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Yanks Due Today In Norway Where Germans Still Live Life Of Riley

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OSLO, Norway, June 4.—A crack American task force—including the 47th infantry regiment of the 80th division—was due to arrive in Oslo today.

It will help put a stop to the nonsensical situation which has existed here since the German surrender.

The Americans will probably be

welcomed by Germans in uniform leaning out of windows in office buildings—which the Germans still occupy. But that should not last long.

The task force will include the 99th battalion—a crack outfit of Norwegian Americans who saw service at Attu.

Other battalions in the 47th regiment have been in Germany where they were used primarily

as a security outfit—entrusted with smashing the werewolves and other 5th columnists behind our lines.

They should be an ideal crowd to deal with the 400,000 to 500,000 Germans still here in Norway. Most of the Germans still keep their arms—waiting for us to do something about it.

The Norwegians are fed up to the teeth.

They are compelled to watch their oppressors walking about the streets and rolling about in Wehrmacht cars—obviously doing nothing but breathing Norwegian fresh air and getting tanned.

Nor, do they understand how the commander of the allied forces in Norway could have brought himself to requisition

the deluxe "Gimle" residence that Dr. Vidkun Quisling occupied after he came to power.

The house happens to belong to the Norwegian state. Quisling's occupancy of it constituted a crime in the eyes of most Norwegians.

Nor do the Norwegians understand the wholesale requisitioning by the British of the vast quantities of liquor which home front

troops had impounded and guarded when the Germans surrendered.

You can scarcely believe some of the stories of what the Germans have done here since they were supposed to have surrendered. But the stories are true.

Last Saturday night the Germans began to run wild in the neighborhood of Hammar and Lille Hammer and scared the wits

out of locals by shooting off their guns.

Some planes of the R.A.F. and the Norwegian air force went up and buzzed around them and put them in their place.

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'H-DAY' PLUS ONE FOR G.I.'S

Bradley, Spaatz, 11,000 Men Get Hero's Welcome.

NEW YORK, June 4 (U.P.)—Today was hero day in New York. For almost 11,000 G.I.'s and 10 of the generals who led them to victory in Europe, it was H-for-Homecoming day plus one.

The generals arrived by plane and the troops by ship which docked after a near-disastrous convoy collision in a fog 1,200 miles off shore.

Gen. Omar Nelson Bradley, soft-spoken Missourian, who led the 12th army group, arrived by transport plane.

Gen. Carl (Tooe) Spaatz, head of U.S. strategic air forces in Europe, came back in a bomber.

Spaatz was on a shuttle trip, slated to return to Europe after staff consultations in Washington.

Bradley said at a press conference that he wants to go to Japan.

Maj. Gen. Clarence Huebner, commanding general of the 5th army corps, and Maj. Gen. Elwood R. Quesada, head of the 8th U.S. tactical command, said they want to follow Bradley.

"Wherever We're Sent"

"We go wherever we're sent," Bradley said. The tall, tanned leader of the 1st, 3d and 9th armies, recalled his tour of duty in Hawaii from 1924 to 1927 and said:

"The only opinion I ever formed of the Japanese is that I would not trust them anywhere."

Spaatz praised U.S. air power in Europe and said: "I have just been over a good deal of Germany. I can tell you that Germany has been destroyed."

Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Spaatz were at LaGuardia field when their husbands arrived.

In Bradley's plane were Maj. Gen. Leeland S. Hobbs, commander of the 30th division, Lt. Col. Harry W. Weeste, Maj. Chester B. Hansen and Capt. Robert F. Braun.

Remember 'Nuts'?

Also in Bradley's party were Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, commander of the 101st airborne division, Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, commander of the 103rd division, who was acting head of the 101st at Bastogne when he delivered his famous reply—"Nuts!" to a German surrender ultimatum. Maj. Gen. Paul L. Williams of the troop carrier command, and Brig. Gen. John Paul Doyle, commander of the 1st tactical air force, 42d wing.

When Spaatz stepped down from the Flying Fortress, "Boops," photographers crowded him. He smiled and said: "Boys, I'm not going into the movies."

Bradley was at West Point today. Tomorrow he will address the military academy's graduating class and join fellow officers of the class of 1915 in their 30th reunion.

"Eisenhower couldn't make it," Bradley said.

Home Town Awaits Him

Saturday, Bradley's home town of Mohrly, Mo., will turn out the town band, bunting and the red carpet for his real homecoming.

Seven troop ships made port in harbor for fog and rain. Aboard the U.S.S. S. Monticello were 1,453 1st army veterans, virtually the entire headquarters staff of Gen. Courtney H. Hodges. They are expected to form the nucleus for a new army to be sent to the Pacific.

Other returning troops were from the 45th, 36th and 55th divisions and 1st ranger division.

As the Monticello approached her pier, the crew raised the "church pennant." It was a flying prayer of thanks from the men who had been first on Normandy's shores, first across the Rhine and first home for redeployment to Japan.

Convoy Collision

Waiting at the Staten Island pier for the Monticello were the 1st army's "palace guard" of 30 officers who had been flown home from central Germany last May 21 to plan the 1st army's role in the Japanese war.

The Monticello carried 3,339 liberated prisoners of war and 409 wounded. Nearly 850 navy men, returning for new assignments, were aboard.

One of the Liberty ships, the John B. Hood, brought 1,500 veterans and gaping evidence of trouble on the Atlantic crossing. The vessel had a 10-foot hole in her bow from collision with other ships of a 96-ship convoy from Newfoundland.

In heavy fog, two ships rammed icebergs and 14 others behind them bumped together. Officers said there were no injuries to crews or passengers. Some of the ships put in at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

T. Sgt. Bazin Bruce, of Haverhill, Mass., a 1st army veteran with 114 service points, reached for doughnuts when he left the Monticello.

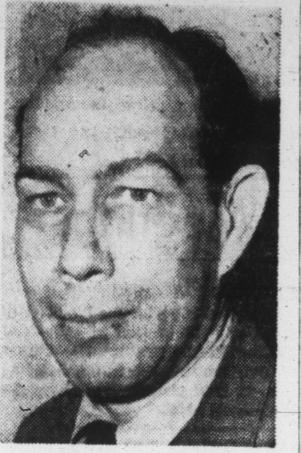
"I can't see," he said. "I've got tears in my eyes."

GIRL SAYS PRISONERS HAD TO STARE AT SUN

GUROCK, Scotland, June 4 (U.P.)—The first British internees freed from Japanese concentration camps in Manilla arrived here yesterday.

One of the internees, 17-year-old Elaine Hill, said that the Japs' favorite form of punishment was to tie the people up and make them stare at the blazing sun until they went temporarily blind.

With Red Cross



NATIONS DELAY VETO SHOWDOWN

Await Moscow's Reaction to Protests of Big Powers.

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SAN FRANCISCO, June 4.—The United States, Britain, France and China today abandoned any idea of resorting to an immediate showdown vote on Russia's proposal to let any big power veto discussion of disputes by the security council of the new peace organization.

They waited instead for Moscow's reaction to their vigorously stated opposition to the Russian interpretation of the Yalta voting formula and hoped it would reveal Soviet willingness to solve the issue by negotiation.

SITUATION EASED

That change of attitude plus Big Five agreement on 14 out of 17 major controversial issues eased the week-end apprehension which was caused by the unexpected Russian interpretation of the voting formula.

Until late yesterday, some U.S. delegates feared the issue would have to be tossed into the laps of all of the 49 nations to decide—with two-thirds majority certain against Russia.

The decision to await new word from Moscow in no way changed American determination not to compromise on this issue. It will continue to oppose the use of the veto by a permanent member of the security council to prevent discussion of a dispute.

SHOULD GIVE UP VOTE.

Russia is not asking for the right to "gag" discussion of her own documents with other countries. She agreed at Yalta—and still agrees—that a big power should give up its security council vote during all phases of peaceful settlement, including discussion, when it is a party to a dispute.

They are now asking, however, the right for all big powers to have a veto over discussion when they themselves are not disputants.

The fifth Big Five meeting since Friday night was scheduled for today to continue the search for agreement on "open" issues. But there was little likelihood that the Moscow reply on the veto will have arrived, thus precluding discussion of that most important question.

MORE HOPEFUL

At their meeting last night, the Big Five agreed upon a common position on 14 of the 17 issues which have delayed the conference for a week.

Those remaining unsettled, aside from the veto question, were two delicate points on trusteeships and a French amendment to the exemption of bilateral treaties directed against the enemy states.

A week-end of careful study of the Russian veto proposal brought a considerable change in the attitude of most U.S. delegates. They felt considerably more hopeful about the possibility of agreement.

There was no announcement of the 14 specific issues on which the Big Five have reached a common position.

Over amendment of the charter and over nomination of a secretary general.

It is admitted now that all prospect of an "early" June adjournment of the conference is gone.

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