

# 'Explorer' Eases West's Tensions

LONDON, Feb. 2 (AP)—An easing of international tension was clearly evident in the capitals of Western Europe today. The psychological impact of the U.S. satellite Explorer was remarkable.

British newspapers and others were predicting the stage was now set for summit talks with the Russians in the near future.

## Exam Rumor—

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ology 2 final could have gotten out. However, he said he had numerous reports that the examination was out.

Carpenter said it is unfortunate that many of the rumors, if untrue, reflected badly on fraternities. He said many of the rumors reported to him involved fraternities.

Dr. William G. Mather, professor and head of the Department of Sociology, who taught Sociology 1 by television, said he received reports that his final was out. However, he said that grades did not indicate that the final had gotten out since the curve was similar to other years. He said that if the examination did get out, it did not make any difference in the over-all grades.

Simes advanced the theory that some students might have had old finals mimeographed, changing the dates, and selling them as new finals.

Another theory on the prevalence of the rumors states that beliefs that finals were getting out have been building up over the last several semesters and reached a climax last semester.

## Bonn Refuses Again

BONN, Germany, Feb. 2 (AP)—Officials today again refused to pay more money to support Allied troops in West Germany. The refusal came in what was described as an unpleasant discussion with a NATO mediator.

More important was the restoration of respect for U.S. know-how by allies whose long admiration sank after the Soviet Union launched two Sputniks last fall. Italian Foreign Minister Giuseppe Pella sized up the general feeling in Western European capitals.

"The American satellite," he said, "will serve above all to re-establish a psychological and political climate indispensable for the cause of progress and peace. This new happening is intended to have a favorable influence on the finding of a formula of co-existence between the East and West."

There have been widespread fears in Western European countries that they would be caught and crushed in the race for space between the Soviet Union and the United States. Privately, many friendly politicians felt the United States as leader of the Allied cause had let them down.

Some, such as British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, have been under terrific leftist pressure at home to adopt a foreign policy more independent of Washington.

A French Foreign Ministry official talked informally with newsmen about the successful launching of Explorer.

"We are just as happy as the Americans themselves," he said. "It is a terrific success for Americans but also a great boost for the Western world."

While cautious about whether the American satellite would speed up summit talks, he said the feeling among government officials was definitely optimistic.

Even the sharpest critics of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, were silent.

# Folsom Asks Immediate Increase of Scientists

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (AP)—Secretary of Welfare Marion R. Folsom today called for immediate steps to produce the highly trained scientists and engineers this country will need in future years.

Folsom said in a statement that action is needed now to re-emphasize the high school teaching of science and mathematics, which he said, embrace the fields of knowledge "most essential to national security in our times."

"While it is most important that our schools provide a broad and balanced program of education in all fields, there can be little doubt that the teaching of science and its essential base, mathematics, needs greater emphasis in today's world," he said.

The statement was issued along with a fact sheet prepared by the Office of Education on the administration's four-year, billion-dollar federal aid to education program.

The fact sheet cited statistics showing:

• In the fall of 1956 there were 4,592,000 children age 16 and 17 in the United States with 2,776,000 of them enrolled in the 11th and 12th grades of public high schools. Only 830,000 of these were studying science and only 659,000 were taking mathematics.

## Student Admits Burning Dorm

LORETO, Pa., Feb. 2 (AP)—A 20-year-old college senior was quoted by police today as saying he set a \$30,000 dormitory fire at St. Francis College to gain revenge after he was fired as manager of the basketball team.

Charges of arson and larceny were filed yesterday against Jerome Conkling, a student at the Franciscan college since 1955. His home is on Staten Island, N.Y.

Police said Conkling signed a statement admitting he touched off the fire that destroyed Giles Hall, a dormitory, last May 19. He also is charged with stealing an auto in New York State.

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