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GERMAN WAR OVER

OFFICIAL VE-DAY EXPECTED TO-MORROW



Where the Germans reached—

VICTORY FLAGS GO UP

LONDON and Manchester were at work early this morning—putting up the flags in anticipation of an early announcement of VE-Day.

Pennant flags were being strung across big offices and hotel buildings in many parts of London as early as 6-30 a.m. to-day.

In main streets poles were fixed ready to run out flags as soon as the announcement is made.

PEOPLE in Croydon, Surrey, started premature VE-Day celebrations last night.

Bells to be rung on the big day have been erected outside the Town Hall, and when they pealed late last night residents thought it was the official way of announcing the Cease Fire in Europe.

But the ringers were a merry party of sailors who had climbed up a scaffold.

LONDON is to have VE-Day buses after all.

The big transport strike over summer schedules, which involved trolley bus and tram routes and two bus garages, has ended and to-day normal services were resumed on all routes.

The dramatic war news is believed to have been a factor in influencing the men to return.

ALL church bells in Switzerland will be rung for a quarter of an hour when the Allied Governments announce the end of the war in Europe, the Swiss Government has decided.

Prayers for a lasting peace will be offered in the churches the following Sunday.

Doenitz surrenders for all CHURCHILL IS TO SPEAK ON RADIO TO-NIGHT

THE ALLIES TO-DAY OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT GERMANY HAD SURRENDERED UNCONDITIONALLY. THE "EVENING CHRONICLE" UNDERSTANDS THAT TO-MORROW WILL BE REGARDED AS VE-DAY AND THAT THIS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE PREMIER WHEN HE MAKES HIS VICTORY STATEMENT THIS EVENING.

The surrender took place at 2-41 a.m. (French time) at the little red school-house which is General Eisenhower's H.Q., says Reuter's Rheims correspondent. Colonel-General Gustav Jodl, the new German Army Chief of Staff, signed for Germany.

General Bedell Smith, Eisenhower's Chief of Staff, signed for the Supreme Allied Command, according to an account of the ceremony broadcast by New York radio.

General Ivan Susoparoff signed for Russia, and General Francois Sevez for France.

An order by Admiral Doenitz—"the five-day Fuehrer"—for the unconditional surrender of all German fighting troops was read over Flensburg radio to-day by Count Schwerin von Krosigk, the German Foreign Minister.

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CABINET IN CONSTANT SESSION

By FREDERICK TRUELOVE

TO-MORROW, I understand, will be regarded as VE-Day and that this will be announced by the Premier when he makes his victory statement on the radio to-night.

The Premier's statement will be a brief declaration that hostilities have ended, but the hour of the broadcast is not yet known.

Plans are being made for the King's broadcast to the nation.

When the King makes his broadcast his speech will be relayed to the crowds outside Buckingham Palace. He will broadcast from a room in the Palace, and if he follows the custom of his 10 previous wartime broadcasts he will be alone in the room.

The Cabinet is in constant session to-day and the wires are busy between London, Washington and Moscow.

Parliament will assemble to-morrow for a formal announcement and Peers and M.P.s will then attend services of thanksgiving at St. Margaret's and Westminster Abbey.

To-morrow and Wednesday are expected to be declared public holidays in accordance with the arrangements already announced.



—and where their retreats ended.

CZECH GERMANS' MOVE

GERMAN troops surrounded on the Central Czechoslovak Plain, fighting out what was probably the last pitched battle in Europe, had, according to the German-controlled Oslo radio this afternoon, withdrawn to "shortened lines planned for them."

Using the familiar formulas of the old German High Command, the announcer said that the Germans were "concentrating on resisting the Soviets."

This announcement was made before the news came that Doenitz had ordered the "Cease fire."

Earlier news from the Czech front to-day was to the effect that the last big pocket was crumbling.

Fast crumbling

Two Russian armies were engaged in reducing the eastern part of the Czechoslovak redoubt by simultaneous drives destined to bring about their meeting west of Olomouc.

Yeremenko was storming Olomouc, while Malinovsky was preparing to break into Prostějov.

Olomouc is a vital communications centre 130 miles east of Prague.

The Soviet was steadily crumbling the eastern end of the Czechoslovakian pocket, while the Allied forces from the west were fast approaching Prague.

D.F.C. for daring

Flight-Lieut. Edward A. Holbeck (28), a native of Warrington, whose home is at Banbury, has been awarded the D.F.C. for his daring and skill when carrying out low-level reconnaissance flights.

The actual hour of the peace announcement, says a Lobby correspondent, may depend upon the inter-capital conversations between the Big Three or their representatives, who, among other things, may settle the problem of synchronising the news in the three capitals.

U-boats ordered home

The Danish Home Service said this afternoon that it had been announced that Norway has capitulated.

It is estimated that German forces in Norway total 300,000.

The surrender of Norway leaves only Western Czechoslovakia, Central Austria and pockets in Northern Yugoslavia, Western Latvia, France, the Channel Islands and on the Elbe still in German hands.

There are believed to be between 200 and 300 U-boats in the Norwegian fiords.

According to the Stockholm newspaper "Dagens Nyheter," a British mission was expected in Sweden to-day to accept the capitulation of the Germans in Norway.

DUNCAN HOOPER, REUTER CORRESPONDENT IN

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"LAURA."
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VICTORY IN EUROPE

Evening Chronicle

THIS is not the most dramatic day of the war, but it is and must remain its greatest day. There is no doubt about that, whatever is to come before the world is finally at peace again. Germany planned and plotted this war and, plunging first Europe and then all continents into the struggle, nearly won it. To-day she is beaten. We have finished the bigger part of our task.

In these last weeks we have been witnesses of events which in magnitude, drama and horror, no less than in their inner meaning, are without parallel. We have seen the towering arch of the most arrogant and inhuman of recorded tyrannies fall headlong into the abyss. We have watched the overthrow of a stupendous attempt to subvert and betray the fundamentals of Western civilisation, to debase humanity's standards and to restore a primitive heathenism, armed with all the apparatus of modern science and technique.

It has been overthrown because, after no matter how many hesitations and failures, the body of mankind realised that what the enemy stood for was a denial not only of reason but of all that is noble and generous in humanity's past and upon which its deeper and enlarging hopes for the future must still depend.

So far as Britain is concerned the Second German War has been very different from the first both in detail and in the part we played. It

has demanded a much mightier effort of brain and body, yet mercifully it has been less costly in human lives for Britain and her Empire. That is a conclusion about which we may to-day give heartfelt thanks.

Militarily the final victory is less completely British than in 1918, yet as we look back we can, without vainglory, ask: "But for Britain would there have been any victory for free men?" We held alone the gate for mankind when aggression was at its relentless zenith. That stand was crucial. It gave time for the world to awake, resist, rally, prepare and band itself into a mightier alliance than we knew in 1918.

Twenty-seven years ago, with Wilhelm II's Germany at our feet, we said: "We have won PEACE." To-day we put it differently, for the circumstances are different and we are richer in experience, if nothing else.

To begin with there is a second military tyranny, failing, but still in arms, half a world away. It must be overthrown. Nor is that all. No generation is proof against illusion, and time may reveal it working in us, but we can say that in one way at least we are less simple-minded than the bulk of those who survived the agony of the First German War.

We know that cessation of hostilities does not in itself bring peace; we do not suppose that world harmony and progress will follow readily on this day. We know that both have to be schemed for and worked for, and that we cannot atone for lack of foresight and understanding simply by energy and good intentions.

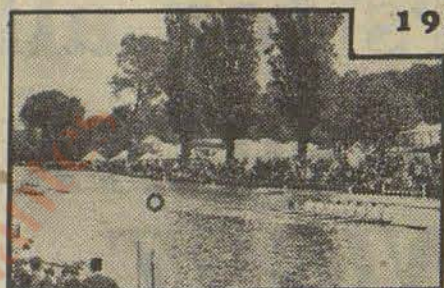
MANCHESTER,
May 7, 1945.

There are difficult tasks confronting the Allies. The wounds and fractures of Europe have to be bound. We have to reorganise and replan a Britain more changed by this war than by any in history. We have to search for a settlement of thorny and outstanding political problems on the Continent; we have to assist in determining Germany's future. We have to try to work out with our Allies a surer system of world peace and a more stable economic policy, domestic and international.

WHAT the downfall of Germany gives us is the beginning of the opportunity to do these things. For 12 years the menace of Nazism and Fascism has bent the world away from the arts of peace. In the victory over that menace we all have shared, but on that account we shall not diminish the resounding honour due to the fighting men of the United Nations or to the architects of Allied strategy, policy and method whether they are statesmen, generals, or inconspicuous experts, technicians and inventors.

The people of Britain will now expect some respite from the rigours of the last six years. It is natural and it is their due. But they do not ask only to relax. They have been united and vigorous in war; they will not be defeatist in peace.

They have had good leadership in the struggle; they hope for good leadership in the approach to peace and reconstruction and the opportunity, as soon as may be, to join in making those words a fruitful and living reality. In 1918 we talked much about "the road back." In 1945 we think rather of the road forward.



1939—HENLEY
the last
summer
of peace

RHINE—1945
the last
year of
west war



And Here is the STORY OF THE YEARS BETWEEN

It was Henley in all its radiance, that last peace summer before the war, and the Royal Show, with carnations and top-hats, and cricket, and Germans on the Centre Court at Wimbledon.

A year later they were looking out for them again at Wimbledon, but not at the Centre Court.

But August emphasised the gravity of the international situation. For years Hitler had been goose-stepping across Europe. Now the world was staggered by his pact with Russia.

It was the bombshell which shattered hope. The lights at crowded British seaside resorts went out. The Territorials in camp were mobilised; people looked hard at their still strange gas-masks and made forced jokes about them.

There was not long to wait. Warsaw was bombed on September 1 without warning. Hitler had put the match to the bonfire. With staggering speed the mechanised monster of Nazism crashed through the Polish army, which took the first brunt of the new terror warfare that filled the sky with planes and bombs. The Russians moved on to the rear frontier of the gallantly resisting Poles, and it was all over.

After the first German crossing of the Polish frontier the British Cabinet had held a fateful midnight meeting; presented an ultimatum to Hitler to withdraw, otherwise our known pledge to assist Poland would be honoured.

Kiel bombed

WE went in with the bombing of Kiel, war between Britain and Germany having been declared on September 3. On the fall of Warsaw, less than a month after the opening of unproclaimed war by the Nazis, Hitler announced to the Reichstag his bombastic so-called peace proposals. Neville Chamberlain replied that aggression could not be the basis of peace.

Already thousands of children had been evacuated from London and the coastal areas; the digging of trenches for defence against air attack continued. Manpower was mobilised.

The spirit with which Britain

Up pikes and at 'em



entered the war and continued it was soon revealed.

The factory wheels turned with a new intensity. Britain seagirt was now a fortress. But it was not like the war we expected. There was some air activity, but it was not the nightmare, Wellesian destruction of civilians in their homes that gloomy prophets had forecast.

In the waters around the island fortress, however, the U-boats were busy, shipping was being sunk, and magnetic mines became the problem of the day.

The preparations for national defence, already speeded up, were accentuated. Everyone talked then of the Maginot Line, talked too of the Siegfried Line, or sang of the "washing" that was to adorn it when we got going.

Battle was not yet joined in the west, but a million and a quarter Britons were under arms by the end of 1939, which went out pleasantly enough with the brilliant success of Harwood against the Graf Spee at the River Plate. But a dramatic change was threatened.

After the exploits of H.M.S. Cossack in releasing 299 British

seamen from the prison ship Altmark, there quickly came a German strategic stroke. The world was startled by the announcement that German troops had invaded Norway and Denmark. A new word was given birth, "Quislings."

Things were moving now. The war did not look quite as "phony" as it had done for the first few months.

Chamberlain went, Churchill stepped in. It was May 10, 1940, the beginning of the era of "blood, toil, tears, and sweat." The Nazis cynically emphasised it by crashing through the Netherlands.

The French Ninth Army was defeated, and France reeled under the hammer blows of a mailed fist. The Belgian Army ceased to exist. Holland was overrun and its Government escaped to Britain. Half Europe was aflame with news and rumours of Nazi might. The roads of Belgium and France were choked with refugees, and the Panzers swept ruthlessly along the dusty lanes.

Dunkirk

NOW came another new word, to be writ for ever across the pages of history—Dunkirk. The British were falling back on their only means of escape, that little port.

On May 26 the evacuation of Dunkirk began amid almost incessant bombing, shelling, machine-gunning on open beaches. By June 4 a miracle had been completed—335,000 evacuated from Dunkirk in a myriad small boats of all shapes and sizes.

It could have been the final disaster of the war, the end of all our hopes. Instead, it was the very birth of victory. When the joy bells rang in the Reich Churchill said, defiantly:

"We shall fight on the beaches, on the landing grounds, in the fields and in the streets; we shall fight in the hills. We shall never surrender."

It was now or never for the bulldog breed. France was crashing. Italy declared war. It looked to Mussolini the right time to cash in. The Germans entered Paris, and France signed an armistice, cynically staged by Hitler in the railway coach at Compiegne in which the 1918 armistice had been signed.

Then yet another new name,

a new voice, that of a French officer called De Gaulle. He had escaped to London. "The war is not lost," he courageously proclaimed to a sceptical world. "France is not dead. Hope is not extinct. Vive la France."

The world waited while the Nazi vulture cast its shadow over Britain. It is the end, said the neutrals everywhere. It is the beginning! shouted back the fighter pilots on English fields as they ran to their machines. The Battle of Britain was on.

Battle of Britain

DAY after day raids by masses of German bombers on shipping, Channel ports, harbours, airfields. The fighters went up and the bombers went down, screaming, roaring, blazing to a chatter of gunfire.



Shipping was
being sunk

headlong into Sussex cornfields or the hopfields of Kent. In 10 days, by the middle of August, the Nazis had lost 700 planes in the raids on Britain; 180 in one day.

It was the time when the Home Guard might be in it at any moment, the days of "Up pikes and at 'em." And so the year went on, tense and trying, with a sawdust Caesar being told that his cardboard empire would be torn to shreds, and London burning like a torch, lighting the way to 1941.

The year opened with British successes against the Italians in Africa.

The Hungarians attacked Yugoslavia on April 11. Within 10 days King Peter was in Jerusalem. On April 27 the Germans were in Athens.

Russia attacked

ONE point of relief was the re-entry of Halle Selassie to Addis Ababa five years after the Italians had taken over, the first

territory liberated in this war of liberation, and only nine months after Italy had invaded British Somaliland. And the Battle of Matapan smashed the Duce's vaunted Navy—for the loss of one aircraft.

May saw the landing by parachute in Scotland of Rudolf Hess, the Deputy Fuehrer, the sinking of H.M.S. Hood by the Bismarck, and the Royal Navy's revenge. With airborne troops the Germans drove us from Crete to Egypt and there was talk that islands no longer existed.

But the date of destiny was June 22, 1941. Germany attacked Russia. In a moment the course



of the war was changed. Britain was no longer alone.

In the United States there was a stiffening attitude against the Nazis. Roosevelt closed the German consulates. On August 15, when Germany had been less than two months at war with Russia, the drawing-up of the Atlantic Charter was announced.

By October Hitler had approached to the outer defences of Moscow, and the outlook seemed bad for Britain and Russia. It appeared so good for the signatories of the Three Power Pact that the Japanese decided this was the hour to strike against the effete English-speaking nations. Pearl Harbour was a name that blazed its way into history. Japanese bombs on American ships were the declaration of war.

Before this a new figure had appeared on the African sands—Rommel with his German Afrika Corps.

With the opening of 1942 the

★ TURN TO PAGE THREE

Soccer to run four groups next season

PROFESSIONAL football in England and Wales will run in four regional groups next season. This was decided to-day at the Football League extraordinary meeting in Manchester.

TO SEE HOW NEWSPAPERS ARE MADE

"THERE are few agencies in the modern world so powerful for good or evil as the daily Press, and consequently few aspects of modern society which ought to be so carefully considered," says Sir John Stopford, Vice-Chancellor of Manchester University and chairman of the Manchester Regional Committee for Education in H.M. Forces, in a welcome to American and Dominion forces on leave who will begin a week's course on "The English Press" at Holly Royde, Manchester, next Monday.

The course will cover every aspect of newspaper production from the source of newsprint to the relation between editor, proprietor and reader and will be illustrated in a practical way by a special visit to Kemsley House, Manchester, offices of Kemsley Newspapers Ltd., on Tuesday afternoon, May 15.

It follows a week-end course at Holly Royde from April 28-30 when 30 British and Allied Service men and women, as guests of "The Daily Dispatch," discussed "The Daily Press" and saw for themselves, during a visit to Kemsley House, how newspapers are produced.

Body in mill lodge

Middleton police have recovered from a mill lodge in Middleton the body of 64-year-old Harry Snelson, of Townley-street, Middleton. He had been missing from his home for several weeks.

The 44 clubs in the peacetime First and Second Divisions will play in North and South divisions, and the two sections of the Third Division, North and South, will resume on pre-war lines, without right of promotion.

If the F.A. accept a proposal carried by the meeting that one-half of the F.A.'s share of Cup Final and International match receipts be allocated to the League, the professional clubs will see their organisation richer by approximately £10,000 a year after the war.

A resolution by Luton Town that when normal times come there should be promotion and relegation of four clubs from Division 2 and Division 1 and promotion of two clubs from each of the two Third Divisions and the consequent relegation of four clubs from the Second Division was defeated. Only 18 clubs voted for Luton's proposition.

Transfer fee plan lost

When Everton proposed home and away ties in Cup games, it was pointed out that the Football Association had already expressed the desire to organise such matches on a similar basis, if it is practicable and the matter was left at that.

The Management Committee proposal that no transfer of a player should be registered until the fee had been paid was lost by 33 votes to 12.

An amendment by Wolverhampton Wanderers that 25 per cent. of any transfer fee over £1,000 should be put into a central fund for the benefit of players received no seconder.

The Central League may also function next season. Of the 22 clubs, 18 expressed their willingness to play. Manchester City and Manchester United were unable to give a decision as both temporarily share the same ground.

"I DIDN'T MURDER MY HUSBAND"

Police story of revolver in cocktail cabinet

Basic petrol ration again soon

BASIC petrol rations for all cars may be restored in a few weeks.

Coupons for the distribution of a new basic ration have

been ready for months, and, with the end of heavy air attacks on Germany, there are now very great stocks of petrol in this country.

An A.A. official told the "Evening Chronicle" to-day that though no official date had been fixed for the return of the basic allowance it was expected at an early date.

THREE OF FAMILY IN CLOTHES DEALS

"THERE has been more trouble over clothes rationing than over anything else," said the Salford Stipendiary Magistrate (Mr. F. Bancroft Turner) to-day, imposing fines on two brothers and a sister and a friend of the family for transactions in materials without coupons.

George Wood (39), foreman engineer, Cromwell-street, Burnley, was ordered to pay £25 in all for acquiring seven shirt lengths and a pyjama length without coupons, accepting the transfer of two clothing books not issued to him and supplying three shirt lengths without coupons to John Wood (24), ship's officer, Crawford-street, Monton, and a pyjama length to Maurice Risbeck (30), engineer, Graham-road, Pendleton.

John Wood and Risbeck were fined £2 each for acquiring the goods, and Charlotte Wood (36), munitions inspector, also of Graham-road, was fined £2 for acquiring a dress length without coupons from a colleague while serving in the N.F.S. last year.

"Everybody's at it"

Chief Inspector Barnfield said that police noticed three lengths of shirting on a couch in the house at Graham-road, where members of the Wood family live. John Wood later said he had bought them from his brother George. A pyjama length found in the house was claimed by Risbeck, who also said he had bought it from George Wood.

LETTER

READ

IN COURT

A LETTER to a girl in the Waafs, alleged to have been found in her husband's overcoat pocket, was read at Manchester Assizes to-day when Mrs. Dorice Joyclyn Chitty (39), of Woodmoor-lane, Stockport, pleaded not guilty to the murder of her husband, Squadron Leader Francis Frederick William Chitty (44), of the R.A.F., on March 22.

"I DID not murder him. He was going for me. He said I had not the guts to shoot myself. I got the revolver off him and saw a flash," was her alleged statement when charged.

Mr. F. E. Pritchard, K.C., prosecuting, said that on several occasions Mrs. Chitty had complained about the way her husband was treating her, and had told a neighbour that he had threatened to shoot her.

On the night of March 21 a policeman was called and when he was trying to reconcile husband and wife he saw Mrs. Chitty pick up a revolver from a cocktail cabinet and put it in her pocket.

"It's you or me"

Some time after the policeman had left Mrs. Chitty, who was in a very distressed condition, told the neighbours that when she had returned to the house her husband had told her she had not the guts to shoot herself, and it was "either you or me."

Seeing he was going to shoot her, she made a grab to defend herself, and at that point of her story she collapsed.

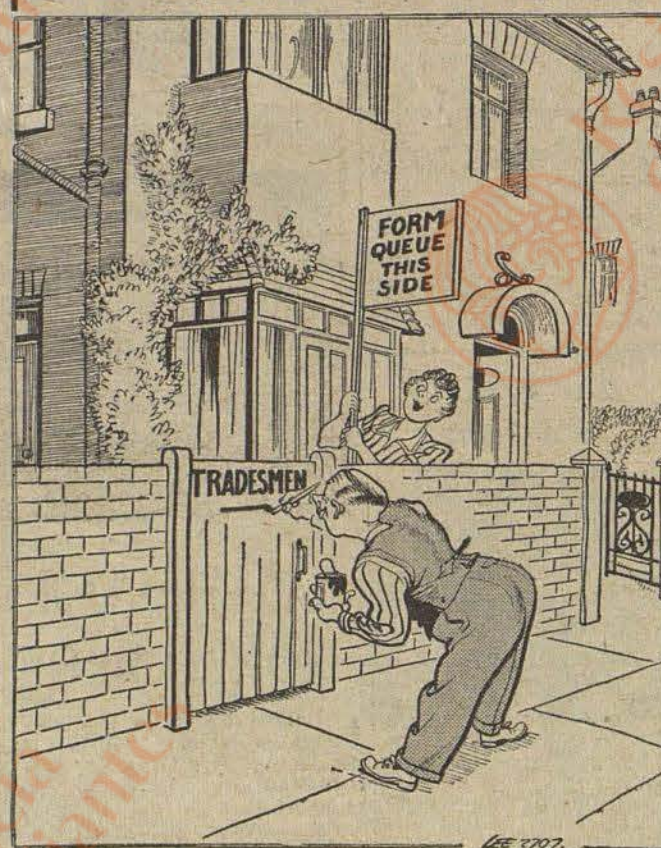
Police-constable Hodgson, cross-examined by Mr. T. T. Heywood for the defence, said he was not told that earlier in the evening Chitty had threatened to murder his wife. The squadron-leader was drunk when he saw him, but was not incapable. He was quarrelsome, and when he, the officer, arrived there was a tantalising argument.

Mrs. Chitty gave evidence and said her husband's attitude changed towards her 12 months last March. There was trouble over his drinking and over money.

Mrs. Chitty denied ever picking up the revolver when it was loaded and firing it at her husband. "I am innocent of shooting my husband," she declared.

Great Expectations

By LEE



"Shall they form a queue this side, Henry, or the other?"

Northern Window

By Denys

DESTRUCTION of our historic landmarks by enemy bombs is now, we can take it, a matter of history itself. What the Germans did is plain enough, but many bits of damage were also done in the subsequent tidying up.

On this subject Prof. J. P. Droop has just told some cautionary tales to the Ancient Monuments Society, whose president is Lord Stamford.

In one of them the professor tells how, in 1940, by reading "The Admiral's Wife," a life of the wife of Admiral Boscawen, he learned that outside Boscawen's house at 2, St. James' Square, London, used as the base of a street lamp, was one of the guns taken from Lonsburg when the town was captured by Boscawen in 1758.



Lord Stamford

On The Day

QUITE a number of people I have spoken to say that VE-Day will make no difference to them. Two days' holiday and nothing more. Meaning, I suppose, that they intend doing no "celebrating" or going all O-be-joyful. I can understand this. To many, after 5½ years of war, worry and overwork, jubilation does not naturally break out. On the other hand, I hear now and then of various ways it is intended to celebrate. The inevitable opening of a bottle stored away all this time; a visit to a theatre or dance hall; a noisy family party.

One woman with whom I discussed the matter has an idea not, I'm afraid, likely to be popular. "I'm a busy woman," she said. "I have a husband and two young boys. I myself go out to work all day. In fact, I am more than a busy woman, and when that two-day holiday comes shall I gad about all bright and breezy? Shall I eat, drink and be merry? Nothing doing."

"And Kensington"

NOW about that query why the newly-painted half of Manchester's London-road Station announces "London and Kensington." Reader Albert F. McFarlane (Cheadle Hulme) writes:— "When the Sunny South express used to run, the route was from London-road, Manchester, via Willesden Junction and Kensington (Addison-road) on to the Southern Railway."

The Two Cars

TWO cars start together from the same spot and

travel in the same direction. One does the first mile at 20 m.p.h., and each succeeding mile at half a mile per hour more; the other does the first mile at 25 m.p.h., and each succeeding mile at half a mile per hour less. How far will each have travelled when they are level? Solution of Saturday's acrostic: Monty.

And Finally

WAR Worker (to cashier): Look 'ere, Ah'm tuppence short in my wage. Cashier: You are not to tuppence, surely? War Worker: Is thou? Cashier: No, I'm not. W.W.: Well, give us fourpence then.

48 years on railway

Mr. George Rothwell (65), of Horne-street, Bury, has retired from the L.M.S. railway after nearly 48 years' service, 28 years as an engine driver. He has been twice secretary of the Bury branch of the Engine Drivers' Association.

9 CHILDREN'S DAYS at LEWIS'S NOW!

"JUNIOR MISS" RAYON CHECK FROCKS, low-gathered waist, two-tone color. In blue, scarlet, rose, tan. 5 coupons. Size 58-ins. (each) 50/3

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GIRLS' "WILVER" GYM TUNICS, full pleats and hems. 4 coupons. Range of sizes. Example: Size 22-ins. (each) 15/8

BOYS' GORD LUMBER JACKETS, fully cut. Adjustable waist, two breast pockets. In green, brown and navy. Various sizes. Example: Size 3, (each) 11/11

CHILDREN'S TAN GIBSON SHOES with leather soles. All sizes 7 to 10 (pair) 10/7

SMALL GIRLS' TARTAN SKIRTS, strap style. Three designs. Size 18 to 22. Example: Size 18-ins. (each) 8/6

Less than Half Price. BOYS' BLACK OXFORD SHOES, Size 2 8/11 to 3 only. (pair)

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Nearly 500 dolls from all over the world, including the Royal Dolls lent by Their Royal Highnesses. Open daily, 10 to 6. In the Hall, Fifth Floor.

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BOYS' "MENTOR" PRINT SHIRTS, "Sanforized" shrunk. All sizes 3 to 8. Example: Size 3 (each) 5/3

Coupon Free Special Offer. PILLOW-CASES, square or oblong. (each) 3/6

Half Coupon Rate Offer. BOYS' NAVY FLANNEL SHORTS, double seats and belt loops. Sizes 3 to 8. (pair) 3/5

BOYS' ALL-WOOL STOCKINGS, Range of sizes. Example: Size 8½-ins. (pair) 2/2

CHILDREN'S TARTAN FRONT SLIPPERS, strong soles. All sizes 7 to 11. Less than half price 2/1 (pair)

Half Coupon Rate. GIRLS' INTERLOCK NIGHT-GOWNS with contrasting collar and cuffs. Sizes 24 to 32-ins. (each) 2/-

HOME DECORATING

Fast-Bound WATER PAINT in eight attractive shades 2/8 (4-lb. tin)

LEWIS'S VARNISH PAINT for inside use. Six good colours. Hard drying. 2/6 (pint)

LEWIS'S Famous CEILING WHITE for snow-white ceiling (4-lb. tin) 2/-

"HUMBROL" ART ENAMEL in twelve lovely colours. Quick drying. 1/- (jar)

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"LONDON PRIDE" BLOUSES in art. linen. Short sleeves, open neck. Floral and striped designs. (each) 20/6

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"VALERIE" BLOUSES. Long sleeves, revert neck. Striped art. linen. In green, white, scarlet, white, yellow, white and blue, white (each) 15/3

ODDMENTS IN BLOUSES. Gay designs, short sleeves open neck. (each) 11/9

Second Floor

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ONE "MAJOR UNIT" DAMAGED

British fleet bombards Japanese island

THE British Pacific Fleet, including battleships and cruisers, have struck at the Japanese island of Miyako at the north-eastern end of the Sakishima group, 550 miles south-west of Japan, it was announced to-day.

It was the fleet's first heavy bombardment in Japanese waters and in the shelling of the island's two airfields the ships were supported by planes from British carriers.

Eighteen enemy planes were destroyed and four others damaged. Japanese planes, among which presumably were some "suicide planes," made a desperate attack to ward off the British Fleet and damaged one major British unit, but Admiral Nimitz reported to-day that it has already resumed operations.

2,000 AT N.F.S.

FAREWELL

MORE than 2,000 North-West part-time firemen and firewomen echoed the words, "This has been a memorable afternoon," of their Chief Regional Fire Officer, Commander K. N. Hoare, R.N. (Ret.), when, hand to hand, they joined in singing Auld Lang Syne at the close of "The Daily Dispatch" Celebrity Concert at the Palace Theatre, Manchester, yesterday.

As guests of Lord Kemsley, chairman of Kemsley Newspapers, Ltd., they had enjoyed one of the most brilliant programmes staged in the city—a tribute to their gallantry and courage during the war and organised to mark their official stand-down.

For three hours they had laughed at the slick "Itma" wisecracks of Tommy Handley, Ronald Frankau's tuneful subtleties, the army burlesques of Collinson and Breen, Beryl Orde's radio "pantomime," and to a background of swing and sweet melody by the R.A.F. "Skyrockets" Dance Band they helped Adelaide Hall to sing patriotic and popular songs. And one must not forget the Palace Theatre orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Charles Windsor.

Hitler foiled

But perhaps the most enjoyable—though unrehearsed—item of the show was the presentation by Assistant Fire Force Commander Victor Martin, Senior Part-time Officer (No. 10 Region) of an inscribed peace-time fireman's helmet to Tommy Handley as a memento of the occasion—and the audience insisted on him wearing it.

In a special message to "Our Guests" Lord Kemsley recalled that he was in Manchester when "Hitler unleashed one of his most savage attacks on the city."

"He took the lives of innocent people, but he failed completely in his real aim, which was to stop the heart of the industrial North, and the fact that he failed is a tribute more eloquent than any that I might pay to the men and women—wonderful women—of the National Fire Service."

W.V.S. leader chosen as Conservative agent

Following an intimation from Capt. A. M. Rawcliffe, agent of Bolton Conservative Association, that he will not return to the town, Mrs. C. Kay, organiser of the W.V.S. in Bolton, has been appointed in his place.

Headmistress dies

Miss Helenor Moss, for the past three years headmistress of Fyde Lodge High School for Girls, Heaton Mersey, has died after a long illness.

She obtained a first-class honours degree at Leeds University and before going to Fyde Lodge was at Cowley Girls' School, St. Helens.

In short supply

Many newly-married couples are anxious to get oak furniture for their new homes, but wartime shortage of supplies is upsetting their plans.

To-day there is an opportunity for one couple to add to their collection an oak side-board, which is offered for sale in the small advertisements on Page Seven.

20 ships hit

The first deep cuts in the process of severing Japan from the Chinese mainland were accomplished by land-based American search planes from Okinawa region which sank four and severely damaged another 16 Japanese commercial vessels on Saturday in the Sushima Straits between Japan and Korea.

It was revealed to-day at General MacArthur's H.Q. at Manila that since the opening of the Philippines campaign the Japanese have lost 346,000 men, while the American losses in killed and wounded total about 27,000 men.

Hill captured

In the battle of Tarakan Island, off the coast of Borneo, Australian troops have captured the heavily-wooded Tarakan Hill in the centre of Tarakan City.

For the 17th time since March 27 Super-Forts based in the Marianas to-day pounded the Kyushu airfields in South Japan.—Rtr.

Hyde United's revival

GREAT interest is being taken in the prospect of Hyde United, one of the best-known of Cheshire County football clubs, restarting next season after four years' inactivity.

A public meeting will be held on May 17 at the White Lion Hotel, Market-place, Hyde, to discuss the revival of the club. Hyde have probably provided more first-class players than any other club of similar size.

Among those who assisted the club were Forbes (Blackburn), Howe (Grimsby), Liggins (Leicester), "Tabby" Booth (Longworth (Liverpool), Wood (West Ham), Jones (Oldham), Knowles (Manchester City), Leah (Cardiff City), Smith, Threlfall and Norgrove (Manchester City); while Roach and Mitten (Manchester United) and Walsh and Pagan, present Manchester City players, were also associated with the club.

Cyclists' protest

As a protest against the compulsory use of live rear lights on bicycles after the war Manchester N.C.U. Defence Committee is staging a mass rally of cyclists at Platt Fields, Manchester, next Sunday.

Representatives of the Youth Hostels' Association, the Ramblers' Association, Oldham Moorwarden's Association, Cyclists' Touring Club, and Hyde Defence Committee are expected to take part.

Fatal fall at home

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was recorded by the Burial Coroner, Colonel R. M. Barlow, at an inquest to-day on Helen Stott (77), widow of Phillips Park-road, Whitfield.

Mrs. Stott, a retired school teacher, died in Jericho Hospital, Bury, after fracturing her right hip in a fall at home.

Membership doubled

The Umston branch of the Workers' Educational Association has almost doubled its membership during the past year. So successful has been the season that it has been decided to open out with classes in the Davenport area this year. A newly-formed committee will shortly discuss plans for social events.

BIGGEST HORROR CAMP

Rhythm over hurdles

A FINE action picture showing M. J. Allison and G. A. Steele contesting the 120 yards hurdles during the Manchester University sports at the University sports ground, Fallowfield.



MANCHESTER GETS FRAMES FOR TEMPORARY HOUSES

COMPONENTS of the long-awaited Phoenix bungalows have at last reached Manchester. They comprise six tubular steel frames now being erected on the Barrow Hill-road site, Cheetham, where 28 temporary houses will be built.

Asbestos for the frames is expected next Monday.

This is the first material for Manchester's temporary houses to arrive.

Messrs. Taylor Woodrows have a contract, given out by the Ministry of Works, for the building of 50 temporary houses—28 on the Barrow Hill-road site, 18 in Northfield-road, Moston, and four more in Fairborne-road, Levenshulme.

The sites have been prepared by Manchester Corporation.

A Ministry of Works official was unable to state whether or not all the bungalows under the first contract would be Phoenix houses or other types, and he could give no indication when

further components would reach the city.

When completed the houses will be allocated to applicants in the priority classes on the waiting list.

Children found man hanging from tree

"Death by hanging, with insufficient evidence to show the reason," was the verdict recorded by the mid-Cheshire Coroner (Mr. R. A. Daniel) at a Sale inquest to-day on Wilfred Abbott (37), blacksmith, Woods-end-road, Flixton, who was found hanging from a tree by three children picking bluebells.

THE number of people put to death in the concentration camp at Auschwitz was more than 4,000,000, and industrial concerns made fortunes from their bodies, the Russian State Atrocity Commission said in a report on the camp to-day.

Reports up to July, 1944, placed the number who died in the camp only as high as 1,715,000, but these were based on information less complete than that in the hands of the Russians.

This was Germany's largest murder plant personally directed by Himmler against which Maidenek, Buchenwald, Dachau, and Belsen pale into insignificance, according to the report.

620 barracks

Roughly one million victims were "processed" each year in the huge area in which were some 620 barracks.

Photographs in "Pravda" to-day show many heaps of mutilated bodies and a warehouse containing seven tons of human hair taken from women victims.

In addition to being a factory for wholesale extermination Auschwitz was a great industrial centre for the manufacture of super-phosphates and fertilisers from human bodies. It was also a laboratory for experiments with live human guinea-pigs.

The Russian report lists the German I.G. Farbenindustrie and other commercial firms as having amassed fortunes from disposal of the bodies of the victims.—B.U.P.

Railway porters stole cigs., eggs

Two railway porters pleaded guilty to thefts at Rochdale to-day. Eric Pidwell (20), Riverside-street, Rochdale, pleaded guilty to two charges of stealing cigarettes and tobacco and was remanded for three weeks for a report.

In the second case Fred Holt (44), New-road, Dearnley, was fined £5 for stealing 15 eggs in transit on the railway.

N.F.S. club memorial

A brass band contest, dances, and a Sunday variety performance at one of Manchester's theatres are included in a programme arranged by the N.F.S. to raise the £800 to £1,000 needed to establish a social club in Manchester.

The club is in memory of members of the N.F.S. in the Manchester area who lost their lives in German air attacks and will be open to past and present members of the N.F.S.

Pay award plan irks engineers

By Our Industrial Reporter

A LARGE number of engineers in the Manchester area are grumbling about the way in which the recent 4s. 6d. wages advance in the engineering industry is being put into operation.

They claim that in many workshops the bulk of the workers will not get any benefit because of the off-setting reduction in their piece rates.

Several requests have been made to the Amalgamated Engineering Union asking for an approach to the National Arbitration Tribunal for an interpretation of their award in view of the difficulties arising.

To-day about 17,000 employees of Metro-Vickers, Trafford Park, Manchester, decided to take action to secure an adjustment of the position.

They began working on piece rates, a move which will mean a loss of earnings of from £1 to £2 a week.

Rest of the News

THE King will take the salute at the British Legion march past following the memorial parade and service at the Cenotaph on Whit-Sunday.

There is no foundation for rumours that "Lord Haw-Haw" was one of the three German airmen who flew from Aalborg, Denmark, to Eire, states our Dublin correspondent.

THE Norwegian State bank has refused to make payment to Germany as "there is no German Government to guarantee it," the "Gothenburg Posten" stated to-day.—Rtr.

Condition of patients

MONSIEUR HOSPITAL Seriously ill—1054 827 1013 1025 934 900 840 953 622 917 558 947 659 950 1008 717 951 1003 976 933.

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300,000 CAPITULATE IN NORWAY

Bohemia Germans want 'free passage'

* FROM PAGE ONE

Von Krosigk said: "German men and women—The High Command of the armed forces has to-day, at the order of Grand-Admiral Doenitz, declared the unconditional surrender of all fighting German troops.

"As the leading Minister of the Reich Government, which the Admiral of the Fleet has appointed for the dealing with the war tasks, I turn at this tragic moment of our history to the German nation.

"After a heroic fight of almost six years of incomparable hardness Germany has succumbed to the overwhelming power of her enemies.

"To continue the war would only mean senseless bloodshed and a futile disintegration.

"The Government which has a feeling of responsibility for the future of its nation was compelled to act on the collapse of all physical and material forces and to demand of the enemy the cessation of hostilities.

"It was the noblest task of the Admiral of the Fleet and of the Government supporting him, after the terrible sacrifices which the war demanded, to save in the last phase of the war the lives of a maximum number of fellow countrymen.

"We must face our fate"

"That the war was not ended simultaneously in the West and in the East is to be explained by this reason alone. We end this gravest hour of the German nation and its Reich.

"In this gravest hour of the German nation and its Reich, we bow deep in reverence before the dead of this war.

"No one must be under any illusions about the severity of the terms to be imposed on the German people by our enemies. We must now face our fate squarely and unquestioningly.

"Nobody can be in any doubt that the future will be difficult for each one of us and will exact sacrifices from us in every sphere of life.

"In our nation justice shall be the supreme law and the guiding principle.

Respect for treaties—now

"We must also recognise law as the basis of all relations between the nations. We must recognise it and respect it from inner conviction.

"Respect for treaties will be as sacred as the aim of our nation to belong to the European family of nations, and as a member of which we want to mobilise all human, moral and material forces in order to heal the dreadful wounds which the war has caused.

"Then we may hope that the atmosphere of hatred which to-day surrounds Germany all over the world will give place to a spirit of reconciliation among the nations, without which the world cannot recover."

DOENITZ'S ORDER (STATES REUTER) MEANS THE END OF THE WAR IN EUROPE.

Flensburg, from where the broadcast was made, is a German town in Schleswig-Holstein, close to the Danish frontier.

German-controlled Prague radio broadcast a statement that the German commander in Czechoslovakia does not recognise Doenitz's surrender.

Germans in Bohemia, the broadcast added, will continue to fight until they receive a free passage out of the country.

According to the B.U.P., German-controlled Prague radio denied Flensburg unconditional surrender with regard to Russia, adding: "Only the fight against the Western Allies has ceased."

The broadcast of Doenitz's order was made at 2.09 p.m.

No mention of the unconditional surrender was made in to-day's German communiqué, read over Flensburg radio after Von Krosigk's speech.

GOEBBELS' BODY IS REPORTED FOUND

* FROM PAGE ONE

MOSCOW SAID THIS AFTERNOON THAT ACCORDING TO UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THE BODIES OF GOEBBELS AND HIS FAMILY HAVE BEEN FOUND IN AN AIR-RAID SHELTER NEAR THE REICHSTAG IN BERLIN.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, sent a telegram to the meeting of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions in Edinburgh to-day regretting he could not attend because of "pressure of business."

When Mr. Churchill left 10, Downing-street, this afternoon, he left by the garden door and smiled to 16 girls on the balcony.

Mr. Churchill and the Chiefs of Staff posed for photographers on the lawn of No. 10.

A team of newsreel photographers arrived shortly after they had finished lunch. Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, joined Mr. Churchill.

Victory Salvos

Preparations are being made for a victory salvo to be fired in London at the same time that Moscow fires its greatest victory salvo of the war. It is hoped to establish a radio link-up between the two capitals through these salutes.

In Manchester's preparations for the VE-Day display Albert-square easily takes first place with its 47 flag poles—one for each of the United Nations—round the Town Hall. But only 44 flags will be run up.

The other three poles were put up just in case another neutral or two joined the Allies before the final announcement!

In the suburbs householders and shopkeepers have in many instances not waited for Mr. Churchill. Flags and bunting cover the walls and brighten the house fronts.

In some parts of Chorlton-on-Medlock residents had painted massive Union Jacks on the walls of the surface shelters, while in Rosamund-place, Upper Brook-street, the residents added to the display by painting the kerbstones in red, white and blue.

About 100,000 small Union Jacks, printed on cotton, which were made for the Coronation of King Edward VIII but were put into "cold store" on his abdication, have been brought out again and were sold in the city and district.

Manchester Corporation celebration arrangements include dancing and band performances in city parks.

Mr. John Hartley, a former chairman of Waller and Hartley, Ltd., Blackpool manufacturing chemists, announced to-day that they intend giving £1,000 to local charities as an expression of thankfulness for VE-Day.

FORDMOTORS MOVE UP

PENDING the "cease fire," business in London Stock Markets was practically at a standstill to-day and prices were dull, having been marked down as a precautionary measure.

An exception to the general trend was provided by Ford Motors which advanced to 41s. on the Australian developments, but eased to 40s. 6d.

At Manchester, textiles also moved downward, with Lancashire Cotton Corporation at 37s. 3d., Fine Spinners at 25s. 10d. and Combined Egyptian Mills at 16s. 9d.

BRITISH FUNDS

Consolidated Stock	2 1/2%	Last close	10-day
Do. do.	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2%	103 3/4	103 3/4	103 3/4
Do. 3%	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Funding Loan, 4%	113 3/4	113 3/4	113 3/4

TEXTILES

Bleachers 14/3	14/3	FineSpin. 26/3	26/3
Bradford 26/3	26/3	Hoyle, J. 5/0	4/9
Brit. C.W. 7/3	7/3	Lanc. Co. 37 1/2	37 1/2
St. Celan. 34/3	34/3	Do. P. 35/6	35/6
Do. 2nd. 32/3	32/3	Tootal B. 72/6	72/6
Calico Pr. 20/3	20/3	Wardle & Coats J.P. 52/6	52/4
Courtauld. 56/9	56/3	Whitworth 47/6	47/6
Eng. S.C. 38/3	38/3	Mitch 34/3	34/3

INDUSTRIALS

J. Western 56	56	Tate & L. 72/6	72/6
NE5PO 7	7	Turner & Newall. 84/3	84/3
Do. Def. 3 1/2	3 1/2	U. Molass. 42/3	41/10
Do. M.S. 27 1/2	27 1/2	Wall P.D. 44/6	44/3
Do. 4 1/2 P 78 1/2	78 1/2	Cheshill. 22/9	22/9
Shm. 5PO 75	75	Dorman. 28 1/2	28 1/2
Newsday 43/0	43/0	Guest. K. 39/0	39/0
Do. 6 1/2 32/0	32/0	Un. Steel. 27/0	27/0
Do. 8 1/2 33/0	33/0	Vickers. 19 7/8	19 7/8
Anal. Pr. 27/9	27/6	Rolls-R. 59 1/2	59 1/2
B. Almn. 44/6	44/6	Asoc. El. 57/3	57/3
Brit. Oxy 85/0	85/0	Brit. Insul. 123/9	123/9
Carreras. 79 1/2	79 1/2	Eng. Elec. 54/3	54/3
Hovis. 54 1/2	54 1/2	Gen. Elec. 97/0	97/0
I. Chem. 40/1 1/2	39/9	Gu. Unival. 28/0	27/4
Imp. Tok. 8 1/4	8 1/4	Lyons. 6 1/4	6 1/4
Lever B. & Unilever. 48/6	48/6	Marks & S. 74/0	73/0
Smiths C. 43/0	43/0	Wolworth. 81/0	79/6

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Consols 2 1/2pc 83 1/2	J. Hoyle 4/8 1/2	I.O.I. 39/9	39/7 1/2
83 1/2	Do. Pref. 55/0	Kendall & 11/30 1/2	11/30 1/2
Do. 4pc 111 1/2	Do. 2pc 103 1/2	L.N.E. 3pc Pref. 7 1/2	7 1/2
War Loan 103 1/2	103 1/2	L.M.S. 4pc 17 1/2	17 1/2
War Loan 3pc 103 1/2	103 1/2	L.M.S. (1935) Pref. 55	55
Funding 2 1/2pc 83 1/2	83 1/2	Lloyds Packing 22 1/2	22 1/2
Local 103 1/2	103 1/2	Lovers 30pc Pref. 22 1/2	22 1/2
Anglo-Dutch 103 1/2	103 1/2	Do. 7pc Pref. 55/9	55/7 1/2
of Java 22/9	22/9	Lloyd (Ed) Invest. 2 1/2	2 1/2
British American 22/9	22/9	5pc Pref. 17/0	17/0
Tobacco 3pc 2nd 34 1/2	34 1/2	Lewis's 6pc Pref. 30/0	30/0
Bozell Deft. 38/0	38/0	Lancs. Cotton Corp. 37/3	37/3
Bozell Pure Drug 54 1/2	54 1/2	Lancs. Steel Corp. 37/3	37/3
Bowater Paper 24/6	24/6	Do. 5pc Pref. 20/6	20/6
Book Cloth Pref. 41/0	41/0	Lancs. Dynamo 105/6	105/6
Bleachers Pref. 24 1/2	24 1/2	Mex. Eagle Co. 11/0	11/0
British Industrial P. 7/0 1/2	7/0 1/2	M.C. Commercial Buildings 11/9	11/9
British Cotton G. 45/0	45/0	M/c Col. 11/10 1/2	11/10 1/2
Association 27/6	27/6	Maypole Deft. 2/5	2/5
Bridgewater Estates 45/0	45/0	Milsons Timber 6/4 1/2	6/4 1/2
Barrow H. Steel 45/0	45/0	Massey Brew 7/6 1/2	7/6 1/2
Bengers 45/9	45/9	Mandiberg (J) 12/0	12/0
Brookes (W J) 45/9	45/9	Nat Gas 21/0	21/0
Crosses & Heaton 19/1 1/2	19/1 1/2	Owen (Thos) 22/3	22/3
Calico Printers 19/1 1/2	19/1 1/2	Rylands 34/4	34/4
Crosley (John) 19/1 1/2	19/1 1/2	Rylands O 31/0	31/0
Courtauld 56/6	56/6	Ruehr M. 16/7 1/2	16/7 1/2
Carlton M. Col 43/4 1/2	43/4 1/2	Ship Canal 7/10 1/2	7/10 1/2
Crosley Bros Deft. 11/1 1/2	11/1 1/2	Do. Pref. 13/7 1/2	13/7 1/2
Consett Iron 8/7 1/2	8/7 1/2	Debenhams 13/9	13/9
Osmell Laird 10/8 1/2	10/8 1/2	Shell Trans 86/6	86/6
Dettlors Brew 27/3	27/3	Sinclair Motors 6/6	6/6
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E.M.I. 34/6	34/6	Settle Spoken 36/2 1/2	36/2 1/2
English Sewing 38/0	38/0	Thomas (R) 104 1/2	104 1/2
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Do. Deft. 33/3	33/3	Do. 104 1/2	104 1/2
Galahats 6/3	6/3	Do. 104 1/2	104 1/2
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5—News, etc., in Welsh. 5-20: Children's Hour.	5-20: Children's Hour.
6—News. 6-30: Book Talk. 6-45: Stephanie Grappelly's Quintet.	6-45: Stephanie Grappelly's Quintet.
7-10—Louis Kentner (piano-forte).	7-10: Louis Kentner (piano-forte).
8—Variety, with Michael Howard, Richard Murdoch, etc.	8-10: Variety, with Michael Howard, Richard Murdoch, etc.
9—Big Ben (minute for reflection); News, etc. 9-30: "That's a Good Girl" (Musical Comedy). 10-30: Tchaikovsky Serenade. 11-20: Oscar Rabin's Band. 12-0: News.	9-30: "That's a Good Girl" (Musical Comedy). 10-30: Tchaikovsky Serenade. 11-20: Oscar Rabin's Band. 12-0: News.

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5-50—B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, with Julius Isserlis (piano).	5-50: B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, with Julius Isserlis (piano).
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British 1/5 1/2	Nor's (C W) 4/6
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