

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

GENERAL MARSHALL RESTS IN HONOLULU

Honolulu—General Marshall is making the most of his opportunity for complete rest before he goes to Washington and plunges into the arduous tasks awaiting him as Secretary of State.

There have been no fetes or dinners or streams of well wishers who customarily besiege distinguished visitors. For one thing, the army is seeing to it that the man who wears five stars is not disturbed unnecessarily. Military police patrol the Fort Derussy grounds near the small but tastefully furnished home where Marshall relaxes.

For another, Mrs. Marshall is relieving her husband as much as possible of some of his duties. She assisted in sorting and answering the flood of congratulatory messages that descended upon the General after his arrival Wednesday night from Nanking.

FOOD PRICES ARE NOW ON WAY DOWN

Chicago—There appeared good food news this week for the nation's housewives—retail prices generally are on the way down. There'll be no more sharp

36 SURVIVORS SAVED FROM FAR EAST CRASH

Manila—A search plane led a ship 40 miles off its course yesterday and effected the rescue of 36 survivors of a Far East Air transport which crashed in the South China Sea off Northern Luzon.

Five persons still were missing and presumed lost, but search for them was continuing.

The C-54 airliner "Miss Luzon" bound from Shanghai to Hong Kong, crashed while trying to reach the Philippines after bad weather closed the Hong Kong field.

The survivors, whose identities and physical conditions were not yet established, were picked up by the U. S. Army Transport General E. T. Collins after spending nearly 24 hours in three rubber life rafts on choppy waters.

boosts in food prices, virtually all food industry sources said yesterday. And a country-wide spot survey of representative cities showed that more retail food prices are being marked down than up.

The survey of retail prices disclosed prices have been reduced for eggs, cheese, lard, fresh and

COST OF HOUSING IS EXPECTED TO DROP

Washington — An industry spokesman held out the hope this week that the high price of housing is coming down.

Tyler S. Rogers, president of the Producers' Council, national organization of building product manufacturers, said in a statement:

"The construction industry plans to build a million or more new dwelling units during the year 1947, at costs which are expected to average 15 to 20 per cent below 1946 peaks.

"This volume of new houses at more normal value levels will undoubtedly deflate abnormally high prices for existing houses."

Rogers reported that increases in the prices of building products since the removal of ceiling "have been surprisingly moderate, averaging only about 15 per cent, and are well below the former black market prices which ranged as high as 100 per cent over official price ceilings."

18 KILLED IN CRASH NEAR WINSTON-SALEM

Winston Salem—A Miami-bound Eastern Air Lines passenger plane out of Detroit crashed in the hills 85 miles northwest of here, near Fries, Va., at 1:40 a. m. Sunday during a driving rainstorm, carrying 18 of its 19 passengers and crew to a flaming death.

The DC 3—Trip 665—slithered through a thicket of tall pines, shearing away its wings, and crashed 200 yards away into an embankment near Virginia Highway 94 to explode in a fiery shower.

The lone survivor, William Ellis Keyes Jr., 21, of Boynton, Fla., was dragged screaming from the flaming wreckage by two mountain wood cutters of the community. He was carried to a Galax hospital for treatment of burns and cuts and later was reported in satisfactory condition.

canned meats, canned citrus fruits and dried peaches and dried apples. Food industry spokesmen predicted lower prices in canned goods upon receipt of the Summer pack.

Gordon C. Corabley, president of the Institute of Food Distribution, said in an interview in New York that "the basic downward trend in retail food prices has been gathering momentum since mid-November after reaching a peak in mid-October."

Taxes May Be Cut And Budget Sharply Slashed By Congress

Washington — Representative McCormack of Massachusetts, House Democratic whip, conceded probable House passage of a 20 per cent reduction in income taxes, "because the Republicans have got the votes."

But he denounced the cut—fostered by Chairman Knutson (R-Minn) of the House Ways and Means Committee and endorsed by Senator Taft (R-Ohio)—as an "unsound" approach to fiscal problems.

McCormack, himself a former member of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee, suggested instead a study of methods designed to ease the tax burden on "the little fellow"—possibly by boosting exemption on earned income.

President Truman's estimate of the necessary spending in the fiscal year starting July 1 is \$37,500,000,000. Harold E. Stassen, former Governor of Minnesota and an announced candidate for President, joined fellow Republicans yesterday in attacking this figure as too high.

"Sharply padded," said Stassen of Mr. Truman's budget. "Wasteful and extravagant."

Stassen told a news conference he is laying before individual members of Congress a proposal to cut \$5,000,000,000 out of the President's budget.

He suggested continuing enough of the wartime excise (luxury) taxes to raise another billion dollars to make the total income \$38,500,000,000. There then would be \$6,000,000,000 to work with on his calculations, he said.

Stassen would handle this as follows:

1. Reduce the national debt by \$3,000,000,000.
2. Cut personal income taxes by 12 1/2 per cent, a total of \$2,500,000,000.
3. Reduce taxes on small businesses by \$500,000,000 by eliminating duplicate taxation on earnings and dividends drawn

Whitehead News

Mrs. Lee Joines and Mrs. Arza Crouse spent Tuesday with Mrs. Harmon Joines.

Rev. Fred Blevins will preach at Liberty Baptist church Saturday, January 18, at 2 o'clock, Sunday at eleven. Liberty Baptist W. M. U. will meet Saturday at 1:00 o'clock. Every member will please come.

Mrs. Elvira Caudill celebrated her 97th birthday last Thursday. She goes into the dining room for her meals, also reads most of her time, the daily paper and her much treasured book, the Bible. She looks well and tries to make everyone happy that visits her.

Rev. Charlie Wooten and fam-

Conservation Farming News

John Calico and Carl Glasco, of the Edmonds community, used ditching dynamite to drain adjoining pasture field. Cooperating together will enable many farmers, who have adjoining farms, to get conservation work done.

Fred Osborne, of the Turkey Knob community, plans to strip crop his cultivated land next spring. He believes that this method will save a great deal of his soil from washing away.

C. E. Estep, of the Pine Swamp community, has had soil samples taken where he plans to sow

ily have recently moved into their new home.

Misses Lillie and Floss Holloway spent Sunday with Miss Ruth Caudell.

ladino clover and orchard grass for hay.

The Soil Conservation Service assisted Paul Sturgill, of the Bledsoe Creek community, in staking off his fields for strip cropping. Paul is doing a good job of farming now, but is interested in doing even better.

S. G. Goldman, of the Cherry Lane community, is cooperating with the New River Soil Conservation District in planning a complete conservation program on his farm.

The termination date of the principal wartime price support programs will be December 31, 1948.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Slim's Cows Are All Aristocrats

Slim Hines, who owns the Leaf-Dairy, played host to government inspectors Wednesday. They inspected his barns for cleanliness, his milk for butterfat content, and his cows for health. And they ended up giving Slim a Grade-A record for fine milk!

He was boasting about it over a friendly glass of beer in Andy Motkin's Garden Tavern. Andy says: "I know just how you feel."

And we knew what Andy meant. Under the Brewers' program of "Self-Regulation, Andy's tavern is

open day and night to inspection by agents of the industry or of the law. And Andy gets a lot of satisfaction out of getting a "clean bill of health" for running a wholesome, law-abiding tavern.

From where I sit, people like Slim and Andy rate a vote of thanks from their communities. They're proud to have their places open to inspection at all times—they know they're running a business that's a credit to the town!

Joe Marsh Advt.

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