

World Report—

Acheson Denies Date For Stalin, Truman

State Secretary Arrives in Paris For Foreign Ministers Conference

Secretary of State Dean Acheson arrived in Paris today for Big Three talks that may end the formal state of war between Western Germany and the Western Powers.

Mr. Acheson landed less than 24 hours after he conferred in Washington with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky.

He said Mr. Vishinsky had not mentioned any proposal for a meeting of President Truman and Premier Josef Stalin at Berlin, as reported in two Paris publications.

The first formal meeting of Mr. Acheson, Foreign Minister Robert Schuman of France and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Great Britain will be held at the French Foreign Office tomorrow. The talks were expected to last two days.

No formal agenda for the talks has been fixed.

Czechoslovakia

UNITED STATES Ambassador Ellis O. Briggs today presented his credentials to Czech President Klement Gottwald and reminded Mr. Gottwald that American troops helped liberate his country.

He told Mr. Gottwald that he entered Czechoslovakia by the same route the American Army traveled in the spring of 1945.

"There, beneath your pines and beech trees and across your fertile rolling fields, American blood has mingled forever with the soil of Czechoslovakia," he said.

Mr. Briggs also paid tribute to Thomas Masaryk, founder of the Czech republic.

"My generation was born in time to share the enthusiasm kindled by President Masaryk when in exile in the United States for a free and independent Czechoslovakia," he said.

"We never lost that enthusiasm."

Iran
IRAN has protested against a Soviet border attack in which two Iranians were killed and "several" Russian soldiers were believed slain, an official statement said today.

The attack was said to have occurred in the border area of the Soviet Union.

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been made last week against an Iranian border post at Baghcheh, near Astara in northwest Azerbaijan province.

A government spokesman said the Russians killed an Iranian soldier on guard in a watch tower, and a civilian, Iranian reinforcements engaged the Russians in a brief skirmish, he said, and several Russians were wounded and "some considered killed."

Great Britain
THE married Women's Association told the government yesterday that any pay increases resulting from devaluation should go directly to the workers' wives.

The 2000-member association said this would "ensure that it goes to the grocer and not to the bookie."

Chile
POLICE said today that 21 persons were wounded in police clashes with alleged Communist demonstrators attempting to celebrate the 32d anniversary of the Russian revolution.

Colombia
DARIO ECHANDIA, Liberal Party presidential candidate in the Nov. 27 elections, withdrew from the race today because of a lack of law and order.

He called the political fighting in which hundreds of Colombians have been killed in the past few weeks "the most barbarous in the history of Colombia."

Philippines
JOSE LAUREL, puppet president during the Japanese occupation, took the lead today in a close race with President Elpidio Quirino for the presidency of the Philippine Republic.

The election yesterday was marked by violence in outlying provinces. Twenty-four persons

were reported killed. An estimated 4 million votes were cast.

Mr. Quirino dropped behind when Manila gave Mr. Laurel a 5000-vote lead with almost one-fifth of the city's votes counted.

Mr. Quirino still held a substantial lead outside Manila.

United Nations
ATOMIC experts of the Big Five powers and Canada resumed their secret conferences today after United Nations General Assembly President Carlos P. Romulo asked them to seek a "new approach" to international atom control.

There was no immediate report from the locked conference room.

Although Mr. Romulo refused to discuss it, well-placed informants said his letter of last week proposing a "truce" in the production of atomic weapons was still under consideration by the Big Six representatives and their governments, from whom no official reply had been received.

It was reported that the chief point of Mr. Romulo's letter proposed a "realistic assessment" of atomic facilities, taking into consideration the relatively small amount of fissionable materials available for peaceful purposes.

Stassen Scores Truman Speech
MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 8 (UP)—Republican Harold E. Stassen, now a college president, says President Truman was in error, historically speaking, in his speech here attacking "reactionaries."

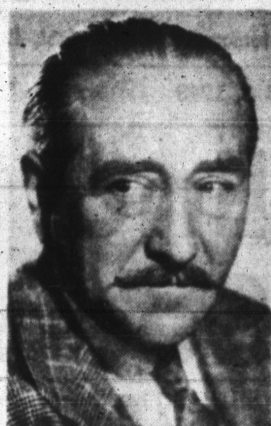
The former Minnesota governor spoke last night at a state Republican "kickoff" for the 1950 campaign.

In his speech last week, Mr. Truman compared "reactionaries" of today to the Federalists who opposed the Louisiana Purchase in Thomas Jefferson's time.

Historians agree, Mr. Stassen added, that it was "a man of wealth and success, Pierre DuPont, who first suggested to President Jefferson that Louisiana be purchased, and who went to France to assist in convincing the French leaders that they should sell."

"The President was wrong in his history, and deceptive in his interpretations," Mr. Stassen said.

Menjou to Speak Here Friday



Adolphe Menjou

Plans Discussion On Hollywood Stars

Adolphe Menjou, veteran motion picture and radio star, will speak on the Town Hall Series Friday morning.

Speaking on "Spotlighting Hollywood," Mr. Menjou will tell of his own experiences in the movie capital since the days of the silent film.

He will discuss the fantastic breaks which have headed actors to stardom and will give his listing of the 10 best films ever made.

Cast in Comedy Role
Long considered one of the best dressed men in the nation, Mr. Menjou is usually cast in suave, urbane comedy roles. His most recent pictures are "My Dream Is Yours" and "Dancing in the Dark," to be released soon.

The program will open at 11 a. m. in the Murat Theater.

Germans Laud Schools in Visit Here

Declare Europe Can Learn From U. S.

By VICTOR PETERSON

The American school system has much to offer the educational structure of Europe.

That is the opinion of four German educators currently visiting Indianapolis while on a nationwide inspection. They consider our operational procedure a world leader.

They are Karl Kotyba, Elementary School Teachers' Association, Heidelberg; Fritz Erdmann, Commercial High School principal, Heidelberg; Dr. Ernst Christ, staff of the Secondary School Teachers' Association, Stuttgart; and Frederic Schieker, elementary schools superintendent, Leonberg-Stuttgart.

With six weeks of a three-month's stay completed, they have visited many of the western states and are working eastward.

Outline Tour Aim

"Our aim is to secure a thorough understanding of the American system from grade school through college," Dr. Christ said. "Your schools are practical, adjusted to life, always ready to change. European schools are more scholastic."

"American schools reflect American society. They are highly mechanized, specialized and industrialized. There is the spirit of the pioneer here which is good for you people. Some of it 'would be good for us,'" he said.

Particularly impressive to the group is the informal attitude of the classrooms.

"You probably go a bit too far in this respect, but it is healthy. It tends to make Americans able to meet others and express themselves. We are coming to it in Germany," Dr. Christ said.

Student freedom in electing subjects and emphasis on sports



German educators see an Indianapolis high school class in operation. Watching teacher Miss Monna Whitlock, James E. Roberts school, are (left to right) Fritz Erdmann, Dr. Ernst Christ and Karl Kotyba.

also interest them. They feel we permit too many electives, thus making it possible for the student to dodge more difficult subjects, and athletics sometimes overbalance scholastic efforts.

"We could find a common ground," Dr. Christ said. "We go to the other extreme. The German system has stressed the scholastic approach. We need to broaden the base of education and make possible greater schooling for the masses."

How far this should be carried is a heated topic among German educators. The conflict is evident among the four.

Dr. Christ wants expansion of education while maintaining much

of the present structure which makes possible selection of students for higher education.

Mr. Erdmann is equally emphatic that all students should have the opportunity of complete public school training with particular stress on vocational fields.

He further desires collegiate doors be opened more readily to the nation's students.

Now, however, the four treasure most the chance once again to argue their positions publicly and without fear.

Under Nazism the school system was rigidly controlled, initiative stifled, and subordinate to the interest of the state. The war's end brought a revision of it along democratic lines.

German education under Allied military government.

Changes instituted bear the imprint of America. More informality is permitted in classrooms, discussion groups are common and students are participating in self-government.

"This is a far cry from the strict discipline and compulsion known in German schools before the war. Currently there is a shortage both of funds and buildings. In the large cities about half the schools were destroyed in the war."

"But the physical plant, the financial worries are not our big problems," Dr. Christ said. "The great drive in Germany today is to revitalize our spirit—revitalize it along democratic lines."

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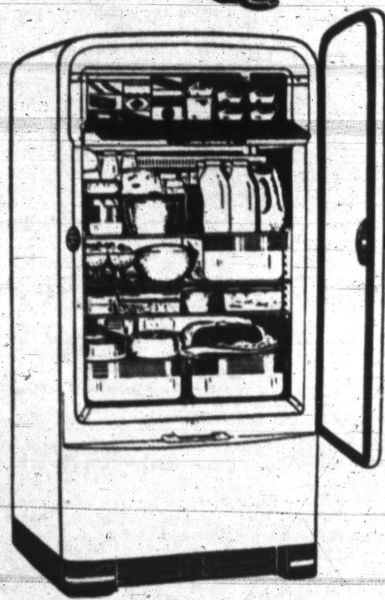


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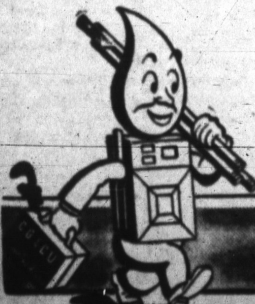
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