

# Belgian, Wife Elated After Channel Swim

## Industrialist Wins 22-Hour Fight Over Heavy Seas

CALAIS, France, Sunday, Sept. 4 (UP)—Fernand Dumoulin today received a long kiss from his pretty, blond wife, Eva, as a reward for conquering the English Channel.

The 34-year-old Belgian, who boarded a boat to France to rejoin his wife about five minutes after completing the gruelling swim, smiled broadly as he took her in his arms on the Calais dock.

Mrs. Dumoulin, holding a bunch of red gladioli, was so overcome that she could only murmur, "mon cher!"

Mr. Dumoulin, who drank a glass of champagne just before setting out on the 22-hour and one-minute crossing, returned to his champagne diet during a week-long celebration party at a nearby hotel.

### "Water Was Rough"

The 32-year-old resistance hero, who is lame from a wartime injury, told newsmen, "The water was tough from beginning to end."

Crew members of the escort vessel, who became violently seasick, confirmed that the Channel waves were mountainous during the crossing.

Mr. Dumoulin said he never had made a long-distance swim before his channel swim yesterday.

He looked fresh and unaffected by the ordeal which veteran channel swimmers agreed was perhaps the toughest crossing in channel swimming history.

French sailors on the boat which brought Mr. Dumoulin back from England shook their heads in admiration and murmured about his "tremendous courage," as they watched the Belgian march off gallantly with his wife and friends to the celebration party.

Mr. Dumoulin, who reported his progress to his wife by carrier pigeon, was battered by eight-foot waves during the 19-mile crossing. For seven hours, his manager said, he was seasick.

The giant Belgian insisted on finishing despite the pleas of his manager and the crew of the accompanying boat to give up. They were afraid the trawler would smash him.

# Aga Says Robbers Stripped Family of Most of Its Gems

DUBLIN, Eire, Sept. 3 (UP)—The Aga Khan, who is reputed to have so much money he can't count it, said sadly today that he can almost count the remaining family jewels on the fingers of one hand.

"No one can steal anything from us," he said in the lobby of Dublin's Sherbourne Hotel. "There is nothing left to steal."

The Aga said that armed bandits who recently robbed him and his young wife, the Begum, of \$800,000 worth of her jewels "got everything we had."

THE AGING leader of the Ismaili mosque sect arrived here by air today for a four-day visit. He was accompanied by the Begum, her secretary and his valet.

The only four Ismailis in Ireland were at the airport to meet him, and the Aga beamed: "My children are everywhere."

But he quickly dropped the subject of children when newsmen asked about the baby his glamorous daughter-in-law, Rita Hayworth, of Hollywood, is expecting.

# Richmond Boy Found Hanging in Basement

RICHMOND, Sept. 3 (UP)—The body of a 14-year-old boy was found hanging in the basement of his home here tonight and authorities said he apparently committed suicide.

Wayne county coroner Henry Unser said Mr. and Mrs. Bertram J. Hinton found the body of their son, Bertram, when they returned from a visit to Fortville with their two other sons.

Young Bertram was a ninth grade student and an active Boy Scout. Coroner Unser, continuing his investigation, said he had found no reason for the suicide.

# Two 4-H Colt Judging Trophies Awarded

Trophies were presented to a Frankfort girl and a Cicero youth yesterday for victories in 4-H Club colt judging at the Indiana State Fair.

Marilyn Sue Southard, Frankfort, won permanent possession of the Charles J. Lynn Percheron trophy by virtue of victories this year and in 1948 and 1947.

Robert Whisman, Cicero, won the first leg of the C. O. House Belgian trophy. Permanent possession requires three victories.

# 12 German Girls Drown In 100-Foot-Deep Pool

CUMMERSBACK, Germany, Sept. 3 (UP)—Twelve German schoolgirls were drowned today in a steep-sided, 100-foot-deep pool once used as a cooling basin for a steel mill.

# Brazil Tosses Shindig for a Favored Son



"Welcome Home" and "Victory" banners decked the streets of Brazil yesterday in honor of the homecoming of George N. Craig, newly elected national commander of the American Legion. The mayor threw the key to city away and no parking tickets were given during the ceremonies.



The Brazil Legion post helped Mrs. Ada Diffenderfer to get a telephone for herself and her bedfast husband. She made the homecoming an occasion to thank Harold Neese, co-chairman of the welcoming committee, and Mr. Craig for the Legion's action.

# Craig Given Big Welcome As New Chief of the Legion

## Mayor Throws Away Keys to the City And Stops Tickets for Overparking

By GALT GORDON, Times Staff Writer

BRAZIL, Sept. 3—It was nearly midnight and thousands still thronged the streets of Brazil as homecoming ceremonies in honor of George N. Craig, second Hoosier to become national commander of the American Legion, promised to last into the early hours.

The 40-year-old Republican lawyer returned to his hometown of Brazil right on time this morning, after a four-day absence, to be greeted by cheering throngs and members of the welcoming committee shortly before 10 a. m.

His voice was still hoarse from speaking at countless Legion caucuses in Philadelphia before his election Thursday which made him the first veteran of World War II to become Legion commander.

No Stickers Given

Mayor Archie Hamm, who met Mr. Craig at the depot along with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard C. Craig, announced the key to the city was tucked away for the day. No parking tickets were to be given and the celebrations were scheduled to last until midnight.

Visiting dignitaries from Legion posts out of town and townspeople followed the car of Mr. Craig down banner-decked National Ave.

Two bands, four drum major-ettes and the new Legion commander were followed by virtually the whole town in the triumphal parade down the avenue to the Clay County courthouse.

Around the courthouse once and down to the Clay County Post No. 2, American Legion, for the speeches, the crowd marched.

Delivers Talk

Mayor Hamm turned the honors over to Mr. Craig after a few words of introduction on the steps of the post home, a modern two-story brick building across from the Elks Lodge.

After a short speech in which he stressed the duty of every citizen to maintain his rights by everlasting vigilance Mr. Craig shook hands with everybody.

Some 40 minutes later, the public part of the ceremonies was over and he conferred with home-town and visiting Legion officials in the post home.

But the jubilant town continued its celebration. Firecrackers punctuated the din and fresh cut flowers decked the steps of the post home.

# Justice Rutledge Gains Slightly, Say Doctors

YORK, Me., Sept. 3 (UP)—Supreme Court Justice Wiley B. Rutledge, unconscious and gravely ill with a cardiac condition, made a slight gain today in his battle for life.

York hospital authorities reported tonight that his condition remained the same as this morning when a bulletin said: "Justice Rutledge is still in a coma but his general condition is somewhat improved."

# 300 Troopers Alert to Halt Robeson Riot

## Plane to Hover Over Golf Course To Spot Trouble

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., Sept. 3 (UP)—Three hundred state troopers moved into this area today under orders from Gov. Thomas E. Dewey to prevent rioting between "pro-Communist" supporters of Negro singer Paul Robeson and hundreds of war veterans planning to demonstrate against him.

Tension was mounting over the concert Mr. Robeson is scheduled to give tomorrow afternoon, and a veterans counter-demonstration. Gov. Dewey ordered "all available" state police to the scene.

In New York, a federal judge refused to issue an injunction to prevent the veterans from massing in a "miles long" parade along a highway leading to the golf course where Mr. Robeson will sing.

The veterans have planned a southward march along the same highway on which Mr. Robeson supporters will be driving north to get to the concert.

Expect Police Aid

Police announced a helicopter would hover over the golf course tomorrow to relay reports of any violence. A force of 30 county sheriff's deputies and 50 special deputies of the county park will aid the state troopers, the first contingent of which were stationed at nearby Camp Smith.

The "Westchester County Law and Order Committee," which is sponsoring the concert, said the time and method of the Negro baritone's arrival would be kept secret, but they add they expected police co-operation in getting Mr. Robeson in and out of the area.

Committee spokesmen said last week's riot at scheduled Robeson concert near here was an attempt "to lynch Mr. Robeson... we do not want to give the hoodlums a chance to get at him again."

Blame Robeson Bloc

Veterans' spokesmen, however, said the Robeson supporters themselves provoked last Saturday's riot, and any veterans who took part in it did so as individuals rather than as members of any veterans organization.

The veterans were stepping up a campaign to bring veterans from five states to swell the ranks of their parade. Many Peekskill families offered to put up out-of-town veterans in their homes over night.

Automobiles drove through town today carrying signs which read "Wake Up America, Peekskill said."

Gov. Dewey branded the concert "a pro-Communist meeting" but said that the right of an assembly "must be respected" "however hateful" the political views of its members.

# Butler Sets Freshman Convocation Monday

Butler University's freshman convocation will be held Monday, Sept. 12, in the Fieldhouse, Dr. Harry E. Crull, director of the University College in which new students will be enrolled, said today.

Approximately 1200 beginning students are expected to attend. Freshman week will be held Sept. 12 to 18 for the 1949 enrollment.

# Y. REPORTS ON POLIO

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 (UP)—The city health department today reported 29 new cases of polio in the last 24 hours, bringing the season's total to 1580. Two deaths brought the year's fatalities to 137.

# Oscar A. Platt

Private services for Oscar A. Platt, retired Pennsylvania Railroad flagman who died yesterday in his home, 108 E. 13th St., will be held at 3 p. m. tomorrow in Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Cremation will follow.

Mr. Platt was a native of Mt. Carmel, Ill. He had lived in Indianapolis for 45 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Bon Johnson Platt; a sister, Mrs. Fred Wallace, Marshall, Ill., and three brothers, Jesse Platt, Chicago; Walter Platt, Washington, Ind.; and C. William Platt, Canton, O.

# Tong Sails for China With British Road Map

CARDIFF, Wales, Sept. 3 (UP)—Tong Full, a Cantonese laundryman who set sail for China in an 18-foot boat with a British road map and a page from an atlas to steer by, was assured of safer transportation today.

A British judge recommended him for deportation after sentencing him to two months in jail for embarking without permission.

Tong got 14 miles down the Bristol Channel yesterday before he ran aground.

# Briton To Take Up Search For Biblical Ship On Ararat

## Not Discouraged by Futile Smith Expedition; Plans to Look for Atlantis First

LONDON, Sept. 3 (UP)—British Explorer Egerton Sykes said today he will seek the lost continent Atlantis before he looks for Noah's Ark. He said he will lead both expeditions next summer.

Dr. Sykes said the failure of Dr. Aaron Smith of Greensboro, N. C., to find any trace of the ark on Mt. Ararat did not worry him. "It is too late in the year; the snows on Ararat are coming down," Dr. Sykes said. "I know, because I have climbed it before. Smith did not give himself time to search properly for clues."

The Smith expedition was prompted by the report of a shepherd, during an unusually hot summer, that he had seen what looked like the prow of a ship protruding from a glacier. Dr. Smith's party still is exploring Ararat.

Dr. Sykes, whose request to climb Ararat was refused, said, "I intend to have another shot next year when I hope my expedition will not be delayed for want of the Turkish government's permission."

Will Hunt Atlantis First

But, he added, "I shall lead an expedition to the Azores to investigate Atlantis next summer before we make the venture to Ararat." Dr. Sykes said Swedish Prof. Hans Pettersson had indicated that the continent of Atlantis existed when he addressed the British Association for the Advancement of Science at Newcastle yesterday.

"Minerals in the cores raised from the Atlantic ocean bed leave little doubt that portions of the mid-Atlantic ridge once protruded above the ocean," Dr. Sykes said. "The date at which they did so has yet to be estimated and for the present we must be content with Pettersson's statement that it was in the fairly recent past, geologically speaking," Dr. Sykes said.

Dr. Sykes said a study of the Mediterranean shorelines might yield the date the Atlantis continent sank, although not why.

# Nick Greenbaum Appointed by Reo

N. P. (Nick) Greenbaum, formerly a truck and fleet manager in the Indianapolis district of Ford Motor Co., has been appointed district representative of Indiana and other Midwest states for Reo Motors, Inc.

Before he joined the Ford Co., Mr. Greenbaum was a truck and bus specialist for the Ford Motor Co. He was in the sales and service department of General Motors Corp. He had been associated with the trucking industry since 1925.

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# Eisenhower Expresses Optimism About Peace

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 3 (UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said today he feels "more optimistic about winning the peace than at any time in the past two years."

Gen. Eisenhower, here for a reunion with his four brothers and to address the American Bar Association, said the world has been "encouraged" by recent events and is not "depending so much on force" to reach agreements.

# Health Chief Sees 2 Killers Facing Defeat

## Expects Conquest Of Cancer and Heart Ailments

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 (UP)—U. S. Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele said today this generation may conquer the great killers—cancer and chronic heart diseases.

The next 30 years, the Surgeon General declared, are certain to bring "great advances" in the nation's battle against these diseases, which annually take a heavy toll of American lives.

Dr. Scheele made his prediction in discussing a new medical research center and hospital being built on Washington's outskirts by the Public Health Service.

Admission Center

"The conquest of many types of cancer, circulatory and mental disease may come within our own lifetime," Dr. Scheele declared.

The \$40 million medical center will be the focal point in the fight against chronic diseases, he said, adding that "we have now reached the stage in study of these diseases that medicine has reached in the study of infectious diseases at the turn of the century."

The clinical center at Bethesda, Md., will combine a hospital and "one of the finest research centers ever built," Dr. Scheele said.

Cares for 500

The 14-story building will be designed to care for 500 patients. It will have the latest types of research equipment.

This equipment will include a radiation laboratory for use of atomic energy in treatment, diagnosis and study of diseases.

Patients will be admitted to the hospital on a selected basis, Dr. Scheele said. Thus, the research department always will have on hand a certain number suffering from each type of ailment being studied. They will afford medical men an opportunity to combine actual treatment with thorough research analysis.

# Community Fund Fills Division Post

J. Perry Meek, Indianapolis life insurance executive, today was appointed associate chairman of the Marion County Community Fund's industrial division.

Long active in civic affairs and previous Red Feather campaigns, Mr. Meek will be serving his second year as chairman of the division.

His service this year will mark his 20th year in Indiana community fund activities.

# JAP VOLCANO ERUPTS

TOKYO, Sept. 3 (UP)—Mt. Asama, an active volcano 100 miles northwest of Tokyo, erupted early today, spouting a stream of smoke and ashes. There were no reports of casualties.

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