

Greek Home No Haven As Guerrilla Fighting Grows More Intense

Behind Exhaustive Conflict Looms Clashing Interests of 2 Great Powers—U. S. and USSR

By NED SPARKS, Times Foreign Correspondent
VELOS, Greece, Jan. 2—You fight violence with violence and the results are more violence.

Two starving dogs fight madly over the same bone. They may both die in the battle of flashing jaws, but they'll never share.

That's the tragic story of Greece today. War to the primitive death. Spying and counter-spying. No man safe in his own home.

Velos, a shabby city of 50,000, is one example. It is a city besieged, not by armies or planes but by Communist-led guerrillas.

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their (Communist) party.

It wouldn't be cricket to say that all guerrillas are Communists, although the leaders certainly are. Many are just hardy hillbillies, who find the rebel life of shooting and looting a lot more fun than plodding behind a flock of smelly sheep.

Others have personal gripes against the government, or have been pressed into service.

But no matter what they're fighting for or against, they're playing Moscow's game—which is to exhaust this country into the Red orbit.

And they're enemies of the United States, for (under the Truman doctrine) we are backing up the Greek government with supplies, supervision and suggestions.

When dawn comes the guerrillas pop back into their caves—or return to their homes in town—for who can tell who is who? Then the army makes a spot check on the night of violence. The chit will read like this:

—One train fired on.

—A village, five miles south of Volos, raided. Two houses burnt.

Six peasants kidnapped into the hills—where they will be given the choice of joining the guerrillas or their ancestors. The bank opened up like a can of beef and 5 million drachmas "borrowed."

—A dispatch rider on a motorcycle snatched on a wire drawn across the highway—then finished off in a ditch.

—Six rebels kaput while crossing a road on mules.

That's the kind of war it is in and around besieged Velos. And behind the battle two great powers, the Soviet Union and the United States.

The guerrillas just run riot. They come out of their holes just after dark to carry out their orders.

Your Income Tax Primer—No. 10

If More Than 5 Per Cent Spent On Health You Can Claim Deduction

Alimony, Safety Box Rental, Real Estate Tax On Co-op Residence Also Exempt

By S. BURTON HEATH
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 2—The income tax law assumes that it is normal for a family to spend 5 per cent of its gross income on doctors, surgeons, dentists, nurses, medicines and other health items. You can deduct only what you spent in excess of that "normal" amount.

Few families have a deduction here. If you think that you may have one, dig out your bills, search your memory, and list what you actually spent during 1947—for family and dependents—on hospital, health, surgical and accident insurance premiums; to doctors, surgeons, dentists, nurses, hospitals, clinics, laboratories; for X-ray, anesthesia, operating room fees; for medicines, both prescription and patent; for ambulance hire; for false teeth, artificial limbs, hearing aids, glass eyes, spectacles (including examination and prescription fees); for boarding nurses; for travel essential to getting medical and surgical care, including living expenses while on trips away from home for that purpose; for sojourns in convalescent homes by direction of your physician.

Add these. Subtract any reimbursement received from insurance, workman's compensation, your employer, or a person who contributed voluntarily or by court order, because of his responsibility.

Up to 5 Per Cent Medical Expense
Now take 5 per cent of Item 6, page 1.

If your medical expenses were greater than 5 per cent of Item 6, you can deduct the difference. If not, forget it.

If you do have a claim, either write your expenditures in the space provided on page 3, or list them on a separate sheet, to be attached to your return. Subtract any reimbursement received. On the "net expenses" line, show the net cost of these things to you.

On the next line show 5 per cent of Item 6. Subtract that from "net" expenses. The remainder is your deduction. It goes in the right-hand column, with one limitation:

If the return is for yourself alone, the deduction cannot be more than \$1250. If the return shows two or more exemptions, the deduction cannot be more than \$2500.

The most common miscellaneous deductions for Page 3 are alimony,

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paid periodically (but not necessarily at regular intervals) under a court order; safe deposit box rental; your share of mortgage interest and real estate taxes on a co-operative residence; the special flat \$500 extra exemption allowed to a blind person.

Here, also, is the place to charge those business expenses, described in the fifth article, that could not be subtracted from your wages for Item 2.

And here you can deduct anything you paid a lawyer or accountant last year to advise or help prepare your income tax return.

The Computation
Page 3 now shows all allowable deductions. The total for each group is in the right-hand column under "Amount." Add the figures in that column to get your Total Deductions.

If your total income (Item 6, Page 1) is \$5000 or more, and your total deductions are under \$500, forget them and take the standard deduction as described in the eighth article.

If your total income is less than \$5000, and your total deductions are more than 10% of income, forget them and use the Tax Table as described in the eighth article.

But if your total deductions are more than \$500—or more than 10% of an under-\$5000 income—enter their total on Line 2 of the Tax Computation schedule at the bottom of page 3 of Form 1040.

A Final Warning
Subtract them from Line 1, just as we did the standard deduction in the eighth article, to get Line 3. Then go on just as though you had used the standard deduction.

If, in the end, you use your own deductions, leave them listed on page 3. But if you decide finally to use the standard deduction, cross off the deductions on page 3 with a big, impressive X.

And if you decide, after all, to use the tax table, just tear off pages 3 and 4 along the perforation. File only pages 1 and 2.

That is all—except for one final warning: If you have prepared a joint husband-wife return, and Line 5 in the Tax Computation Schedule shows more than \$2000, you may be losing money by not separating \$600,000 fires, causing damage of your incomes and filing individually, about \$580 million.

Hospital insurance premiums	24.00	
Hospital charges not covered	18.50	
Doctors, surgeons, dentists	277.00	
Drugs, medicines, X-ray	47.70	
Net Expenses (not compensated by insurance or otherwise)	367.20	
Enter 5 percent of item 6, page 1, and subtract from Net Expenses	186.23	
Allowable Medical and Dental Expenses. See Instruction for Limitation		180.97
Entert'g customers (153.25); S.D. box (16.50)	169.75	
Trade Mags (12); help with I.T. return (5)	17.00	
Alimony (360); Xmas gifts, customers (8.85)	368.85	
Blg garage rental (see Bus. Exp. Schedule)	50.00	
Total Miscellaneous Deductions		606.00
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		990.51

Here are the Dec's last two deduction schedules. The Miscellaneous list includes business expenses John could not charge against his pay in Item 2. Added to yesterday's deduction total \$990.51. This is much more than the table allows. They save \$117.54 by using these deductions on page 3. Their tax, computed there, is \$139.46. They enter that in Item 7, page 1—complete that schedule—ask for refund of \$73.54 overpaid in withholding tax—and answer the six questions.

7. Enter your tax from table on page 4, or from line 12, page 3: 139.46

8. How much have you paid on your 1947 income tax?
(A) By withholding from your wages: 213.20
(B) By payments on 1947 Declaration of Estimated Tax: 0
Enter total here: 213.20

9. If your tax (item 7) is larger than payments (item 8), enter BALANCE OF TAX DUE here: 73.54

10. If your payments (item 8) are larger than your tax (item 7), enter the OVERPAYMENT here: 73.54

If you filed a return for a prior year, what was the latest year? 1946
To which Collector's office did you pay amount claimed in item 8 (B), above? Same
I declare under the penalties of perjury that this return (including any accompanying schedules and statements) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct, and complete return.

Reichard Named To West Point
Donald G. Reichard, 5234 W. 15th St., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Reichard, has been appointed to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

Mr. Reichard, who was serving with the 970 Counter Intelligence Corps in Germany, was one of 17 enlisted men chosen to attend the academy prep-school on the basis of competitive examinations given to 34 men in his service area.

After completing his prep-school Mr. Reichard will take examinations with 160 other appointees to compete for the academy vacancies which remain after presidential and congressional appointments have been filled.

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Gates Calls for Study Of UMT Week of Jan. 5
Gov. Gates today proclaimed the week of Jan. 5 to Jan. 12 as Universal Military Training Week in Indiana.

Sponsored by the American Legion, the week is to be used to study the proposed Universal Military Training plan for all young men in the country, the Governor said.

U. S. FIRE LOSS HIGH
The National Fire Protection Association estimates that last year a grim picture in his 48-page bookman have been chosen directors of Class 62 of the McCammon Course in Speaking.

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FBI to Step Up Monopoly Drive

Anti-Trust Unit Asks Million Budget Boost

By MARSHALL McNEIL
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 2—The Justice Department hopes to step up its campaign against monopoly.

This was indicated today when it was learned that the anti-trust division had asked an increase of nearly \$1 million in its appropriation for the next fiscal year.

How its request fares in the budget bureau will not be known until the President submits the fiscal '48 budget to Congress early next month. It probably will be early summer before Congress makes up its mind on the anti-trust allocation.

Check on Deceit
Part of the increase, it is believed, would be used to establish a group of experts to help police consent decrees resulting from civil anti-trust suits.

For example, the division with the help of the FBI has been checking for a long time on the decrease in the oil pipeline case of several years ago.

Similarly, the anti-trust lawyers of the department for more than a year have been investigating charges of monopolistic practices against the Railway Express Agency. Some western railroads have complained.

Whether a civil suit shall be filed is now under consideration, with a decision expected soon. This could be one of the outstanding anti-trust actions of the year.

Organized in 1928
The Railway Express Agency, formed in 1928, is owned by some 70 railroads, but controlled by only about eight, it is claimed.

Railway Express has branched out into motor truck transport and into air express, both of these operations nominally regulated by the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Civil Aeronautics Board.

The anti-trust division already has moved against monopolies in the cost-of-living field, and with additional money to finance its operations, it probably would broaden the scope of these activities.

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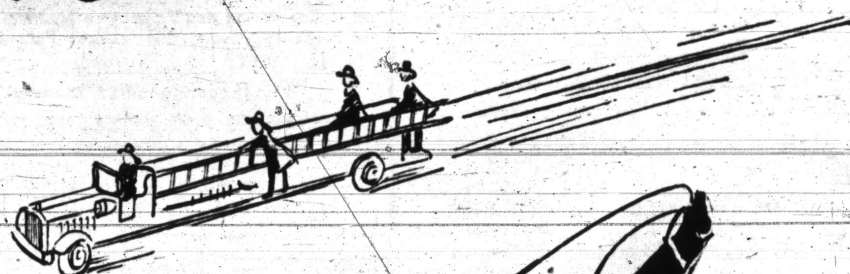
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