

## PRESIDENT AURIOL VISITS DAKAR

Aboard the battleship Richelieu President Auriol arrived at Dakar on his tour of French colonial possessions, Political crisis in Paris ended the visit, but not before the native mayor of the city, the population and the garrison had enthusiastically welcomed the head of the state. The people looked on while some of the leading citizens were decorated, with all that goes with that ceremony.

At Rufisque, fifteen miles up country, the natives gave the President a loyal welcome. In French West Africa, of which Dakar is the capital, fifteen million coloured people live under French rule. The reception was high-spirited.

*TV Spahr*  
(face) The President witnessed a representative march-past of native regiments of the French Army. France has always had the knack of turning her coloured subjects into good soldiers. ~~Her military value in some parts.~~

(face) Now the entertainment took a lighter turn.

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A few hours later the President hurried home to grapple with the political crisis. If the West African celebrations were on the wild and noisy side they were probably stillness itself, compared with the French parliament at a time of crisis.