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### WASHINGTON COLUMN

## Rail Strike Threat Is Story Of Inter-Brotherhood Warfare

BY PETER EDSON  
NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—Rail strike or no rail strike, behind the threatened tie-up of American transportation was a little-known drama of inter-union warfare and jealous rivalry among the so-called "brotherhoods" of railroad men.

Leading characters in this drama were the heads of the five operating brotherhoods of men that run the trains: Alexander F. Whitney, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; H. W. Fraser, Order of Railway Conductors; D. B. Robertson, Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers; Alvanley Johnston, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Arthur J. Glover, Switchmen's Union.

For a long time, the Firemen have wanted to absorb the Engineers and the Trainmen have wanted to absorb the Switchmen. They have had many jurisdictional fights and membership raids.

In 1946, the brotherhoods got their first-round postwar wage increase. A fact-finding board had recommended an increase of 16 cents an hour. This was acceptable to the 16 non-operating ("non-op") brotherhoods—the clerks, telegraphers, machinists and so on. Three of the "ops" were also agreeable. They were the Conductors, the Firemen and the Switchmen. But two others held out.

They were Whitney's Trainmen and Johnston's Engineers. They caused the two-day strike of 1946. They went over the heads of the fact-finding board and appealed to the White House. The other 13 unions didn't want a strike. Their leaders blasted Messrs. Whitney and Johnston loud and long.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN talked tough. He seized the railroads and asked Congress to draft the strikers. But instead of backing up the fact-finding board, Truman gave in to the two strike leaders and offered them 18 1/2 cents an hour increase instead of 16. They accepted it while Truman was speaking to Congress.

Now this 2 1/2 cents difference is important. It helped establish the belief that, if strike leaders go to the White House, they can get more. This extra 2 1/2 cents that Truman gave them in 1946 made Whitney and Johnston heroes among the brotherhoods.

In 1947, the 16 non-ops asked for their second round raise. Last July they agreed to arbitrate. In September they were awarded 15 1/2 cents an hour wage increase. They took it.

The five ops at first didn't ask for a raise. Instead they asked for changes in some 40 rules. Heads of the ops persuaded their members they had more to gain from rule changes. When the non-ops got their 15 1/2 cents, however, the ops heads were forced by their brotherhoods to ask for a second round raise. So, on Oct. 1, they demanded 30 per cent more, with a \$3 a day minimum raise.

In November, Whitney for the Trainmen and Fraser for the Conductors, accepted this offer. The three others—Robertson for the Firemen, Johnston for the Engineers and Glover for the Switchmen—decided to threaten a strike. In this they were exactly following the Whitney-Johnston pattern of 1946.

President Truman appointed a board to investigate, last January. The board reported in March. It said, in effect, that it could not upset established wage differentials in the railroad industry by giving one craft more than another, particularly since firemen were rivals of engineers, and trainmen of switchmen. It awarded the same 15 1/2 cents, retroactive to last Nov. 1.

The three holdouts refused to accept this finding. One of the reasons they gave was that they now 1947 found that they should have something more, in the nature of a third-round increase. The board said no to that, on the ground that this was only a remnant of the second round that it was deciding upon. So the three holdouts issued their call for a strike on May 11.

### THE SCOREBOARD

## One More Good Pitcher Is All Indians Need--Boudreau

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—"If we just had one more dependable pitcher to go with Feller and Lemon," Manager Lou Boudreau believes the Cleveland club would run one-two with the additional handcut king.

Gene Bearden, a huge left-hander who bagged 16 while losing seven with an earned-run average of 2.86 for the Oakland Coasters last trip, may be the man.

"Bearden had good stuff against the Giants on the spring training trip, and when a pitcher can check Mize and Company he can stop any outfit," said Boudreau, hopefully.

Bob Munciet may be considerable help when the warm weather sets in. Don Black and Allen Gettel have been disappointing. Steve Gromek is one of those promoters, but the tall sidemarm hasn't lent much of a hand since the war year of 1945. Russ Christopher and Ed Killeman are the relief workers, and the former has saved a half dozen games already. Bill Kennedy, a large southpaw drafted from Scranton, and Lyman Linde, with Oklahoma City in 1947, have caught the boss' eye.

A deal may be arranged between now and midnight of May 19, when the clubs have to whittle down to 25.

Boudreau is optimistic for the first time since he assumed command in 1942 because this is the first season his club has had balance—outside the box.

A LOT of learned baseball men contend the Indians have the best all-round infield in baseball built around the incomparable double play combination of Boudreau and Joe Gordon. Kenny Keltner started off pacing the home run derby. Eddie Robinson played first base despite a sprained ankle, and is backed up by vice-president Hank Greenberg. Johnny Berardino is ready to step in at shortstop, second or third.

The Tribe's outfielding was on the weak side last season, with Edwards, Peck, Mitchell, Seery and Melitovich.

Now Thurman Tucker is covering center like the dew and Mitchell and Al Clark alternate in left, with Larry Doby and Seery doing the same thing in right, depending on the pitching.

Tucker, Mitchell and Doby are keeping such an accomplished left-hand hitter and flycatcher as Walt Judnich in the dugout.

Doby, the young Negro four-spot star of East Paterson, N. J., High, only has to shake over-anxiousness. He smacked towering home runs in Washington and Boston—three in four games.

Back of the plate, the sizable target that is Jim Hegan is ably supported by Joe Tipton, who hit 375 for Wilkes-Barre, and Ray Murray, up from Oklahoma City and bigger than Hegan. Working the second game of the double-header in Boston, young Tipton belted a homer that put the Injuns four runs on top.

### It's a Cockeyed World—And Small Wonder



## Hitler's Followers Still Strong In U. S. Zone In Beaten Germany

By JACK MEEHAN  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WIESBADEN, Germany (UP)—The minor Nazis whose mass support gave Adolf Hitler his control of German destiny still hold many official jobs in the American occupied zone of Hesse, according to a census of civil servants taken by Germans.

The census showed that after three years of American occupation, 49.5 per cent of the leading officials in Hesse were Nazi "followers."

The ministry of the interior which controls the police force, had the lowest percentage of followers—38 per cent. But the ministry of food, agriculture and forests, whose foresters shortly will begin packing furs, had 59.6 per cent followers.

Germans declare that the picture of the state civil service as a whole is not nearly so grim. Only 34.4 per cent of all civil servants, which includes even the junior clerks, helped Hitler.

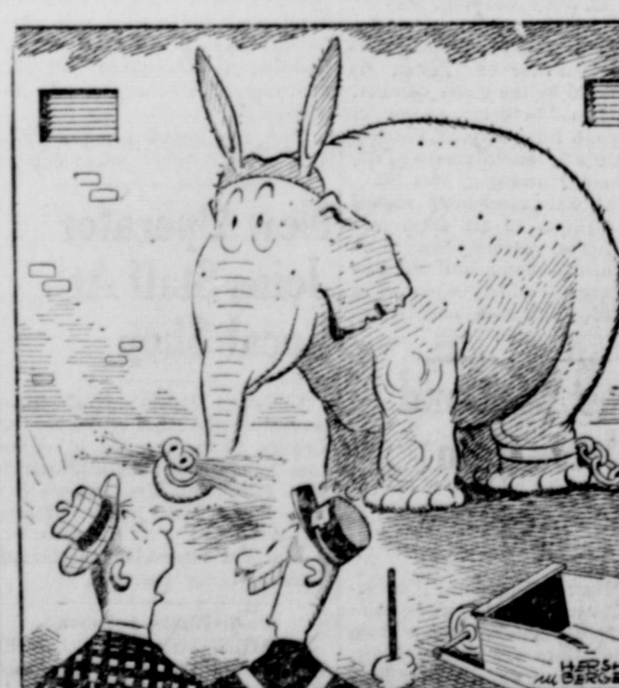
The American military government points out that most of the former Nazi officials already have been punished and their working for the government today is perfectly legal. Many of them were punished by fines before denazification courts.

Nevertheless, Hesse's 4,000,000 citizens can't eat, file a lawsuit get educated, borrow money or ask police protection without running into policies partly determined by top grade civil servants, half of whom were Nazi "followers."

The giraffe probably has a longer neck than any other living animal, but it has only seven neck vertebrae, the same as most animals.



Greatly improved in health, and wearing a cream-colored camel's hair coat and habitual cap to match, Babe Ruth, greeter of the Yankees, waves to the crowd at the Stadium he made possible.



"The zookeeper put the donkey ears on him—he's a staunch Democrat!"

## The Innocent Impostor

By Renee Shann  
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PATIENCE felt a rising excitement. The sun was shining. The sky was blue. London was thrilling. And to think that she was to be here for a whole week-end!

"What are we going to do?" she asked.

"Well, first we're going to the photographer's."

"To get your photograph taken?" She stared at him.

"What on earth for?"

"Ah, that's telling."

"Roger! Please! Don't be mysterious. Who wants my photograph?"

"I do for one, darling. But I'm not the chief person concerned. The higher authorities are needing it."

They had reached the car now. He opened the door for her.

"Hop in," he said, and as they drove off: "There's a shop in Victoria Street who've promised to get it through in half an hour." He glanced sidelong at her: "How's your French by the way?"

Her breath caught in her throat. What on earth was all this about!

"I love you when you look bewildered," he said softly. "You're awfully sweet, Patience, you know. Just what do you feel about me as a point of interest?"

Patience had been wondering this herself quite often recently. When Roger was with her it sometimes seemed that Paul was forgotten. And then when she was gone from him she knew that this was impossible. Paul was her first love, her real love.

But Roger attracted her. And when he kissed her—when he touched her hand as he was touching it now—yes, even though they were driving through the crowded London streets—her heart raced against her side.

"Well?" he was saying. "You've not answered my question."

"Tell me first what all the excitement is about?" He grinned.

"As I said—first the photographers. And then—"

"And then—oh, Roger! do be quick and tell me—"

"Then the passport office. Luckily I can pull a few wires and get it all through very quietly. Within a couple of hours your passport should be ready."

She gasped. Vaguely at the back of her mind she'd an idea of what was going to happen. But it was too exciting! Too incredible! And Aunt Helen would certainly never allow it. Only Aunt Helen would never know. At least not until it was over.

"Roger, you don't mean—?"

"We're flying to Paris for the week-end. On the first plane tomorrow. Don't look so startled. It's all quite respectable. Charlotte, you and I are going, and you'll be back in London on Monday in time to catch your precious 6:30 back in the evening."

PATIENCE awoke the next morning, and lay quite still for a moment, enjoying to the full the lovely exciting feeling that today something really thrilling was going to happen to her. Hastily she stifled the little pang of conscience that came to her as she thought of her aunts. It was absurd to allow herself to worry about them. Besides, maybe she could tell them all about it once she was safely home again.

And now here was Elizabeth arriving with her early morning tea. She sat up in bed.

"Is it a fine morning, Elizabeth?"

"Wonderful, miss."

Patience sprang out of bed. She took her tea into Charlotte's room to find her coming to life with extreme reluctance.

"Of all the ungodly hours to wake up—" she stretched her arms lazily.

"I always wake early."

"Well, I warn you I don't, and when I'm made to I'm invariably extremely bad tempered."

Patience looked at her warily.

"Would you rather I took my tea back to my own room?"

"No. I'll put up with you. Only don't be too chatty."

"I won't. But don't lie there too long, or you won't be ready when Roger calls for us."

"I'll be ready all right."

She wasn't. She kept him waiting 10 minutes. Patience fretted and fumed. She herself had been dressed, and her suitcase packed, for a long while.

Roger, also waiting for Charlotte with some impatience, looked at her as she stood there, in a gray suit of Charlotte's with a fluffy little white blouse, and a quite ridiculous hat, and said with a smile: "Do you realize how very much you're to be envied?"

"In what way?"

"Because you get such a kick out of all this."

"Aren't you getting a kick out of it?"

"Oh, yes. But it's not the same. We're not doing it all for the first time." He stood looking down at her, an odd expression in his eyes.

"That, of course, is what I find so utterly enchanting about you. You're so fresh and unspoiled—"

Patience drew a little quick breath. Her eyes danced.

"I thought you might find that rather dull."

"Dull! Don't be silly. Here, stand still! You've got a smut on your nose."

He removed it with a corner of his handkerchief. And then dropped a light kiss where it had been. "It's a very nice little nose, incidentally."

"Am I interrupting something?"

There was an edge to Charlotte's voice. She stood there in the doorway looking utterly ravishing. She was completely the finished article. Not a hair out of place. Her make-up perfect. Her suit of a soft beige woolen material, looking every bit the fantastic extravagance it was.

Roger laughed easily.

"Nothing at all. Are you ready?"

(To Be Continued)

## Indiana Soap Relieves Bremen School Children

BREMEN, Germany (UP)—Eighteen boxes of soap for Bremen school children arrived here from the small town of Bremen, Ind., a settlement founded by emigrants from this city.

Almost half a ton of soap was collected by children of Bremen, Ind., after they had learned through a letter that more than seven per cent of all school children in this Bremen are suffering from skin diseases. Elizabeth Means, now with military government here, formerly was a principal of a Bremen, Ind., school.

To forestall black marketing, distribution of the soap will be supervised by doctors and public officials.

## OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



## RED RYDER

BY FRED HARMON



## ALLEY OOP

BY V. G. HAMLIN



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**Church... Society ... Clubs**

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**Current Church And Society Notes**

The Walters Circle of the First Methodist Church, W.S.C.S. will meet Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Neil Moore.

The Ammer Circle of the W.S.-C.S. of the Methodist Church meets Monday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Jack Ammer, Mrs. O. M. White, Mrs. I. J. Killough and Mrs. T. L. Fagg will be hostess.

Zeta Pi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet in the home of Mrs. Charles Cline, 1103 South Seaman Street Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for a regular meeting.

**Personal**

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Fagg have returned from Greenville and Farmersville where they visited relatives.

Miss Martha Warden plans to visit a former schoolmate, Miss Tex Flomiken at Lamesa, this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Lamb are parents of a daughter, born Thursday night.

Little Miss Sandy Taylor, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Andy Taylor, has the measles.

Miss Lillian Caldwell, who underwent major surgery in the Graham hospital in Cisco Tuesday, is reported as doing as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Townsend spent several days in Fort Worth this week with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zwesel.

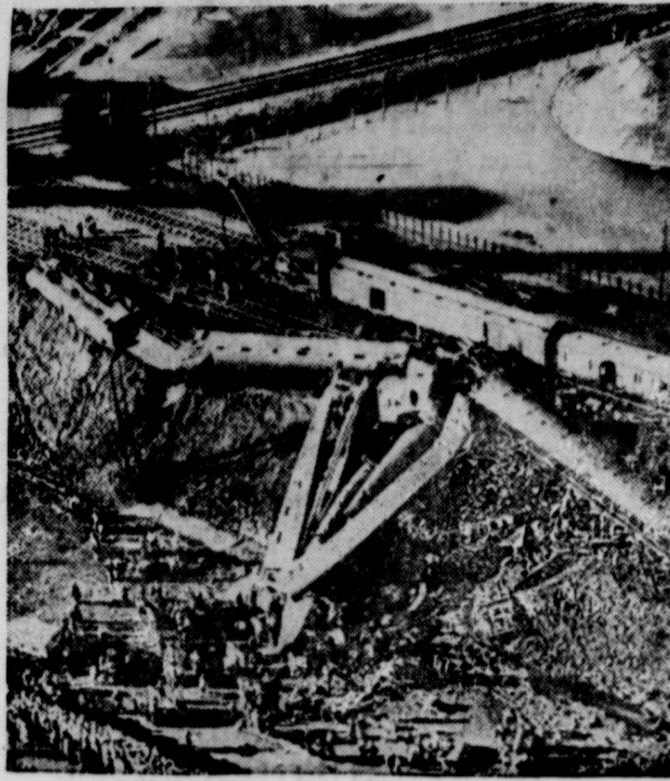
In the article of the Beta Sigma Phi picnic Wednesday evening at the City Park, the names of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gray were inadvertently omitted, in Thursday's Telegram.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Leon White left Wednesday for Monahan where he has been transferred by the Texas Electric Service Company.

Mrs. Collin Gray Satterwhite of California is visiting her father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Satterwhite, South Seaman Street.

**Theft of Barter?**  
TACOMA, Wash. (UP)—Mrs. Paul A. Olson returned home from a trip and found that someone had entered her home and stolen several articles of her underclothing. Put in return she found a two-piece woman's suit and four skirts lying in neat order on her bed.

**British Train Leaves Tracks**



Passenger coaches lie in a twisted tangle along an embankment at Wash-On-Dearne, England, where an express train went off the tracks while making at least 50 mile per hour. Six persons were killed and scores were injured. (NEA Telephoto)

**Libraries To Foster Study Of Russian Topics**

CHICAGO (UP)—Russian relations will be the first five controversial topics to be undertaken in the American Library Association's "great issues" program.

The topic has been chosen as "the first of the issues to be tackled by libraries" because it is one of the most controversial, said Carl H. Milam, executive secretary of the association. "We feel that we can make a real contribution to the understanding of this crucial issue by disseminating dependable information on all sides," he said.

The New York Public Library will make up a reading list of about 40 titles of the best printed materials dealing with both sides of the issue. They will be distributed to all libraries.

Selected from a poll of outstanding leaders in business, labor, agriculture, science and other activities, the other four topics in the "great issues" program are: inflation and deflation, management-labor relations, civil rights and "how much world

**Ancient Town Lights Up**  
LAUGHLINTOWN, Pa. (UP)—This 150-year-old community has emerged from the "dark" ages. Though the town observed the sesqui-centennial of its founding last June, street lights had never been erected. Completion of a lighting system finally has allowed residents to see what the community looks like after dark.

Soil treatment and a good rotation form the foundation of erosion control.

**Ouch It Hurts! Middle-Ager Says As He Promotes Boy Scout Drive**

OUCH IT HURTS DC 24 bed. NEW YORK, (UP)—The event leading up to Dr. Bernard Niflet's aching arms, tender back and happy heart was simply this:

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks decided to give every American boy a chance to join the Boy Scouts.

Each year some 700,000 boys want to become scouts. But the 68,000 troops could absorb only 400,000 of them. World War II veterans among the Elks decided to take care of the other 300,000.

"We used to be boys ourselves," said Dr. Niflet, suppressing an such as he sat down. "So we thought it would be a fine idea—great for the kids and great for us, since we would be working with the new generation and maybe a little youth would rub off on us.

"So far I've been rubbing on—iment." But Dr. Niflet and the other Elks who went actively into the field with the boys ("where do nose kids get the energy," he marvelled) are going through an experience he described as almost exalted.

"We've got 1,475 Elk lodges," he said, "and all of them are sponsoring from one to three troops. As our chief Lafayette Lewis, said, this will discourage juvenile delinquency and build real citizens. All you've got to do is look at the kids when they show up for education and its all worth while. Even (ouch) the aches."

Dr. Niflet, who is a dental surgeon in the New York police department, said he was studying Scout lore himself and might wind up with Eagle Scout qualifications—some 20-odd years too late—if he holds together that long. At that, he said he was no worse off than most other Elks in the program.

While Dr. Niflet was massaging away the aftermath of his first week-end prowling fields with his boys, Elk officials said the Scout program was drawing enthusiastic response from various lodges. Lewis massaged his membership quoting figures of Admiral Chester

**Atlanta's Lights Have Seen Many Strange Sights**

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Atlanta's policemen see strange sights while on duty.

They were nonetheless taken aback when they were called upon to arrest a black snake, a one-eyed bulldog, a man and a woman.

Two patrolmen were called to a restaurant by patrons who had been frightened by the snake. The owners said the snake was a souvenir of a trip to Okefenokee swamp.

The bulldog they listed as a pet. The automobile driven by the couple, plus the snake and the one-eyed bulldog, were impounded in the county garage. Their owners went to jail on a charge of drunkenness.

Dim Your Lights and Save a Life!

**Childresses Hosts To Guests At Ranch Home**

Mayor and Mrs. Dan Childress were host Thursday to the last meeting of the Thursday afternoon Club, for a picnic supper at their ranch home north west of Eastland for members and their husbands.

During the evening the main feature of entertainment was a "New Look Style Show." Models were Mesdames Floye Houle, Eula Mae Childress, Mary Lou Frost, Ardis Hamner, Katherine Linkinghger, Helen Murrell, W. C. Robinson, Neil Merhead, was the commentator. During the show Mrs. Clyde Pipkin played soft music.

Edith Helen Townsend and Judge Milburn S. Long modeled for ladies and Gentlemen are wearing for evening or formal.

Boston baked beans, potato salad, baked ham, tomatoes, onions, pickles, hot rolls, iced tea, coffee, ice cream and cake.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ammer, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Con-

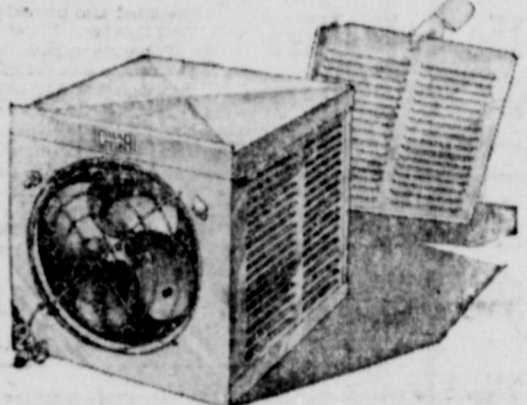
ner, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Turner Collie, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hamner, Mr. and Mrs. James Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Linkenhoger, Judge and Mrs. M. S. Long, Mrs. Frank Lovett, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Muirhead, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Murrell, Mr. and Mrs. W.D.R. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pipkin, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Piepens, and Mrs. R. E. Sikes, Mrs. Dixie Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Townsend.

**"Old Look" Returns**

FARGO, N. D. (U.P.)—The "Old Look," has returned to high school girls' gymnasium classes here. After some of the girls had suits in a pageant, they petitioned Hazel Dettmen, physical education director, to let them wear them all the time. They said they were more comfortable than glamorous, but tight, modern swimming suits.

**Nexer Too Late**

BOWMAN, N.D. (UP)—Henry Hoth, 88, Gravette, Ark., took his first plane ride while visiting his grandson, Lester, here.



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## Concert Artist's Life Not Easy One But It Offers It's Compensations

By ROBERT MUSEL  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
NEW YORK (UP)—Sasha Gorodnitzki, a sensitive man whose fingers are touched with magic, is a member of a race apart—the concert artists.

For a good part of every year his days are filled with travel and his nights with melody. When and where he can, he must practice, always practice. He must be as physically fit as an athlete and yet never lose the fire that is of the spirit rather than of the body.

His fellow pianists of the concert field and the singers, dancers and musicians who make this the most musical land on earth look forward annually and eagerly to the same ordeal. For it is an experience as rewarding as it is grueling.

They scan the map of the United States in such managerial bureaus as Columbia Concerts and they see the nations as stretches of desert linking oases—the music loving

towns, New York and Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia, San Francisco and a myriad of smaller places.

Whether they are established pianists like Corodnitzki or fledgling artists, their adventures are much the same. And for most of them the mission of spreading good music adds a spiritual quality to the earthly fact that an accomplished concert artist can make an excellent living indeed.

Gorodnitzki is an excellent case history of a concert star. He was a musical prodigy and learned the piano by himself while an older brother was taking lessons.

As a boy he formed his own orchestra. Later he was trotted about by his parents to masters like Josef Lhevinne and Rachmaninoff to see if the glimmerings of virtuosity were apparent. They thought so, and an approving decision also came from another great musician, Ossip Gabrilowitsch.

After that the real work began.

long hours out of every day at the keyboard. Finally, the debut—and the verdict of the critics on the weary years behind. In Gorodnitzki's case one of them said: "A packed and brilliant audience sat spellbound and gasping." So a star was born.

"I haven't regretted it, ever," said Gorodnitzki, who is quite, well-dressed, intelligent. "Sometimes it has been rather hard, as it is for all concert artists on occasion. But always there is the warm glow of achievement. The feeling you cannot describe that you are helping the great composers give themselves to the people, that you are the living vehicle through which their genius renews itself."

Like his fellow artists, Gorodnitzki has had any number of experiences.

"One time I was booked for a hall," he said, smiling at the memory. "I sat down at a real antique of a piano. Some of the note hammers were gone. It was off-key in several places and generally it was a terribly battered instrument. I had to improvise madly so that I would skip the faulty notes. I got through the concert somehow and then made a discovery.

"The bright, new piano intended

## NAVY LOSING INSTALLATIONS AT KWAJALEIN FROM SALT DECAY

By James E. Roper  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
KWAJALEIN, Marshall Islands (UP)—America's naval installations at Kwajalein are decaying. Salt spray carried in by the trade winds is rusting away the temporary installations with acid-like ferocity. The Navy does not have the money to rebuild.

The Kwajalein atoll, a ring of small coral islands and reefs, encloses a lagoon nearly 65 miles long a dozen times as big as Pearl Harbor.

Naval officers here would like to make this a fleet anchorage, a key base in the series of trans-Pacific stepping stones that American forces fought so hard to win. Instead, they combat rust and scavenge the surrounding islands to find materials to keep Kwajalein's installations functioning.

The atoll is dotted with ghost islands. One is partitioned by rows and rows of warehouses that now sag and collapse. Another island, which used to refuel the Navy's fighting ships, still has its big storage tanks with thousands of gallons of diesel oil, but the rust rotted pumps will not work.

Roi and Namur islands, the northernmost bits of land in the atoll, have scores of vehicles falling apart where they were parked.

Kwajalein has the temperature and moisture conditions which laboratory experiments have shown to be perfect for rusting. Nails in walls turn red and the metal parts of floor lamps crumble away.

Naval officers seeking to preserve Kwajalein argue for buildings of concrete blocks, with fittings of copper brass and aluminum. They want great new storage tanks for fuel oil for naval ships, and gasoline for airplanes.

Anything less than such a well-planned, permanent base, they argue, is a waste of funds. They cite the water problem.

Because the island has no fresh water, the Navy has to distill sea water. It uses distilling equipment that American forces brought ashore after they captured the island from the Japanese in a five

day battle in June, 1944.

The equipment is so aged that the Navy is spending \$200,000 this year to keep it going. The Navy says that for \$185,000 in new appropriations, it could buy permanent rain-catching equipment that would entice the continuing expenses of distilling.

Kwajalein is an important link in the chain of American air and sea bases extending from California through Honolulu, Johnston Island, Kwajalein and onto Guam.

It is 1,600 miles past Johnston and 1,600 miles short of Guam. Because of this midpoint location, Kwajalein is a refueling point for all Army and Navy air traffic between California and the East Coast.

**Missouri Mules  
Join Plan Flights**

MIAMI, Fla. (U.P.)—The roll call of barnyard passengers on Pan American World Airways cargo clippers is growing.

Six Missouri mules have been flown from Miami to Havana.

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