

Former Official Says Increase May Be Needed

NEW CASTLE, Del. — (AP) — James E. Bruce said the United States may have to increase its armed forces five fold and spend ten times as much for defense if Congress fails to approve the \$3,500,000,000 President Truman has asked for foreign aid.

Bruce, former ambassador to Argentina and first director of the administration's mutual defense aid program, plugged for Mr. Truman's mutual security plan in a speech prepared for the New Castle bicentennial celebration.

The ceremony marks the founding of New Castle by the Dutch 300 years ago. Two Dutch ships are here for the historic affair.

Bruce said America and other free nations face a "barbaric threat" from Soviet Communism today that is no less real and immediate than the "wilderness death which day and night confronted our forefathers 300 years ago."

Effective Weapon

He asserted the Marshall plan and its successor the mutual security program "add up to the most effective weapon yet devised to defeat Russian policy."

Mr. Truman proposed the new foreign military and economic aid

program May 24. Committee hearings on the request have not yet begun.

Bruce said while the cost in the next 12 months would be high, failure to enact the program would mean that the United States would lose the support of an army of 2,000,000 Europeans already partially trained, and the productive resources and facilities of western Europe.

These losses, he said, would make it necessary for the U. S. to maintain an armed force five times greater than now contemplated, and spend up to ten times the \$3,500,000,000 contemplated in the President's proposal plus the \$60,000,000,000 of budgeted domestic defense expenditures.

"And to spend ten times what we are now spending," Bruce said, "would wreck our economy and give the Communists their victory without the need for actually dropping a single bomb."

Leland Fire Destroys Mill, Houses, Lumber

GRANTS PASS — (AP) — The N. E. Beck and Sons planing mill at Leland, three company houses, three large stacks of finished lumber and some other logs and lumber burned Tuesday.

The fire started from a welding torch being used on machinery in the mill, according to the state forest patrols.



MRS. T. J. WAGNER is shown inspecting the vegetable garden at the pleasant Wagner home in Garden valley. She and Mr. Wagner are former residents of Iowa. Barring a trifle too much rain at certain seasons and too little at others, they like Oregon very much. —(Paul Jenkins)

Tool Kit for "Cats"



Tools in the hands of trained men become vital weapons when a country prepares for defense. Faced with replacement shortages, owners of "Caterpillar" diesels are depending more than ever upon Interstate Tractor and Equipment Company's service shop to rebuild and repair existing equipment. Here is Interstate's "Cat" tool room at 709 North Jackson in Roseburg. Paid Advertisement

Butler Bank Director Resigns in 104th Year

BUTLER, Pa. — (AP) — A fellow with a twinkle in his eye and a spring in his step walked into the Butler Savings and Trust company yesterday to quit his job.

Washington D. Brandon, an attorney, said he believed it's about time he stepped aside for a younger man. He's been a director of the bank 62 years.

Brandon, who says he's feeling fine although he has lost his hearing, handed this note to President J. S. Campbell Jr.

"I am now in my 104th year and have become inactive as a director. I now resign and ask to be relieved of all responsibility."

10 Percent Wage Ceiling Not Rigid, Says Taylor

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Chairman George W. Taylor of the Wage Stabilization board said there is no hard and fast 10 percent ceiling on wage increases.

The 10 percent, he told the Machinery and Allied Products Institute, "is simply a figure up to which wages may be increased over the base date (Jan. 15, 1950) without getting approval from the board."

Taylor said the "misconception" about a "rigid" wage ceiling stems from the 10 percent "catch-up formula" of last February. "This," he added, "was a first step in wage stabilization, not the final one."

WRITE-OFF FINALE

SANTA ANA, Calif. — (AP) Miss Minnie Penman has retired after 41 years of teaching school.

What did she teach? Why, penmanship naturally.

Doctors Disagree On Effectiveness Of TB Vaccine

CHICAGO — (AP) — A Minneapolis physician asserts that BCG, a tuberculosis vaccine, remains to be proved and that it may be dangerous.

However, a spokesman for research foundation, which produces and distributes the substance, said 200,000 doses have been supplied for human use with no harmful results and that its use has been advocated by several medical groups.

stated, "but medicine lost interest in it, except for animal work, until it was revived recently."

Since then, Dr. Myers said, reports have been "extremely confusing." He said the vaccine has falsely gotten credit for reduction of tuberculosis that actually was due to such action as removal from contact with infection and other "standard tried methods."

(Asked for comment on Dr. Myers' speech, Dr. Sol. R. Rosenthal, medical director of research foundation, said "the views held

by Dr. Myers are entirely his own and not shared by very many doctors.")

PEANUT IN LUNG

SEATTLE — (AP) — An 18-month-old Yakima baby was rushed to a hospital here for removal of a peanut from her lung.

Providence hospital attendants reported Mary Lynn McKeen was "doing well" after what was described as "a very minor operation." She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McKeen of Schwarzer station.

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