

WEATHER

January 29, 1948 Thursday

More ice and snow, more zero weather. A new wave has hit the Northwestern states, ~~only~~, and is on its way to the Atlantic Coast. Tomorrow there will be sub-zero temperatures in the great industrial areas from Michigan to Pennsylvania to New York and ~~E~~ New England. A fresh blizzard has ~~mm~~ already invaded the United States borders with places in Northern New York under heavy snow falls. In central New York highways are closed and freight trains stalled. The worse^T cold ~~on~~ the Eastern states will be felt by New Englanders.

~~Already many schools are shut down and throughout the nation and numerous families are shivering in homes without heat. In several regions there isn't enough gas to supply the people who rely on it for cooking and heating and ~~trouble~~ there will be no let up in the laying off of workers in factories. In fact, there number will increase. The cols mines have had to shut down in Western Pennsylvania because ice has closed the rivers.~~

AIR BASE

Both Uncle Sam and John Bull will reject the
the protest of Soviet Russia against the reestablishment
of a ^{U.S. air base} ~~base of the United States Air Forces~~ in North
Africa.

This base, ~~was a strong hold of the attack~~
~~and defense during the war.~~ ~~Situated~~ just outside the
ancient ~~picturesque~~ city of Tripoli, ~~it~~ is being
~~reinforced~~ brought up to date, ~~and~~ The Soviets object.
~~They~~ ^{They} Call it ~~an~~ unlawful reactivation constituting
an act against countries of the "new democracy." And
where may ~~be~~ the new democracy be! ~~The Communist~~
^{Why} ~~states in~~ the Balkans ^{states!} ~~so please you~~

A spokesman for ^{the U.S.} ~~our~~ State Department, ^{today} said
unofficially and curtly that this ~~act~~ is not a ~~x~~ breach
of the peace treaty with Italy, ^{— therefore} ~~and~~ Uncle Sam will
^{even} decline [^] to consider it. In London, the British Foreign
Office went into more detail. ^{Explained} that the treaty
with Italy leaves Libya for the time being under

British military administration ~~that is~~ pending
^{as to what will become} permanent settlement of that former Italian colony.
^{ancient Tripolitania.}

~~and~~ ^{today} A spokesman for Downing Street said, that under the treaty His Majesty's Government ~~will~~ ^{is} fully justified in granting the United States permission to ~~re-open~~ ^{re-open} the the base, as a temporary matter; ~~However, that~~ ~~holds only~~ so long as Libya continues to be under British ~~military~~ administration.

FRANC

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In Paris ~~Premier~~ Prime Minister ~~Robert~~

Schuman threatened to resign tonight unless the French National Assembly approved his plan to withdraw from circulation all five thousand franc notes in circulation. "You will either back me up in this measure", the Premier told the Deputies, "or I resign."

The situation was tense. The House adjourned while the Finance Committee drew up a report. ~~Now~~ No one wanted to call in those five thousand franc notes -- the rich man's currency. The kind of note you'd carry in your bill fold and ~~not~~ ^{not} put in the bank. Over a billion dollars worth in circulation, none finding its way to the bank. Big notes changing hands on the gambling tables, and in the black market, ~~some~~ ^{and} passed from plush restaurant to restaurant -- France's highest note in common circulation.

★ There was a sensation when the Finance Committee ~~flatly~~ flatly rejected Schuman's plan to withdraw those precious notes. But the French Parliamentarians hesitated. If Schuman resigned who ~~to~~ ^{would}

succeed him? It might be General De Gaulle or a hated Communist. At least there would be a serious government crisis that might ~~stall and delay forever~~ ^{forestall} France's hope of recovery along the lines already planned -- a devaluated currency and a concerted export drive.

~~Then~~ The vote was taken. ^{And} When the count was made the National Assembly ^{had} voted in favor of recalling all those five-thousand franc notes, defeating the Finance Committee report against Schuman's measure by three-hundred-twenty votes to two-hundred-eight-eight. ~~votes~~ Which tonight leaves Premier ~~Robert~~ Schuman the strong man of France, more firmly in the seat ^{than ever, and} master of French Finance. ~~French Premier with~~ His second vote of confidence in ~~the course of~~ a month.

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MARSHALL PLAN

The International Bank at Geneva takes a
plant on the European recovery vastly different from
Herbert Hoover's. The former president says the
six billion eight hundred million dollars sum which
President Truman asked to cover the first six months
is much too high. The International Bank says it is
~~more than a billion dollars too low.~~ ^{TP U.S.} The Senate
Committee on Foreign Relations today ^{rec} received a report
to that effect from John J. McCloy, President of the
International Bank ^{of Geneva stating that according}
^{to that Bank's} calculation, ^{of Europe} the Western states will need seven billion,
six hundred million dollars ~~worth of first aid help~~
from ^{Uncle Sam - during} ~~us and that during~~ the first twelve ~~not fifteen~~
months; a billion more than asked for by Gen. Marshall.
At his ^{White House} Press conference today, President
Truman repeated ^{Sec. of State} ~~Secretary~~ Marshall's demand that
Congress vote ~~or~~ all or nothing on the European
Recovery ~~Program~~ ^{Pres.} Program. ^{seemed rather} Mr. Truman ~~shored himself~~
^{about it} wrought up as he read his statement to reporters.

~~The account of the conference reports that~~ his voice
shook angrily as he declared that if the lawmakers
appropriated anything less than the money for which
he ^{has} asked they ^{will be throwing the money away,}
~~would be pouring out money down a rat hole.~~
He reiterated ~~what he had said several times before~~
~~that~~ ^{the} sixteen billion, eight hundred millions ~~was not~~
~~an asking figure~~ ^{is an absolute minimum.}
~~or a bargaining point, but rock~~
~~bottom opinion.~~ Absolutely essential he called it
~~today.~~ And to cut it ~~and~~ ^{would} change the ~~scheme~~ from a
~~recovery program to a feeble ineffectual relief project.~~

REDS

Uncle Sam's Treasury is ^{virtually} ~~just as good as~~ subsidizing Communist activities, ^{— doing it indirectly,} ~~in one direction,~~

^{says} ~~said~~ Senator ~~Joe~~ Ball of Minnesota. ~~today~~ To back up his charge, he pointed out that there are eight Communist front organizations which have a preferred position

on the ~~Internal~~ Internal Revenue Tax list. People who make donations to those eight outfits may deduct ^{their gifts} from

their income tax returns. ^{POW} ~~The~~ Internal Revenue Department ^{continues the Senator has} ~~has~~ granted these Red

front ~~societies~~ societies the same position as charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational

enterprises, ^{he says have been termed} and all of them, ~~said the Minnesota Senator,~~

~~are~~ Communist fronts, ~~have been so described~~ by the

^{Among them are:} Attorney General. ~~they include~~ the joint Anti-Fascist

Refugee Committee, ^{The} National Council of Americans -

Soviet Friendship, ^{The} Hollywood Writers Mobilization ^{Group}

^{one called} International Friends ip; ^{another} ~~Hollywood~~ ^{Hollywood}

~~Writers Mobilization~~ ^{The} International Workers ~~X~~ Order,

Ohio Schools of Social Sciences at Cleveland,