

# NATO Allies Near Final Agreement

LISBON, Portugal (AP)—The 14 Atlantic Allies Sunday neared the end of their ninth session in almost complete agreement in the steps they will have to take to keep the Red armies of Communism from overrunning Europe.

Each of the steps, it became immediately apparent, would involve sacrifices by governments, by soldiers and to an even greater extent, by taxpayers.

On the eve of Monday's adjournment, foreign defense and finance ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) seemed sure to arrive at these four final decisions:

1. To provide approximately 50 combat-ready land divisions and 4,000 operational aircraft for European defense this year in Turkey and Greece and Turkey and Greece can make available.

2. To approve the general outlines of a plan partially drafted by France, West Germany, Italy and the Benelux nations to merge their armies into a European defense force.

3. To create a board to make a detailed study of the Western world's needs for air fields, barracks, communications lines and other army-supporting facilities and recommend how to share the cost of building them.

4. To streamline the NATO organization itself and make it more efficient, on a pattern roughly like that of the United Nations secretariat, instead of the present overlapping boards and committees.

The 14 foreign ministers will meet again Monday morning with possibly another, closing, session in the afternoon. The Big Three—Secretary of State Dean Acheson, French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden—arranged to stay over until Thursday for a conference on German and Austrian affairs.

## Washington State Practices Air Raid Alert

OLYMPIA (AP)—Hundreds of Washington's civil defense workers manned their posts Sunday in the first state-wide practice "yellow" alert flashed after six enemy bombers theoretically were sighted near Alaska.

The yellow alert, signifying an enemy aerial attack is likely, tested the efficiency of the state's civil defense organization. It lasted two hours and 20 minutes, from 1:30 to 3:50 p.m.

As it turned out, the mock enemy invasion was for aerial reconnaissance of Alaskan military installations. It failed. Two of the long-range B-29-type bombers presumably were shot down near Elson Air Force Base, Fairbanks, Alaska; two more were destroyed near Nome, and two escaped to the northwest.

D. E. Barbey, state civil defense director, said he was well pleased with the results of the test.

"Thirty minutes after the alert was relayed from Olympia headquarters to filter centers in Seattle, Spokane and Portland, and to 10 key air raid warning centers in the state, 98 per cent of all ground observer posts were manned," he said.

This was the first of three such exercises in the state during the spring months.

## Death Takes Inventor of Math Riddle.

AMBLER, Pa. (AP)—Robert D. Towne, 86-year-old former minister, publisher and editor who rose suddenly to fame on public fascination for a mathematical riddle he composed, died at his home Sunday after a long illness.

A native of Warren, O., Towne began his career as a minister but later turned his interest to journalism and became associated with a number of newspapers. He once was editor of Judge Magazine, a humor magazine.

But perhaps his greatest claim to national fame was his origination of the complicated mathematical problem he titled "How Old Is Ann?"

The teaser was: Mary is 24. She is twice as old as Ann was when Mary was as old as Ann is now. How old is Ann? Puzzle addicts burned a lot of midnight oil over Towne's brain-twister before someone produced the correct answer: "Ann is now 18."



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## Smile of Hope by TB Victim



STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.—Catherine Maters, her face alight with hope, is visited in Sea View Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y., by Dr. H. Herbert Fox. She is a tuberculosis patient who faces a brighter future because of the effectiveness of two drugs described as the best anti-tubercular agents yet discovered. Dr. Fox is the chemist who synthesized the two drugs which soon will be available in pill form on a physician's prescription. He holds a bottle of the pills. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

## Tax Loophole Cost Placed At \$4½ Billion

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.) said Sunday tax loopholes cost the federal government more than 4½ billion dollars a year and benefit almost entirely those with annual incomes of more than \$10,000.

His views were set out in a study published by the Public Affairs Institute and titled, "Tax Loopholes." The institute describes itself as a non-political organization concerned with presenting facts about public issues. Humphrey last fall sought to amend the \$5,691,000,000 tax increase bill which Congress passed. All of his amendments were rejected.

In the publication released Sunday, he again attacked this measure, asserting that "it increased the inequities of existing law."

"The pay-as-you-go objective was undermined by the enormous handouts to high income recipients," he wrote.

"It is a shocking fact that the writing of tax legislation has come to resemble the log-rolling and pork barrel of the special interest groups seeking protective tariffs and rivers and harbors appropriations."

"Undisguised log-rolling where a coal senator supports the high depletion allowance for oil in return for the oil senator's support of a higher depletion allowance for coal is undermining the integrity of the tax system."

## Faure to Ask French Taxes Increase 15%

PARIS (AP)—Premier Edgar Faure announced early Monday that most French taxes will have to be increased 15 per cent instead of 10 per cent as previously planned so France can play her part in Western defense.

Faure told newsmen a cabinet meeting had authorized him to ask the National Assembly for a vote of confidence if necessary on his tax plan.

Faure returned from a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) council meeting in Lisbon, Portugal, Sunday.

He plunged immediately into a series of conferences first with budget minister Pierre Courant and then with other leaders. Later there was a three-hour cabinet meeting that ended shortly after midnight.

It was apparent that the Premier was returning to face a host of troubles, both political and economic.

Faure said he will ask the National Assembly to spend 1,400 billion francs about four billion dollars on defense in 1952. He added that 195 billion francs, about 500 million dollars, will come from U. S. aid. But, he warned, France herself will have to raise 120 billion francs, about 340 million dollars more than was previously expected.

The Premier said about half the additional sum needed for defense will come from new tax increases and promised the remainder will come from savings in government expenditures.

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## Family Dinner Notes Birthday At Jefferson

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JEFFERSON — Mrs. Lettie Stephenson, former resident of Jefferson, celebrated her 80th birthday at a family dinner in her honor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Stewart in Eugene. All of Mrs. Stephenson's children were present—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stephenson and Mrs. O. D. Stephenson and children; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Stephenson and George, Mrs. A. Williams, of Scio; Dr. and Mrs. Sandifur of Vancouver, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Noah Glass, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Gurneison and Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart and Ella of Eugene; one brother, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brookhart, of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Landis of Yakima, Wash., stopped for a visit with the Alfred Powells Monday. They were on their way home from an extended visit in the south. They were neighbors when the Powells lived in Yakima.

Mrs. Richard Parker and small daughter arrived Monday from their home at Richmond, Calif., and are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Abney, and her sister, Mrs. Richard Morton.

The front half of the Thomas estate farm at the south city limits of Jefferson, and approximately 120 acres, has been sold during the week to N. D. Bradley and Oliver Stephenson. The 50 acres adjoining the Bradley farm on the west went to Bradley, and the 70 acres on the southwest corner of the farm to Stephenson.

At the Tuesday night meeting of Mt. Jefferson Rebekah Lodge, plans were made for initiation at their March 4th meeting. Refreshments were served following the business meeting by Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Golin, Mrs. Paul McKee, Mrs. V. E. Hinsdale and Mrs. Maude Davis.

Carolyn Adams was hostess at her home Monday night to a group of friends celebrating her 12th birthday. Winning game prizes during the evening were Bob Wright and Karen Evans, Lyle Adams and Myrna Page, Duane Tilley and Janice Page, Philip Hunsicker and Carolyn. Other present were Beverly Libby, June Hatmaker, Frances Grepley, Dimple Benson, Marvin Adair and Danny Wilson.

Members of the Past Noble Grand Club met in the IOOF Hall Tuesday for 1 o'clock luncheon with 16 members and Blanche Morrisette, guest, present. Those having birthdays occurring in February and honored were Lillian Smith, Laura Thomas and Mavoreen Bruce. Each was presented a corsage and birthday card. Ada Wells baked the birthday cake. Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Scott Hawk were hostesses.

## Tipster Claim Ban Unfair

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP)—The City of Arcadia, home of the famous Santa Anita race-track, got itself in hot water recently when it banned the sale of tip sheets on city streets.

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The infant was taken to a hospital, where Dr. S. W. Conner said she weighed 8½ pounds and apparently was normal in every respect.

## AEC Releases Photographs of Atom Furnace

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE  
Associated Press Science Reporter

UTPON, N. Y. (AP)—Photographs of all four faces of the once super-secret atomic furnace or reactor at Brookhaven National Laboratory were released Sunday by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC).

One shows a pneumatic tube system, like a department store's change-making service. Samples of various things can be put into a tube, and shot through the furnace to be made radioactive by neutrons flying out of splitting uranium atoms inside.

The tube system occupies part of the north face or wall of the reactor, the nation's largest research reactor.

Many holes in the south face have hundreds of holes, into which are put cartridges of uranium as fuel for the furnace. Other holes are used to insert metals or other things to make them radioactive.

Specimens also are inserted in holes in the east face. The east and west faces are used mainly for experiments in which beams of neutrons are let out through special openings, to study neutrons and the things they hit.

The west face can be used by all qualified scientists approved by the director of the laboratory and the AEC. Until Sunday, only pictures of this one side had been published.

Only people cleared by the AEC, based on an FBI investigation, can work on the other parts of the reactor.

**Off Secret List**  
The laboratory said some facts about the reactors here and at Oak Ridge, Tenn., were taken off the secret list to aid industries and universities interested in building their own atomic ovens whether for research or production of power.

It disclosed the reactor itself is a 25-foot cube, made up of some 60,000 pieces of graphite. It is split vertically in the center, leaving a gap through which air is blown to cool the oven.

Concrete several feet thick shields the cube. Overall, the reactor is 38 feet wide and 55 feet long. Tons of pure uranium metal are loaded into the reactor to make it go, but the exact amount was not stated. The Oak Ridge reactor

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## Nations Seek to Keep Supplies From Commies

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ten Western European nations have joined with the United States government in a cooperative move to prevent the transshipment of strategic materials behind the Iron Curtain.

Secretary of Commerce Sawyer announced the agreement Sunday, saying in a statement that it means goods exported by the U. S. and the 10 countries will "go where they are supposed to go and stay there."

There have been charges in Congress that some foreign countries have been buying strategic materials from the U. S. and then selling them to countries in the Soviet Bloc.

Congress has passed legislation denying American aid to any country sending war-potential goods behind the Iron Curtain.

This legislation has allowed exceptions to be made, however, when such trade is in the interest of Western defense—as for instance, when it enables a Western country to get valuable strategic materials from the Iron Curtain. The administration has granted a number of exemptions.

Sawyer said under the new procedure the government of an importing country will certify to the government of the exporting country that the materials involved (1) will not be in the importing country or (2) will not be re-exported without official authorization.

## Egypt Premier Plans to Negotiate With Britain

CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—Premier Aly Maher Pasha was quoted Sunday as saying Egypt intends to negotiate with Britain over the disputed Suez Canal and the Sudan without the help of mediators—unless "some difficulties arise."

uses more than 40 tons of uranium to maintain its low-power chain reaction. Brookhaven also operates at low power.

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## Phone Firm Profits Set New Record

NEW YORK (AP)—The Bell System, consisting of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. and its principal telephone subsidiaries, Sunday reported net income of \$375,612,955 in 1951 compared with \$358,866,924 in 1950.

As in every previous year during the unprecedented post-war expansion program, the figure was a new high.

**COY TAKES TV JOB**  
NEW YORK (AP)—Wayne Coy, who resigned last week as chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, has taken a job as a television consultant with Time, Inc., it was announced Sunday.

**BOMBERS MAKE REDS**  
SEOUL (AP)—Allied bombers raked Communist rail lines Sunday and bombed Red troop centers in clear weather. Only artillery duels and minor patrol clashes broke the quiet on the battle front.

Great Britain's public debt as of March 31, 1951, was approximately \$72,251,908,000.

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