

HELP NEEDED IN CLOTHING DRIVE

Autos, Workers Are Wanted
For Pickup April 22.

An appeal for vehicles and volunteer workers to conduct the house-to-house pickup of used clothing for the United National Clothing collection on Sunday, April 22, was voiced today by Henry F. Schriener, Marion county chairman.

Mr. Schriener said more than 1000 automobiles and trucks and approximately 3000 workers are needed to pickup used clothing and aid at the two main depots at the Coliseum and the Indianapolis Motor Armory.

The house-to-house collection in Indianapolis will be duplicated in cities all over the country April 22, in a national collection of clothing for more than 125,000,000 persons in liberated Europe.

Substantial, clean used clothing for both winter and summer wear is being sought to clothe the war victims, Mr. Schriener said.

All Garments Wanted

Donors are asked to collect all types of durable garments and shoes for men, women and children and to notify the drive headquarters prior to the house-to-house collection.

Communities outside of Indianapolis but in Marion county will make their own collections and trucks will be sent by the committee to pick up the clothing.

Individuals who will work with the committee and who have pledged the co-operation of their organizations are Lawrence C. Duckworth, 11th district American Legion commander, and Mrs. Martin Collins, 11th district American Legion auxiliary president, for the American Legion; Mrs. George E. Frank and Mrs. Harold Platt, in charge of the committee for the co-operation of Jewish women, and Lionel Artis, representing Negro citizens on the planning committee.

Other Groups Aid

Emmett J. Williams, secretary-treasurer of the chauffeurs and teamsters local union will have charge of the automobile and truck collection. He will be assisted by Virgil Sheppard of the Red Cross.

Powers Haggard, C. I. O., chairman of the manpower committee which will enlist volunteers to man the trucks and cars for curb collection.

The Rev. Lynn Tripp is chairman of the committee for Protestant church co-operation as collector centers.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars also offers its assistance.

Mr. Smith has established offices in Room 300, Board of Trade building. The telephone number is MA-5381.

Bishop R. A. Kirchhoffer is vice chairman of the local committee.

CHECK PUBLIC VIEW ON FOREIGN POLICY

A survey on the present state of United States' foreign policy will be taken by the Indiana committee for victory.

Arrangements for making the survey, a sequel to Indiana's Foreign Policy week, have been made in 52 cities outside Indianapolis.

A summary of the report will be forwarded to each of the American delegates before the opening of the San Francisco conference April 25.

Cards for the survey may be obtained at the office of the Indiana committee for victory, 918 Fletcher Trust building.

First of New City Busses Arrives



ALMOST AS LONG as a street car, this bus seating 40 will soon see service with the Indianapolis City Railways. It is the first of 25 ordered to arrive. Four more are expected this week and 10 are slated for delivery in May.

YANK CAPTIVES IN DIRE PLIGHT

50,000 on March Starving, Endangered by Planes.

FRED SCHERFF
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Prisoners of war held by the Nazis, including about 50,000 Americans, are facing their most difficult period as the allied strangulation closes on Germany.

Information coming from prison camps already overrun discloses that the prisoners are suffering severely from want of sufficient food.

As the allies advance, large numbers of prisoners are obliged to make forced marches, "doubly difficult in view of their weakened condition.

Things probably will get worse as organization spreads in Germany. The best hope for prisoners is quick collapse of German resistance.

Added to their other tribulations, prisoners on the move are in danger of being attacked by Allied planes. One instance has been reported in which American prisoners being moved eastward from the Rhine were attacked by mistake. The prisoners quickly lined up to form the initials POW—Prisoners of War—in time to prevent further attack after a dozen were killed.

Up to last January, American prisoners for the most part fared fairly well. The Germans gave them about 1500 calories of food daily. They got another 2000 calories daily from Red Cross packages delivered weekly.

Hot Water Diet
When Germany's internal situation began to deteriorate, deliveries of both German and Red Cross rations encountered interruptions.

The Red Cross, however, is trying to arrange deliveries of parcels to troops on the march.

Brig. Gen. B. M. Bryan, assistant provost marshal general, told a meeting of prisoners "in here" that huge numbers of Americans are underway in Germany.

About 800,000, including about 25,000 Americans, were reported to have been marched from the southeast towards the Nurnberg-Stuttgart-Munich area. This figure was so large Bryan was skeptical of the report.

Another large movement of about 100,000 prisoners, including about 15,000 Americans, proceeded westward along the Baltic coast out of the Polish corridor and Pomerania.

Officers and guards were said to have received about the same rations—one quart of hot water, three potatoes and 200 grams of bread—about half a pound—every four or five days. Many were suffering from dysentery.

Another 60,000 prisoners, including about 10,000 Americans, were reported moving out of the area south of Berlin. The prisoners in this area were in relatively good condition.

FOUR FIRMS REPORT THEFTS OF TIRES

Tire thieves were busy over the weekend.

Between 7 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. today burglars entered the Mullins garage, 226 W. Maryland st.

The Indianapolis Times delivery trucks they stripped valued at about \$210.

Five wheels, tires and tubes were taken from Best Grand laundry.

Entering the Certified Motor Freight Co., 630 S. Capitol ave., thieves took two tires and tubes and attempted to break into the

DINNER TO BE HELD

The Indianapolis chapter of The Associated Stenographers of America will have a dinner meeting at 6 p.m. tomorrow in the central Y. W. C. A. Mrs. Beatrice Rubush will be in charge of the program.

REBEKAH LODGE TO MEET

Irving Rebekah lodge 608 will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Myrick, 21, Westport.

gleeful, they rolled through villages like plumbers on a picnic.

In Manrode—taken a couple of hours before—and then, after scarcely pausing, went another five miles down the road smack into Tremelburg.

We were hot on the heels of Lt. Col. William M. Summers, Tulsa, Okla., commander of the attacking infantry unit. He had taken the town with his jeep and two tanks and not a shot had been fired.

After Summers dashed on to the river Weser in an attempt to take the bridge across it. The Germans saw him coming and blew it up practically in his face.

That was the size of today's opposition as we, crouched our way across rolling semi-wooded countryside.

Engaging gladly in this strange type of warfare were a lot of G.I.s who were used to doing it the hard way.

Tired and cold and rugged-mugged as ever, but strangely

'The Race for Berlin Begins To Look Like 500-Mile'

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'IT'S HOPELESS,
NAZI GENERAL SAYS

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"And the farther you advance the more the professional officers' corps will be willing for the men in their commands to surrender."

"But they are so badly organized and so poorly supplied that if you continue to press them they cannot last long."

"I believe our Western front army has been almost destroyed. The only possibility of new formations are from reserve units, stragglers, and small remnants which cannot be made into a coordinated fighting force."

"The possibility of withdrawing S. S. divisions from the Russian front to this territory must be impossible in view of the lack of transportation."

"That lack also will limit the territory to which we can move divisions from the Scandinavian countries. The few divisions we have been able to extricate from Italy cannot go much farther

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than to the defense of the south."

The general, an intimate friend of Field Marshal Kurt von Rundstedt, who was deposed from command of the Western front armies, said Von Rundstedt is now without a command, but is not under arrest.

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NOONAN QUITS AS SECRETARY OF A.B.C.

John F. Noonan of Indianapolis, secretary of the Alcoholic Beverage Commission for the last eight years, resigned today, effective May 1.

Mr. Noonan, a Democrat, will become state representative for the Continental Distilling Corp. of Philadelphia.

Known throughout the state as a former professional and semi-professional baseball player, Mr. Noonan lives with his family at 3720 Lowell ave.

In another administration resignation today, Albert Henry quit as chief of the Soldiers and Sailors monument guards. He likewise is a Democrat.

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