

Hoover Urges Foreign Policy Be Restudied

European 'Inertia'
Hit by Ex-President

NEW YORK—(AP)—"Dangerous overstraining of American economy and continental Europe's 'inertia' in rearming, Herbert Hoover says, make it advisable that Congress reconsider U.S. foreign policies."

The former president, calling for a study of alternative actions, proposes that American ground forces eventually be withdrawn from Europe while this country concentrates on air and sea power. He said an exception would be made for those U.S. forces needed to protect American air bases outside Atlantic Pact nations.

MR. HOOVER'S appeal that Congress recalculate the "risk of war or economic degeneration" was made Sunday in a nationwide television and radio address.

He indicated that such a restudy of national policy would amount to the re-opening of "The Great Debate" of a year ago in the light of events that have happened since.

In December, 1950, Mr. Hoover joined in that foreign policy debate in a speech in which he summoned Americans to defend the Western hemisphere as a "Gibraltar" of freedom.

Recommendations in Sunday's speech closely paralleled those Mr. Hoover made in late 1950. These, in essence, would leave European Allies to concentrate on ground forces while the United States and Britain built air and sea striking power. The U.S. also would provide its friends such munitions as it could afford, but it would forego a large ground army so as not to risk endangering the national economy.

THE 77-YEAR-OLD former president was critical of United Nations policy in Korea and called for revision of American relations to the U.N. Charter.

In an appraisal of domestic conditions in the past year, Mr. Hoover said the United States suffers "from the blight of inflation and confiscatory taxes."

He said the inflation-tax pressures are welcomed by some men because "these forces drive to socialize the income of our people."

Bureau Notes Mishap Toll

SALEM — (AP) — Claims filed with the State Industrial Accident Commission last year increased 13½ per cent over the total for 1950, the commission said Monday.

The commission said the increase in claims was caused by a 9 per cent increase in employment, and a 4 per cent increase in the number of insured companies.

There were 150 fatal accident claims, or five less than in 1950. The logging and lumber industry contributed 22 per cent of all reported accidents, and 49 per cent of fatalities.

There were 68 fatal logging and lumber accidents last year, compared with 90 in 1950.

There were 28 workmen killed in contract construction and 5 in building construction.

The other fatal accidents were as follows: trade 7, mining 6, utilities and government 5 each, transportation and agriculture 3 each, manufacturing 4, garage and forestry 1 each.

MacArthur Honored

CHICAGO — (AP) — Members of the Chicago Press Club have picked Gen. Douglas MacArthur as the outstanding American of 1951.

Wilbur J. Brons, president of the club, said Sunday the choice was made in a poll of 707 club members. Another five-star general, Dwight Eisenhower, ran second.

Brons, associate editor of the magazine, Bankers' Monthly, said MacArthur received more than 35 per cent of the votes.

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'STOLEN' BABY FOUND — Portland, Ore., authorities carry the body of 3-year-old Sherrie Ellen Kader after recovering it from a water-filled sump hole where the mother, Mrs. Jada Z. Kader, had thrown it. The 21-year-old mother was charged with first degree murder after her daughter, Vickie, 4, told police she saw her mother smother her sister and then drop her into the shaft.

'Union Security' Ruling Expected

WASHINGTON — (AP) — One of the most important government decisions in labor relations in many years is about to be made in Washington.

It involves the question of "union security"—to what degree will the government recommend that workers should belong to labor unions.

It is a touchy problem. Employers are generally dead set against any requirements that workers belong to unions. Unions are usually all for it.

The government is in the middle. A decision must be made in the next few weeks. The problem has been put squarely up to a couple of government boards. They can't avoid a yes-or-no answer.

THE QUESTION to be decided is whether the panels will recommend for or against the "union shop." This is a form of union security, requiring that every employee covered by a labor contract must join the contracting union, and must remain a union member of be fired.

Seventeen railroad unions, representing a million rail employees, have made this the sole issue in a case before a three-man emergency board selected by the White House. This board now is finishing prolonged hearings and soon will file its yes-or-no recommendation in the matter.

THE SAME UNION shop issue also is at stake in the steel industry labor case. It is one of the demands made by CIO President Philip Murray for the steelworkers. A panel named by the Wage Stabilization Board is sitting on this case, with hearings to resume in New York next week.

Half a dozen other dispute cases, also involving the union shop issue, have been sent to the Wage Board by President Truman for a recommended solution.

EVEN IF THE boards recommend the union shop in these cases, there is nothing to force the employers to give it to the unions. Nor do the unions have to agree, if the boards rule against them.

But findings of such boards are usually persuasive on both sides. So it is reasonable to believe that if the boards rule out the union shop, the unions will have a hard time getting the arrangement for many years to come. And if the boards favor the idea, the unions will get a big boost in attaining their goal.

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Chiang Accused Of Border Raids

Diplomats Uneasy
After Reading Pravda

By EDDY GILMORE
Associated Press Staff Writer
MOSCOW — (AP) — The Soviet Press Monday centered heavy fire on the Middle and Far Eastern situations and caused expressions of uneasiness among foreign diplomats in Moscow.

Pravda, newspaper of the Communist Party, predicted full "liberation" for Indochina, Malaya, Iran, Egypt and Morocco.

In another article, Pravda, in a dispatch from Rangoon, accused soldiers of Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalists of violating the Communist Chinese frontier in "raids by bandit detachments of the Kuomintang Gen. Lo Mi."

IT SAID GROUPS of Chinese Nationalist forces "under the command of American officers" daily were crossing Thailand into Chinese Communist territory in order to connect up with Gen. Li's "Kuomintang bandit detachments at Kentung, Burma."

The News Agency Tass, quoting a Burmese source, said 10,000 supporters of Chinese Nationalists in Burma were "carrying out raids on regions of China's Yunnan province from bases in Kentung."

REPORTS OF this nature are on the increase in the Soviet press, and observers here say the Red Chinese government might one day take steps to suppress forces it accuses of violating Chinese Communist territory.

Foreign diplomats also regard as serious the repeated accusations in the Soviet Press that U.S. officers command Chiang's soldiers on the China frontier.

Sheriff Checks Storm Victims

GRANTS PASS — (AP) — The sheriff's office has made its first annual check of snowbound residents of Josephine County's mountain areas.

Inquiries start coming in from worried friends after the first heavy snowfall, such as the area experienced last week, and Sheriff Lloyd Lewis gets busy.

He gets a helping hand from Fred Hale of the Grants Pass Air Service who supplies planes for making the checks.

Last week's flights turned up one miner who was short of food, but safe and comfortable. Sheriff Lewis sent four men—Ed Sowell, Harold Trefethen, Grant Carothers and Red Hooy—skiing into the mountains with 80 pounds of groceries for the miner, Gene Kester, living on Sucker Creek about 15 miles from the Redwood Ranger Station in the Illinois Valley.

Hale and Sheriff's Deputy George Eckstein, buzzed the cabin of Louis C. Harvey, 62, on Sucker Creek until he gave them a reassuring wave, indicating he was all right.

Eckstein and Pilot Gene Elliott also found Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hunter "OK" on Jumpoff Joe Creek. They tramped out the letters in the snow after the plane buzzed them.

Red Marshal Dies

MOSCOW — Premier Marshal Chou-Bol-San of the Mongolian People's Republic died in the Kremlin Hospital in Moscow Saturday, it was announced Sunday. The announcement said death was the result of a kidney cancer.

And it can be done, he said, without "reducing fire power."

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GREEKS JOIN ANTI-BRITISH MOBS—Scores of students carry anti-British signs in the streets of Athens, Greece, as they demonstrate against the British holding the Isle of Cyprus in the eastern corner of the Mediterranean Sea. In Egypt, Iran and Tunisia, increasing Nationalist and anti-colonialist disorder has brought government crises to France and Great Britain.

Army Tells Woman 1st Husband POW

ATLANTA — (AP)—Mrs. Agnes Dixon Sasser asked a court Monday to annul her second marriage after the Army confirmed by a hand-writing test that her first husband is alive in a prisoner of war camp.

"Yes, I'm going through with it now," said the shapely, brown-eyed "Enoch Arden" wife after arriving here from a visit to her father's farm near Cullman, Ala.

"I HAVE nothing more to say," she added when asked to comment on a telegram from Washington notifying her officially that Pvt. Walter B. Dixon has been removed from the "dead" roster and reclassified as "captured."

Dixon's status was changed after FBI tests verified the hand-writing in a letter from him to his wife, stating he is a Red prisoner in Korea.

The case, the first "Enoch Arden" triangle of the Korean war, arose when the 22-year-old Mrs. Sasser and soldier she had married after being notified of Dixon's death discovered her first husband's name on a prisoner of war list released by the Communists.

Her attorney, T. Blake Jackson, sought to have the annulment.

Douglas Eyes Budget Cuts

WASHINGTON—(AP)—At least seven billion dollars could be trimmed from prospective U.S. spending, is the expressed belief of Sen. Douglas (D-Ill.).

In a broadcast talk prepared for delivery over a group of Illinois stations Monday, the senator said that at least four of the seven billions can be saved out of defense spending.

And it can be done, he said, without "reducing fire power."

The waste in military budget items, he said, is hard to find. But he contended there is waste in such things as flight pay, and in military construction.

Taft Undecided On N.H. Race

Stassen to Enter
Preference Primary

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Backers of Sen. Robert A. Taft said Monday he still is debating whether to take on Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in the nation's first "popularity contest" for Republican presidential candidates.

Taft must decide by Wednesday whether he will enter the March 11 presidential preference primary in New Hampshire, which raises the curtain on election-year balloting.

EISENHOWER already is entered in the primary, and Harold E. Stassen planned to enter Monday.

A partial Taft-Eisenhower test already is assured in New Hampshire, a state which has two kinds of primaries. Candidates favorable to Taft will run against candidates favorable to Eisenhower in the race for election of delegates to the Republican nominating convention. But Eisenhower's name so far is the only one entered in the presidential preference primary, in which voters indicate their choice for the nomination without binding the convention delegates.

EISENHOWER'S political managers have been stressing claims that the general has much more "voter appeal" than Taft, and Taft's backers would like nothing better than to refute this argument by a good showing in a direct popularity contest.

But they have been wary of taking the gamble in New Hampshire since many of that state's top Republican leaders, including Gov. Sherman Adams, are plumping for Eisenhower.

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Winchell Due To Take Rest

NEW YORK — (AP) — Walter Winchell said Sunday night he had been ordered by medical advisers to take a complete rest from all activities "for at least a month."

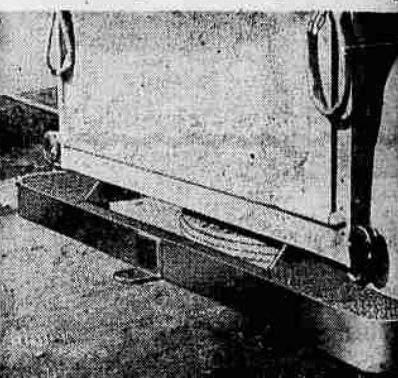
The newspaper columnist and radio commentator made the announcement during his broadcast from Miami, Fla.

An editor's note at the end of his column in the New York Daily Mirror says "an immediate and complete rest" has been ordered "by his own doctor and heart specialists."

A spokesman for the American Broadcasting Company, over whose facilities Winchell broadcasts, said no decision yet has been made about Winchell's scheduled broadcast next week.

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