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Crisis Can Be Met!

The United Nations, having decreed the partition of Palestine, is coming face to face with a need for a means to enforce its decision. The prestige and the future of the entire world organization, and its program, may well depend upon whether or not its ruling are rulings or just talk.

The United States, in its constitutional beginnings, very carefully observed the sovereignty of its thirteen member states, though having a comprehensive set of rules and regulations by which each and every state was supposed to conduct itself.

Voluntary compliance and co-operation with the idealistic government proposed bulked large in the scheme of things. But the states, intent upon maintaining their identity and their sovereignty, embarked upon a frantic race to erect tariff and toll barriers at their borders.

Interstate commerce—even though it was largely by Conestoga wagons and horses—suffered a heavy penalty whenever it reached the border of any state of the United States. Taxation by tolls and tariffs became almost confiscatory and in many other departments of government, it was becoming more and more prevalent to address a pugnacious thumb to the nose at any and all edicts trickling outward from the presumed source of federal government.

Such a condition, of course, is hardly beyond belief. For government—any government—is restrictive in its very nature. The plan upon which it is drawn requires the yielding of localized rights for the greater advantage of a unified implement of enforcement for the benefit of the many.

And it was only in 1789 that the present constitution of the United States was passed and not until 1791, almost three years later, that the ten amendments known as the "Bill of Rights" were ratified.

In its constitution, the thirteen United States of America defined the broad powers of the government and gave recognition to the federal authority above state rights. And though there has been much debate and many charges that the federal government was encroaching upon state rights, the fact nevertheless remains that when the authority of the United States is invoked something had better move.

The deliberations and decisions of the United Nations are important. They represent the latest attempt of unified action against evils of political, economical or other origin. But, again, the selfish interests of individual nations, (including the United States) are allowed to interfere in the progress that United Nations' deliberations sponsor.

An unselfish appraisal of the partition movement cannot but recognize a validity to the wish of the Jews to establish some sort of national identity to go with presumed racial identity with which they are invested, by people all through the world. And it seems inescapable that agreement by sufficient nations to effect partition rested in broad aspects of humanity and charitableness. Perhaps it represents, even more, the yielding to an international conscience which recognized the crimes too long committed against the Jewish religionists.

Committed to a far-reaching decision, and whatever developments it will bring, the United Nations must enforce its dictum against any and all nations that threaten to interfere with partition.

There is no corner on meanness and self-seeking in the world today. Personal and national greed is as rampant as ever throughout the globe, in a quest for more and more power.

Deadline for the United Nations to take over the administration of partition is approaching rapidly. If it hopes to salvage any prestige as well as any presumption of a place in the international future, the United Nations must act and act fast unless it chooses to be made the laughing stock of a relatively unprepossessing challenger—the incited armies of powerful Arabian chiefs, and their behind-the-cover backers.

Perhaps the people of the world should do some thinking as to whether or not there is any justification or reason for faith in an international organization, with its many promises and schemes for a happier international existence where means other than physical combat will be available for the settlement of international disputes.

Certainly, if ever, the United Nations faces a vital crisis, upon which will depend many later, international developments.

But the crisis can be met!

—W. K.

The Outlook From Cooper Mountain

TEACHERS ILL

The Cooper Mountain school was closed down four days last week due to the illness of the teachers, Mrs. C. Dernbach and Mrs. F. Heard. Many of the children had already been absent because of the influenza epidemic.

FROM MORO

Mr. and Mrs. Lamer Sayrs of Moro, Oregon visited the Ross Harts last week and returned last Wednesday taking Mrs. Hart's mother, Mrs. Edith Sayrs home with them.

ON TO L. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Haneberg of East Portland visited with former friends and neighbors at Cooper Mountain last week before continuing on to Los Angeles, Calif., where they will visit with friends and relatives for two weeks.

ONE DAY VISIT

Mrs. Evelyn Whipps and son Lawrence of West Portland visited one day last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Morris and family.

SICK LIST

On the sick list last week were Mrs. Earle Miller and daughter Barbara and Mrs. L. Robertson and daughter Judy. All are residents of Cooper Mountain.

FROM OREGON CITY

Dinner guests at the L. H. Davis home February 15 were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Marklund and son from Oregon City and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Eaden and family of Logan, Oregon.

TILLAMOOK WEEK-END

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Bany of Bany road spent last weekend at Tillamook visiting with Mrs. Bany's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. Pizer. They were accompanied on the trip by Mr. and Mrs. J. Phil Dahl of Portland.

KNITTERS' SURPRISE

Mrs. A. H. Barron and Mrs. Marcella Saunders surprised their knitting class with a birthday party for the youngest member, Karen Parsels, one year old. The party was held last week.

CONVOY TO CHURCH

Mrs. Ross Hart of route 3, Beaverton, has for the past several days been engaged in the task of transporting 10 to 15 children every Sunday to the Nazarene church in Beaverton for morning Sunday school and evening Bible classes. Mrs. Hart takes the children from the Cooper Mountain area. Anyone wishing to attend may get in touch with Mrs. Hart and she will make necessary arrangements.

BOX SOCIAL

Mrs. Bertha Palmer and her two daughters, Doris and Gloria, attended the American Legion box social at Beaverton Feb. 18. It is reported that the proceeds from the social amounted to almost \$50.

HOT SOUP AT NOON

During the past several weeks, the children at the Cooper Mountain school have been served hot soup every day at noon. The soup is prepared by the children themselves and it is reported that they are making a success of their undertaking. Some of the neighborhood ladies have also made several different kinds of hot dishes and donated them to the children.

FLOWER CLUB

The Cooper Dale Flower club met on the evening of Feb. 18 at the T. B. Parker residence. Mrs. John Rohrbach was co-hostess.

FROM THE HATCH

Glen Donaway of Tacoma, Wn., father of Mrs. Dan Bates, is lending a helping hand at Hart's Hatchery this spring.

BUSINESS—PLEASURE

Mrs. Vera Schmitt, daughter of Mrs. John Johnson, is at present in Chicago, Ill., with her husband on a combined business and pleasure trip.

A DAM WASHOUT!

Storms last weekend washed out the dam at the Bandon trout hatchery of the game commission and necessitated emergency measures on part of the hatchery crew to keep up the water supply in the ponds until the liberation crew could release the approximately 100,000 legal-sized cut-throat trout being held at that station for spring release. No fish were lost, however, and plans are underway for repair of the dam.

TRAPPING SEASON ENDS

Trapping season for mink, muskrat, raccoon and other ended on February 15, according to the game commission. However, predatory animals, such as cougar, wolves, wildcats, bear, skunks, badger and other unprotected species, may be hunted or trapped the year around.

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