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7 EUCOM Sections to Quit Frankfurt

Clay Bars Self in EC Civilian Job

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BERLIN, Jan. 9 (S&S)—Gen. Lucius D. Clay today removed himself from consideration for the post of civilian high commissioner when the State Department takes over the administration of the occupation from the Army this summer.

"I have no desire to serve my country in any capacity except as an Army officer," the military governor told *The Stars and Stripes*.

Clay's announcement last October that he had asked the Department of the Army for permission to retire sometime in 1948 led some observers to believe that he would be available as a civilian for the high commissioner's post.

His statement today ended conjecture on that point.

Clay said he had no idea who his successor would be on June 30—the date set yesterday in Washington by Secretary of State George C. Marshall for the transition from Army to civilian rule.

Expects Few Changes

He declared that the transition, which he said he had expected and urged for some time, should be quite "simple" with no catastrophic changes involved.

He said that at the present time less than one third of Military Government personnel is military and by the time the switchover occurs all soldiers in MG who desired to civilianize would have done so.

He expressed the opinion that civilians who wanted to continue working in the occupation would hold their old jobs under the State Department.

Clay said he assumed that top MG officials also would continue
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Russia Sees Crisis In Truman Talk

LONDON, Jan. 9 (UP)—Radio Moscow said today President Truman's State of the Union message was a "direct admission of the coming economic crisis in the United States, whose population already is suffering from inflation."

The broadcast said, Truman asserted in the sphere of foreign policy that the avowed aim of United States policy is the achievement of universal peace on the basis of the principles of freedom, justice and equality for all countries.

However, in presenting the concrete task of United States policy in international relations, Truman defends in essence the policy of United States intervention in the affairs of other countries (and) their economic subjugation."

Bulletin

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (INS)—New Jersey state police warned today that three trucks, each carrying enough explosives to level a large-sized city, are at large, and that great danger exists. The contraband explosives were believed to have been destined for an underground Palestine arms ring.

Sending of U.S. Marines to Jerusalem Discussed With Palestine Government



British troops and Arabs work to remove the bodies of 20 persons killed when the Haganah bombed Jerusalem's Hotel Semiramis, housing many Arabs, early this week. —N. Y. Times Photo

Force Would Guard Consulate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP)—The State Department said tonight that U.S. officials had discussed informally with the Palestine government the possibility of sending marines to guard the U. S. consulate in Jerusalem, but that no decision had been reached.

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP)—Highly qualified Whitehall informants said tonight the U.S. has asked and received approval of the Palestine government to dispatch U.S. marines to Palestine as a guard for the U.S. consulate.

This source said he did not know how many marines might be sent nor when they might arrive.

His disclosure followed a statement by the Arab Office here that "there are strong rumors that the British government has agreed that American marines be landed in Palestine to protect American institutions."

An estimated 1,000 marines left North Carolina Monday en route to complete troop complements of U. S. warships in the Mediterranean.

Arabs See Challenge

The Arab Office statement called the new move "a reckless, provocative challenge" and said the Arabs would react "with increased anger and determination."

Arab nations have been angry with the U.S. ever since the U.S.-backed plan to partition the Holy Land won United Nations approval.

Lie Urges Use of Force If Needed in Palestine

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 9 (UP)—Secretary General Trygve Lie urged the United Nations Security Council to invoke all its powers, including the use of military force if necessary.
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5 Killed in Zone

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (S&S)—Five U.S. soldiers and civilians were killed in the EC between Jan. 5 and Jan. 8, EUCOM announced today. Three of the deaths were in plane crashes, one from alcoholic poisoning and one caused by a hit-and-run driver.

20 U.S. Officers, First of 80, Flying to Advise Greek Army

(Nathan J. Margolin, a news editor of *The Stars and Stripes*, has just arrived in Athens on a month's tour to report developments in Greece. In his first dispatch he discusses operational aspects of the situation there.)

By NATHAN J. MARGOLIN
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ATHENS, Jan. 9 (S&S)—Twenty U.S. Army officers on their way from Washington by plane are the vanguard of an "operational advice" group which is ultimately scheduled to total 80 officers and 90 enlisted men, Gen. William G. Livesay, commander of the U.S. Army group in Greece, told *The Stars and Stripes* today.

Arrival of the new group of of-

1,500 Seen In Move to Heidelberg

FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (S&S) Seven sections of EUCOM Hq., involving 1,500 military and civilian personnel and their dependents, will evacuate EUCOM Hq. building and compound in Frankfurt to make room for the expansion of the bipartite agencies, EUCOM Hq. announced today.

One echelon of EUCOM Hq. will remain in Frankfurt.

The other echelon, to include offices of EUCOM chief quartermaster, chief engineer, chief surgeon, chief of ordnance, finance, transportation and chemical corps, will move to Heidelberg within the next few months.

While no definite date has been given by EUCOM for the move, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, EUCOM commander, said yesterday some of the sections would be on their way by the middle of this month.

EUCOM officials said all plans concerning the move have not been completed but it is expected that the present headquarters will operate in a manner similar to the former USFET, which had headquarters in Frankfurt, and one echelon—Theater Service Forces, ET—in Paris.

At that time the technical or supply services were grouped together in Paris and the five gen-

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Adm. Conolly Visits Forces in Trieste

TRIESTE, Jan. 9 (S&S)—Adm. Richard L. Conolly, commanding officer of the U.S. Naval forces in the Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, arrived here today to confer with U.S. and British officers in Trieste.

The admiral, who came here from his London headquarters aboard the destroyer *Gearing*, is the highest-ranking American Naval officer to visit Trieste.

Conolly joined Maj. Gen. Bryant E. Moore, CG of U.S. forces in Trieste, in a review of units of the 351st Inf. Regt.

45,000 Join Ruhr Strikes

HAMBURG, Jan. 9 (UP)—Shortage of essential food and continued black market operations in the Ruhr brought two large-scale labor disputes into the open today, as 35,000 workers walked out in Solingen, near Wuppertal, and another 10,000 roamed the streets of Essen, to the southwest.

The strikers claimed their protests were not against the employers, and so would last only today. They are expected to go back to work tomorrow.

A mass meeting of 6,000 of the strikers in the Solingen town hall demanded punishment of black market operators and a readjustment of food rationing to prevent forgery of the cards.

Munich Transport Strike Protests Ration Change

MUNICH, Jan. 9 (S&S)—One thousand Munich streetcar and bus workers went on a protest strike here this morning against a decision by the bizonal food and agriculture agency to cut off their heavy workers' rations in the 110th ration period.

Trade union leaders predicted the strike would end tomorrow.

Turk Navymen Prepare To Take Home U.S. Craft

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 9 (AP)—A contingent of Turkish navy personnel will debark from the U.S. Navy tanker *Tappahannock* at Norfolk Naval station tomorrow for training preparatory to taking a number of small U.S. Navy craft to Turkey. Two groups of more than 200 officers and men arrived early in December.

Commissaries Up Allowances to Families, Messes

By DWIGHT SCHEAR
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FRANKFURT, Jan. 9 (S&S)—An increase in the monthly monetary allowance in commissary purchases for members of a family or type B messes was announced today by the EUCOM quartermaster office. The new allowance is effective immediately.

Each of the first two commissary customers in a family mess is now permitted to buy \$55 worth of food a month, instead of the previous \$45 worth, officials said.

The third to the tenth consumer in a family or type B mess may purchase \$50 worth of food apiece under the new allowance system. Additional members from 11 to 50 are allowed \$45 worth each, while each consumer over 50 may buy \$40 worth of food a month.

Under the previous allowance, any member of a single mess except the first two was limited to a monthly purchase of \$40.

Officials stated that the increase resulted from a staff study which followed a general upswing of commissary prices the first of the year. They expressed a belief that the increase was sufficient to cover price jumps.

Soviet Housing Plan Fails

MOSCOW, Jan. 9 (INS)—Soviet labor came under heavy fire from one of its outstanding leaders today for failure to fulfill satisfactorily the 1947 housing program. A labor newspaper said the criticism was voiced by Vassili Kuznetsov, president of the General Council of Trade Unions.