

'BIG E' QUEEN OF FLATTOPS HOME

U. S. S. Enterprise, Scarred With Battles of Pacific, Is Paid Hushed Tribute.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The "Big E" came home from the wars today.

The U. S. S. Enterprise, embattled queen of American aircraft carriers, ghosted through the fog into New York harbor shortly after dawn with nine other warships from the Pacific fleet.

A sailor stood in the mists at the battery and said: "Well, there she is, boys. There's the old Big E."

The "Big E" nudged slowly through the strange, fresh waters of the Hudson river. A navy blimp hovered in the sky above her. The carrier's tiny lamps flickered messages to the speeding patrol craft around her, as if to say: "Take it easy, mates. This is my show. This is what I came home for."

The tiny PT boats flickered back: "Go ahead, Big E. Take over."

Because the ship never lived, big or little, that could steal much thunder from the famous "old lady."

Led by Monterey

The 10,000-ton aircraft carrier, Monterey, led the way. The Enterprise rode in second place, with eight other ships trailing along behind her.

The Monterey flew a giant American flag and a string of eight small balloons flapped from her masthead.

Sailors gathered along the battery waved when they saw the Monterey pass. They shouted at the men standing on her flight deck. They laughed and talked about her among themselves.

They Stare at "E"

But they only stared quietly at the "Big E." For the big carrier was coming home with a record too obvious for flattery, and she sailed with too many ghosts aboard to cause reckless cheering. The seamen squinted through the haze and perhaps they remembered shipmates left at Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, or lost in the blood battle for the Santa Cruz Islands.

The "Big E" came back to New York with no shouting or bragging. She flew no flag, and only her radar screen stood out in sharp relief behind her superstructure.

There was no cheering from the men who lined her decks. The 20,000-ton carrier had chased the war for more than 275,000 miles and perhaps her crewmen were too tired to get excited.

Remember Heroes

The "Old Lady" passed within a few hundred yards of the statue of liberty. Many of the Enterprise's crew moved over to the port rail, their caps in hand, but still there was no cheering.

Perhaps they remembered others who couldn't come today. Shipmates like Lt. Cmdr. Edward H. (Butch) O'Hara, congressional medal of honor winner, who had disappeared in his plane one night above the carrier in the far reaches of the Pacific.

The old Enterprise could afford to come into harbor quietly, letting a tug push her around. She had a record that could shout for itself.

Bagged 911 Planes

Her planes and guns shot down 911 Japanese planes, her fliers sank 71 ships. They damaged or probably sank another 192.

The navy calls her the "fightingest carrier in the fleet" and she wears 18 of a possible 22 Pacific theater battle stars. The Enterprise was the first carrier to win a Presidential citation, which was just the same as having a medal pinned on her bridge.

She was the only carrier to send planes into the fight at Pearl Harbor and to stick it out until the desperate days around Okinawa. She covered the carrier Hornet when Jimmy Doolittle led his B-25's over Tokyo.

She was in there fighting when the Hornet later died beside her on Oct. 26, 1942, in the murderous fighting off Santa Cruz.

So Admiral Frederick C. Sherman brought the famous "work-horse"

URGES PUBLISHING OF TERMS FOR ITALY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (U. P.).—Failure of the Big Five foreign ministers to complete a peace treaty for Italy has revived demands for publication of the secret, two-year-old Italian armistice terms.

Those terms were so harsh that most of them were never put into effect. As a result, all of the allies have dodged responsibility and found excuses for not making them public.

There is talk here and in London about the possibility of canceling the armistice terms and preparing some new temporary arrangement—in diplomatic talk, a *modus vivendi*—for administration of Italy until a peace treaty is made.

Such a step, however, will only intensify demands for publication of the secret armistice terms—an issue on which the officials of this government have passed the buck for two years. There have been some indications that the British are responsible for upholding publication. If so, American officials have never confirmed it.

DISCHARGE RESUMES LAW PRACTICE HERE

John E. Gardis, 6004 N. Crittenden ave., who has been in the army since October, 1943, received his discharge recently and has returned to Indianapolis, where he is resuming his law practice with the firm of Kroger and Gardis.

Before his discharge Mr. Gardis served as platoon sergeant at the military police replacement training center at Ft. Custer, Mich. He is a graduate of Indiana university.

V. F. W. URGES JUNKING OF EMPLOYMENT BILL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (U. P.).—The Veterans of Foreign Wars called on President Truman and congressional leaders today to junk the full employment bill and try incentive taxation instead.

Omar Ketchum, V. F. W. national legislative representative, said the bill might lead to destruction of free enterprise. He said private spending should be tried before the government attempts to guarantee jobs.

RED LEADER CALLED TO HOUSE HEARING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (U. P.).—The house un-American activities committee called on Communist leader William Z. Foster today to explain just what — or who — prompted him to lead the party revolt against Earl Browder.

"We want to know just why Foster decided that Browder was no longer an efficient leader of America's communism," a committee spokesman said. "We will ask him bluntly why he ousted Browder as leader last July."

The spokesman said the committee also would try to find out the fundamental difference between Browder's war-time Communist "political association" and the revived "political party" which Foster now heads.

In particular, he said, the congressional investigators will question Foster about the "international connections" of the present organization. It will be Foster's first appearance before the committee.

U. S. Drops Hoosier Election Probe for Lack of Evidence; Republicans Cleared

Indiana Republicans today stood cleared of fraud charges leveled against them in connection with the 1944 general election.

The federal justice department has abandoned the 1944 Hoosier election probe for lack of evidence. While the official report on the final findings is not yet available, it was learned some G. O. P. officials were cited as "reprehensible."

Decision to scuttle the drawn-out inquiry was reached by the justice department following an intensive four-month probe by the FBI. Findings of the federal agents reportedly were studied here by District Attorney B. Howard Caughran and Turner Smith of the justice department's civil rights section. Indications from Washington were that the two found the evidence not strong enough to support indictments.

The original investigation was launched by the senate campaign expenditures committee following allegations by county and state

Democrats that thousands were disfranchised by a deliberate muddling of the vote registration machinery. They also charged a ruling by Atty. Gen. James Emmert, countering an order by the Indiana election commissioners, further disfranchised the electorate.

Then came a month-long probe by a subcommittee of the campaign expenditures committee, pockmarked with rumors of peep-hole spying and assorted tomfoolery. Evidence gathered by this committee was presented in a special hearing in the federal building last December before Senators Tom Stewart (D. Tenn.) and Joseph Ball (R. Minn.).

Emmert Turns Charge

Atty. Gen. Emmert turned the "politics" charge back on the Democrats and the session ended in a spirit of general indecision. Senator Ball commented that numerous "errors" had been made in the 1944 registration, especially in Marion county where Democrats said 20,000

voters were deprived of the ballot. But he recommended that the investigation be closed. Senator Stewart requested that it be continued by the justice department. In the course of the original probe, Senator Capehart was completely cleared of charges he had overspent the campaign expenditures limit.

EX-MUNCIE GROCER DIES AT AGE OF 77

MUNCIE, Oct. 17 (U. P.).—Funeral services were arranged today for Vincent W. Jones, retired Muncie grocer and former president of the city board of education.

Jones, who was 77, resided at Hartford City before establishing his grocery in Muncie in 1907. A former treasurer of the Delaware county Democratic central committee, Jones died last night after a two-week illness.

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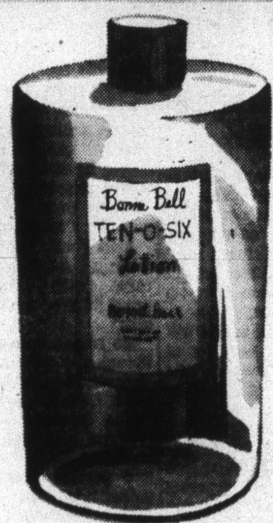
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EVENTS TODAY

Junior Chamber of Commerce, luncheon, 12:15 p. m., Hotel Washington.
Robert Kennistons auxiliary, luncheon, 1 p. m., Hotel Washington.
Degrees of Pochontas, Great Council, 529 session, 9 a. m., 1 p. m., Claypool hotel.
Indiana Statewide Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., meeting, Antlers hotel.
Plasma-Therapy Post-graduate reunion, convention, Savoy hotel.
National Vocational Guidance association, meeting, 6:30 p. m.

EVENTS TOMORROW

Indiana Academy of Science, convention, Hotel Lincoln.
Indianapolis Real Estate board, luncheon, 12:15 p. m., Hotel Washington.
Plasma-Therapy Post-graduate reunion, Hotel Savoy.
Pilot club, dinner, 6:30 p. m., Hotel Washington.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Robert Earl Lee, Ft. Harrison; Helen Elizabeth Clevor, 4851 Washington lived. Albert William Buschmann, 1244 Central; Jane Holt Shook, 3074 Watson rd. James Dorman Hest, 208 Shelby; Velma Irene Dodson, 861 Pleasant Run bld. George Lloyd Armstrong, 1459 N. Clatsone, Jean Kriewin, 1549 N. Clatsone. William Kriewin, 1549 N. Clatsone. Annabelle Virginia Harrison, 513 N. Meridian.
Kenneth William Sprawl, R. R. 10, box 507; Gloria Ann Beckley, 2514 Guilford. David N. Randall, Oklahoma City, Okla. Mary Catherine Ross, 1628 W. Morris. Robert Vernon Fouts, 1514 W. Pruitt. Virginia Ruth Hosteler, 208 Sugar Grove. Donald Woodruff, 451 N. Arnold; Mae Smith, Meca.
Arthur L. Beasley, Bloomington; Mary Louise Paris, 958 Middle rd., Woodruff Place.
Raymond Henry Durham, 1335 E. Kelly; Dorothy Margaret Patterson, 1445 E. LaGrande.
Ernest A. Neukam, Connersville; Grace Elaine Epps, 1021 Central.
Walter Myles, 1223½ E. 16th; Ida Lee Nichols, 147 W. 23d.
John Robert Canada, 2050 N. Delaware; Edith Thomas, WAC, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.
Jon Henry Hays, 44 W. 33d; Emily Belle Grinstead, 2302 E. Illinois, Apt. 208.
Harold Morris Cunningham, U. S. navy; Betty Jean Carden, 1611 Crut.
Joseph C. Lynch, 3429 W. 16th; Betty Jean Yates, 854 N. Miley.
Louis Joseph Michard, 1910 Fletcher; Helen Louise Miley, 251 N. Jefferson.
James C. Ruff, Camp Atterbury; Olive N. Franka, WAC, Ft. Harrison.

BIRTHS

At Home—Willie, Arlie Jeter, 919 Locke (girls).
At City—James, Bertha Taylor.

At Methodist—Russell, Naomi Bowman; Edward, Margaret Koeh.
At St. Vincent's—George, Laura Cole; Kenneth, Lucille Haugh.
At Emanuel—Earl, Clytie Dale; James, Mary Kelly; Ernest, Mary Unsel.
At Home—Samuel, Velva Bowles, 3728 Northwestern; Madison, Zeina Edwards, 3501 Prospect; William, Mary Walker, 3501 Prospect; James, Mary Williams, 3549 N. Arsenal.
Boys
At St. Francis—Robert, Arlie Wilson, At City—Frank, Irene Robinson.
At Coleman—Warren, Kathleen Heiler; Alfred, Hazel Pryor; Raymond, Leahy Shank.
At Methodist—Clarence, Edith Lucas.
At St. Vincent's—Howard, Cia Arthur.
At Emanuel—Leroy, Geneva Bryan; Leonard, Debrae Keeler; Harold, Mary Lloyd.

DEATHS

Albert Smith, 62, at Long, arteriosclerosis.
Hannah Mitchell, 93, at 604 N. Jefferson, arteriosclerosis.
Andrew J. Shores, 73, at 1918, English, acute myocarditis.
Edward A. McKamey, 86, at St. Vincent's, myocarditis.
Barbara Ann Cole, 3, at Riley, sarcoma.
Roy Richard Myers, 11 months, at City, gastro enteritis.
Gaylord E. Postford, 46, at Veterans, arteriosclerosis.
Earl M. Costin, 73, at Methodist, carcinoma.
John H. Dickson, 70, at Long, cerebral thrombosis.
Robert H. Smith, 69, at City, cardiac insufficiency.
John W. Pearson, 49, en route to hospital, arteriosclerosis.
Eva Moore Shingler, 78, at 41 W. 32d, cardiac vascular renal.
Theodore H. Schlatter, 80, at 1837 Westview Drive, cerebral hemorrhage.
Orin L. Lookhart, 60, at 1963 S. Sheffield, coronary occlusion.
William F. Bailey, 69, at 115 S. Audubon, cardiac vascular renal.
Anthony McCollum, 62, at 1649 Broadway, coronary occlusion.
Gladys M. Poore, 48, at Methodist, cerebral hemorrhage.
Anna Hill, 33, at City, pulmonary embolism.
Kate A. Gregg, 62, at 1765 N. Tibbs, cerebral hemorrhage.
Mary M. Carringer, 77, at 973 N. Bolton, carcinoma.
John Wiseman Leibel, 73, at Long, cerebral thrombosis.
Albert LeRoy Duerr, 55, at Veterans, carcinoma.
Clara Rogers, 52, at 551 N. Lyons, broncho-pneumonia.
Martha Anna Bruner, 77, at 1321 W. field, cardiac vascular renal.
Evelyn Wain, 55, at City, pulmonary tuberculosis.
Peggy Umberger, 80, at 1244 S. Emerson, carcinoma.

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