

U.S., UK Offer Germans New Bizone Rule

Broad Role Granted by Proposals

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FRANKFURT, Jan. 7 (S&S)—The U.S. and British military governors today presented to the Germans for approval, proposals for a new German administration with far greater powers in the bizonal area.

Meeting in the Military Government Building here with the ministers president of the eight lands in the area, members of the Bizonal Economic Council and executive committee, and the military governors of the lands, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U.S. military governor, and Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British military governor, outlined a five-point program for their zones.

Bipartite Integration

At the same time the military governors announced the integration of most of the functions and offices of the Bipartite Control Office with U.S. chiefs and British deputies in the economics, food and agriculture and civil service departments, and for British chiefs with U.S. deputies in the communications, transportation and finance departments.

The five points advanced in the U.S.-British program are:

1. The doubling of the economic

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17 Lose Lives In DC3 Crash

SAVANNAH, GA., Jan. 7 (UP)—Seventeen persons, most of them homeward-bound Puerto Ricans from the New York area, were killed today and nine others injured when a chartered DC3 airliner crashed and burned in a desolate marsh near the mouth of the Savannah River.

The Coast Guard cutter Aurora, which penetrated the swamp to bring out the victims, brought the bodies of 16 victims ashore this afternoon. One of the injured died before reaching the hospital.

The bodies were badly mutilated and burned. Several of the injured were in critical condition.

All the passengers were Puerto Ricans. The pilot of the plane, operated by Coastal Airways, of Teherboro, N.J., was killed, and the co-pilot was injured.

2 Bodies Removed In Zone Wreck

GARMISCH, Jan. 7 (S&S)—The bodies of an Army lieutenant and an enlisted man were removed from the wreckage of the L5 plane in which they crashed into a swamp 20 miles north of Garmisch late yesterday.

The lieutenant was at first identified as an AF officer, but it was determined today he was an Army officer.

The two left Bad Tolz at 4:30 p.m. yesterday on what was to have been a routine 25-minute flight to Garmisch. First word of the crash came from a 17-year-old German boy who spotted German police from Kochel report the plane had crashed into high tension lines, exploded and headed head-on in five feet of water and broke in the marsh. The entire body of Kochel was thrown into darkness as the plane cut the 110,000-volt lines.

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Weather Forecast

FRANKFURT—Cloudy, rain, minimum temperature, 32; MUNICH—Cloudy, rain, 33; BREMEN—Cloudy, rain, 36; BERLIN—Cloudy, rain, 34; VIENNA—Rain, 35; ROME-NAPLES—Rain, 49; TRIESTE—Rain, 44; PARIS—Rain, 30; STUTTGART—Rain, 28.

Truman Charts Peace!

MG Chiefs at Bizonal Parley



Gen. Lucius D. Clay, U.S. military governor, and Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British military governor, confer. —S&S Photo by Butler

Late News

Meyers Pleads Innocent in Perjury Case

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, accused of lying to the Senate War Investigating Committee about his private wartime business deals and of inducing another witness to commit perjury, pleaded innocent in Federal court today.

Meyers was indicted on three charges of perjury and on three charges that he persuaded Blieriot H. Lamarre, 35, former business associate of the general, to tell falsehoods to the Senate committee.

Lamarre also was indicted on three charges of perjury and pleaded guilty yesterday. Sentence against Lamarre was deferred pending a report from the probation officer.

Senate Unit OKs Voice of America

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—Legislation authorizing the State Department's Voice of America foreign broadcasts was approved unanimously today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Oil Shortage Grips Northeast States

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP)—An acute fuel oil shortage gripped the northern Atlantic seaboard area today as Mayor William O'Dwyer appealed to the U. S. Maritime Commission for 20 additional tankers to help the New York metropolitan area replenish its critically dwindling supply. Boston and Philadelphia also reported fuel emergencies.

Soviet Ship Off Japan Sends SOS

HONOLULU, Jan. 7 (UP)—A Russian motorship with 800 passengers radioed an SOS today she was drifting helplessly off Japan with five feet of water in her hold. The ship was believed to be the MS Dvina. It sent a distress signal requesting help from the harbor master at Hokodate, Japan. The vessel gave its position as 140 miles from Hokodate.

U.S. Warns on Rebels' Recognition

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—The U.S. sent warnings to Bulgaria and Yugoslavia today against recognizing the Communist guerrilla "government" in Greece. (Earlier story on Page 12.)

Italy Lists Names for Trieste Post

ROME, Jan. 7 (UP)—The Italian foreign minister announced today that a total of four names had been suggested by Italy for the Trieste governorship, and that an answer was still awaited from the Yugoslavs on two of the candidates. The Foreign Office spokesman said the deadline of Jan. 5, set by the United Nations for Yugoslav-Italian agreement, need not be considered as final and that if agreement were reached in the near future it would still be valid.

Calls Marshall Plan Key to World Amity

From Press Dispatches

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7—President Truman, in his annual "State of the Union" message to Congress today, called on the people of the U.S. to set themselves a goal of a prosperous new decade of internal development and promotion of world peace.

Appearing in person before a joint session of the Republican Congress, the President asked the lawmakers to help him enact a 10-year program for improving human welfare in the U.S. and to maintain world peace through "strong armed forces" and the Marshall Plan.

The President surprised the Nation by recommending a \$3,200,000,000 slash in personal income taxes, of chief benefit to low income groups, and increased taxes on rich corporations.

He outlined six major goals and made 28 specific recommendations for legislation to carry out the 10-year program for domestic prosperity and world peace.

Mr. Truman made a fervent plea for the Marshall Plan. He said:

"I want to reaffirm my belief in the soundness and promise of this proposal. When the European economy is strengthened, the product of its industry will be of benefit to many other areas of economic distress. The ability of free men to overcome hunger and despair will be a moral stimulant to the entire world.

"We intend to work also with other nations in achieving world economic recovery. We shall continue our cooperation with nations of the Western Hemisphere. A special program of assistance to China to provide urgent relief needs and to speed reconstruction will be submitted to Congress."

Without mentioning any other nation by name the President continued:

"Unfortunately, not all govern-

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Dimitrov to Visit Romania

SOFIA, Jan. 7 (AP)—A Bulgarian government spokesman told correspondents today that Premier Georgi Dimitrov will soon visit Bucharest to conclude a "friendship, collaboration and mutual aid treaty" with Romania.

Arab Mobs Bombed; 10 Die

JERUSALEM, Jan. 7 (AP)—Riding in a stolen armored car, Jews hurled two bombs into Arab crowds at the ancient Jaffa Gate and a nearby street crossing today, killing at least eight Arabs and two Armenians and injuring 42 others, it was officially announced.

Two of the bomb-throwers were killed, riddled by British police bullets, as they tried to flee over the stone wall of an ancient Moslem cemetery after the second

Speech Draws Mixed Views In Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (INS)—First Congressional reaction to President Truman's "State of the Union" message was mixed, the division of opinion adhering generally to party lines.

Some GOP Congressmen accused the President of seeking "unlimited power" over the Nation's economy, but Mr. Truman's tax adjustment program won favorable comment from a number of Republicans.

Democrats hailed the message as a strong and challenging statement.

Comments included: Sen. Eugene D. Millikin (R-Colo.), chairman of the Senate Finance Committee handling tax legislation: "The President remains committed to high taxes and high spending. The net result of his recommendation will not reduce taxes a single penny."

Rep. Frank B. Keefe (R-Wis.), member of the House Appropriations Committee: "He wants us to give him a blank check on power, and I'm opposed to that."

Regarding the Marshall Plan, Keefe said:

"I'm convinced we want a program, if at all, that will be very

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U. S. Prices Hit New High

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (UP)—The Labor Department said today preliminary estimates indicate retail food prices last Dec. 15 were higher than at any time in U.S. history. It said prices rose .5 per cent between mid-October and mid-November to a new record high, and estimates showed December retail food prices "continued their advance."

explosion flung their armored car onto the pavement. Three other Jews who fled from the car were also reported to have been arrested.

Two British police were wounded by machine gun fire from the car. This latest violence brought the post-partition death toll to 621. Meanwhile, two British soldiers were shot and wounded in King George Ave., near the center of Jerusalem, an official source said. Their condition was unknown.