

Brief Review Of State, National And World News During The Past Week

POLICE ARMY FOR PALESTINE FAVORED

Haifa, Palestine — Major General H. C. Stockwell, commander of British troops in Northern Palestine, said last week that bloodshed would occur after the British withdrawal and called for an international police force of 50,000 men.

"A U. N. force probably would have more prestige than the British Army but that alone would not guarantee success," he said. "Such a force must be large enough and strong enough to keep the upper hand in any eventuality. Prestige won't stop bullets."

The British commander said he believed it would take at least 50,000 well-trained and well-armed troops six months or more to disarm the Arabs and Jews in Palestine.

He said it would be "immoral and un-Christian" not to supply Palestine with an adequate police force to control the inevitable blood bath after the British withdrawal.

STEEL PRICE RISE TO BE INVESTIGATED

Washington — President Truman's economic advisers said that the price increase by major steel companies were ordered without due regard for the "public interest." The Justice Department said they warrant further anti-trust investigation.

Three reports requested by Mr.

30 ARE KILLED IN ALASKAN PLANE WRECK

Anchorage, Alaska — The badly shattered and burned wreckage of a Northwest Airlines four-engine charter plane that crashed into the side of towering Mt. Sanford Friday night with 30 passengers and crewmen aboard was located Saturday at the foot of a glacier.

Search and rescue planes skimmed low through a canyon at the 8,000 foot level and reported there was "no possible chance for survivors."

The plane had been flying the "Great Circle" route from Shanghai to New York City carrying 24 seamen and a crew of six, when it apparently smashed headlong into the side of the 16,208 foot peak at the 11,000-foot level, civil aeronautics search pilots reported.

Then it slid 3,000 feet down the precipitous mountainside in flames and shattered on the canyon bottom at the foot of a glacier, CAA said.

Truman following February's round of \$5 to \$6 a ton price boosts on semi-finished steel, were made public by the White House.

The gist of their findings: President's Council of Economic Advisers: The action demonstrates that "inflationary influences are still strong. 'Price, wage and ration control legislation should not be delayed."

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Byrnes Warns U. S. Of Future Crisis Because Of Russia

Charleston, S. C. — Former Secretary of State James F. Byrnes this week warned of a possible world crisis "four or five weeks from now" and urged the United States to act immediately the next time Russia makes a move of aggression in Europe.

He called for immediate re-enactment of selective service and a much larger air force to meet such a crisis.

Speaking to cadets of The Citadel, South Carolina military school, Byrnes emphasized his belief that Russia will not be satisfied with absorption of Czechoslovakia and Finland.

"We have every reason to believe the Soviets covet control of Greece, Turkey, Italy and France," he said. "We must assume that they have not completed their program to imperialism."

He predicted that Russia, under the guise of the Italian Communist party, may act in Italy before the April 18 elections.

He said.

The former Secretary of State, making his first address in many weeks, spoke perhaps the strongest words that have been uttered during the period of rising tension since the fall of Czechoslovakia. He made it plain that he was speaking only for himself and that he had not talked with either President Truman or Secretary of State George C. Marshall.

But his appeal for strengthening America's armed might came from a background of long Government experience and his own frustrated efforts to negotiate with the Russians.

Byrnes said it is unlikely that there will be any armed invasion of the four countries in Western Europe which he said Russia covets. But he said there is "no important difference in the direct methods of Hitler in 1938 and the indirect methods of Stalin in 1948."

"They will not wait until the elections discuss that the Communists are in the majority," he said.

It is time, he said, for America to think seriously about the situation.

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BIG CAR OUTPUT FOR 1948 IS SEEN

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In the first nine weeks of the year the car and truck factories turned out nearly a million vehicles. By the end of March the total will be in excess of 1,300,000.

This is the conviction of some of the best informed sources in the automobile industry. By the year's end, these sources say, the factories will have turned out upward of 5,500,000 cars and trucks. The volume will be achieved without more than a two-shift operation in any of the factories.

The industry's market this year easily will absorb all the vehicles that can be produced and leave a sizeable bank of unfilled orders.

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ANDERSON SAYS HE WILL QUIT CABINET

Washington — Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson has announced that he will leave the Cabinet "reluctantly" this Summer to run for the New Mexico Senate seat being vacated by Democratic Senator Carl Hatch.

Anderson revealed his decision at a news conference here. He said he will become a candidate for Senator in his home state and "if President Truman is willing, I will remain as Secretary of Agriculture until the Summer adjournment of Congress."

Congress is expected to adjourn in June. A White House spokesman said President Truman will accept Anderson's resignation but "with great reluctance." The spokesman said Mr. Truman is very glad Anderson will remain in the Cabinet until adjournment of Congress.

The stage for Anderson's announcement was set several days ago when Hatch announced he would not seek renomination in New Mexico's June primary. Hatch said he would accept a Federal judgeship if one is offered to him, as it probably will be.

OPEN WARFARE IN PALESTINE PREDICTED

Jerusalem — The fight for Palestine was developing into a battle of settlements in which six raids in two days had cost upward of 50 casualties.

Observers predicted open warfare between Jewish and Arab armies probably was no more than 60 days away.

The heaviest attack in the new pattern came at dawn yesterday when Haganah, the Jewish militia, raided the Arab village of Al-Hus on the southern tip of Lake Hula just five miles from the Syrian border.

Police said 15 Arabs were killed and 20 wounded. The remainder of the population evacuated the village. An official source said police and British military units found a number of grenades and one rucksack filled with explosives when they arrived on the scene after the attack. Authorities clamped a two-day road curfew on the entire area.

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