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WASHINGTON STUDIES USE  
OF U. S. TROOPS IN GREECE

Top-ranking Washington officials are wrestling with a politically explosive subject: Under what conditions should American troops be sent to Greece?

This question has been in the back of the minds of administrative leaders since last February, when Britain suddenly notified Washington it would be unable to meet its commitments in Greece and was withdrawing. That resulted in the famous Truman Doctrine and the \$400,000,000 Greek-Turkish aid program was rushed through Congress.

But at that time it was understood that while the United States would take over Britain's economic and financial commitments and underwrite the Greek Army, Britain would keep the few soldiers it had in Greece. Administration leaders were so alarmed at the political repercussions stemming from any program for replacing British troops with American forces that they shrank from taking over this British obligation.

Since then, however, the British economic situation has developed into a first-class crisis.

Thus it is that Acting Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett admitted at this week's press conference that British and American officials were discussing a schedule of withdrawal for the last of Britain's troops. He refused to go into the matter further and British sources in the capital are equally reticent in discussing the question.

It is common knowledge in Washington, however, that Britain has been progressively withdrawing its troops from Greece ever since announcement of the Truman aid program. The number, which stood at 10,000 six months ago now is down to 3,000, and the British, it appears, are determined to eventually pull even those out.

Informed observers here agree that Washington is desperately trying to find some way of keeping these few British troops in Greece, because, while small, they are a tremendous stabilizing force. In the discussions that Mr. Lovett admitted were going on, Britain is contemplating speedy complete evacuation of its troops and Washington is arguing for retention of at least a token British force. That appears to be the present status of discussions.

However, in the light of Britain's plans, American policy makers are now being forced to meet head-on the question of whether or not American troops should replace British forces. It is pointed out in certain diplomatic quarters that neither President Truman nor State Department officials have said flatly that American troops would not be sent to Greece. They have said, the record shows, that no troops were contemplated, that no plans included sending American boys to Greece. But such statements are hardly equivalent to a "no, no, never" declaration.

It can be said on the highest authority that America's military chiefs consider it of the greatest importance to America's security that Greece be saved from falling into the Soviet camp through a Communist-engineered coup. The deduction follows naturally that if a small Allied force in Greece is at the moment considered imperative, and yet Britain is determined to withdraw its small force, Washington may decide to take the fateful plunge and replace the British with Americans.

Soviet assertions that the United States already has dispatched some 17,000 troops to Greece, an item prominently publicized by Moscow's propaganda machine, has of course no foundation in fact. American officials point out. The only American military people in Greece, Department officials explain, are members of the military mission there that supervises the military end of the Greek aid program. Their number is under 50.

But if the British are determined to withdraw their few troops that remain and American officials are convinced that a small Allied force in Greece is temporarily imperative and a vitally needed stabilizing force, then the great decision must be made.

BLACK MARKET HAMPER  
EUROPEAN FOOD SURVEY

Black-market operations make it difficult, if not impossible, for Government officials to survey the food situation accurately, an Agricultural Department report contends. The document, bearing a "confidential" label, was prepared for a congressional investigating committee which sailed for Europe to make a first-hand study of foreign needs.

The 97-page report provides a country-by-country summary of food and agriculture conditions throughout western Europe, based on "the latest information available."

The foreword, however, says the report has been classified as confidential because "the production figures for some countries will not agree with the official estimates supplied by the ministers of agriculture."

No countries in this category were listed by name. But the report itself says that throughout Europe "government intervention is general, in the production, collection, and distribution of most agricultural products."

"This intervention has been linked with a system of compulsory farm collections and fixed prices to farmers," it says.

"Because of the shortages of food, this system of distribution has made it profitable for farmers in most countries to market any surplus products through black markets."

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## Farm and Home Week

A request that the administration of North Carolina State College summarize the things that should be provided the college by the 1949 General Assembly was among the 20 resolutions passed Wednesday evening by delegates to the annual Farm and Home Week.

Pointing out that a pre-war study of State College facilities and personnel found them insufficient, delegates further requested that "every individual and organization exert toward the efficient use of appropriations" voted by the 1947 General Assembly.

Another resolution bore down heavily on the current grain and feed shortage. It read: "Resolved, that the farmers of North Carolina put forth every effort to increase both acreage and yields per acre of small grains and pastures in accordance with recommendations of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station."

Other resolutions included: Farm commodity groups were encouraged to take advantage of the recently-passed enabling act to promote more satisfactory marketing facilities. All agricultural agencies were urged to give every consideration to the conservation of the soil and the forest in planning their programs.

The expansion of Federal Crop Insurance was urged so as to include additional experimental counties on tobacco, wheat, cotton and other crops. Support was asked for cooperative marketing through local, county and community organizations.

Every farmer was urged to join at least one of the farmer organizations, and, through them, participate actively in promoting rural interests. Delegates asked Congressional representatives to help obtain full appropriations authorized under the George-Barden Vocational Education Bill in order that "we may add more departments of vocational agriculture and home economics."

The State School Study Commission was asked to give consideration to the equalization of the rural and city school systems, especially as it relates to supplemental teacher pay and other inequalities that exist.

The State Highway Patrol was urged to "vigorously enforce speed and safety laws relating to the operation of commercial trucks and buses on highways of the State." Endorsement was given to foundations programs on work done at State college.

## HOSTS AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Morgan entertained 60 members of their family and a number of friends Sunday at a barbecue and Brunswick stew dinner served picnic style at their home, Shady Grove, on Contentnea farm near Farmville.

PUERTO RICO GROWERS  
GET PRICE SUPPORT LOAN

The U. S. Department of Agriculture announces that contracts for price support loans at 90 per cent of parity on 1946-crop Puerto Rico tobacco were signed by the Commodity Credit Corporation and two Puerto Rico organizations of growers.

The two organizations are the Puerto Rico Tobacco Marketing Association at San Juan and Cosecheros de Tabaco de Utuado. Negotiations are under way for similar contracts to be signed in the next few days with Puerto Rico dealers.


The making of loans at 90 per cent of parity on Puerto Rico tobacco is required by the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. However, this is the first time that loans have been requested by grower representatives, since in past years prices have been higher than the applicable loan levels.

Loans will be made through the two associations on approximately 9 million pounds of 1946-crop Puerto Rico tobacco. It is expected that loans through the dealers will be considerably less than this figure. The 1946 crop has been estimated at slightly less than 25 million pounds.

The CCC loans will be made on a grade basis. They will average 26.1 cents per pound, which is 90 per cent of parity as of October 1, 1946.

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This 11th day of August, 1947.  
C. M. PAYLOR, Tax Collector.

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Name:	Amt.
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Atkinson, Joe, 1 res. Perry	2.19
Atkinson, Spencer, 1 res. Perry	1.5
Chestnut, Henry, 1 N. S. R. R.	2.30
Dixon, Henry, 1 Perry	7.47
Dunn, J. H., 1 Wash. Hgts.	1.72
Dupree, Daniel, 1 N. S. R. R.	1.15
Dupree, Jacob & Mattie, 1 Main	5.75
Dupree, Paul, 1 Hy. Dupree	.87
Horton, Nancy, 1 Main	2.30
Johnson, Susan Smith, 1 R.R.	.57
Joyner, Charles, 1 Cotton	1.49
Joyner, Jennie, 1 Main, 1 Perry	8.82
Joyner, Mattie, 1 Geo. & Cotton	1.05
Taylor, Milton J., 1 Wallace	4.02
Thigpen, David, 1 J. L. H.	.80
Tutew Heirs, Council, 1 Cotton	6.32
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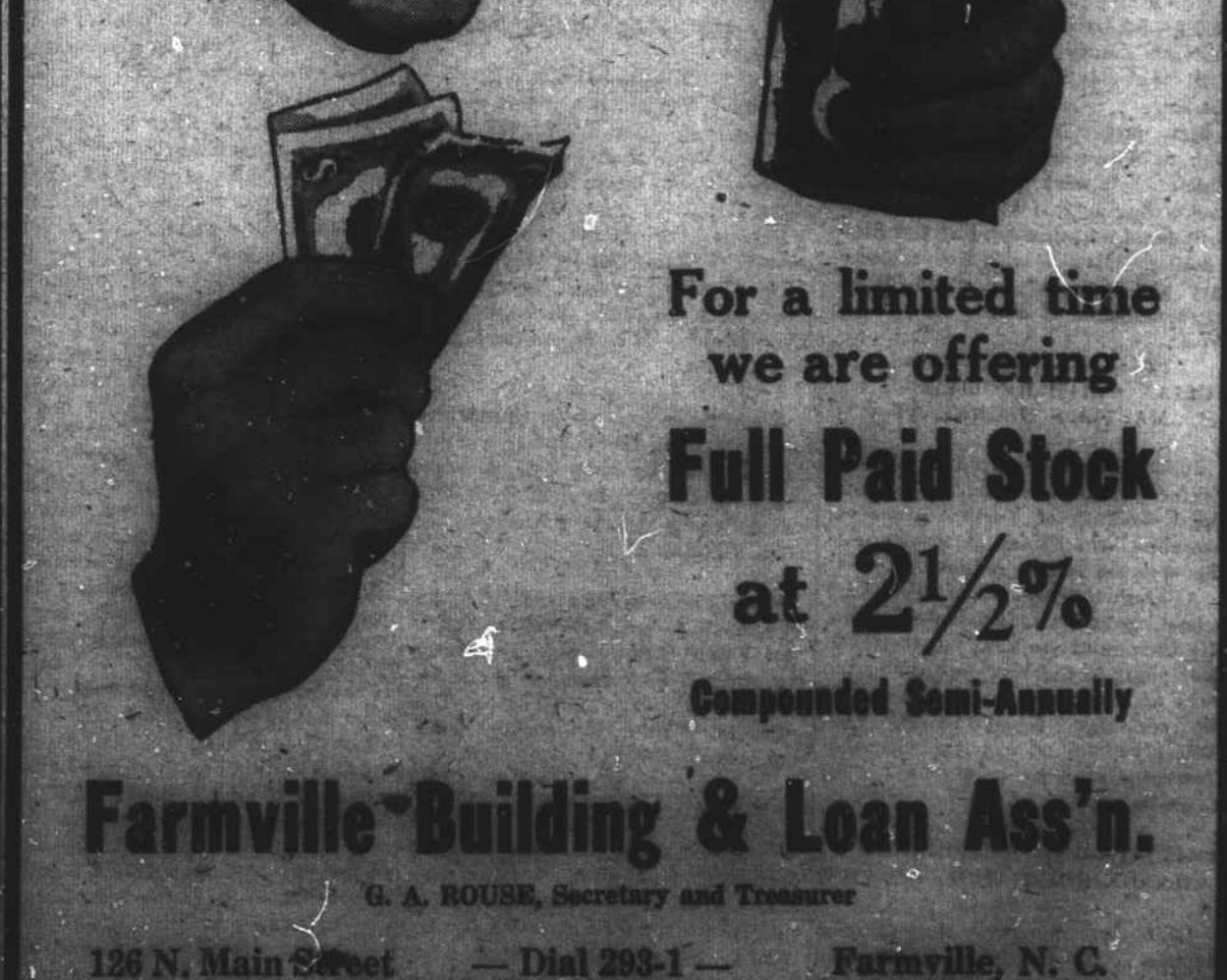
First Tract: Lying and being in the Town of Pactolus, and being Lots Nos. 17 and 18 in Block "H," of the plan of said town, and being same property described in conveyance of record in Pitt County Registry in Book H-12, page 162.

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