

# European Defense Encouraging-Dulles

BONN, Germany, Feb. 5 (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles will tell President Eisenhower on his return from Europe that he is "very encouraged" at prospects that the six-nation European army project will be rolling within two or three months.

Dulles reached this conclusion during talks at this vital point on a European tour designed to infuse new life in the stalled project.

He has found that West Germany's Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and Italy's Premier Alcide de Gasperi are standing firm for the European defense scheme.

He is also convinced the new French government of Premier Rene Mayer is determined to push it through a balky Parliament.

And, in addition, he has been assured that Prime Minister Churchill will throw his full weight behind it.

This summary of Dulles' conviction after visiting the four chief West European capitals was given newsmen tonight by a high American source.

In his talks here today, Dulles warned German political leaders, as he did the British, that the United States will not continue its present scale of economic and military aid unless there is concrete progress in increasing the European defense army in the next 75 days.

Dulles told the Germans firmly—both Chancellor Adenauer and his political opposition—that the American people and government regard this project to rearm West Germany within a European defense front as the real solution of the European problem.

On his arrival here at noon from London with MSA Director Harold Stassen, Dulles said in a formal statement that the "only way" for West Germany to find security is to rearm quickly and join up with its neighbors in the continental army.

Adenauer applauded. But Socialist Chieftain Erich Ollenhauer, chairman of the powerful opposition, demanded that the army treaty be scrapped and some other means be found through a grand alliance to include Britain and Scandinavia.

The Socialist counter-proposals were discussed by Dulles and Ollenhauer, in a 55-minute conference.

# Top Priority Given Price Lift on Food

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP)—The government today gave top priority to lifting federal price curbs on restaurant meals at the outset of an expected flood of decontrol orders.

Officials said an order will probably be issued tomorrow ending price controls on meals served in half a million restaurants and other eating places from coast to coast.

Officials declined to speculate on what effect the order might have on restaurant prices. The industry does a 12 billion dollar business annually.

Earlier in the day, the government scrapped price controls on an estimated 17,800,000 autos of pre-1946 vintage in the first major decontrol action since President Eisenhower said he wants wage-price controls to die.

The immediate future of wage controls remained up in the air.

The White House announced Eisenhower will meet tomorrow with CIO President Walter Reuther and acting President David J. McDonald of the CIO Steelworkers Union—presumably to discuss wage curbs.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty told newsmen Reuther and McDonald had asked to see the President, and Eisenhower replied, "Of course."

The announcement came a few hours after Reuther disclosed he had urged the Eisenhower administration to order an immediate end to all wage controls.

The CIO leader wrote President Eisenhower that applications for wage boosts involving hundreds of thousands of workers are now stalled before the Wage Stabilization Board. And the board, he said, has "virtually ceased to function."

The White House remained silent on the exact timing of an expected executive order to wipe out wage controls. Some officials looked for the order within 48 hours, along with a directive for step-by-step ending of price curbs.

# Eden Declines View On Formosa Action

LONDON, Feb. 5 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden declined tonight to "defend or justify" President Eisenhower's action in denaturalizing Formosa, but he told worried Britons he was sure the United States has no aggressive intentions.

Eden addressed a growling opposition and restless Conservatives in the House of Commons. He spoke after Herbert Morrison,

the foreign secretary in the former Labor government, had voiced fear that there might be "considerable consequences" from President Eisenhower's action.

Morrison suggested that Eisenhower's orders to the U.S. Seventh Fleet no longer to restrain any Nationalist Chinese attacks from Formosa upon the Red China mainland might result in Chiang Kai-shek's being trapped on the mainland and appealing for help, or in the British Navy being involved with Nationalist Chinese gunboats trying to enforce a blockade.

He declared there was a "real risk that there might be major trouble between Communist mainland China and the forces of the United States." He said Americans' "profound emotional hatred of communism" was leading them into a display of "bad temper and loose policy."

As Morrison spoke accusingly, Prime Minister Churchill sat slumped with his hands in his pockets and eyed him truculently. "I am not defending or justifying the policy," Eden said in reply. "But we must examine it and see how these people Americans feel."

## --- Bulletin --- Russia Will Join In Austria Talks

LONDON, Feb. 5 (AP)—Russia has agreed to join the Big Three Western Powers tomorrow in new talks on restoring the independence of Austria, it was announced officially tonight.

But the stage setting indicated the talks likely will develop into nothing more exciting than a wrangle over an agenda.

In agreeing to attend, Russia's ambassador in Britain, Andrei A. Gromyko, made it plain he would not discuss a short form treaty of eight articles the West has proposed. Britain, France and the United States, on the other hand, made it clear they would feel free to discuss any relevant subject, including the abbreviated treaty they have offered because of inability to all four to agree upon a complete treaty.

## Allied Planes Hit Communist Base

SEOUL, Friday, Feb. 6 (AP)—Allied fighter-bombers Thursday wrecked a big Communist base, rained destruction on front fortifications and bombed a steamer at Chinnampo, port of North Korea's capital of Pyongyang.

More trouble for Red air power appeared in the night skies. It has just been disclosed that both the U.S. Air Force and Marines have sensational new night jet fighters which have been shooting down enemy planes in Korea.

Aground, there was nothing but patrol skirmishes as the Eighth Army awaited arrival of its new commander, Lt. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor.

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"RUBY GENTRY"

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LANA TURNER  
"THE MERRY WIDOW"  
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## Bucknell Coed Hunt Spreads

LEWISBURG, Pa., Feb. 5 (AP)—The search for a Bucknell University coed who left the campus on a weekend pass seven days ago spread to Florida tonight.

Gordon Hufnagle, Lewisburg police chief, said the father of Jacqueline Jane Mengoni, 18, of Trenton, N.J., told him he had asked police at Tallahassee, Fla., to be on the lookout for the girl.

Hufnagle quoted Joseph L. Mengoni, as saying there was a possibility that she might have gone to Florida with the brother of a classmate.

Hufnagle added that in addition to touching off a 13-state police search his local force had combed the Lewisburg area without success.

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# 3000 Dutch Rescued From Flooded Island

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 5 (AP)—A fleet of vessels under six flags, aided by a swarm of helicopters, rescued 3000 marooned Dutch islanders today from the North Sea floods harassing Holland, England, and Belgium.

The operation on Goeree-Overflakkee Island, in the heart of the flooded Dutch lowlands southwest of Rotterdam, was the dramatic highlight of the day that saw the rescue phase largely completed even as the three-nation death toll mounted to 1889.

Sea-going craft of the United States, Britain, France, Belgium, West Germany and Holland joined in removing the 3000 from the waterlogged buildings and broken dikes of the twin towns of Oude and Nieuwe Tonge.

Fifteen hundred of these refugees—men, women and children—had spent four horror-filled nights on a section of dike that threatened to dissolve into the sea at any moment. Small boats and helicopters worked as guides and auxiliaries in assembling the refugees and speeding them to warmth, food, and shelter.

The rescue fleet started its work in the night even as a North Sea gale churned up fresh trouble for some coastal dwellers and threatened a sharp expansion of economic losses already totaling uncounted millions of dollars.

Tides driven by 50-mile-an-hour winds gouged several new holes in Holland's dikes. There was a fresh break in the Belgian dikes at Lillo, near Antwerp, and the last road between those two cities was submerged. Debris of Sunday's storm—furniture, timber, books, mattresses—was flung back on England's shore. British fears, however, that the Ouse River would flood, proved groundless. The river banks held under the pounding of currents five feet above normal.

## Benson Sees No Alarm In Farm Price Decline

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP)—The Eisenhower administration does not intend to be stampeded into emergency action because of recent declines in farm prices, Secretary Benson said today.

The agriculture secretary, at his first news conference since taking over the Cabinet post two weeks ago, made plain he saw no cause for alarm on the farm front.

# New York Waterfront Tieup Seen

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (AP)—A small harbor strike blossomed into a full-fledged waterfront tie-up today and President Eisenhower was asked to intervene.

Thin picket lines were thrown up by striking tugboat crewmen and AFL longshoremen refused to cross them to unload ships.

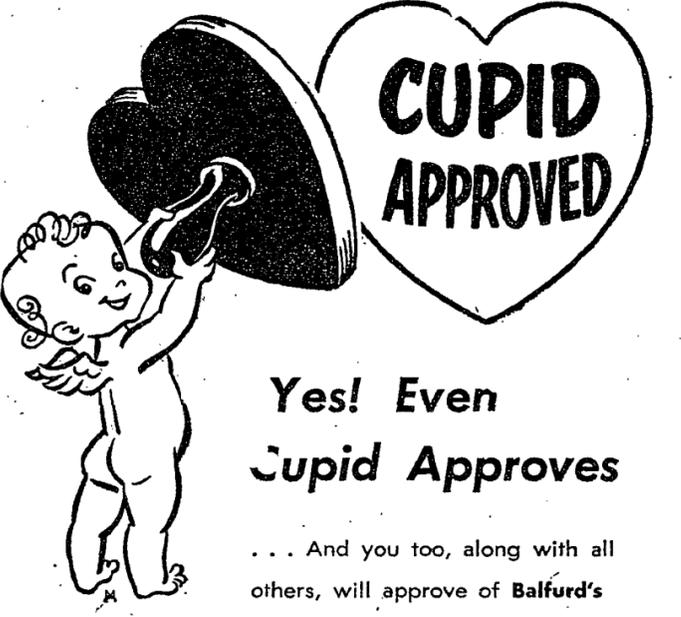
The Commerce and Industry Association of New York, Inc., called the tieup a threat to international trade and asked President Eisenhower to try to end it, thus confronting him with the first labor crisis of his new administration.

Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri's office said fuel oil supplies that normally come into the city by water are "growing short." Other essential stocks were reported adequate.

Eighty-three of New York harbor's 143 piers were sealed off. Ocean liners inched in without tugs, a hazardous job that already has sent two ships slashing into their piers.

The 3500 tugboat men struck Saturday in a wage dispute. But longshoremen, fellow unionists with them in the AFL International Longshoremen's Association (ILA), stayed on the job until today.

There were signs of revolt, however, within the rackets-ridden ILA at President Joseph P. Ryan's order for a full-scale waterfront tieup.



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