

Acheson Praises Efforts of NATO

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said tonight that the North Atlantic Allies have taken "giant strides" toward becoming a bastion of world peace and he urged "utmost support" from the American people for a continued foreign aid program.

Russia Insulted By Invitation To Katyn Case

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—Russia rejected today as "an insult to the Soviet Union" an invitation to tell Congress its story of the Katyn Forest Massacre of Polish war prisoners early in World War II.

The Soviet embassy made public a note to the State department turning down and denouncing the invitation. It had been extended by a special House committee headed by Rep. Madden (D-Ind.) which is seeking to fix blame for the massacre.

The massacre came to light in 1942 when the Germans showed foreign correspondents the graves of 10,000 slaughtered Poles in the Katyn Forest near Smolensk, Russia.

The Germans blamed the Russians for it; the Russians blamed the Germans.

Poles and Americans have testified before the Madden committee that the Russians shot down the prisoners in an effort to destroy Poland's intelligentsia.

Further hearings are scheduled for next month based on two long-missing official documents accusing the Russians of the massacre. The documents recently were located by the Army.

150 Persons Attend Banquet

More than 150 persons attended the Penn State chapter of Future Farmers of America's annual banquet last night at the Presbyterian Church.

Fifty-two seniors in Agricultural Education, who have been elected to the collegiate chapter degree, received the gold adviser's pin. These seniors will leave March 15 to begin their eight-weeks student teaching course.

Speakers at the banquet were Dr. Henry S. Brunner, head of the Department of Agriculture; Wally Butz, former president of the collegiate FFA; and Joseph Macialek, president of the collegiate FFA.

Highlights of the evening were songs by the FFA Harmony Boys and a skit by the seniors, impersonating their professors. It was entitled "Mannerisms We'll Never Forget."

Former Student Assigned to School

A former College student, Commander Lynn Parker, was recently assigned to the Merchant Marine Officers' Indoctrination School at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn.

Parker, a student at the College for one year, qualified for entrance to the Academy in 1935. Commissioned in 1939, Commander Parker has served aboard several cutters and transports and has been hull inspector in the Coast Guard's Merchant Marine Inspection Division prior to his appointment to the Academy.

Meyer Co-Authors New Forestry Text

The newest text in the field of forestry, "Forest Management," has been co-authored by Dr. H. Arthur Meyer, professor of forestry at the College.

His two associates are Arthur B. Recknagel, technical director of forestry at a New York paper company, and Donald D. Stevenson, former director of forestry research at the College and now a research adviser in forestry of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Stevenson is at present on an extended forestry assignment in Bolivia.

"The days of danger are still with us," Acheson said. "The forces which will be available in Europe by the end of this year are not the total forces required to assure the maintenance of peace. This is true even when the productive power of the United States and our airpower is added."

Asks Fund Support

In a nationally broadcast and televised address, Acheson reported to the nation on the tentative decisions taken at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) meetings just concluded at Lisbon.

Appealing to the people to support President Truman's forthcoming request to Congress for \$7,900,000,000 in new foreign aid funds, he said U.S. assistance "is playing a vital part in the structure of strength which is being built in Europe."

Although he praised the agreements reached at Lisbon as contributions to growing free power against the threat of communist aggression, Acheson cautioned that much work remains to be done.

Lists Accomplishments

Acheson listed as accomplishments of the Lisbon NATO meetings:

"First, agreement was reached on the forces to be made available to Gen. Eisenhower's NATO command during this calendar year.

"Second, agreement was reached on the bases and facilities to be built and maintained for these forces.

"Third, agreement was reached approving the creation of a European army by six nations, including West Germany.

"Fourth, agreement was reached by which the return of West Germany to a place of equality and responsibility in the European community can be achieved.

"And fifth, NATO itself was reorganized and greatly strengthened."

Million Dollar Fire Hits Downtown Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 29—(AP)—A million-dollar fire, one of the most spectacular in years in downtown Philadelphia, wrecked the Clinton Hotel today, forcing more than 125 hotel guests and occupants of nearby apartments to flee to the street.

The fact that the fire started slowly, flooding the seven-story brick structure with thick smoke for some time before flames cracked throughout the building, helped prevent any loss of life.

Seeks Presidency



SENATOR Richard B. Russell of Georgia announced in Washington that he will seek the Democratic nomination for President. Russell, second Democrat to make formal entrance in the race, cast himself as a "Jeffersonian Democrat who believes in the greatest practicable degree of local self government." (AP Wirephoto)

U.S. Pressure In Sudan Hinted

KHARTOUM, Sudan, Feb. 29—(AP)—Leaders of major political parties in the Sudan said today they are greatly concerned over rumors — unconfirmed — that the United States will use pressure on Britain to give Egypt's King Farouk sovereignty over the Sudan.

As the rumors go, such a plan would be used to have Egypt agree to let the Western power retain anti-Communist defense bases in the British-held Suez Canal zone.

British-Egyptian talks on the Suez and Sudan disputes are scheduled to start tomorrow in Cairo between Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson and Egyptian Prime Minister Aly Maher Pasha.

Sudanese leaders — even of the pro-Egyptian party factions — commented against using the million-square-mile Sudan, with its 8,000,000 population, as a bargaining factor in the British-Egyptian negotiations.

Tank Raiders Rip Commie Positions, Then Withdraw

SEOUL, Korea, Saturday, March 1—(AP)—Allied tanks broke through Communist positions in sudden thrusts on the central and western Korean fronts Friday and poured a stream of gun fire into enemy dugouts and ridges before withdrawing.

An Allied barrage of eight-inch howitzers supported one strong task force of 46-ton Patton tanks which lumbered through Kumsong on the central front, 30 miles north of parallel 38.

Another party of tank raiders smashed west of Chorwon on the western front and stirred up heavy answering fire from communist artillery and mortars. This unit returned to its lines 1 hour and 40 minutes later.

The Reds sent light patrols against Allied positions on the eastern front but withdrew after brief clashes.

Lattimore Denies Using Red Writers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—Owen Lattimore denied today that he had knowingly favored communist writers while editing Pacific Affairs, a quarterly magazine of the Institute of Pacific Relations, from 1934 to 1941.

He told the Senate internal security subcommittee, however, that he had accepted contributions from the Soviet council of the institute and one article by a Chinese communist, which was "clearly labeled as such."

Lattimore, a professor at Johns Hopkins University and once a State Department consultant on Far Eastern affairs, appeared before the subcommittee for his fourth consecutive day of testimony. The Senate group is trying to find out whether subversive influences at home affected American policies in the Far East.

Fun Poked At Rearming



PARADERS IN COLOGNE'S pre-Lenten "Rose Monday" carnival stage a comic-opera satire of an old Prussian field drill as they poke fun at the projected rearming program for Germany. The parade satire followed closely on the heels of the historic NATO agreement in Lisbon to recreate a German army as part of the western defense plan. (AP wirephoto).

House Ends UMT Fight; Voting to Begin Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29—(AP)—A flood of oratory today brought to a close four days of spirited House debate on Universal Military Training (UMT), with both sides calling for a clear-cut decision.

Voting will begin Tuesday. The outcome appeared uncertain.

In one of the closing speeches on controversial issue, Rep. McCormack of Massachusetts, the Democratic leader, accused opponents of "political opportunism" in this election year. He said they "have learned nothing from the dreadful expenses of World War II."

Opponents of the bill continued to denounce it, calling compulsory universal training an evil in conflict with American traditions, and wholly unnecessary for the defense of the country.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the armed services committee, leader of the forces favoring a start on UMT this year, said:

"Let's don't hide behind a motion for recommittal. Let's get rid of this question right now."

UMT has been approved in principle by Congress. What the House is considering now is a detailed bill calling for compulsory six months' training for 18 year olds, followed by 7½ years in the reserves. The measure does not specify the starting date or designate how many are to be trained.

But proponents say passage of the bill would permit a limited start on UMT this year.

M.A.'s May Apply For Army Reserve

Men with a master's degree in accounting, business administration, or economics may apply for an appointment as lieutenant in the Finance Corps, U. S. Army Reserve.

In announcing the opening, Col. Lucien E. Bolduc, professor of military science and tactics at the College, explained that the applicant must be under 33 years of age and pass a physical examination. He will then be ordered to active duty for three years.

Further information may be obtained from Colonel Bolduc in 101 Carnegie Hall.

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Clover Club Speaker

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