

BILLION PEOPLE FACING FAMINE

Winter Brings Prospect of Starvation to 900 Million in Far East, 90 Million in Europe.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Nearly a billion people—90 million in Europe and ten times that number in China, India and other places in the world—face starvation this winter.

That is the grim reality reported by food experts of the state and agriculture departments and the united nations relief and rehabilitation administration. This picture, reported by spokesmen for Greece, is typical of the grave world situation.

The Pappas family lives in a fairly large city near Athens. Mrs. Pappas has a teen-aged son and daughter. Her husband is a day-laborer. Marketing is her day's biggest chore. It varies a little. Some days Mrs. Pappas gets more, but usually she can buy about a half pound of bread for each mouth a day.

Most of the time she can get three-ounces of dried peas or beans for each person, maybe one codfish for all to share, a tiny bit of olive oil and a handful of raisins. She can usually get potatoes, too. They are rationed.

UNRRA Helps

It's a celebration when she gets a can of American army meat stew. This happens about once a month after a shipment from UNRRA has arrived at the market.

Mrs. Pappas is too tired to worry about the strange things that are happening in her family.

She doesn't understand that the diet of about 1400 calories a day for each member is responsible. It's the reason her husband only goes to work about three times a day.

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Ex-OPA Attorney To Practice Here

GEORGE H. KISTLER, well-known Hoosier attorney, will leave his post as district litigation attorney for the OPA to enter general law practice Dec. 7. He will begin an association with the firm of Yeager and Tindler.



Mr. Kistler is a graduate of Butler university and Indiana university school of law. Prior to the war he was affiliated with State Life Insurance Co., and since has served as chief George H. Kistler food enforcement attorney for the OPA. He joined the OPA in May, 1943.

MORE POLIO CASES
WASHINGTON.—An increase of almost 50 per cent in the number of infantile paralysis cases is reported for the first five months of 1945, as compared to the same period last year.

HALSEY TRANSFERS COMMAND OF FLEET

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Nov. 22 (U. P.).—Adm. William F. "Bull" Halsey today was to relinquish command of the powerful third fleet, hauling down his four-star flag aboard the battleship U. S. S. South Dakota.

Rear Adm. Howard P. Kingman then will run up his two-star flag, moving it from the battleship U. S. S. Wisconsin where it flew over the battleship division he commanded during the war in the South Pacific. The command transfer will take place in a colorful ceremony long traditional in the navy. Thereafter Adm. Halsey will review the fleet from a speed boat in the Los Angeles-Long Beach harbor while the assembled ships give him a 17-gun salute, perhaps his last.

Halsey, 62, will leave for New York soon to serve a month of temporary duty before his retirement.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau	U. S. Weather Bureau
All Data in Central Standard Time	All Data in Central Standard Time
Source: Nov. 22, 1945	Source: Nov. 22, 1945
Year ago	Today
7 a. m. 24 Noon 49	7 a. m. 22 Noon
Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a. m. 34	Total precipitation since Jan. 1... 48.22
Cross since Jan. 1... 12.22	
The following table shows the temperature in other cities:	
High	Low
Atlanta... 41	33
Boston... 45	40
Chicago... 45	37
Cincinnati... 45	39
Cleveland... 45	39
Denver... 51	39
Des Moines... 45	39
Indianapolis... 45	39
Los Angeles... 51	39
Minneapolis-St. Paul... 45	39
New Orleans... 45	39
New York... 45	39
Oklahoma City... 45	39
Pittsburgh... 45	39
St. Louis... 45	39
San Antonio... 45	39
San Francisco... 45	39
Washington, D. C. 45	39

TEST LIFESAVING SUITS

WASHINGTON.—Individual rubber lifesaving suits are tested for leakage by filling with air containing ammonia while the suit is inside a fitted cotton garment that has been dipped in a dyestuff that turns red in contact with any leaking ammonia.

WILLIS SAYS TRUMAN SLIPPING IN INDIANA

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—President Truman is slipping in public esteem in Indiana in the opinion of Senator Raymond E. Willis (R. Ind.).

The senior senator returned here after several days spent in Ft. Wayne and Indianapolis. He expressed confidence in his own re-nomination by the Hoosier G. O. P. next year, and he also says that the state still is overwhelmingly Republican, including the rural areas.

"The President has definitely slipped among the Hoosiers," Senator Willis declared. "They think he is being pushed around too much by a lot of Missouri politicians and has not shown the leadership they expected when he first took over after President Roosevelt's death. "Republicans in the state are expecting the party to carry the house of representatives next year. There has been little defection, particularly among the farmers. "They still dislike governmental

JAP WITNESS 'AMAZED' AT YAMASHITA TRIAL

MANILA, Nov. 22 (U. P.).—General Tomoyuki Yamashita was betrayed by subordinate officers who failed to obey his humanitarian orders, Lt. Gen. Akira Muto, Yamashita's chief of staff, claimed today.

Muto said he was "amazed" that Yamashita was being tried as a war criminal. The defense witness, testifying for the second day, said under cross examination that Yamashita had ordered the end of street fighting in Manila but was disobeyed.

interference, just as do the small businessmen with whom I visited." Senator Willis said that where he was there is little unemployment and certainly not enough to constitute a major problem. There is some complaint about strikes, he reported. But largely it is directed at the lack of a strong governmental policy in regard to handling reconversion problems in the labor field, he said.

U. S. FIRMS MAY GET GERMAN EQUIPMENT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (U. P.).—American firms soon may be able to use German equipment to break reconversion production bottlenecks and expand their production facilities, the state department indicated today.

Equipment soon will be available, the department said, as a result of the conference on reparations now being held in Paris. The United States expects to be allocated part of Germany's assets, including a share in German industrial capital equipment.

The department said persons interested in obtaining machinery "of unique design" and of a "non-competitive nature" to break production bottlenecks or to expand production facilities should get in touch with the civilian production administration.

USE FOR WALKIE-TALKIES
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