

GAY PARIS NOW A SULLEN CITY

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NEW YORK, March 23.—"Gay Paris," the city of light and laughter, has become a sullen, blacked-out capital in mourning.

The last time I saw Paris was when my train paused at a railroad yard on the edge of the city on my way south from the internment camp at Baden Baden to Lisbon, where I boarded the exchange liner Gripsholm. There was a blackout. The sky was filled with bombers. The streets where once a thousand taxi horns had honked were silent. We had read in the French and German newspapers at Baden Baden—that the Nazis had taken over Paris with characteristic Prussian thoroughness.

Everything for Nazis
They have moved into the very heart of the captured capital, into the great hotels, the best clubs, the palaces and historical buildings. The newest and largest theaters and the famous restaurants in Montparnasse and Montmartre have been set aside for their convenience.

The chamber of deputies has become a German recruiting center for labor to be exported to Germany. The foreign office in the Quai d'Orsay—from which came first recognition of the American republic—is a German supply warehouse. In the Hotel Crillon, in whose great salons was written the misnamed Versailles treaty, lives the Nazi Gen. Otto von Stulpnagel, commander of occupation forces in France.

Paris streets are emptier of traffic today than they have been since the middle ages. Rubber stocks long ago vanished and the city's famous auto-taxis have gone with them. The Germans have requisitioned all the horses.

Paris Suffers Heavily
Like other Nazi-occupied cities, Paris has suffered heavily from allied bombings. R. A. F. and American air raids have killed or wounded an estimated 15,000 persons, and more than 10,000 homes have been wholly or partly destroyed, according to French newspapers read at Baden Baden. More than 400,000 Parisians captured by the Nazis in the 1940 debacle remain behind barbed wire in Germany.

Despite Vichy's pledge of "collaboration," the Germans still do not trust the Parisians after dark. Night slayings of Nazis, mounting into the hundreds have prompted a strict midnight curfew. Social life practically has ceased to exist in Paris.

Only the cabarets—the Folies Bergeres, the Casino de Paris, ABC, Tabarin, the Grand Guignol—once on the calling list of every American tourist, are permitted to remain open until morning so the German army can enjoy itself. But French customers must not be caught inside after midnight.

'PACIFIC VICTORY FAR OFF'—KENDALL

CHICAGO, March 23 (U. P.)—Just returned to the United States after 28 months' duty in the Southwest Pacific, Rear Adm. Henry S. Kendall, new commander of the naval air technical training command with headquarters here, said that the war in the Pacific is far from over.

Adm. Kendall did not predict when the conflict would end but asserted that most people fail to recognize the tremendous distances involved and the amount of ground to be won.

He replaced Rear Adm. Albert C. Reed, assigned to the air command at Norfolk, Va.

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SEATTLE, Wash., March 23 (U. P.)—Monkey meat, dried corn and "things I don't want to tell about," made up the diet of Chester M. Peters, former University of Washington student, during his two-year escape journey from the Philippines, he said today.

Peters, one of a few civilians to escape from Manila through the Japanese lines, described his flight as "like a bad movie." He said he could tell only part of the details because his wife is a native girl whom he married about 10 years ago.

The trip that carried Peters to the United States, almost two years after he, his wife and a few Americans left Manila in a small sailboat, was an island-hopping voyage with the Japs sometimes only one island behind, and often on the same island, he said.

Peters arrived in Australia wearing shoes fashioned from old automobile tires and carrying all his possessions—an extra pair of pants and some papers—in a tin box. The army gave him clothing and he sailed for the United States, arriving in San Francisco early this month. He is residing with his mother at Bothell, Wash.

GROUP WILL STUDY TRADE WITH CHINA

CHICAGO, March 23 (U. P.)—A committee to study post-war trade possibilities between China and the United States has been named by Murray Lincoln, Columbus, O., president of the Co-operative League of the United States. Lincoln said the committee was decided upon and its program outlined after discussions with Dr. Shin Chi Hu, secretary of the Co-operative League of China, now attending the league's annual convention. Members include A. J. Smaby, Minneapolis; Howard A. Cowden, Kansas City; and A. J. Hayes, Superior, Wis.

Wife of Envoy Enjoys Novelty

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Having lived in many countries of Europe, Mrs. Stefania P. N. Gie—pronounced Gie with the g as in "get"—wife of the South African minister to Washington had one novelty in store for her when she arrived here. She wanted to eat luncheon in a drug store! To Americans that is no novelty but in Europe drug stores sell drugs. So, along with the noonday rush, Mrs. Gie climbed up on the revolving stool, dangled her feet and ordered a sandwich and a "coke." The minister and Mrs. Gie came to Washington from Stockholm where he had represented his country since 1938.

SHIPYARDS IN RACE FOR CLAPPER HONOR

WASHINGTON, March 23.—In the second week of the Raymond Clapper safety contest the Permanente Metals yard No. 2, Richmond, Cal., built a Liberty ship without having a single lost-time accident from keel laying to launching, the maritime commission announced today. Ten yards are in the contest. The one which has the lowest lost-time accident rate per million man hours during March will be given the honor of having the name of the noted reporter and columnist assigned to a Liberty ship built by that yard. The hull will be launched in April and Mrs. Raymond Clapper will be sponsor.

Halfway through the contest the St. Johns River Shipbuilding Co., Jacksonville, Fla., held first place with an accident frequency rate of 2.2 per cent. Second was the J. A. Jones Construction Co., Inc., Brunswick, Ga., with 3.6 per cent and third was the Delta Shipbuilding Co., New Orleans, with 7.4 per cent. Permanente was in sixth place.

PRINCETON BOY DIES

WARSAW, March 23 (U. P.)—Services will be held tomorrow for 2-year-old Ralph Paul Kyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kyle, who drowned yesterday when he fell into a cistern at his farm home near Pierceton.

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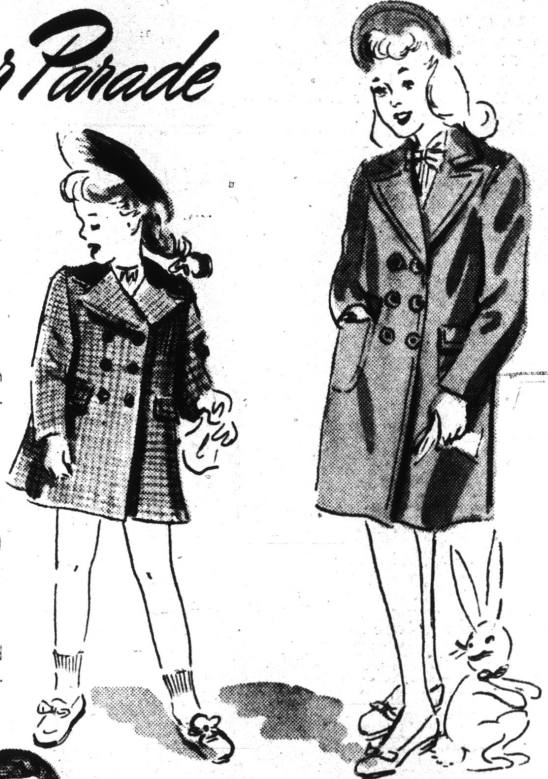
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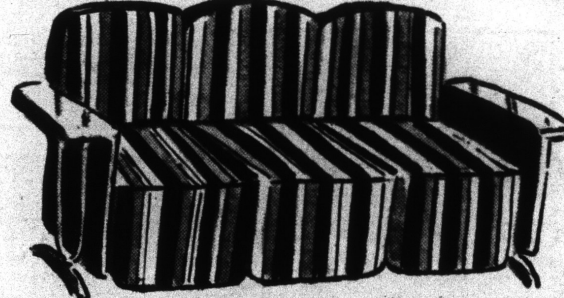
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