantry by-passed Cattolica, nine miles north of Pesaro, and drove across the Conca River to reach a point within seven miles of Rimini.

Last night the Canadian bridgehead across the Conca was two miles deep on a three miles front.

Stiff fighting is raging seven miles north-west of Pesaro and less than two miles from the coast, with the Dominion troops pressing forward to cut the coastal highway.

David Brown, Reuter's correspondent at Allied H.Q. in Italy, reported that General Alexander's dramatic breakthrough of the enemy's vaunted last defence line before the Po Valley has now spread to a front of 40 miles.

## Private firms' shelters now

The Ministry of Home Security have instructed local authorities in the North to accept offers of indoor shelters of various types made by private firms.

Manchester Corporation previously received offers from about 20 people, and were not able to accept them lacking specific instructions from the Ministry.

"Each one has to be dismantled and packed separately, because of the varying methods of construction used," the *Evening Chronicle* was told by an official to-day. "We shall now be able to deal with offers of this type of shelter."

## Vichy police chief to be executed

The Vichy prefect and chief of police at Montpellier were sentenced to death yesterday by the new court set up to deal with collaborationists, Algiers Radio (French) reports.—B.U.P.

## Boys spent night in a big bomber

A NIGHT spent in a Flying Fortress on an American aerodrome led to the appearance at a North-West police court to-day of Ronald Cooper (17), Shelton New-road, Basford, Stoke-on-Trent, and three boys of 14.

They were charged with stealing from the Flying Fortress Army pistols, shoulder holsters, clip pouches, clips of ammunition, hunting knives, fur-lined flying boots, flying helmets, goggles, oxygen masks and an aluminium canteen valued in all at £60 16s., the property of the U.S. Army Air Force.

A police superintendent said the youth and boys were seen to come from the Fortress in possession of those articles.

They were detained by the military police and handed over to the civil police.

They all admitted having taken the articles and said they had slept the night in the Fortress. They also said they had left their homes to join the Merchant Navy.

When charged they all said they did not intend to take the articles off the aerodrome and one of them said: "We put the clothing on to keep us warm."

Remanded until September 20, they were allowed bail.

## SIR THOMAS BARLOW IS 99

SIR THOMAS BARLOW, K.C.V.O., the Bolton-born doctor who became physician to three Monarchs is to-day celebrating his 99th birthday quietly "in the country."

He made it clear for the first time in a paper to the Medico-Chirurgical Society that scurvy and rickets were widely different.

The scurvy which attacks young children has been

known in the medical profession as "Barlow's Disease," and it is estimated that many thousands of young lives have been saved by the treatment resulting from his discovery.

One of his sons, Sir Thomas D. Barlow, of Didsbury, is well-known in Manchester business circles and is Director-General of Civilian Clothing. His elder son, Sir James A. N. Barlow, became Secretary to the Treasury in 1939.

## Liberated baby



A R.A.F. man helps a French mother to feed her baby (10-weeks-old Genevieve Monnier, daughter of the local schoolmaster) just after the Germans have retreated.

## Rotha rounds up film 'tit-bits'

MR. PAUL ROTH, the film producer, who is to collaborate with Mr. Walter Greenwood, the Salford-born author, in making Manchester's Civic film, arrived in the city this afternoon.

This was his second visit and he is to spend the rest of the week exploring the city for "tit-bits" for his film.

He will visit the oldest cotton spinning mill, in Ancoats, where spinning jennies were used more than 100 years ago, an old-established engineering works, the Christie Hospital, Manchester University, the College of Technology, and a City Council meeting on Wednesday.

## New camp horror

Soviet citizens transported to Rumania for forced labour say that 18,000 people lost their lives in a concentration camp near Bucharest, according to Moscow radio.—Rtr.

## LANCASHIRE MINERS GET "DREAM HOME" IN A CHESHIRE MANSION

"Evening Chronicle" Industrial Reporter

A CRIPPLED Lancashire miner, 24-year-old Albert Molyneux, Lominster-place, Higher Ince, Wigan, drove up to Oakmere Hall to-day with eight other injured miners to take possession of the famous Cheshire mansion.

Equipped by the Miners' Rehabilitation Centre, it opened its doors to-day.

Other parties of miners will follow at intervals until there are 50 in residence. Their accommodation and treatment will be provided free under a scheme administered jointly by the colliery owners and the employees.

## Even a cinema

Molyneux was on crutches when he arrived in the oak-panelled hall with its cheerful log fire. Before many weeks pass he hopes to discard his crutches, play football—and go back to the pit perfectly sound.

He is a shot-firer. In May he was buried by a fall of roof, suffering a fracture of the left leg and a compressed fracture of the spine. Serious injuries—but miners at other rehabilitation centres have been cured after medical and massage treatment and remedial exercises.

Oakmere Hall, stone-built and standing in 30 acres of land, including pine woods, a lake, and cornfields, has latest equipment, and a gymnasium and other premises have been specially built.

The pitmen will sleep in magnificent bedrooms with five or six windows. There are shower-baths, recreation and sports rooms. The miners will even have their own cinema.

Chairman of the house committee is Jim Richardson (35), Athol-street, Earlestown, who has been off work since February, 1943, with a crushed and fractured spine.

"This is a grand place, and I reckon I'll get rid of my limp and be able to re-start in the pit," he told me.

John Connaughton (55), Wheatshaf-avenue, St. Helens, oldest man in the party, has a broken right hand which he cannot straighten. After 40 years in the pit his doctor advised him to give up mining.

## Laval's goods go

F.F.I. radio announces that Laval's property in the Clermont Ferrand region has been taken over by the State.—Rtr.

## "Studded" with difficulty

ARE press-studs haberdashery? Salford court officials had to decide this question to-day before proceeding with a case in which Harry Lang, Northumberland-street, Salford, was summoned for charging 13d. in excess of the maximum controlled price for press-studs in Piccadilly, Manchester, and for failing to keep invoices for 12 months in respect of his purchase of the studs.

Officials did not know the exact meaning of the term and a dictionary was brought to help them.

Mr. David Lever, solicitor for Lang, had stated that the prosecution was being made under an old Board of Trade Order controlling the prices of haberdashery, but which did not detail the articles which came under the heading.

## "Small wares"

After finding that the dictionary definition was "small wares," the Stipendiary (Mr. F. Bancroft Turner) agreed that press-studs would come under the heading of haberdashery, and fined Lang a total of £6, with three guineas costs.

It was stated that a street vendor was seen selling the studs on behalf of Lang.

## Sir C. T. Needham left £5,000 to University

SIR CHRISTOPHER THOMAS NEEDHAM, of Fair Oak, Palatine-road, West Didsbury, Manchester, Liberal M.P. for South-West Manchester from 1910 to 1918, who died last April aged 77, left £366,281 (£357,091 net).

He was chairman of John Needham and Sons (Manchester) Ltd., iron and steel merchants, and a director of the L.N.E.R. and the Manchester Ship Canal Co.

He left £25,000 upon trust for his sister, Elizabeth Needham, for life and then £15,000 to the University of Manchester and the balance as his sister may direct, £5,000 to the Victoria University of Manchester, £500

to Manchester Ear Hospital, £100 to Thomas Smith (gardener), £5,000, his furniture, etc., and the use of his residence to his sister Elizabeth.

He also left £5,000 to his daughter Florence, £2,000 each to his brother Richard and his son-in-law Francis W. Halliday, £1,000 upon trust for his sister Ellen Preston for life and then to her daughter Florence, and the residue as to one-third to his daughter absolutely and two-thirds upon trust for her for life and then for her husband and children as she may appoint.

Mr. Arthur Gartside, of Arnsdale, formerly of Davyhulme-road, Urmston, left £7,870 (£7,704 net).

## Airman bales out, then helps F.F.I.

### "LOST," SURPRISES MOTHER

WHEN 19-year-old Sergeant John Freddy Clinton walked up to his parents' home at 34, Westbourne-street, Westwood, Oldham, the door was answered by his mother, who saw for the first time in many months the airman son who had almost been given up for lost.

He was posted missing following an important bombing mission over enemy territory in June, and his parents heard of his safety 24 hours before he reached home.

But a bigger surprise was to come, for he was able to tell them that he had still served the Allied cause during his absence in a capacity which probably no other Oldham man has had the honour—as a member of the French Maquis.

"It's a long story and one which I am not allowed to tell in full," he told the *Evening Chronicle* reporter, "but it started, of course, on the night when my aircraft returning from an operation was hit."

Sergeant J. F. Clinton.

He went on, "I lay low, and from my hiding place could see the French working in the fields, and sometimes I saw the Germans."

"Once I was allowed to accompany the Maquis on an operation. It was a night when I, and several others, waited for a plane to drop arms. It did not turn up. The French were greatly disappointed."

"One of the Frenchmen



## EXILE ENDS

PART of the Belgian civil mission left London to-day for Belgium after being in exile since the beginning of the war. The Government is expected to leave this week.

indicated that sometimes it was dangerous to give signals to aircraft because they might turn out to be German machines, which machine-gunned the signalers.

"When the Canadians entered the Maquis helped to mop up the place, and women collaborators had their heads shaved. Members of the F.F.I. rode on to the advancing tanks and directed them to their next objectives."

Sergeant Clinton left two days after the entry of the Canadians, was taken to British headquarters, and travelled by air to this country.

## Jap policy speech

The Japanese Prime Minister, Koiso, and the Foreign Secretary, Shigemitsu, are to make important speeches on Friday during a special session of the Japanese Diet, according to Tokyo Radio, heard by the *Evening Chronicle* Listening Station.

Koiso will speak on the fundamental Japanese policy and Shigemitsu about foreign relations.

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