

Civilian Travel Due for Big Cut in August to Make Way for Military

Washington—(AP)—Another big segment of civilian travel will be sidetracked in August to make way for the Tokyo express.

Half the present number of Pullman cars and 10 to 12 per cent of the railroad coaches will be withdrawn from civilian use from August until about March, 1945, for military purposes exclusively.

A growing pinch in air travel is also coming, J. Monroe Johnson, director of the office of defense transportation predicted yesterday at a news conference in which he sought public cooperation in reducing unnecessary travel.

"I understand that in another two or three weeks you might as well stay at home if you haven't got a No. 2 airplane priority," Johnson said.

Troop Carriers

The diverted railroad cars will be used as troop carriers in organized movements averaging 308,000 men daily as the army's redeployment of forces to the Pacific gets into stride, Johnson said. Although the peak will arrive some time in August, difficulties will become pronounced early in July, when vacation travel normally soars.

As Johnson voiced the warning, the war production board announced that the entire freight car manufacturing industry had been placed on the national production urgency list with a "third hand" priority on recruiting of manpower.

This puts freight car building on a par with tank production as a military necessity, as far as labor recruitment is concerned.

Depreciated Reports

The ODT director deprecated reports that spring wheat had been dumped on the ground in Oklahoma because of lack of storage space and grain cars. ODT has jurisdiction over both.

Plainly roused, Johnson asserted "most easterners and even some newspaper people probably think it a high crime to dump wheat on the ground—there never was a harvest year that there wasn't some grain on the ground."

About 50 per cent of the country's Pullmans and 33 per cent of the coaches already are in military service, Johnson said.

Henceforth some 75 per cent of Pullmans and about 45 per cent of coaches will be so used. These include many cars not used in the immediate pre-war years, so that the loss in civilian travel space is less severe than such figures would indicate.



Home on leave or furlough according to the records of the war price and ration board:

Robert H. Skerven, 651 Eleventh avenue north; V. S. Guokas, Route 1; Charles T. Stankey, 531 Baker street; A. C. Ruesch, Vesper; Amley D. Hartsough, Vesper; Louis Rodette, 1750 Lincoln street; Robert R. Robinson, 431 Seventh avenue south; John L. Vogel, 851 Tenth avenue north; William E. Nash, 540 Birch street; W. H. Boehme, Dixon hotel; Robert L. Tiffany, Babeok; Robert J. Neubauer, 531 Eighth avenue north; Lawrence A. Zimmerman, 1550 First street north; Kenneth E. Berggren, 2010 Gaynor avenue.

J. W. Flick, seaman 2/e, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Flick, Route 2, Wisconsin Rapids, is aboard a battleship which participated in the recent Okinawa invasion. From March to October, 1944 this ship fired over 32,000 five-inch shells. A large share of those shells were fired in the Marianas campaign, blasting the Japs from Sainan, Guam and Tinian. Flick serves as column operator with a crew manning a 20-mm gun.

Before entering the navy in June, 1944, he was employed in Milwaukee, where his wife, the former Leola Westover, and children reside.

Among the members of Combat Command A, 12th armored division in Germany is Pvt. Leonard J. Feit of Route 2, Milladore. This group helped crush the final German resistance in the city of Wurzburg.

The story of what happened when 15 Americans of the 30th infantry, third division, Fifteenth U.S. army, were cut off from their outfit on the Volturno river in Italy October 13, 1943 is now told by Pic. Leonard J. Heller, son of John J. Heller, Vesper.

"We fired every cartridge and threw every hand grenade, and then were forced to surrender," Leonard Heller Heller related. The vesper soldier's captivity of 18 months was ended when elements of the Fifth armored division rescued him at Tangermunde, Germany. He was being forced to march westward, away from potential Russian rescuers, when his German guards were in turn captured.



Receives First GI Loan To Purchase Business

Fond du Lac—(AP)—Staff Sgt. Eugene L. Kienow, 35-year-old veteran of the army forces, today received the first loan for the purchase of a business establishment made in Wisconsin to a World War II veteran under the G. I. bill of rights.

Sgt. Kienow plans to buy the oldest dry cleaning establishment in Fond du Lac, begun by his father, Ferdinand J. Kienow in 1905. The father will be associated in the business.

How Congressmen Of Wisconsin Voted

Washington—(AP)—Here is how Wisconsin legislators voted yesterday when the house passed, 351 to 105, and sent to the senate legislation outlawing poll tax payments as a pre-requisite to voting in any election for federal office:

For—Bismiller and Wasieleski, Democrats; Henry, Keefe, Murray, O'Konski, Smith and Stevenson, Republicans; and Hull, Progressive.

Against: Byrnes, Republican, paired.

Former U. of W. Professor, Dies

New York—(AP)—Richard S. McCaffery, 71, retired mining engineer and former professor of mining and metallurgy at the University of Wisconsin and Idaho, died yesterday.

He was a professor at the University of Wisconsin from 1914 to 1911.

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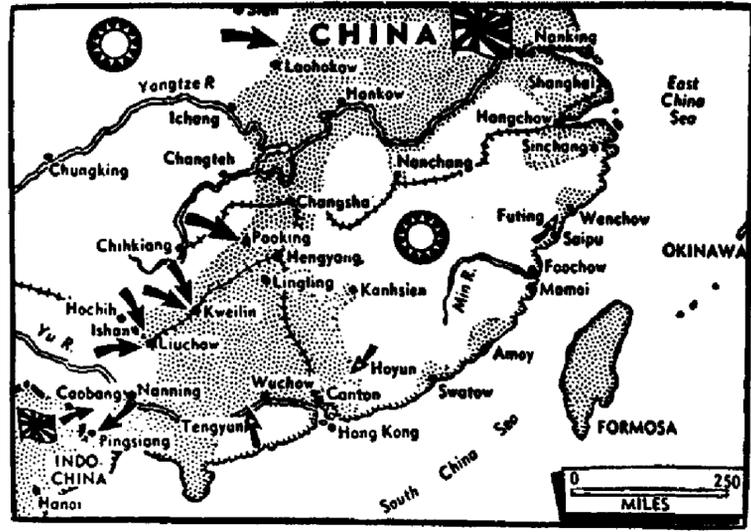
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CHINESE CONTINUE TO ADVANCE—A special Chinese communique announces that Chinese assault forces have captured Ishan. At the same time, strong forces of shock troops are battling the Japs within the outer defenses of Liuchow, and have closed to within 10 miles of Kweilin, 90 miles to the northeast. Both of the latter are former American air-base cities. The port of Futig, on the east China coast 450 miles west of Okinawa, has fallen to the Chinese. Drive toward Fingsiang and Indo-China encountering strong Jap resistance.

War at a Glance

(By the Associated Press)

Borneo

Australian ground forces, with air support pushed ahead on Labuan island and on Borneo southward of Brunei Bay. Japanese fired oil tanks at rich Seria oil fields 60 miles below Brunei Bay.

Okinawa

Tenth army troops beat back Japanese counter attacks. Marines and infantry scaled Yaeyu-Dake escarpment to break enemy's strongest defensive positions.

Philippines

Americans gained 9,000 yards in drive on Cagayan valley. Luzon while others smashed Japanese resistance east of Davao, Mindanao.

China

Chinese drove to within 24 miles of east coast port of Wenchow, but admitted evacuating Ishan, railroad junction west of Liuchow and losing ground along Indo-China border and in Hongkong area, where Japanese drove to strengthen Hankow-Canton corridor.

Burma

British 14th army overcame stiff opposition in drive eastward from Toppoo; units driving south captured Tanbunong village north of Rangoon.

Flashes of Life

Bare Facts

Seattle—(AP)—The customers knew there wasn't any use asking butcher Tony Travelli for meat. Tony ran clear out of supplies so he just mounted the skeleton of a lamb in his showcase and prospective patrons chuckled and passed on.

Education

Roswell, N. M.—(AP)—"We didn't know," six boys told Sheriff Pat O'Neill when they were caught shooting rabbits by auto headlights.

"All right," the sheriff told them, "I'll let you go if you each write a 1,000-word essay and read it in English class next fall on the subject, 'The New Mexico Law on Firearms.'"

Snake Line

Milwaukee—(AP)—One bus driver didn't have any difficulty in getting passengers to "step to the rear of the bus."

The passengers made a bee line for the rear and right out the back exit when a small boy permitted a half dozen harmless garter snakes to escape from their shoebox container.

Authoritative

Omaha, Nebr.—(AP)—Claude C. Cornwall, Omaha's new war relocation authority officer, says his most difficult job in the coming months will be to find homes for additional Japanese-American families expected to move into the area.

Cornwall is an authority on house hunting. He hasn't been able to find a place for his own family.

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Brother of Houdini Succumbs Without Revealing Secrets

New York—(AP)—Theo Hardeen, 69, brother of the late Harry Houdini and sole heir to the great illusionist's secret methods of escaping from locked trunks, sealed tanks and under-water chambers, died yesterday without revealing any of the famous tricks.

When Houdini died in 1926, he bequeathed his tricks and illusions to his brother with the provision that Hardeen should not disclose them.

The brothers were sons of the late Rabbi M. S. Weiss of Appleton, Wis., taking the names of Houdini and Hardeen when they began stage careers as magicians.

Hardeen, who lived in Brooklyn, entered Doctors hospital May 30 for an operation.

General Patton Hopes To Get 'Crack at Japs'

Los Angeles—(AP)—Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., left by plane yesterday for Washington, D. C., expressing to reporters the hope that his next assignment involves "a crack at the Japs."

The Third army commander and Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, who left earlier in the day for Seattle, were given a tumultuous two-day welcome here.

Fair Employment Practices Bill Given Senate Approval

Madison—(AP)—A fair employment practices bill, aimed at preventing discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, national origin and ancestry, was passed by the senate late yesterday and sent to the assembly.

The bill was a substitute for a much more stringent measure that would have imposed a fine up to \$5,000 or six months in jail for such discrimination. As amended it provides only that a commission of seven members be appointed and gives the body permission to publish its findings.

Russians Permit All Japs to Return Home

San Francisco—(AP)—The Soviet government has permitted the return home of all Japanese who were in Soviet occupied German territory at the end of the European war, Tokyo radio said today in a broadcast.

The last group of such Japanese left Moscow June 5 for Japanese-occupied Manchuria, Tokyo said. Those already returned to Tokyo include Shikao Matsumushima, Japanese minister at large for Europe, and Toranosuke Oda, former vice consulat Koenigsberg, capital of Prussia.

59.4 Per Cent of 'E' Bond Quota Is Filled

Washington—(AP)—War bond sales to individuals in the 7th war loan drive totaled \$5,280,000,000 today or 75.4 per cent of the \$7,000,000,000 quota.

E-bond sales have reached \$2,377,000,000 or 59.4 per cent of the \$4,000,000,000 goal for these bonds.

Shirley Temple Graduates

Los Angeles—(AP)—Movie Actress Shirley Temple graduates from high school today at the Westlake School for Girls. She's 17.

The assembly concurred in a senate bill to stagger automobile registrations throughout the year, instead of annually and quarterly, and in a measure to provide that sheriffs shall not be responsible for acts of their deputies under civil service.

Also concurred in was a senate-approved bill requiring the secretary of state and state treasurer to accept \$1,590,854 from the federal government for lands on the Meno-

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Jury Rules County Officer Shot to Death

Merrill, Wis.—(AP)—A coroner's jury found yesterday that Carl Nystrom, 40-year-old Lincoln county traffic officer who was killed Saturday night, was shot to death.

Donald Yohn, 30, of Tomahawk who is charged with first degree murder in connection with Nystrom's death has pleaded innocent to the charge and has been ordered held without bail for a preliminary hearing June 19 at 9 a. m. before Judge Max Van Hecke of the upper branch of Lincoln county court.

MARSHFIELD SOLDIER HURT

Marshfield—Pfc. Robert L. Barrett, son of Mrs. Frances Barrett, Marshfield, was slightly wounded in action on Mindanao in the Philippines on May 13, according to a war department telegram received here by his mother Tuesday.

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