

S.S. Montclair Victory

6 August 1945

VETS TO BOSTON THIS WEEK:

10,000 returning veterans of the ETO are expected to reach Boston, Mass, sometime this week. The 20,000 vets who arrived aboard the Queen Mary and several other vessels in New York last week left Camp Kilmer Sunday for 22 reception centers near their homes.

THE POINT SYSTEM AGAIN:

The latest report about the Army Point System indicates that the 85 points will remain until the first of the year and when it is changed it may be higher instead of lower! At that time credit may be given for service after May 12th. Congress is divided on the present point system 70% in favor, 25% against and 5% undecided.

FOREST FIRE IN OREGON:

The forest fire threat in Oregon is serious. All possible fire fighting equipment is being rushed there. In the last month 200,000 acres have burned.

NAVY ASKED FOR POINT SYSTEM:

The Vets of Foreign Wars asked that the Navy establish a system of discharge on points for Marines, Coast Guard and Navy.

WAR CRIMINAL TRIALS:

The Palace at Nurnberg has been chosen as the site for trial of Goering and other famous war criminals. It is now under repair. In Vienna 3 SS men will be tried for murder of 102 civilians and a scientist will be tried for sabotage of valuable laboratory equipment before the city was taken.

POLISH PROBLEM:

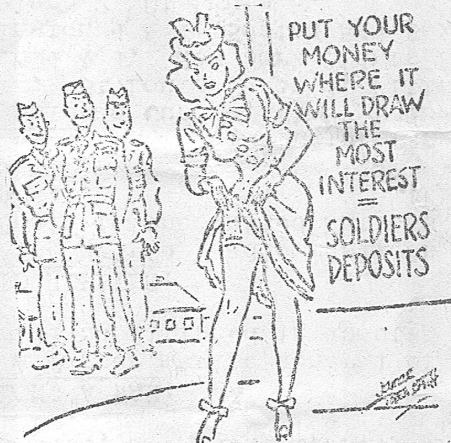
London reveals that there is still a strong anti-Jewish feeling in Poland, as much so as when Hitler controlled the country. Only 83,000 Jews are still alive in Poland.

FINI:

The Persian Gulf Command has been dissolved.

WARNING TO JAPS:

12 more Jap cities have been warned by B-29's scattering 700,000 pamphlets that the inhabitants better either "scram" or be bombed out. To date such warnings have been followed within 24 hours by bombs.



46TH AMERICAN SUB LOST:

The U.S.S. "Snook" is long overdue from patrol and must be presumed lost, according to Navy announcement. It is the 46th lost.

HOW LONG A WAR:

A former marine general of the Pacific Area predicts the Jap war will be finished in about 6 months.

MADRID REPLIES:

The Madrid radio reply on the decision of the Big 3 not to admit Spain to the United Nations is that the Big 3 were unjust and arbitrary.

BASEBALL:

(Results of Saturday's games)

Chicago Cubs 3, Cincy Reds 4, breaking the Cubs 15 game winning series. St Louis Cards 6, Pittsburg Pirates 5. Brooklyn 1 & 0; Boston 4 & 1. New York Giants 5, Philly 4. Detroit 2, Chicago 3. Washington 4 & 4; Boston Red Sox 15 & 6. New York Yanks 5, Philly 1. Cleveland 2, St Louis 8.

REDEPLOYMENT STEPS: -- :AT THE RECEPTION STATION;

The Reception Station will process you within 24 hours. While you are there---

1. You will be given orders for 30 days temporary duty for recuperation to the place you have selected. This 30 days rest will NOT be charged against your leave or furlough credit. Travel time will be added to the orders.
2. You will be furnished transportation to your destination and back to the reception station. If you desire you may elect to pay for this transportation. In this case, you will be reimbursed after arriving back at the Reception Station. You will also be given per diem allowance for the actual travel time and will be paid in advance a monetary allowance for rations or be given meal tickets to cover your travel period.
3. Your pay account will be brought up to date as far as possible. In any event, you will be given a partial payment so that you will not be broke when you arrive home. However, unless it is an extreme emergency you cannot draw money you have on deposit while you are here.
4. You will be given the clothing you need to make a good appearance while you are home. You can secure insignia and the ribbons to which you are entitled.
5. There will be a medical inspection at this station.
6. Your orders will tell you when to report back to the Reception Station. It is your responsibility to arrange your return transportation so that you will arrive back at the Reception Station at the time prescribed.

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

1. All Special Service equipment including library books will be turned in to the Special Service Office in Hold #1 Tuesday, at either 9-10, 1300-1400, or 1900-2000 hours.
2. Winner of the "name for paper" contest was Tec 4 T J Kelly of Hq, 13th Abn Div. Call at Special Service Office Tuesday at 0900 for the prize.
3. The PX will be open tonite from 1800-1900 for officers limited purchases.
4. Lt Bright, The Ship's Personal Affairs Officer, will be at the 1st Sgt's desk on Platform #4 between decks from 0830-1130 hours Tuesday to answer any questions on personal affairs.
5. Movie Tuesday - "Heavenly Body" - #4 hatch at 2030.

- INSURANCE QUESTIONNAIRE -

- Q. Can I convert my National Service Life Insurance policy, and if so, into what types of insurance?
- A. Yes. While your policy is still in effect, at any time after the first year but before the end of a 5 year term. As the law now stands, your insurance expires after 5 years and you have no refund. You can convert to only ordinary life, 20-pay life or 30-pay life insurance policies.