

Europe Advised U. S. Is Ready To Aid Colonies

ECA at Paris Sets Up Machinery
To Carry Out Truman's Program

The United States prepared today to help Marshall Plan countries develop their colonies.

Economic Co-Operation Administration headquarter at Paris announced that it is working on plans to enlarge colonial port facilities, extend railroad and other communication lines, build power plants and improve health conditions.

ECA officials said the program would be in line with President Truman's proposal to aid under-developed areas of the world.

Hall ERP Aid

Plans for the colonial program are being readied under the direction of Dr. John Orchard, an expert on economic geography who recently was named an adviser to ECA Ambassador W. Averell Harriman.

Extension of Marshall aid to colonial areas was announced as ECA and foreign officials alike were hailing accomplishments in the first year of Marshall Aid.

Mr. Harriman said in a "Voice of America" broadcast that the Western European nations had "fully justified" American confidence in them during the first 12 months of the European Recovery program.

France's Share

French Finance Minister Maurice Piatte told his countrymen in another broadcast that Marshall Plan aid had paid for almost half of France's imports during the past year, had supplied almost two-thirds of France's cotton and one-half its oil and had furnished one-quarter of the nation's wheat.

From London, British Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee cabled President Truman that American aid had transformed the economic scene in western Europe "to a degree which must astonish all of us."

Soviet Union

ON the day the North Atlantic Treaty was to be signed, the official Communist organ, Pravda, loosed another blast at the pact, charging that it seeks to intimidate states unwilling to submit to Anglo-American dictation.

Costa Rica

PROVISIONAL President Jose Figueres was in firm control of Costa Rica after crushing a week-end revolt led by his defense minister, Edgar Cardona.

Twenty persons were killed and about 100 injured in sporadic fighting in San Jose. Rebel leaders were jailed.

China

THE strategic railway center of Sinyang, 280 miles west of Nanking, fell to the Communists as peace talks proceeded at Peiping.

Austria

BIG FOUR deputies deadlocked again at London today in a dispute over Soviet oil concessions in Austria.

The United States, Great Britain and France pressed for creation of a sub-committee of technicians to work out details of the concessions. Russia refused to go into such a sub-committee until all four powers agreed in principle that the Soviet Union should get oil properties representing 60 per cent of Austria's oil production.

The West refused to raise its offer of 58 per cent, and the exchange got nowhere.

Italy

EXTRA guards were posted around the American and British embassies today against any possible Communist disturbances in connection with the signing of the Atlantic Pact.

Italian authorities also ordered special precautions at the U. S. and British consulates in all major cities and at Italian government buildings.

Great Britain

Millions of Britons vote this week in county council elections that will provide a preview to next year's general election. Some voted today.

The elections are expected to give a sampling of the governing Labor Party's strength after nearly four years of socialism.

Winston Churchill's Conservative Party is counting heavily on a victory.

Dr. Wells Takes Over as Chairman



Dr. Agnes E. Wells

Anita Pollitzer

Dr. Agnes E. Wells, dean emeritus of Indiana University and now resident of Saginaw, Mich., takes over as chairman of the National Women's Party during its convention in Washington. Congratulating her is retiring Chairman Anita Pollitzer, New York City.

Health Board Starts Drive Against VD

Officials Estimate 10% of Indianapolis Residents Afflicted

An intensive "appeal to the public" campaign to eradicate disease in Indianapolis was launched today by the City Board of Health.

Aimed at cutting down the city's high toll, city officials have enlisted the aid of the press, radio and industry.

State health officials have estimated that every tenth person walking the streets of Great Indianapolis has a venereal disease. They believe that a number of the afflicted persons are not aware of it.

"Four of Indianapolis' large industries and many smaller ones are cooperating in our 'stamp out VD' campaign," City Health Director Dr. Gerald Kemp said.

18 Deaths Last Year

Dr. George Bowman, director of the city's Rapid Treatment Center, 1140 E. Market St., said that the city's venereal rate is "higher in spot" than last year.

The annual health report for Indianapolis showed that 16 persons died of syphilis last year.

Dr. Kemp noted in the report that there was a marked increase of the disease among teen-agers.

"We expected a higher percentage of venereal disease as a direct result of the war," Dr. Kemp said. "While this has materialized, we do notice that it has jumped up alarmingly among young people."

Industries co-operating with the health board include the International Harvester Co., P. R. Mallory Co., Allison Division of General Motors and Kingan & Co.

Distributes Literature

The firms are distributing educational literature concerning venereal disease to all plant personnel. Posters are being displayed, which point out the advisability of treatment.

The programs are aimed, according to Dr. Kemp, at finding cases of venereal diseases more quickly, at encouraging infected persons to continue treatment until cured and at developing interest in a long-range program of community education.

Fined in Crash, License Suspended

Glenn E. Mittendorf, 20, of 101 N. Grant Ave., was fined \$75 and costs and his license was suspended for six months today in Municipal Court 3 as a result of an auto collision early yesterday at Virginia Ave. and Prospect St.

Mittendorf's car struck one driven by Virgil V. Perkins, 25, of 1850 N. Pennsylvania St., composing room superintendent of The Times, who had stopped for the intersection light. Mr. Perkins was uninjured but both cars were damaged extensively, police said.

Judgment was withheld on drunk and reckless driving charges but Mittendorf was fined no charge of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

8 Local Students Win IU Sorority Offices

Times State Service BLOOMINGTON, Apr. 4—Eight Indiana University students from Indianapolis today had been elected officers of campus social sororities. They were:

Sigma Kappa—Ann Hutchison, R. E. 14; President: Joann Barnard, 818 Broadmoor Drive; 1st vice-chairman: Dorothy Case, 111 N. Pennsylvania St.; social chairman:

Alpha Gamma Delta—Betty Wroce, 20, 1015 W. Ohio St.; 1st vice-chairman: Weirick, 401, Pennsylvania St.; treasurer:

Sorority—Katherine K. Kipp, 1015 W. Ohio St.; 1st vice-chairman: social chairman:

2 Escape Uninjured As Plane Hits Wires

PLYMOUTH, Apr. 4 (UPI)—Alan Nusbaum, 26, Bremen, landed his Piper Cub cruiser airplane safely yesterday after the craft tore loose electric wires near the airport here.

Damage was estimated at several hundred dollars and circuits were down for a few hours. Mr. Nusbaum, an Air Force veteran, and a companion, Robert Fisher, Bremen, were unhurt.

Gen. Hitchcock Attends Air Guard Conference

Brig. Gen. Robinson Hitchcock, adjutant general of Indiana, reported to Orlando Air Force Base, Orlando, Fla., this week-end to attend the Air National Guard conference today through Wednesday.

Also attending are commanding officers of Air National Guard groups.

Worker Hurt in Fall Reported 'Fair'

John E. Pawley, 41, of 704 N. Capitol Ave., was reported in "fair" condition at Methodist Hospital today after being injured early Sunday morning.

Mr. Pawley, an employee of the Dennis Trucking Co., 810 N. Missouri St., suffered cuts and bruises when he fell 10 feet to the ground while helping install a hot water heating tank at the Wm. H. Block Co.

REK INGRAM FACES COURT

TOPEKA, Kas., Apr. 4 (UPI)—Rek Ingram, film and stage star known best for his portrayal of "De Lawd" in "The Green Pastures" faced arraignment in federal court today on charges of enticing a 16-year-old Salina, Kas., girl to New York for immoral purposes.

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Home Planners To Hear Morse

Dan F. Morse, development engineer for the Indianapolis Water Co., will speak at the fifth session of the School for Home Planners tomorrow night in Stuart Hall at Technical High School. He will speak on water extensions, a n d adequate service.

Other speakers will be John E. Kleinhenz, advertising director of the Indianapolis Water Co., and L. W. Cotton, a native of Indianapolis.

Mr. Morse

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