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SHORT SHORTS

LONDON, Dec. 2 (U. P.)—American soldiers based in the United Kingdom greeted with cheers today cancellation of an order that would have given them a ration of only two packages of cigarettes a week. Beginning Monday the troops who had been struggling along for two weeks on British substitutes, will be allowed five packs a week—the same ration as before. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters froze all sales of cigarettes.

NEW YORK—The first Negro switchboard operators ever hired in a major U. S. city will go to work for the New York Telephone Co. Monday, the firm announced today.

Headquarters, 12th U. S. ARMY GROUP—A German flying bomb passed directly above a building Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower was visiting during a tour of several British and American armies on the western front.

GARY, Ind.—Four persons were injured slightly today when a Baltimore & Ohio railroad special train rammed into the rear of the "Columbian" passenger train nine miles east of here.

NEW YORK—Lt. Gen. Breton B. Somervell, commander of the army service forces, called on industry today to de-emphasize the reconversion planning that is sending war workers into plants making civilian goods, and to concentrate on fully supplying nearly 5,000,000 American troops fighting overseas.

TUCSON, Ariz.—Army authorities investigated the death of 13 fliers, killed yesterday when a Liberian bomber based at Davis-Monthan held collid in flight.

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PARIS—Rep. Overton Brooks (D. La.) said here today that the United States should relieve its soldiers in Europe as soon as the fighting is over, turning the occupation over to a new army which it should begin selecting now.

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ATHENS—Four 1-e f-t wing members of the Greek cabinet resigned today on the heels of a warning from British Lt. Gen. Ronald Scobie that his allied troops stood ready to enforce a government order for the demobilization and disarming of all guerrilla forces in the country.

CHUNGKING—The Chinese government announced approval of the appointment of Gen. Patrick J. Hurley as United States ambassador to China.

DETROIT—Plans were revealed for layoff of approximately 1700 workers at the Packard Motor Car Co. in what company spokesmen termed "a better utilization of manpower" under downward contract revisions.

CHICAGO—The international air organization to be set up by the Civil Aviation conference will have permanent headquarters in Canada, it was learned.

NEW YORK—Thirty-four of 2500 school custodial workers called out on strike in the city's schools last night by their United Mine Workers affiliated union, failed to report to work today.

LONDON—The mightiest battleship in Britain's fighting fleet, a super-dreadnaught embodying the experience of five years of war, has been launched and is now being rushed to completion for action against the Japanese navy.

WASHINGTON—The national housing agency said there is an urgent need for an additional 50,000 war housing accommodations to permit recruitment of necessary war workers and to keep present employees on the job.

LONDON—German munitions and armaments minister Albert Speer has informed the Reich war production board that giant V-3 rockets will be ready "for firing against New York" by the end of this month, the London Daily express said.

HOOSIERS TAKE PART IN RAIDS ON JAPAN

Two Indiana men were aboard B-29s which got back to their bases recently after harrowing return flights from Japan, according to United Press dispatches. They were Elmer L. Donaldson Jr. of Fowler and Flight Officer Elmo Gray of Henryville.

The plane Donaldson was on landed on Saipan on "two and a half engines" after a wild, 1500-mile night flight that threatened to end at any moment in a crash landing at sea.

Flight Officer Gray's ship landed to its China base with three engines knocked out, after having fought off 20 attackers.

GERMAN RAIL HUBS TARGET OF BOMBERS

LONDON, Dec. 2 (U. P.)—More than 250 Flying Fortresses and Liberators attacked three rail freight yards in the Koblenz area of Germany today.

R. A. P. Mosquitos attacked Karlsruhe, center of the German railway supply system, for the southern Rhineland, during the night.

Hoosier Heroes: Flight Officer Earl Huehls Reported Dead; Evans Missing, 7 Wounded



Tech. 8th Gr. Joseph H. Yount, husband of Mrs. Edith M. Yount, Vincennes.

Second Lt. Arnold W. Dove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hansel D. Dove, Waynetown, has been awarded the silver star for gallantry in action while serving with a tank battalion in Italy.

Shielded by enemy shelling, Lt. Dove dismounted and ordered the crew to take over.

Although injured himself, the lieutenant returned through the intense shelling to the burning tank and rescued the driver, who had been unable to emerge from the tank.

He was awarded the purple heart and on Aug. 20 received his battlefield promotion from staff sergeant to his present rank.

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Lt. Arthur L. Hayes, Brazil flight engineer, has been awarded the air medal. He also wears the presidential unit citation ribbon.

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Motor Machinist's Mate George W. Lefferts Jr., reported missing in action June 7, was on board the U. S. S. Judgeout which has been awarded the presidential unit citation. Prior to her loss the ship was credited with the sinking of damaging of over 200,000 tons of enemy shipping.

The Gudgeon failed to return after an offensive war patrol in enemy controlled waters. In recognition of Machinist's Mate Lefferts' performance of duty he has been awarded the submarine combat insignia and a citation in absentia.

The local navy man is the husband of Mrs. Elish Mae Lefferts, 4235 College ave., and the son of George Lefferts, 237 N. Summit st.

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Two Indianapolis men have been awarded a second oak leaf cluster to their fighter group's presidential citation. They are:

Sgt. George W. Briggs, son of Mrs. Mildred Ross, 4810 Sonora ave., and Sgt. Gene Cook, son of John P. Cook, 1222 Congress ave.

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Confirmations of previous reports for Sgt. Vitus M. Bell, husband of Mrs. Ellen S. Bell, R. R. 4, and Pfc. Clarence A. Marindale, husband of Mrs. May Martindale, 230 Iowa st., are: Pfc. Evans is 20 and graduated from Shortridge high school. He attended Purdue university three semesters before entering the service.

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Cpl. Gerold G. Howard, son of Mrs. La Vera Fykes, 220 S. Wolcott st., was wounded July 26 on Guam and in a letter received by his mother last week wrote that he had arrived back in the United States. He is at San Diego, Cal.

Cpl. Howard is 20 and attended Ben Davis high school. He graduated from Oxford high school, Oxford, and formerly was employed on the Oxford News.

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Sgt. Raybern is the husband of Mrs. Evelyn Raybern, 1300 Orange st., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett E. Raybern, 1534 Comer ave. He has been in service two years and went overseas a year ago.

A graduate of Manual high school, he is 30 and formerly was employed by the Allison division of General Motors.

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Pvt. Ora Dillard, husband of Mrs. Helene Dillard, 3405 W. 12th st., received shrapnel scratches and was shell-shocked about a month ago. When he wrote his wife of his injuries he was in a hospital in France and had seen service in both France and Belgium.

Pvt. Dillard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dillard, 509 Virginia ave., and entered the service Jan. 21, 1944. He went overseas last July 1 and was first sent to England. After being wounded he was sent from the hospital in France to a hospital in England. He was serving with the infantry.

Pvt. Dillard is 29 and formerly was employed by the Stewart-Warner Co.

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Sgt. Earl N. Davidson, husband of Mrs. Mary Davidson, 1353 S. Meridian st., and son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davidson, 213 Martha st., was wounded Nov. 4 while serving with the infantry in Germany. He had been overseas six months and previously had seen action in France.

Sgt. Davidson entered the army 13 months ago and after leaving the states went to England. A former employee of the Mays service station he is 24 and attended Washington high school.

Two brothers also are in service. They are Coxswain Lloyd Davidson, with the navy in New York, and Pvt. Harold Davidson, who is serving in Hawaii.

The sergeant has a 2-year-old daughter, Sandra Lee.

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Cpl. Earl Ford Jr., husband of Margaret Ford and son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ford, 3050 N. Sherman st., was slightly wounded Nov. 16 in France and has been awarded the purple heart.

Cpl. Ford entered the army in April and went overseas in August. A graduate of Technical high school, he is 26 and formerly was employed in St. Louis, Mo.

A brother, Seaman 1-c Verlin Ford, is serving in the South Pacific.

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Ffe. Lou R. Hedge, husband of Mrs. Betty Hedge, 1708 N. Berwick st., and son of Mr. and Mrs. Birt Hedge, 1118 S. Belmont ave., was wounded while serving with the in-

THORNBROUGH RITES MONDAY

Former Resident Survived By Husband, 5 Daughters And Son.

Rites for Mrs. Nora E. Thornbrough will be held at 1:30 p. m. Monday in the Conkle funeral home. Burial will be in Floral Park.

Mrs. Thornbrough, 66, died Thursday night in Henry county hospital at New Castle.

She had lived in Indianapolis for 35 years before moving to New Castle six years ago. She was a member of the First Christian church at New Castle and the Progress Rebekah lodge in Indianapolis.

Surviving besides Mrs. Coffey are two other daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Betz and Mrs. Matilda B. Hundley both of Indianapolis; a son, James H. Harper of Buffalo, N. Y.; 18 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

MRS. SARAH P. HAYS

Services for Mrs. E. Florence Harper will be at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow in the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Algiers. Burial will be in Petersburg.

Mrs. Harper, 83, died Wednesday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Edna Coffey, 1540 Roosevelt ave.

A native of Daviess county, Mrs. Harper had lived in Indianapolis for 30 years. She was the widow of Sandford Harper and a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

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Surviving besides his daughter include a son, Wilbert F., and a granddaughter, Anna Marie Hueber.

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Surviving are two brothers, Marion Dunn of Newark, O., and Joseph Dunn of Alexandria, O.; two nieces, Mrs. Harriet Hunter and Mrs. Myrtle Heib, both of Indianapolis, and a nephew, Cecil A. Dunn of Indianapolis.

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