

Herter Challenges French Isolation

PARIS (AP) — Secretary of State Christian A. Herter yesterday challenged President Charles de Gaulle's go-it-alone NATO policy.

He hinted a possible U.S. troop cutback in Europe unless the Allies shoulder a full share of the defense burden.

Senate OK's Trotter Bets In Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG (AP) — The Senate last night gave surprise approval, 28-22, to a plan to authorize pari-mutuel betting on harness racing in Pennsylvania.

It would create a three-member State Harness Racing Commission to supervise legalized wagering on pacers and trotters harnessed to sulkies. Betting on flat or steeplechase horse racing would continue to be banned.

The measure went back to the House for approval on a change about when referenda may be held on whether voters would allow a pari-mutuel track in their county.

The Senate version specifies that such referenda may be held only during a primary election, a move intended to enlist Gov. David L. Lawrence's support. The governor is on record as ready to veto any legislation carrying a referendum in the general election.

The House barely passed the legislation, 107-85, last Sept. 22 with a provision that such referenda may be held either in the spring or November elections.

House Speaker H. G. Andrews (D-Cambria) said the chances of the House approving the revision were good provided the bill as a whole was acceptable to the governor.

Herter echoed U.S. military leaders' dissatisfaction with the drift of the Western alliance in a major, 40-minute speech opening the annual conference of NATO foreign ministers.

On the question of U.S. commitments to NATO, Herter told the 14 other partners in NATO "Let me assure this council categorically that as long as the Soviet threat to our collective security and NATO continues to command the loyal participation of all of its other members, it is the policy of the United States to maintain American troops as an effective part of the shield in Europe."

Herter then warned that the ability of his government to obtain appropriations from Congress to maintain U.S. troop strength in Europe is "related to the degree of effort and determination demonstrated by our NATO partners."

Insisting that NATO forces must remain under one command, Herter declared: "We must maintain the principle of an integrated defense system."

But DeGaulle, who has pulled the bulk of his military forces out from under the NATO command, stood pat. He told members of Parliament who called on him that he remained opposed to integration.

"During the last two wars," he said, "Allied forces were not integrated. Nonetheless, they won victories."

Herter's speech wound up with a proposal for a 10-year plan to revitalize NATO for a global war of nerves against the Soviet Union.

Earthquake in California
LOS ANGELES (AP) — An earthquake rocked Southern California yesterday but no damage was reported. It was recorded at 7:24 a.m. in San Diego by seismologist Fred Robinson.

Erlander to Make Tour
STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Premier Tage Erlander leaves tomorrow for a goodwill tour of India and Pakistan.

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Rockefeller Says Russians Are Threat to U.S. Survival

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) — Nelson A. Rockefeller asserted yesterday in a speech on foreign problems that Soviet policy, backed by military power, threatens the very survival of the United States.

He outlined a seven-point program to meet the challenge.

In the speech which was prepared for the Milwaukee World Affairs Council, Rockefeller said: "In military terms, America stands gravely vulnerable for the first time in history to an attack that could, in less than one hour, afflict such damage as to put in peril the America we have known for 200 years."

He cited a recent study of American defensive strength and said it contains a warning.

"The military position of the

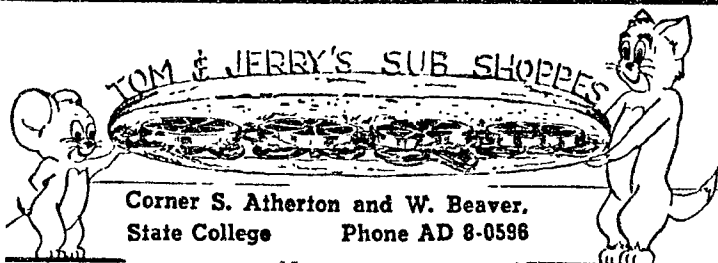
United States has declined in the short span of 15 years from one of unchallenged security to that of a nation both open and vulnerable to direct and devastating attack," he said.

Rockefeller came into Wisconsin on what may be the most important leg of a political survey he is conducting in the Middle West and the South.

He says this trip, plus his November foray to the West Coast, will help him decide whether to bid for the Republican nomination for president.

At the Milwaukee Airport, Rockefeller told reporters he is aware that Wisconsin is a stronghold for Vice President Richard M. Nixon. "But that isn't the reason I came here," he said.

He insists the purpose of his traveling is to discuss issues and problems, and to meet Republican leaders in other states.



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