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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The government of Iran today sprang the surprise - withdrew its complaint against the Soviets. Nevertheless our delegation insists that the issue between Russia and Persia shall remain alive until May Sixth, at which time, if the evacuation of Soviet troops is complete, the matter should be dropped.

As a result, there was another rather bitter argument between our delegates and the Russians. Gromyko, for the Soviets, asked that the matter be considered closed, and was backed up as usual by the Polish delegate. Stettinius, for us, said that since the Gouncil had decided on April Fourth to postpone the matter until May Sixth, the Council should not take it up today. And he added that it was the fervent hops of the United States government that it be possible to drop the problem from the agenda on May Sixth, but not before. UN - 2

For the first time since the Council met, there was applause from the delegates. When Lange, representing Poland, said that the Council should not keep a case on the agenda against the wish of both parties, several other delegates clapped at that. Still, a majority of the Council seemed to follow our lead.

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In China, Chiang Kai-shek today took steps to bring about a reorganization of the Chinese Government. He wants all parties included, and he wants it done within the week. To that end he called a special meeting of the Steering Committee of the Political Consultative Council.

President Truman's envoy, General Marshall, is expected in Chungking by Thursday. The Kuomingtang had will angen. hopes that Marshall would be able to put a stop to the all-out full-fledged civil war that is now raging in Manchuria. Sen. Hostilities stopped for a while before Marshall left on a visit home. While he was in Washington, the fighting broke out again. Chiang's action followed on the news that the Communists were defeating his First Army in Manchuria, whin which had been retreating, steadily every day. one battle four thousand Examiti which lasted four days. resu casualties for the Kummgtang Kuomingtang Army, and the more than a who surrendered. surrender of one thousand, one hundred government troops.

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At this moment, a Number One battle is going on for the possession of Changchun, capital of Manchuria. The story mass sent by five United States, newspapermen, who pooled their reports because communications are -20 uncertain.

The Communists began their attack yesterday, two hours before the Soviet forces withdrew. They gained control of all three airfields, they penetrated into the suburbs. of the city. They are attacking from the north, northwest and the south. On one of the airfields they captured an American Maplane in which an American Major and a Sergeant flew to Changchun on Saturday. The slow tella us that A^{Communists} have anti-tank guns, mortars and heavy artillery, as well as rifles, machine guns and grenades. These weapons are all Japanese make. The world is that the Jap weapons the Soviet Army turned them over to the Communists. A later dispatch bring word that the Chinese First Army has quit retreating, smashed through the Communist lines, and is rolling on its way to relieve the Kuomingtang forces beleaguered in Changchun.

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One of the Nazis on trial at Nuremberg today actually showed visible sign of astonishment. It was the head of Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz. He shook his Hitler's ft in astorishment, head as a timid looking character with sad brown eyes, told the witness, the court that at one camp of which he was commandant, men, women and children were wiped out to the number of two million, five hundred thousand. The camp was called Auschwitz; it's more familiarly known in the news as OSWIECIM. Geweicis., The commandant's name was Rudolf H-o-e-s-s, not H-e-s-s-, the one-time Number Two Nazi who fled to Scotland.

This Hoess himself is not a defendant. He was called as a defense witness by the **def** attorney for one of the real defendants, Lieutenant General Kaltenbrunner. The purpose was to show that Kaltenbrunner knew nothing about what was going on at Auschwitz.

In Nineteen Forty-One, the infamous Himmler,

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head of the Gestapo, summoned this Hoess to Berlin. Himmler told him that Hitler had made an order that the Jewish problem must be finally solved. They talked over various camps and decided that Auschwitz was the most suitable for this grizzly task because of the railroad facilities. As the attorney questioned Hoess, asked him whether he was commandant at Auschwitz for three years. whether hundreds of thousands of human beings met their deaths there, whether more than two million Jews were destroyed, men, women and children - everyone of these questions the witness answered in a toneless "yes, yes, yes." "How did they do this more dible, R The countryside around Auschwitz was completely cleared of all inhabitants. That made it so isolated that only authorized personnel were even aware of its

existence. Two or three trains would arrived every day

at the camp, each carrying two thousand victims. As these

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victims arrived, they were completely undressed, and their valuable taken away, thereupon, immediately they were taken to the death chambers, where they were gassed. The witness related that, fonly once did Himmler visit the camp and watch one death procession from beginning to end. General

Kaltenbrunner, he said, never was at Auschwitz, did het know what was going on.

Even Some of the other Mazis on trial ctually showed signs of shame. As the tale of horror unfolded, several of them buried their faces in their hands.

RAILROADS

As the next step toward inflation, the U.S. Railroads want to raise their rates. They have petitioned the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to increase the charges for hauling freight by twenty-five per cent, beginning May Fifteenth. The managements of the line⁵ declare that this is essential to see them through a critical emergency owing to the greater cost of operation.

So far they don't want to hike their

passenger fares. During the war they were allowed to raise these by ten per cent, but they was supposed to be only temporary. They want the set warting only temporary. They want the set warting rates continued. This adjustment is vital, say the Railroad spokesmen because they are caught between the two millstones: of increased cost of operation and less traffic revenue. FOOD

It is becoming necessary that the government use compulsion to restrict the consumption of bread. That's Secretary of Agriculture Anderson told a committee of Senators today. If the United States is to help out the peoples suffering from a shortage of food, voluntary measures are not enough. Anderson added that the hesitates to issue an order restricting the Immu use of bread, because it might disturb the normal pattern of American life.

At the same time, other Congressmen heard reports that quantities of bread are being burned every week. Drivers who deliver bread from the large bakeries at retail stores, collect the unsold stale bread and it take them back to the factory. Poultry raisers have tried to buy these stale loaves, to help feed their chickens, since the price of chicken feed today is formidable. But storekeepers have refused to sell the

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stale bread for this purpose, saying they are forbidden to by the manufacturers. Some of the bread is used to be ground into bread crumbs and packaged. The rest is burned up.

Secretary Anderson today took action to control and the meat market, announced the enforcement of new rules. To that the American Meat Institute posed a question: "Are black market operators likely to pay any more attention to new orders than to those in existence?"

The new orders restore the quota system which was in force during the war.

Vone result of the black market in meat is that hospitals and chemical firms are facing a shortage of insulin and other medicines, medicines derived from the glands and other parts of animals. The black market slaughterers have not the skill/nor the facilities to

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The debate over price control today the most scathing attack, he has yet encountered: Senator Eastman of Mississippi declared chester) head of the OPA that Bowles, was deceiving and misleading the public. He said further that cotton growers, farmers and manufacturers are under control of men from Brooklyn and the Bronx. De read off a long list of O.P.A. officials, each of whom he said was utterly incompetent, and he repeated: "the whole thing is run from Brooklyn and the Bronx. "

On the list were a former college professor,

a man who once used to sell mirrors, stock and bonds and soft drinks, and a former lawyer whose only qualification, said Eastman, was that he had a law degree from Harvard, one of the Frenkfurter bout:

Eastman had plenty of support from both

Democratic and Republican Congressmen. Senator Wherry

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of Nebraska added his voice to the demand that O.P.A. should leave the farmers alone.

Bowles went before the Banking Committee of the Senate with a twenty-two page statement. But the Senators, including Taft of Ohio, put him through such a barbed course of questioning that he was only able to limp through half of his sermon.

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There was strong reaction in Congress today against President Truman's order to high Navy officers to quit lobbying against the unification of Uncle Sam's military establishment. Senator Robertson of Wyoming the President said, Mr. Trunan should either take the muzzle off the Navy officers, or apply the gag also to the Army and the Air Force. That's the way the Senator put it. He declared that the Army has been systematically bombarding members of Congress with propaganda. For instance, he said there was a meeting of officers at Hamilton Field, California, last February. Each officer was given a list of every Senator and Representative, He said he By also received a copy of the with their addresses. Army arguments favoring the merger, and post-cards members of the House and Senate. Each officer sent to received five post-cards and was told to send them to man one Congressman or other, but to sign only his name,

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not mentioning his rank or indicating that he was in the service.

Robertson insisted that it was not fair to forbid Navy men to argue their case without imposing the same restriction on the Army and the Air Force.

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The Senators now have the job of considering the new draft bill which the House passed today, a bill which includes hardly any of the provisions for which President Truman asked, but also does not meet the demand of the voters at home who are supposed to want the draft. abolished entirely. It was passed by a vote of two hundred and nine to a hundred and eight. This provides that there shall be no induction from May Fifteenth to October Fifteenth. After that, it will be resumed until February Fifteenth, just five months. Nobody under the age of twenty may be inducted, no parents. The Service will be for only eighteen months. What's more, drafting may be resumed by the President after October Fifteenth only if voluntary enlistments have failed to recruit the manpower that the services need. Furthermore all essential farm workers are exempt.

There is another bill not before the House, which The House also for through another bill which, if the Senate agrees, DRAFT - 2 will boost rould raise, the pay of army privates to seventy-five dollars a month, and other ranks accordingly. First Class Privates would get eighty, with extra pay for paratroopers men in submarines, and men overseas. Report for rechtington dudloute that this bill life will be the congressmen declare that their mail is full of requests from constituents that the draft

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LEGION

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good job, and the present rate of pay in Uncle Sam's frus military establishment forces would be quite attractive to the number of jobless.

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Those disturbances in Butte, Montana, we ja are definitely an outcome of the strike of tonight, copper miners. This morning's stories from the copper city, gave the impression that the strike at the Anaconda Mines was perfectly peaceful, But now it turns out that the hoodlumism of the mobs was directed entirely against the homes of the Anaconda employees who refused to join the strike. The sheriff has asked the city authorities for permission to hire a hundred more deputies. Several hundred people did not strike; these are mostly supervisors and clerks. had to bear the brunt of the violence gangs have residential part through the residence districts of Butte, breaking into homes, attacking and injuring women and children and those injured according to the new sust in . In many houses every stick of furniture was destroyed.

NAMES

A high school track meet was just held at Mobridge, South Dakota. What makes it news is the names of some of the winners. The lad who won the mile, is a full-blooded Sioux Indian, and his name "Nakes-Him-First." We are not told the name of the winner in the half mile, but the fellog who ran second goes by the same Fast Horse." In the mile run, the one who came in fourth In called in the Sioux tongue, "Runs After." and now lets turn from Sionx to Hugh _ and &-l-u.t.m.