

## World News Capsules

# NATO Defense Ministers Approve 1,430,000-man European Army

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The defense ministers of the 14-nation North Atlantic Treaty organization approved Thursday the military and civilian plans for setting up a 1,430,000-man European army.

In the first major NATO decision the defense ministers adopted the report of the military committee by agreeing to the plan to create a unified continental force of 14 French, 12 German, 12 Italian and five Benelux divisions by 1954.

This ended a long argument by the French that Germans should not be formed into divisions, but only into combat teams.

Following a compromise reached in London when the Big-3 foreign ministers met with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer last weekend, the ministers agreed also for a joint council meeting of the NATO and European army organizations.

The decisions will now go to the entire NATO council for approval. When approval is given, the representatives of the six nations will draft a final treaty, giving Germany an indirect voice in NATO. The pact must be ratified by the parliaments of all countries included in the agreement before work on the army can begin.

## A Korean intern camp riot . . .

... resulted in the death of one American soldier and 69 civilian internees. About 1,500 inmates of the Koje Island Stockade attacked U.S. security troops Monday with steel pickets, wooden clubs, barbed wire flails, black jacks, metal tent pole spikes, iron pipes, rocks and knives. Twenty-three American soldiers and 142 inmates of the camp were wounded. No prisoners of war were involved in the riot. U.S. authorities said the riot was Communist-led.

## Another storm off Cape Cod . . .

... Thursday lashed 13 "stay-put" seamen riding the battered stern of one of two tankers which broke in half during a similar storm Monday. The stern of the tanker Fort Mercer was bobbing in waves whipped by 25 to 35 mile an hour northeast winds. Two tugs towing the ship to Lock Island, R.I. was crawling along at 3 knots. The weather bureau said the storm would get worse before subsiding, but the men are in good condition and have enough provisions. Fifty-seven seamen were rescued from the Fort Mercer and its twin tanker, the Pendleton, Monday. The "stay-put" crewmen remained on board to salvage the ship's machinery and the oil cargo.

## Petitions to put Ike on the Oregon primary . . .

... were filed by state Republicans with the election bureau Thursday in Salem. State Rep. Mark Hatfield of Salem filed the petitions, which contained well over the 1,000 names of registered Republicans required to put the General's name on the primary ballot. Under Oregon law, the candidate has no control over whether or not his name remains on the ballot. Oregon Democrats removed Eisenhower's name from the Democratic ballot after he declared his party preference last August. There are now no Democratic candidates for President on file.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., (R-Mass.), manager of the Eisenhower-for-President campaign, telegraphed a request to Hatfield today to enter the General's name in the May 16 primary.

## Widespread outbreaks of influenza . . .

... were reported Thursday in the Midwest and South while Pennsylvania took measures to prevent the spread of rabies. Flu has closed schools in Illinois, Indiana and Virginia. Health officials are concerned that the virus diseases might take on epidemic proportions. They made plans to have vaccines available should an epidemic break out.

Rabies-infected foxes were blamed for the spread of the disease in Pennsylvania, where several persons have been bitten by rabid animals and one woman died of rabies. The foxes, weakened by the disease, are believed to have entered barnyards and suburban residential areas to prey upon slower moving domestic animals. Officials attempting to control rabies are faced with the problem of preventing the spread to domestic animals. Rabid skunks may also be responsible through attacking the foxes first.

## Two Communist MIG's were downed . . .

... Thursday in Korea. Probing and patrol action by platoons broke the silence on the front, while truce negotiators discussed the still-stalemated prisoner exchange problem. One platoon in the Kaesong area on the eastern front was ambushed, but escaped.

Meanwhile the Chinese Communist radio at Peiping charged that Allied planes dropped "epidemic" germs, including cholera, along the Communist front lines and rear areas between Jan. 28 and Feb. 17. It accused the U.N. of trying to cover Korean defeats and delay a truce by use of bacteriological warfare. The U.N. command usually ignores such charges.

## Corruption Clean-up Chief Newbold Morris . . .

... was charged Thursday with corrupt practices in a profitable surplus tanker deal. Sen. Richard M. Nixon (R-Cal.) said Morris was the key figure in what appears to be subterfuge to get around the law, in a tanker deal which netted former Rep. Joseph Casey (D-Mass.) and associates \$450,000 on a \$1,000 investment. The Senate is now looking into the tanker deal. Morris denied the charge, saying, "it just isn't so—what more can I say?"

## Science Meeting Headed by Kunz

Approximately 100 representatives of Oregon colleges and universities will arrive on campus today for the annual meeting of the Oregon Academy of Science. A. H. Kunz, head of the Oregon chemistry department will preside.

Main speaker at the two-day meet will be Pierre J. Van Rysselberghe, professor of chemistry, who will give the address at the

### Conference Schedule

Today: 3 p.m.—Council meeting

6 p.m.—Dinner

7:30 p.m.—General meeting, Dr. Van Rysselberghe

Saturday: 9 a.m.—Registration

10 a.m.—Opening session and welcoming address by Dr. Johnson

10:45—Sectional meetings for scientific papers

12:15—Luncheon

1:30—Business meeting and election of officers

2:15—Sectional meetings.

Friday evening session. Van Rysselberghe's speech is entitled "Sabbatical Activities in Italy and Neighboring European Countries Under the Auspices of a Fulbright Fellowship."

Other scheduled events include a council meeting at 3 p.m. today, the welcoming address by Dean Eldon Johnson of the college of liberal arts at 10 a.m. Saturday and an election of officers during the business meeting 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

## Listening In . . . On KWAX

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5:15 Guest Star  
5:30 World News  
5:45 Sport Shots  
6:00 Table Hopping  
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6:30 Entertainment Guide  
6:45 Religious News  
7:00 Time for Torme  
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7:30 Dixiography  
8:00 Request Time  
10:50 World News  
10:55 Tune to Say Goodnight  
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5:00 Festival Concerts  
6:00 Music for the Connoisseur  
7:00 Sign Off

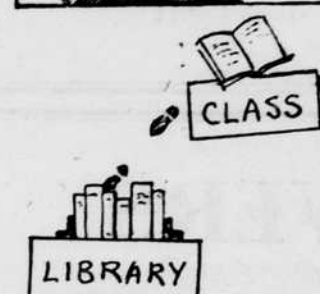
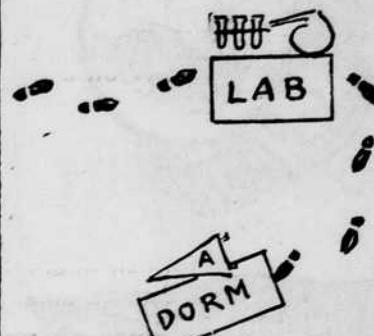
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