

Success of Marshall Plan Depends Heavily on Solution of Berlin Crisis

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That was a cheering splash of rainbow we glimpsed through international storm-clouds yesterday when from Washington, London and Moscow came reports which seemed calculated to encourage hope for peace.

President Truman declared prospects for world peace are good—fact excellent.

U. S. Secretary of State Marshall and British Foreign Secretary Bevin both announced that the two countries will not be intimidated, they will not be every possible diplomatic means to get a peaceful settlement of the Berlin imbroglio.

And diplomatic sources in Moscow said chances for a four-power meeting (America, Britain, France and Russia) seemed brighter than at any time since the blockade of Berlin five weeks ago.

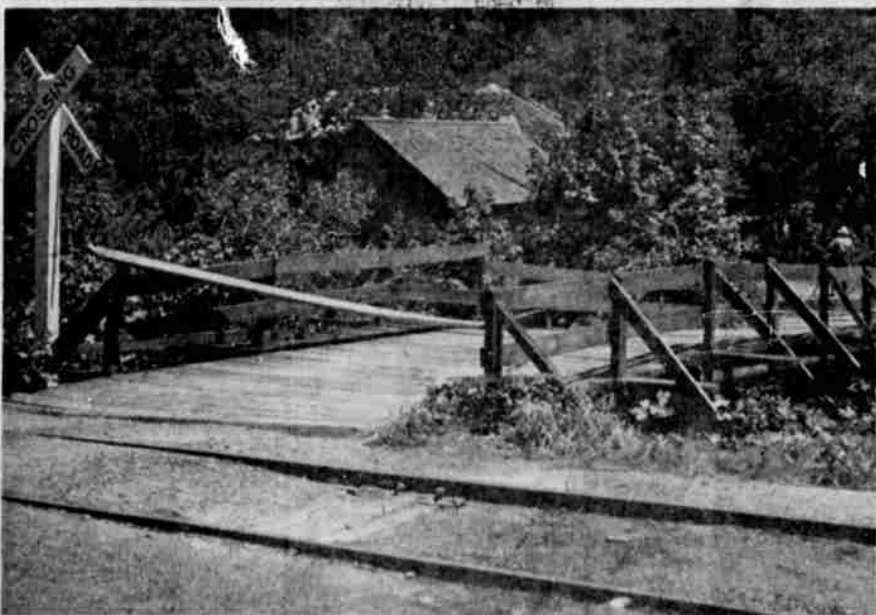
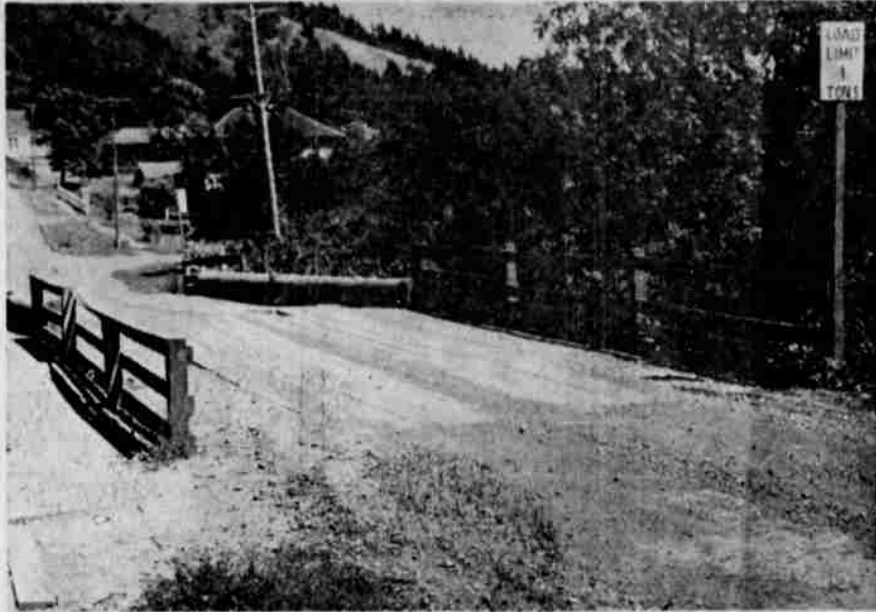
Now of course this doesn't mean that the barometer is set fair—or anything like it. Still a change in the pressure is encouraging, and it must be particularly pleasing to America's Paul Hoffman who, as administrator of the European Recovery program, is charged with performing one of the toughest tasks of the war has produced—and one of the most vital.

In great degree, peace depends on his success.

Self-Help in Evidence

Hoffman, who is in Paris, also issued a statement yesterday and while it was made without any fanfare, it was of great importance. He said the United States is eager to carry through a four-year program and get out of Europe by 1952. He added that Averell Harriman, ambassador-at-large for the E. R. P., has assured him that self-help and mutual aid among the 16 participating countries "are becoming very much a reality."

Success or failure in reaching the goal of four years will affect not only the nations of Europe but of the whole world. That



NEW BRIDGES FOR DRAIN—These two bridges over Pass Creek at Drain are to be replaced with new structures soon. Upper view shows the "B" Street Bridge, for which the State Highway Commission will advertise for bids. The new span will be a concrete structure costing \$20,000. "B" Street links the central part of the city with East Drain. Lower view shows the other bridge to be replaced, probably with a timber span. It is north of "B" Street and serves a few, isolated residences. A right of way for the bridge will be acquired by the city.

Camp Fire Girls Prepare for Second Activities Week

Camp Fire Girls attending the second week of the Camp Tyee summer session on the Umpqua River are asked not to arrive at camp until Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, according to members of the camp staff. This will give girls who are leaving an opportunity to vacate camp by 2 o'clock and avoid traffic and parking troubles on the road around the campsite. Parents are asked to call for their girls by 2 o'clock if they have completed their camp session.

Second week campers are reminded to take plenty of blankets as nights have been cold at Camp Tyee. These girls are also asked to remember a sack lunch for Sunday evening.

Parents are requested not to visit camp except on Sunday during the coming camp sessions. There will be no picnicking at the Camp Fire camp grounds. Parents who wish to visit their children on Sunday will find a fine picnic site at the O. & C. improved picnic area just before reaching Camp Tyee. The Camp Fire Girls camp area is now devoted entirely to camp activities.

FOUR CULPRITS FINED

Justice of Peace Thomas C. Hartiel reported disposition of the following cases in his court Thursday: Willard M. Howell, illegal angling, \$25; Leslie D. Barnes, no vehicle tail light, \$10; Frank J. Johnson, violation of basic traffic rule, \$15, and Charles Lee Hahn, failure to yield right-of-way in traffic, \$25.

Indians still supply their tribal larders by spearing and netting salmon at the Celilo Falls of the Columbia River.

The age of some turtles at death has been estimated between 200 and 250 years.



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TRIES GOLF GADGET—Miss Mary Nelson tries out a mechanical golf gadget at a Louisville, Ky., driving range. As she drives a ball, another appears out of an opening in the mat. Hopper (left) is the source of the balls.

locked with that of the eastern side of the world.

That gets us back to the optimistic forecasts regarding peace. A solution of the German crisis is essential to the success of the Marshall Plan. This column has said before—but it's worth repeating—that a healthy and united Germany is necessary for European recovery because the Reich long has been the keystone of the continental economic structure.

A 50 per cent decline in national turkey production is estimated for 1948.

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