

GREECE

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The United States must take quick action on Greece. So says Secretary of State George Marshall. He asserted today that this nation can no longer postpone intervention in the muddle^d affairs of Greece. We must step in to save that country and its present government.

The Secretary of State called Greece the strategic and sometimes bloody battle ground between Russian communism and western democracy. He hinted that President Truman may make our decision known, with all its far reaching implications, as early as this Thursday, when the President is due to speak at Waco- Texas. [↑] General Marshall was close-mouthed however, concerning the methods to be used. Said he: "The problems involved are of such transcendent importance, that any announcement relating to them ^{sh} could properly come only from the President himself. The final decision rests with the President and with Congress²⁰," General Marshall concluded.

He admitted that America's hand had been

forced by last weeks note from London stating that, unless immediate American help is forthcoming, Britain will withdraw all troops and ~~and~~ economic aid from Greece. The British are fearful that ^{the} Greek crisis may explode into civil war, possibly before the end of the month. American dollars, American ~~and~~ military equipment, and American liberty ships are needed -- not to mention food ^{and} clothing. Otherwise, the present Greek government is almost sure to go under.

If this happens, according to the British, communism will come to Greece and the communist menace will spread toward the ~~R~~ Dardanelles, Turkey and the middle East.

To this opinion Secretary ~~Marshall~~ wouldn't say "yes" and he wouldn't say "no", ~~for~~ but from his manner it was evident he agrees with the British point of view. Washington insiders say the top Republican and Democratic congressmen have already been briefed on the Greek situation, by

Gen. Marshall and the President himself. They were told that if Greece were abandoned, Soviet Russia alone would benefit.

MARSHALL FOLLOW GREECE

Secretary Marshall's action-packed day included an appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, together with his predecessor, Jimmy Byrnes. Both men pleaded with the Senators to ratify quickly the peace treaties now drawn up for Italy, Hungary, Romania, and Bulgaria, calling them sign posts along the road to permanent peace.

Then General Marshall made his last minute arrangements to fly tomorrow to the momentous Foreign Ministers conference, beginning in Moscow March Tenth. It will be the new Secretary of State's first test, as a civilian, in ~~ix~~ dealing with the Foreign Ministers of Great Britain, France and Russia.

DUNKIRK

Frenchmen and British have met again on the beaches of Dunkirk. Today the Foreign Ministers of Great Britain and France met at Dunkirk to sign a fifty-year military alliance between the two countries.

The place they chose for this important event, ~~was~~ the Chennel port where in Nineteen Forty, an Anglo-French ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~) Army of three-hundred-thousand men was miraculously rescued from annihilation.

Dunkirk was gay today, beddecked with Allied flags. School ~~children~~ children remembering when France and Brit~~ain~~ fought side by side, ran through the streets in front of automobiles that were carrying French Foreign Minister Bidault and Britain's Ernest ~~M~~ Bevin, giving the V for victory salute.

As of today, France and Great Britain are allies once more -- an alliance ~~is~~ to last fifty years.

After the ceremonies, both Bevin and

Bidault were at pains to explain that the treaty is directed only against possible German aggression,— in the future, not against any other nation. The foreign ministers also took the occasion to urge the United States and Russia to join now in a four power agreement on the demilitarization of Germany.

VIOLENCE

More violence today in some of the troubles spots of this troubled world: In India between Mohammedan and Hindu; ~~ix~~ in Syria, former French mandate, which has been promised Independence; and, more strife in Palestine between British forces and Jewish extremists.

(New Delhi, capital of India, reports thirty dead and ~~forty-seven~~⁹⁸ injured, as a result of rioting in the ancient city of Lahore - this following a Moslem demand for an all-Moslem government ~~in~~ in the Punjab.)

At first the rioters threw only bricks and bottles. ~~Then some warlike sikhs~~ Then some warlike sikhs joined the Hindus, against the Moslems, and shots were exchanged. Police finally restored order. But tonight troops are patrolling Lahore, and are on the alert throughout the Punjab, which is a vast region.

And there was an outbreak today in the city of Tripoli - Tripoli in Syria. Fourteen killed

and forty-eight wounded. In a clash between opposing political factions. Touched off by the arrival in Syria of Fauzi El ~~Kaukji~~ Kaukji Rabit an Arab ~~nationalist~~ nationalist and leader of some past arab revolts.

~~Among~~ Among the fatally injured was Naviz El Moukaddam, a candidate for the ~~Syrian~~ Syrian legislature.

From Jerusalem, another story of hatred and violence. Despite the imposition of Marshall law in large sections of the Holy Land, Jewish terrorits are raising cain. Last night ~~the~~ members of the underground attacked the Royal Air Force quartermaster depot in the Hadera district of Palestine - wounding two soldiers in a skirmish.

Other terrorits in the all-Jewish city of Tel a Viv blew up two military trucks this morning. Three British soldiers and five Arab civilians were injured.

Meanwhile, ~~the~~ Irgun Zvai Leumi has started a new war of nerves. Government departments

in Jerusalem received scores of anonymous telephone calls today, saying that their buildings were ~~xxxx~~ about to be blown up. The authorities took no chances, and the buildings were evacuated ~~xxx~~ while troops searched ~~xxxx~~ unsuccessfully for time bombs.

SUIT

A strange suit may pop up in London law courts any day now, a suit against a politician for failing to keep campaign promises. The very thought of it should give politicians the world over a case of ~~nxxxx~~ nine day horrors. Campaign promises are made to be broken, we thought everyone knew that.

But not white haired Henry Cooper of London, whose former claim to fame was teaching the Duke of Windsor how to dance. Right now he's mad at British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin; and wants to sue him - for not carrying out pledges made in the last British general election. ^{TP} Furthermore the ^{London} High Court has accepted ^{Henry} Cooper's suit.

The complaint is, apparently, that Bevin has not lived up to campaign promises pledging democratic procedure. Henry Cooper declares ^{that the} Foreign Minister is a wily man who uses back ~~in~~ doors to the Foreign Office and side entrances at the House of Commons to evade people who ~~xxxx~~ want to see him.

^{TP} Moreover, says Cooper, Bevin employs a ~~man~~ butler

who is not above stretching the truth in announcing
Mr. Bevin is out. ^RSays Cooper "I've been standing
outside Parliament, the Foreign Office and Bevin's
home in snow and rain for two months now -- and still
I haven't been able to see him". ^RSo, he's sueing.
I wonder what he plans to do, now that Bevin is
enroute to Moscow for the Foreign Ministers conference?
Just try to see some big wig who doesn't want to see
you -- in Stalin's Moscow.

GOLD COAST

~~Today the British~~ ^{The} British House of Commons, with Winston Churchill leading the debate, ^{today} took action in a dark, fantastic affair of black Africa. The wartime Prime Minister set parliamentary policy in an affair of human sacrifice with weird overtones of black magic and voo-doo bloodshed.

It happened on the Gold Coast, a strip of land in steaming equatorial West Africa, a few degrees below the Equator. There, ⁱⁿ ~~in~~ the miasmal jungles, the native tribes, even to this day, perform their ancestral, savage rites despite all efforts of the British authorities to suppress the ferocities of sombre superstition.

In Nineteen Forty-four on the Gold Coast, an important chief died, and African ~~xx~~ royalty flocked to his village to pay their last respects. One of these was a lesser noble, who entered the royal palace, and was never seen again. According to witnesses, he was killed by sons and relatives of the great chief to propitiate the gods. They murdered

him with a ritual of atrocity designed to keep him from putting a curse on them.

Four tribesmen implicated were tried in a colonial court for murder, were convicted and sentenced to be hanged. And six times, during the intervening years, they have been moved to death cells, only to be granted brief legal reprieves. This was the point that today brought the case before the House of Commons.

The cause of the condemned man was championed by Winston Churchill, who ~~arg~~ argued on grounds ~~of~~ of traditional British law. Under British justice, a man once taken to a place of execution and not hanged, must be set free. Therefore cried Churchill, this affair of the Gold Coast flouts the tradition of British justice - and the British guard jealously their reputation for being just.

The House of Commons raised a cheer and the ~~Colonial~~ Colonial Secretary promised to plead with the Governor of the Gold Coast, for the lives of the voo-doo

killers. The plea was immediately made - and granted.

The perpetrators of human sacrifice have^{ve} been set
free, and sent back to their ~~x~~ tribe.

SUBMARINE

A tale of heroism and tragedy in the Pacific was revealed today - a story long delayed but an epic ~~none~~ none the less. It relates how the United States Submarine Tang, sank a-hundred-and-ten-thousand tons of Japanese shipping in a single twenty-four hour patrol, and then fell victim to one of its own torpedoes, sinking with the loss of all but nine men. The ~~skipper~~ skipper of the Tang, Commander Dick O'Kane is one of the nine who survived, and here is the story he tells:-

Late in October Nineteen Forty-four, the Tang was patrolling the north end of Formosa straits. Suddenly in the periscope, a submarine man's dream come true - an enemy convoy, ~~xxx~~ of three large tankers, a transport, a freighter and destroyer escorts. ~~ix~~ Says Commander O'Kane, "I stopped, and ~~tuned~~ for straight shots at the tankers as they came by. Torpedoes exploded even before the firing was ~~xxxx~~ completed - every tanker hit as aimed, three blazing,

sinking tankers. Then he goes on, "the freighter tried to ram us. We turned ^{and} torpedoes the Japanese transport".

During the next night the Tang ran into another convoy loaded with ~~xx~~ airplanes. This time the record was even more remarkable. Three tankers, a transport and a destroyer sunk at ~~xx~~ only six hundred yard point blank range.

The Tang now had only two torpedoes left -- and near^{by} was a crippled Jap transport. Says

Commander O'Kane: "We fired one ~~xx~~ torpedo from nine hundred yards - and the other one right afterward".

That last torpedo was the Nemesis of the Tang. Watching through the ~~periscope~~ periscope O'Kane saw it begin an erratic run, then ~~xxx~~ curve sharply to the left. It was coming back at the submarine. The order rang out: "Full speed ahead, crash dive". But it was too late: The Tang's own torpedo struck the submarine full midship - and down went the iron

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hull, leaving only nine survivors on the
surface of the sea.

TRUMAN (new lead)

Tonight in Mexico City the shout is --Viva Harry! Thousands of cheering, shouting, Mexicans pushed their way into Mexico City's National Stadium this afternoon for a glimpse of American President Harry Truman. The warmth of their welcome created a new high in Mexican-American relations. Viva Harry! Yet their Latin exuberance brought tragedy. In the jam one person was killed, and more than a hundred injured, trampled under foot, as the mob overflowed the stadium to hail the President of the United States.

Nevertheless, despite the mishap, Mr. Truman's whirlwind tour of the Mexican capital seems to have been a huge success. Today the President enjoyed a spectacular folk pageant the kind only Mexico can produce -- Indian songs and dances going back a thousand years.

So tonight the shout in Mexico City is- "Viva Harry!"

And the shout here at Sun Valley is Viva the Swiss, The Norwegians, and all the other skiers who arrived today for the races to be held this week. And now Viva Nelson Case who-today many times fell on his face.

TAYLOR

Mar 4 Tues
Early show only

Many of us remember how during the First World War the British lost so many of their ablest young men. There are some of us who think the present predicament in which the British Empire ^{finds} ~~faces~~ itself is due in no small part to the fact that she lost the cream of her youth in the retreat from Mons, ^{at} the Battle of the Somme, and ^{an} other battles of World War One. ^{For} ~~the~~ the British made the fatal mistake of ~~ever~~ allowing her ^{top} ~~best~~ young administrators to give up their jobs in India, ^{and other colonies} and rush into battle.

Since then the British Empire has suffered woefully. But then, the cry all over the world is for young men who have qualities of leadership. How to find them? George Sokolsky in his widely published column, today, tells how it can be done. Also, NEWSWEEK magazine ~~is~~ comes out this week with a long article ^{answering} ~~examining~~ this question, -- how to pick ~~out~~ leaders among our young men. ^{TP} Apparently Charles K. Taylor has the answer. This scholarly Philadelphian has been devoting his life to picking

~~out~~ young men ~~who should be recommended~~ for scholarships, and for special training. He is the head of a vocational research bureau, on West One-hundred-and-twenty-third street in New York City. Guidance Service it is called. This bureau has been functioning for many years, but is now attracting wide attention because of the unusual success Charles K. Taylor is having with his case-history method. With this method Taylor is able to find out what a young man's aptitudes are. And in this way he can spot potential leaders, young men who should take up public ~~xxx~~ careers.

It is a non-profit organization and the whole thing can be done by mail, thus making it possible to put vocational guidance in every city, every town, and every ~~local~~ community in the land.

For years many of the famous prep schools of America have been giving scholarships to young men picked out by Vocational expert Taylor -- prep schools ~~ix~~ such as Taft, at Waterbury, Connecticut;

Andover and Exeter, St. Mark's, Groton, Lawrenceville, and others. The story of ^{what} these young men have accomplished is so fascinating that I wish I could devote my whole broadcast to it. For more about it, see this week's issue of Newsweek, or George Sokolsky's column.

Charles K. Taylor is getting along in years and he would like to set up a ^{permanent} ~~permanent~~ foundation for this vocational research work. Surely a great opportunity for anyone who could afford to help him. What more glorious thing could ~~■~~ any of us do than ~~■~~ back a foundation to do two such important things: provide vocational guidance for all our youth, and at the same time pick out those who have special qualities of leadership. ^W Now that the United States seems to be regarded as the world's number one power, and now that our world wide ~~■~~ responsibilities have been multiplied, our need for young men who have leadership ability, and who can be directed toward public careers -- that need is

desperate indeed. So here's hoping something will be done to further the vocational research work of Charles K. Taylor, which is praised so highly.

TICHBORNE

Here is a story that could only come out of England. It concerns the ancient family of Tichborne, and goes back eight centuries. In Eleven-Hundred-and-Fifty the Lord Tichborne of that day was a miser. His wife, Lady Tichborne, was the opposite, generous, big hearted.

She was bedridden for years, and as the day of her death approached, she wanted to give some land to the villagers. The miserly Lord sneeringly said, she could give all the land she could move around on. So crippled as she was, she managed to drag herself, crawling over twenty-three acres. These acres to this day are called "The Crawls."

Before she died, Lady Tichborne laid a curse upon the family. She said the House would fall down if its owner ever failed on Lady Day, March Twenty-Fifth, to give one gallon of flour to every grown person in the village. Not only would the Tichborne House fall down, but there would

be seven sons, followed by seven daughters. Which meant - the Tichborne name would die out.

For six and a half centuries the Tichborne baronets scrupulously made the gifts of flour to the villagers. But in seventeen ninety-six all the Tichbornes were in France, fighting, and no gift was made.

When they returned, they found the ancestral mansion razed to the ground just as the curse had foretold. After that, there were seven sons, followed by seven daughters, and the name died out. However, it was subsequently restored by special decree of Queen Victoria - and the gifts of flour were resumed.

This month the present Baronet, Sir Anthony Tichborne, asked the Food Ministry to give him fourteen thousand units of bread in order that he might keep up the family traditional gift. The ministry refused at first but now has relented - and provided the flour. England, in all its crisis, does not want to flaunt the curse of the Tichbornes. And now Nelson the Baron of Case.

seizure of American property.

The lawyer for the company that owns the ship declares that this Dutch action is the most flagrant violation of international law that he has seen in more than thirty years of law practice - a deliberate breach of an agreement signed by the Royal government of the Netherlands.

Contemporary history is cheating President Truman out of a vacation. He had planned to make a trip though the Caribbean for fifteen days after his return from Mexico and Baylor University. But the news he found when he returned to the White House last night ~~xxxx~~ obliged him to change his plans.

He does not want to be away from the capital when the Big Four conference begins at Moscow.

~~Also - he wants to be on hand to ask Congress for the two-hundred-and-fifty-millions to help the government of Greece.~~

~~He'll probably have his troubles getting the money for the Greeks. A lot of Congressmen, Democrats as well as Republicans, are criticizing what they call "pulling the fat out of the fire for the British." The President will ask Congress not only for money, but also for permission to ship arms and ammunition to the Greek government.~~