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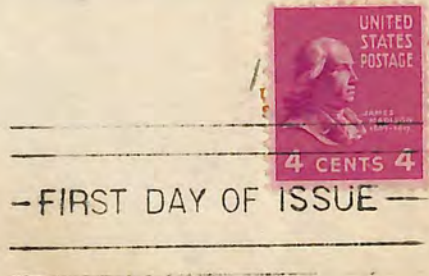


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Queens Village, N.Y.*

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Raymond E. Leis
3542 Westmount Ave.
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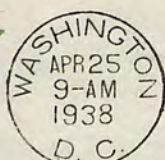
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James Knox Polk, 11th President, 1845-1849

Well educated and capable, Polk began his practice of law. Tennessee sent him as a representative to the national Congress, and then made him governor of the state. At the time Polk was president expansion of the frontiers was an issue, and he favored the annexation of Texas. Boundary rights, bitterly disputed by the United States and Mexico, brought on the War with Mexico. With the close of the war, the United States successfully completed the annexation of 522,000 square miles of territory, for which the sum of fifteen million dollars was paid to the Mexican government. As a national policy Polk opposed the establishment of a national bank. Sincerity, kindness and courtesy endeared President Polk to friend and foe alike. (1795-1849)

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Washington, D. C.



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George Washington, 1st President, 1789-1797

"First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen", first written of Washington at the time of his death, describes the immortal place he holds in history and in the affections of the American people. Important events of his term as President: Admission of Vermont, Kentucky and Tennessee to the Union; establishment of the First Bank of the United States; and the adoption of the first ten amendments to the Constitution. It was indeed fortunate for the nation that these early years of the new government were under the able leadership of George Washington. (1732-1799)

Jacelyn Tilden
4228-12th / 4.5.
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25TH ANNIVERSARY OPENING THE PANAMA CANAL

FIRST DAY PANAMA CANAL ISSUE

The Spillway is located about midway in the dam and is built through a natural hill, practically of solid rock, through which a channel 300 feet wide was cut. The Spillway is capable of discharging 154,000 cubic feet of water per second. The Hydroelectric Plant is located on one side of the Spillway. This plant produces enough power to work the machinery of the entire canal, run the Panama Rail Road and give light for the whole Canal Zone.



CROSS ROADS OF THE WORLD



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

W. Long Street.
620 S. Grand Street
Los Angeles
California

First Day Canal Zone Air Mail Issue



VIA AIR MAIL

28th North
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Margaret Griffith
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Inauguration of George Washington



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Mo.

FAMOUS AMERICANS



TARRYTOWN
JAN 29
9-AM
1940
N. Y.



—FIRST DAY OF ISSUE—



WASHINGTON IRVING, Author
Born: New York City, N. Y. (1783-1859)

Miss Sadie Sell
200 Rialto Building
Kansas City, Missouri

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COOPERSTOWN
JAN 29
9-AM
1940
N. Y.



—FIRST DAY OF ISSUE—



JAMES FENIMORE COOPER, Author
Born: Burlington, N. J. (1789-1851)

Grace E. L. Schulte
1360 Ogden Ave
New York, N. Y.

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COOPERSTOWN
JAN.
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N. Y.



James Fenimore Cooper's Home at Cooperstown, N. Y.
Cooperstown, N. Y., selected as First Day City.

James F. Cooper, the first American novelist who became well known in Europe, was born in Burlington, N. J. He studied at Yale but was not a good student and was expelled in his third year. Cooper's intimate acquaintance with the forests and his knowledge of the sea, gained while serving in the United States navy, furnished him later with the materials for his novels. Some of his best works are, "The Last of the Mohicans", "The Pathfinder", "The Pioneer", "The Pilot", and "The Red River."

Crosby

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San Pedro
Calif.

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BOSTON,
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9:00 AM
1940
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RALPH WALDO EMERSON, Author
Born: Boston, Mass. (1803-1882)



VICTOR HERBERT, Composer
Born: Dublin, Ireland (1859-1924)

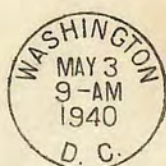


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*Mrs Fred M. Lewis
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Elizabethton
Tennessee*



JOHN PHILIP SOUSA, Composer
Born: Washington, D. C. (1854-1932)



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Miss Sadie Sell
200 Rialto Building
Kansas City, Missouri



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An American Sculptor, born in Dublin. His early years were spent in the employ of a cameo cutter, but in his nineteenth year he went to Paris to study art at the Ecole des Beaux Arts, where he became influenced by the movement which was based on the Italian Renaissance rather than on classic ideals. His first production was Hiawatha, executed in Rome. Among his statues are Admiral Farragut, in New York; Abraham Lincoln, in Chicago, and the statue of Diana, which was placed on the roof of the Agricultural Building at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893.

H.H. Hyatt
17 Hazzard
Placerville
California.



FAMOUS AMERICANS



JAMES McNEILL WHISTLER, Artist

Born: Lowell, Mass. (1834-1903)

An American artist, born at Lowell, Mass., and educated at West Point. He studied art in England and France and while there became associated with Du Maurier, who later in his best known work "Trilby" represented Whistler as one of the young artists. In 1902 Whistler moved to England where he died the next year. His etchings are universally praised and his paintings show talent and originality. He called his paintings "nocturnes" and "symphonies", loving, especially, pearly gray and soft pink tones, the results of which were subtle and dreamy effects. Among the best are "The White Girl", now owned in America; "Old Battersea Bridge", "Sea and Rain", "Portrait of Carlyle", "Little Wild Rose" and his masterpiece, "My Mother".



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Miss Nadine Lang
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Los Angeles Calif.

FAMOUS AMERICANS



FRANCES E. WILLARD, Educator

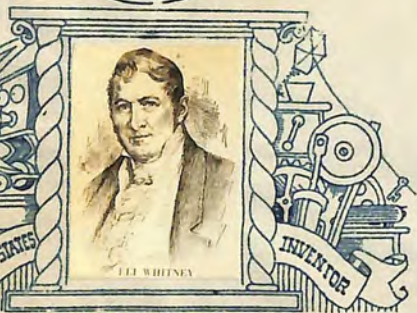
Born: Churchville, N. Y. (1839-1898)



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Mr. Eugene Baldwin
23 Llanfair Rd.
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Famous Americans



ELI WHITNEY, Inventor

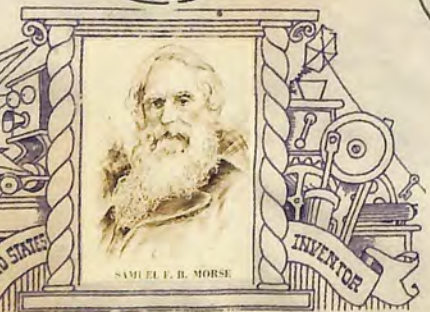
Born: Westboro, Mass. (1765-1825)



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Grace E. L. Schulte
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New York, N. Y.

Famous Americans



SAMUEL F. B. MORSE, Inventor

Born: Charleston, Mass. (1791-1872)



Mr. Charles H. Rosenfeld
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Chicago, Ill.

FAMOUS AMERICANS

Inventors



ELIAS HOWE



ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL



ELI WHITNEY



SAMUEL F. B. MORSE



C. H. McGinnis



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ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL, Inventor
Born: Edinburgh, Scotland (1847-1922)



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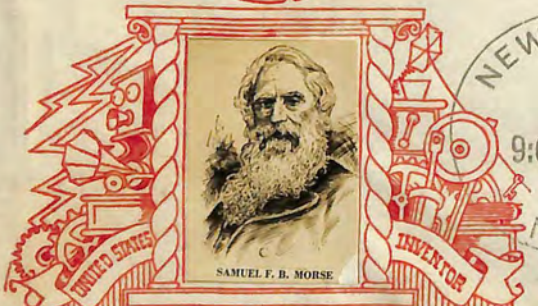
ELIAS HOWE, Inventor
Born: Spencer, Mass. (1819-1867)



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Mr. Scott H. Gleason
5226 Howard St
Spokane, Washington

Famous Americans



SAMUEL F. B. MORSE, Inventor
Born: Charlestown, Mass. (1807-1895)



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80th Anniversary of the "Pony Express"

APRIL 3, 1860—APRIL 3, 1940



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50th Anniversary
of Admittance into the Union
of the States Idaho - Wyoming

Ethel G. Minter,
76 Surrey Commons,
Lynbrook, N. Y.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ISSUE
Washington, D. C.



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COMMEMORATING THE FOUR FREEDOMS
Freedom of Speech and Religion
Freedom from Want and Fear

ABRAHAM
1809

LINCOLN
1865



WASHINGTON
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1943
D. C.



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SPECIAL



— Edwin P. Haworth
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Kansas City, Missouri

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KANSAS CITY, MO.

KENTUCKY

THE BLUEGRASS STATE

Became the 15th state of the Union June 1, 1792

FIRST DAY COVER

Daniel Boone rambled through the forests of eastern Kentucky, exploring it and hunting wild game. In June, 1775, he moved his family into this region and established a fort at Boonesborough.



FRANKFORT
JUN 1
9-AM
1942
KY.



— FIRST DAY OF ISSUE —

Mr. C. O. Boynton
2302 E. Seventh St.
Long Beach, Calif.

Daniel Boone's Arrival With North Carolinians;
Mural in Post Office, Lexington, Kentucky.

THE UNITED STATES HONORS THE NATIONS
OVERRUN BY THE AXIS POWERS



WASHINGTON
OCT.
26
9:00 AM
1943
D. C.



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

Yugoslavia (Capital, Belgrade). Population (1940 census) 16,200,000. Area, 95,558 square miles. Flag colors: Red, white and light blue.

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★ COMMEMORATING THE NATIONS ★
★ OVERRUN BY THE AXIS POWERS ★

★ POLAND (Capital, Warsaw). Population (Jan. 1, 1939) 34,775,698. Area, 150,470 square miles. ★

A Government-in-Exile was formed by Poles in Paris (Sept. 30, 1939) with Wladyslaw Raczewicz as President and Wladyslaw Sikorski as Premier. The new Government moved to Bordeaux with the French (June 14, 1940) and later established itself in London. Poles have formed a Polish Legion attached and fighting with the Allied forces against the Axis. The legion consists of Army, Navy and Air Forces. Poland also participates in the deliberations of the Allied Supreme War Council. Poland and Great Britain signed (Aug. 1, 1940) an agreement on military cooperation.

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Flag colors: Red and White.

CHICAGO
JUN 22
9-AM
1943
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— FIRST DAY OF ISSUE —

Miss Jean G. Imperatore
5932 - 162 Street
Flushing, Long Island
New York

"Win The War"
Stamp Issue, July 4, 1942
WASHINGTON, D. C.



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Mrs. Fred M. Lewis,
804 Broad Street,
Elizabethtown, Tenn.

**Let's Go....
MARINES**

IT'S "K.O."

FOR TOKYO!

KOREA FIRST DAY COVER



U. S. Marines, "Devil Dogs," Ashore, Afloat
and in the Air



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Mr. Tiburcio C. Baja
3388 Clay Street
San Francisco 18, California

**THE UNITED STATES HONORS THE NATIONS
OVERRUN BY THE AXIS POWERS**



France (Capital, Paris) (War, Vichy). Popu-
lation (1936 census) 41,907,056. Area, 212,-
659 square miles. Flag colors: Red, white, blue.



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*Royce Robertson
Gardena,
Calif.*

**THE UNITED STATES HONORS THE NATIONS
OVERRUN BY THE AXIS POWERS**

Greece (Capital, Athens). Population (1939
census) 7,108,814. Area, 50,257 square miles.
Flag colors: Light blue and white field.

Greece was occupied 1941 by Germans, Italians and
Bulgarians after having defeated the Italians and later
resisted German aggression. King George and the govern-
ment, headed by Prime Minister Emmanouel Tsouder-
ous, escaped the country, and established a government-
in-exile in London. Greece now maintains in the Middle
East armed forces which are fighting the Axis on land,
on sea and in the air. Long may Greece live.

"Greece Fights On"



His Majesty King George II, Greece



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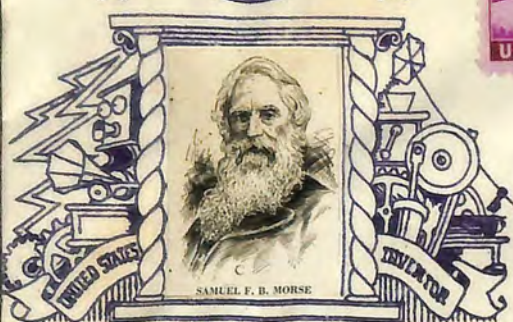


John Tirpak
5 Atwater St.
East Haven Conn.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE INVENTION OF THE TELEGRAPH

MAY 24, 1844 — MAY 24, 1944

A hundred years ago today, Prof. Samuel F. Morse, a distinguished painter, as well as a famous inventor, sent the first message over experiment wires to the Mount Claire station in Baltimore, Maryland.



FIRST DAY COVER



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*Eden Hange
Box 602
San Pedro, Cal.*

75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE U. S. RAILROAD

May 10, 1944 marks the diamond anniversary of an event which helped to unify America. The first trans-continental railroad which ran from San Francisco, California to Ogden, Utah and thence to Omaha, Nebraska was completed. On that day the last spike, forged of California gold, was driven. The Honorable Leland Stanford, founder of Leland Stanford University and former United States Senator, participated. Telegraph lines were linked in the first national "hook-up" and relayed to a waiting nation the completion of this first trans-continental railroad. Today the outstanding contribution of the railroad transportation system is playing a vital part in the prosecution of our war effort as it did in the opening of our western part of the country.



First Day City—San Francisco (1), Calif.



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*John W. Wier
Bolivar
Mo*

Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial Stamp Issue



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



Jan. 30, 1882 - April 12, 1945

Ludendorf Bridge Captured Mar. 7, 1945 Here the Watch on the Rhine Fell



Asleep: Americans Seized This Bridge Intact, Neutralizing Germany's River Barrier.



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Raymond J. Hinshaw,
1322 Wade Street,
Indianapolis 3, Indiana.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Franklin Delano Roosevelt 32nd President 1882-1945
Memorial Stamp Issue



Just a few of the highlights in the career of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who gave 35 years of service to State and Nation

1882- Born at Hyde Park, N.Y.—1903-Graduated from Harvard—1910-Elected to New York state senate—1912-Re-elected to New York state senate; delegate to Democratic national convention—1913-Assistant secretary of the navy, appointed by President Woodrow Wilson—1920-Candidate for vice-president—1924-Stricken with infantile paralysis 1928-Elected governor of New York state—1930-Re-elected governor—1932-Elected president of the United States, 472 to 59 electoral votes—1936-Re-elected president, 523 to 8 electoral votes—1940-Re-elected president, 449 to 82 electoral votes—1944-Re-elected president, 432 to 99 1945-Thursday, April 12; Died in Warm Springs, Georgia.



Mr. Carl T. Lemponen,
976 Broad St.,
Conneaut, Ohio.

HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES United States Coast Guard



And Do Not
Forget Wake,



Guam, Midway
and Manila



Mr. L. R. Cox,
269 Lutwyche Road,
Windsor N 3;
Brisbane,
Australia.

Honoring Our Armed Forces United States Navy

UNITED STATES DESTROYER



U. S. S. PORTER (356) Destroyer First Line

E. P. Geoghegan
P.O. Box 304
Greensboro
N.C.

100 YEARS OF STATEHOOD IOWA



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



U.S.S. Iowa (BB 53) Named in Honor of the State of Iowa

JULIUS ZEITMAN
236 Fore St.,
Seaman Lodging House
PORTLAND, (OR) ME.

COMMEMORATING THE FLAG
RAISING OF IWO JIMA
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U. S. Marines, "Devil Dogs," Ashore, Afloat and in the Air



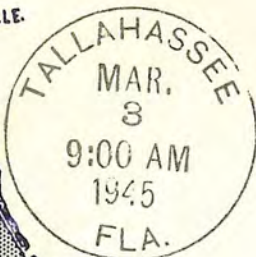
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Marshall R. Hall
1767 Bedford Road
Columbus, Ohio

100th ANNIVERSARY OF ADMISSION
TO THE STATEHOOD OF FLORIDA

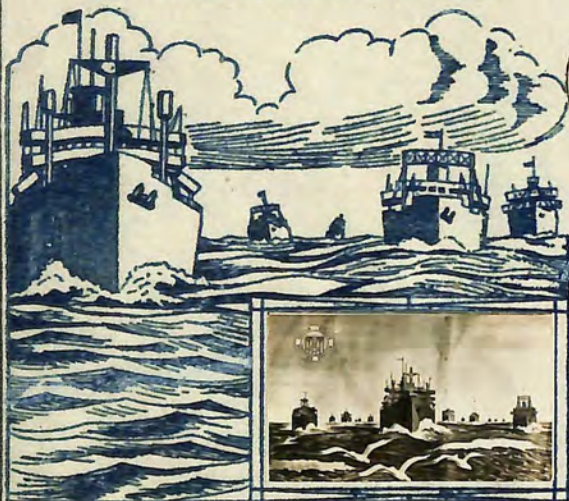


FLORIDA STATE SEAL



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Honoring Our Armed Forces
World War II
United States Merchant Marine



Victory Ship — Liberty Ship — Oil Tanker



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Mrs. Pearl Dunn -
984 So. Westwoodland,
Los Angeles 6 -
California.

IN MEMORY OF
ALFRED E. SMITH



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100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ACQUISITION OF NEW MEXICO

General Stephen Watts Kearny is regarded by many historians as the true conqueror of California. On completing the conquest of New Mexico, without firing a single shot, he made one of the severest marches on record to the Pacific over the Old Santa Fe Trail arrived in Los Angeles with his eight companies comprising 1658 mounted volunteers from Missouri he routed the enemy, had two battles south of there. He became the first Military Governor of the State of New Mexico and was chosen the first Civil Governor of the State of California.



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1846



1946

General Stephen Watts Kearny

MRS. BLANCHE LOWER
5705 Franklin Blvd.
CLEVELAND, OHIO

FIRST DAY ISSUE 100th ANNIVERSARY of SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION Aug. 10, 1846 Aug. 10, 1946



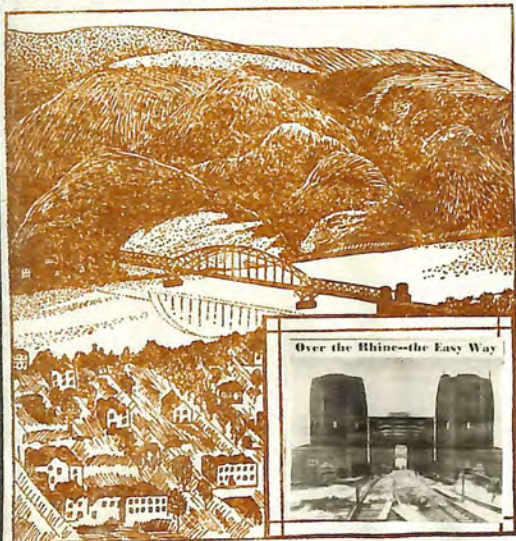
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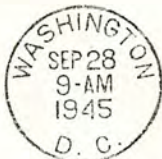
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Ludendorff Bridge Captured Mar. 7, 1945 Here the Watch on the Rhine Fell



Asleep: Americans Seized This Bridge Intact, Neutralizing Germany's River Barrier.



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San Francisco War Memorial building has been selected as the building where the United Nations Conference will be held, which will be the principal conference site and scene of all business sessions.

San Francisco Mayor Lapham and a group of State Department officials have selected the leading Hotels—Fairmont, Mark Hopkins, Sir Francis Drake, Palace, Clift and Whitcomb to house the 3000 delegates that are attending the Peace Conference.

Peace Conference Will Be Held In War Memorial Bldg.



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