Speculation Rife On British Defense Bases In Middle East

CYPRUS SEEN POSSIBLE NEW HEADQUARTERS

Jews and Arabs Argue Merits of Respective Zones of Influence.

By JOHN A. THALE
Times Foreign Correspondent

JERUSALEM, Palestine, Oct. 24.—The location of Britain's future defense bases for the Middle East is the subject of wide speculation currently. Interest is particularly high as to what part Palestine may play in future plans of the British general staff.

Mr. Thale

There have been countless rumors about where the British may locate their pivotal defenses of the Suez canal lifeline when they finally withdraw from their traditional bases in Egypt. Kenya, British colony halfway down the west coast of Africa, has been consistently mentioned as a possible alternate to Egypt as the site of a main British base.

There has been speculation that the British might seek to use Crete as a naval base in place of Alexandria.

Cyprus May Be Headquarters

Haifa, deepwater port for Palestine, also has been mentioned as a possible fleet base, although it could offer only limited accommodation.

The island of Cyprus, currently the site of internment camps for the detention of Jewish refugees caught trying to enter Palestine illegally, may fit somewhere into the plans of the British Mediterranean commanders.

Persistent rumors are reaching here today that the British have already started preparing facilities on Cyprus with an eye to shifting their general headquarters there from Cairo. Sea and air forces might also be based on the island.

Whether the evacuation of Egypt shall take one, two or three years is still a matter of debate. But the British government has given its word it will move out.

Line to Be East of Suez

Meanwhile, for defense of the Suez canal and protection of the fabulously rich oil concessions of the Middle East, it seems apparent that the British will maintain a Middle East defense line east of Suez.

In Palestine, both Arab and Jewish factions argue that they respectively could offer the British more secure foundations in this critical area.

The Arabs argue that militantly nationalistic Zionism might constitute a threat to British bases and that a weak Jewish minority would be safer for British interests east of Suez.

Foreign Secretary Briefed

Jewish leaders declare that in Palestine Jewish settlers offer the advantages of the only large, homogenous European community in the Middle East. In future years, they say, industrialization, if allowed to grow, could be quickly converted to war production which would be able to provide much of the materials essential to the defense of the Middle East.

Arab leaders also point to the danger of a Zionist swing toward Russia and to the strongly anti-Communist stand currently being fostered by potentates of the Arab world.

The chances are that British foreign secretary Ernest Bevin is being briefed currently on the military situation and needs in the Mediterranean and Middle East.

Lt. Gen. Sir Evelyn Barker, who has just been relieved as general officer commanding British troops in Palestine and Transjordan, left here over the week-end for England. Also in London at present are Gen. Crawford from Athens and Gen. Dempsey from Cairo.

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U. S. STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24 (U. P.).—Government expenses and receipts for the current fiscal year through Oct 22, compared with a year ago:

	This Year	Last Year
Expenses	$11,413,049,755	$26,583,320,383
Receipts	11,348,686,473	12,659,076,196
Deficit	64,363,281	13,924,241,187
Cash Bal.	8,072,862,196	13,576,980,150
Pub. Debt	263,742,061,203	262,072,624,982
Gold Res.	20,303,599,242	20,038,710,848

INDIANAPOLIS CLEARING HOUSE

Clearings	$ 7,021,000
Debits	18,119,000

INCORPORATIONS

Whittington Pump & Engineering Corp., 245 S. Meridian, Indianapolis; agent, Wm. P. Whittington, 7620 Central ave., Indianapolis; 1600 shares of $50 par value; Wm. P. Whittington, Enid C. Whittington, George C. Joslin, Sylvia M. Gregory, Dick W. Whittington.

Worthington-Epps, Inc., 129 E. Market st., 917, Indianapolis; agent, John T. Rocap, same address; 1000 shares without par value; general manufacturing business; Carroll C. Worthington, Joshua D. Epps, John T. Rocap.

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Army Hitch Helped Develop Job

Horace Schwerin plots on graph how soprano reacted on radio audience.

Told off Generals, Now Tells Public How to Tell off Radio

By MARC J. PARSONS
NEA Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—An enthusiastic young man who got a medal from the army telling off the generals about G. I. likes and dislikes now is giving radio audiences their first chance to tell program producers just what they think of their programs.

The young man is Horace Schwerin, and his selected cross-sections of the radio listening audience are making the producers jump to improve their offerings.

"Research is no substitute for creative ability," Mr. Schwerin says. "What we hope to be able to do is give the public more of what it likes to hear and less of what it dislikes. But it will be up to the producers and writers to make the changes. We can only tell them how the audience feels about it."

Worked 11 Years

Mr. Schwerin and a little group of associates have been working 11 years to perfect their audience reaction tests. His stretch in the army gave him the big testing groups necessary to prove his prewar "inspired guesses" were correct.

Now Mr. Schwerin is sure that he can give the right audience reaction to every single minute of every program tested. NBC is just as sure. They hired his research company to test their programs.

Mr. Schwerin's listening audience doesn't groan when a sweet young singer hits a high note, slightly off key. They simply put a check on a piece of paper, and the sum total of those checks tells the producer whether he had beter hire a new singer.

Pick Unknown

The same audience, in a competitive audition for a singing job on a new program, gave the nod of approval to a young, unknown singer who tried out against several "big names" in radio.

Up to now, Mr. Schwerin has been testing the reactions of selected cross-sections of the radio audience in groups of 300 to 600 at a time. The audience only hears the program and never sees the actual performers.

Minute by minute the listeners score their opinion—good, fair and poor. When the program ends, there is a general audience discussion of the offering, and votes are taken on salient features.

Continues Reaction

On the basis of this information, Mr. Schwerin prepares a graph showing the continuous audience reaction to every minute of the program. Through a mechanical tie-up with a recorded play-back of the show, the program director can watch the composite reaction of the audience as the program progressed.

It is up to the director to find some way to pull up the valleys of audience disapproval.

Mr. Schwerin expects to have available soon an electronic "Reactocaster" which will relieve the test audience of marking cards. With the new device, listeners can record their opinions on punch cards simply by moving a switch back and forth.

Hog Prices Up $1 as Receipts Drop Here; Cattle Are Steady

Hog prices were up $1 at the Indianapolis stockyards today as receipts dropped to 7875 from yesterday's 8200.

The cattle market, with slightly increased receipts, was steady, with no price change registered by noon. Vealers and lambs also held a steady footing.

Receipts today were 1150 cattle, 425 calves and 1025 sheep.

GOOD TO CHOICE HOGS (7875)

Butchers	
120- 140 pounds	$24.00
140- 160 pounds	24.00
160- 180 pounds	24.00@24.10
180- 200 pounds	24.00@24.25
200- 220 pounds	24.00@24.25
220- 240 pounds	24.00@24.25
240- 270 pounds	24.00@24.15
270- 300 pounds	24.00@24.10
300- 330 pounds	24.00
330- 360 pounds	24.00
Medium—	
160- 220 pounds	22.00@23.50
Packing Sows	
Good to Choice—	
270- 300 pounds	23.00@23.50
300- 330 pounds	23.00@23.50
330- 360 pounds	23.00@23.50
360- 400 pounds	22.75@23.50
Good—	
400- 450 pounds	22.50@23.00
450- 550 pounds	22.25@23.00
Medium—	
250- 550 pounds	20.00@22.[illegible]
Slaughter Pigs	
Medium to Good—	
90- 120 pounds	23.00@24.00

CATTLE (1150)

Choice—	
700- 900 pounds	22.00@28.00
900-1100 pounds	22.00@28.00
1100-1300 pounds	23.00@29.00
1300-1500 pounds	23.00@29.00
Good—	
700- 900 pounds	16.50@22.00
900-1100 pounds	17.50@22.00
1100-1300 pounds	17.50@23.00
1300-1500 pounds	17.50@23.00
Medium—	
700-1100 pounds	13.00@18.00
1100-1300 pounds	14.00@18.00
Common—	
700-1100 pounds	12.00@14.00
Heifers	
600- 800 pounds	22.00@26.00
800-1000 pounds	22.00@26.00
Good—	
600- 800 pounds	17.00@22.00
800-1000 pounds	17.00@22.00
Medium—	
500- 900 pounds	13.00@17.50
Common—	
500- 900 pounds	11.50@13.50
Cows (all weights)	
Good	14.00@18.00
Medium	12.00@14.00
Cutter and common	8.00@12.00
Canner	6.00@ 8.00
Bulls (all weights)	
Beef—	
Good (all weights)	15.50@16.00
Sausage—	
Good	14.50@15.50
Medium	11.50@14.50
Cutter and common	10.00@11.50
CATTLE (1150)	
Good and choice	21.00@22.00
Common and medium	14.50@21.00
Culls (75 pounds up)	11.00@14.50
Feeder and Stocker Cattle and Calves	
Steers	
Choice—	
500- 800 pounds	16.50@17.50
800-1050 pounds	16.50@17.50
Good—	
500- 800 pounds	14.00@16.50
800-1050 pounds	14.00@16.50
Medium—	
500-1000 pounds	12.50@14.00
Common—	
500- 900 pounds	10.00@12.50

SHEEP (1025)

Lambs	
Choice (closely sorted)	20.50
Good and choice	19.00@20.00
Medium and good	16.00@18.50
Common	12.00@15.50
Ewes (Shorn)	
Good and choice	7.00@ 8.00
Common and medium	6.00@ 7.00

TRUCK WHEAT

Indianapolis flour mills and grain elevators are paying $2.01 per bushel for No. 1 red wheat (other grades on their merit), corn, new, No. 2 yellow, $1.27 per bushel, and No. 2 white, $1.42 per bushel; oats, testing 34 pounds or better, 79c bushel; No. 2 yellow soy beans, 14 per cent moisture, $3.00.

ESSAY WINNERS ARE GUESTS OF VFW POST

Three local high school students were honor guests at the 21st birthday party of Frank T. Strayer post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at 210 E. Ohio st., last night.

They were Shirley Schaffner and Richard Drake, Shortridge, and Delores Smith, Howe, winners of the post's annual essay contest.

Fred K. Myles, director of U. S. veterans employment for Indiana, was principal speaker. He stressed the importance of providing jobs for ex-servicemen.

PRICE OF TUBES UP

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24 (U. P.).—A price increase of 14 per cent for radio receiver tubes and 18 per cent on tube parts has been granted by OPA, effective next Monday. Also affected are tubes for hearing aid appliances, audio amplifications, public address systems and intercommunication circuits.

BUSINESS—

'CLOSED SHOP' IS BRITISH ISSUE

Question of Government Employees Dodged.

By EDWIN A. LAHEY
Times Foreign Correspondent

LONDON, Oct. 24.—The powerful trades union congress has indorsed the closed shop.

But it studiously sidestepped the real issue.

The issue is:

Shall local and national government agencies, controlled by labor party representatives, require public employees to become members of T. U. C. unions?

The 1927 trades union disputes act forbade government agencies to make union membership a condition of employment. This act was repealed by the Labor parliament in recent months in accordance with a campaign pledge. The repeal leaves the way open for government agencies, both local and national, to solidify the T. U. C. position in public services and industries already nationalized or scheduled to be nationalized.

Coal May Be First Step

The first critical case will probably be in the newly nationalized coal mines. One small section of the industry, in South Wales, has the checkoff system and the miner's union is expected to press the coal board for a national agreement to include the checkoff.

To date there have been no demands on the part of the T. C. U. to make union membership a condition of employment in any government agency. The closed shop, as known in the United States, where a "representative union" bargains with a specific corporation for union security under the terms of the Wagner act, is unknown in Britain. Here negotiations are conducted on an industry-wide basis, with many unions involved.

50 Unions in One Shop

British unions grew like Topsy, with no sharp jurisdictional lines and joint industrial boards, in which wages and conditions are negotiated, may have many unions represented on them.

Workers in one large British railway repair shop belong to 50 different unions.

The only trades where the closed shop as known in the U. S. has been clearly outlined are the typographical union and actors Equity.

The T. U. C. resolution stressed this point, stating that the congress has no wish to close shops to other trade unions, but only to non-union members.

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LOCAL ISSUES

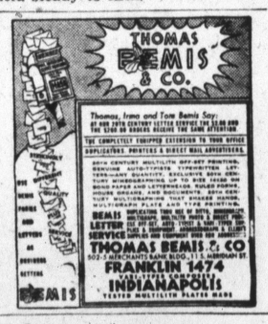
Nominal quotations furnished by Indianapolis securities dealers:

STOCKS	Bid	Asked
Agents Fin Corp com	7½	....
Agents Fin Corp pfd	19	....
American States pfd	24	25
American States cl A	33	....
*L. S. Ayres 4½% pfd	109	....
Ayrshire Col com	26	29
Belt R Stk Yds com	33	....
Belt R Stk Yds pfd	60	....
Bobbs-Merrill 4½% pfd	75	....
Bobbs-Merrill com	15	....
Central Soya com	27	29
Circle Theater com	78	81
Comwlth Loan 4% pfd	102	105
Consolidated Industries com	¾	1⅛
Consolidated Industries pfd	3½	4¼
Cons Fin Corp pfd	97	....
Delta Electric com	14½	16½
Electronic Lab com	3	3½
Ft Wayne & Jackson RR pfd	93	99
Herff-Jones cl A pfd	14½	15½
Hook Drug Co com	24½	27
Ind Asso Tel Co 2 pfd	51	....
Ind & Mich Elec 4½% pfd	108	110
Indpls P & L com	25½	27½
Indpls P & L 4% pfd	109	112
Indianapolis Water pfd	106	....
Indpls Water cl A com	19½	21
Indpls Railways com	14½	15½
Jeff Nat Life com	15½	17
Kingan & Co com	5⅝	6⅝
*Kingan & Co pfd	84	89
Lincoln Loan Co 5½s pfd	100	....
Lincoln Nat Life 5½ pfd	74½	77½
Marmon Herrington com	8⅛	9
Mastic Asphalt	6¾	7½
Natl Homes com	11½	....
N Ind Pub Serv 5%	106½	109
N Ind Pub Serv com	16½	17¾
P R Mallory com	21¾	23¾
Progress Laundry com	23½	26
Pub Serv of Ind com	36½	39
Pub Serv of Ind 3½% pfd	99	101½
Ross Gear & Tool com	29	32
So Ind G & E 4.3% pfd	109½	112½
Stokely-Van Camp pfd	21	22
Stokely-Van Camp com	27½	29
Terre Haute Malleable	7¼	8⅜
U S Machine com	2⅛	2¾
United Tel Co 5%	99	....
Union Title com	42	....
BONDS		
American Loan 4½s 60	97	....
American Loan 4½s 58	97	....
Buhner Fertilizer 5s 54	97	....
Ch of Com Bldg 4½s 61	96	....
Citizens Ind Tel 4½s 61	103	....
Columbia Club 1½s 56	85	....
Consol Fin 5s 66	97	....
Hamilton Mfg Co 5s 56	97	....
Hoosier Crown 5s 56	97	....
Indpls Brass & Alum 5s 56	97	....
Indpls P&L 3⅛s 70	105½	107
Indpls Railways Co 5s 67	88	93
Ind Asso Tel Co 3s 75	104	....
Investors Telephone 3s 61	96	99
Kuhner Packing Co 4s 54	99	....
N Ind Pub Serv 3⅛s 73	105	107
Pub Serv of Ind 3⅛s 75	105½	107½
Pub Tel 4½s 35	100	....
Williamson Inc 5s 55	97	....
Trac Term Corp 5s 57	94	98

*Ex-dividend.

INDUSTRIAL STOCKS DECLINE

NEW YORK, Oct. 24 (U. P.).—Industrial stocks declined today while railroad and utility issues held steady to firm.



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FRANCE IS HAVING MEAT TROUBLE, TOO

PARIS, Oct. 24 (U. P.).—France faced a serious meat shortage today as farmers doggedly refused to sell beef-on-the-hoof at the government ceiling price of 21 cents a pound.

Only 900 head of cattle were in the Paris stockyards today, which normally accommodate more than 4000. Meat traders said that in a few days there will be practically no fresh beef available.

RUBBER PLASMA BAG PATENTED

Permits Pressure Use in Blood Transfusions.

By Science Service

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Blood transfusion apparatus quite different from the type generally employed in this country has just been patented here by a Swiss inventor, Rudolf Bucher of Basel.

Instead of the familiar inverted bottle, Mr. Bucher uses a flexible rubber bag to contain the whole blood or plasma to be placed in the patient's vein.

This permits the force of gravity, ordinarily the sole reliance for producing flow of the transfused blood, to be supplemented by pressure, if desired. Pressure may be applied in several ways directly to the outside of the bag, or it may be produced by inflating a small balloon inside the bag by means of an ordinary syringe bulb.

Between the bag and the outlet nipple to which the customary needle-bearing rubber tube as attached is a flat filter, the insure that no bubbles or solid foreign particles get into the patient's circulation. This filter is easily removable for cleaning and sterilization.

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Eggs: Current receipts, 54 lbs. to case, 42c; grade A large, 54c; medium, 49c; small, 32c; grade B large, 46c; no grade, 25c.

Butterfat: No. 1, 82c No. 2, 79c.

2600-Pound Litter Takes First Place

Times State Service

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Oct. 24.—Elmer Wheeler, Westfield farmer, led all other entrants in the Hamilton county ton litter contest this year, County Agent O. V. Winks has announced.

Mr. Wheeler's litter of 13 pigs weighed a total of 2820 pounds at the age of six months, an average of 217 pounds per pig.

Other top litters were: Marvin Whisman, Cicero, 11 pigs, 2600 pounds; J. B. Todd, Noblesville, 11 pigs, 2400 pounds; Gerald Johnson, Atlanta, 10 pigs 2215 pounds; Howard Bragg, Westfield, 11 pigs, 2182 pounds.

Three of the winning litters were hybrids, while Mr. Whisman's litter was purebred Hampshires. Mr. Todd entered a registered Chester White litter.

SHERIDAN TOMATO STATION IS CLOSED

Times State Service

SHERIDAN, Ind., Oct. 24.—The Sheridan receiving station for the Stokely Packing Co. on the Clyde Ogle farm, west of here, has closed after an unusually satisfactory season. Three hundred truck loads of tomatoes were shipped from the receiving station to various Stokely plants during the tomato harvest this year.

Some of the growers reported tomato yields as high as 20 tons to the acre, and the average price paid at the receiving station was $32 per ton. Mrs. Clyde Ogle is manager of the station.

MOST UNWELCOME

KANKAKEE, Ill., Oct. 24 (U. P.).—While Mel Martin sat in his easy chair and read "The Unwelcome Guest" last night two bandits entered his home, taking $200 in cash and $950 in jewelry.

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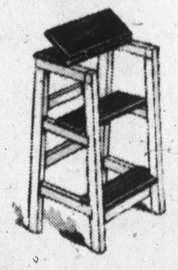

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