

Ike Sidesteps Politics, Talks To Adenauer

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower, described as increasingly comfortable and taking a bit more nourishment, met with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer Thursday and voiced hope for the "liberation" of 17 million Germans from "Soviet Communist rule."

At the same time, Eisenhower's press secretary ruled out questions about a second term, so long as the President remains in Walter Reed Army Hospital. Specifically Secretary James C. Hagerly refused to relay to Eisenhower a reporter's query as to whether his new illness may lead the President to reconsider his Feb. 29 decision to run for re-election.

The 69-year-old Adenauer declared after a 10 minute meeting in the hospital room that the speed of Eisenhower's recovery from last Saturday's operation was a "miracle." He said the President's doctors told him it was possible because they had "a healthy organism" to work with.

After Meeting
A 12:30 p.m. EDT medical bulletin issued 2 1/2 hours after Adenauer and Secretary of State Dulles talked with the President and Mrs. Eisenhower said:

"The President's condition continues to progress satisfactorily. His temperature, blood pressure, pulse and respiration are stable and continue essentially normal. This morning the President was permitted to get out of bed and sit in an easy chair during the visit of the chancellor of the federal republic of Germany. There was no untoward physical reaction from the visit."

Small Amounts
"The President will have periodically throughout the day small amounts of liquid by mouth, supplemented by intravenous feedings."

Hagerly said the doctors told him this meant more beef broth, such as the President took Wednesday in his first oral nourishment since the operation, plus tea and warm water. The President had about a half cup of the broth shortly after the Adenauer visit.

In addition, Hagerly said, he will be given protein in the form of amino acids, as well as the glucose (sugar) which has been given to him in the intravenous feeding.

Dressing Robe
Hagerly said the President received Adenauer in a tan dressing robe over light blue pajamas. He sat with his feet resting on an ottoman. He was freshly shaven, too—his barber, Steve Martini, had just been in.

Eisenhower and his wife sat side-by-side, with Adenauer and Dulles seated across the room from them. The conversation, as Hagerly described it, turned to East Germany as soon as the mutual good wishes were exchanged by the two leaders. A State Department interpreter translated the President's remarks into German and Adenauer's into English.

Adenauer and Dulles spoke briefly into microphones later, standing in bright sunlight by a geranium bed at the "VIP" entrance to the hospital building.

Hope Expressed
Dulles said the President "expressed his very great hope that action could be taken which would promote the liberation of the 17 million Germans that are now held under Soviet Communist rule, and their reunification with Germany."

Eisenhower himself brought up this matter, Dulles said, and it was the main topic of conversation between the two leaders.

Hagerly said, giving no details, that Eisenhower and Adenauer discussed the joint communique issued Wednesday by Dulles and the chancellor. This challenged Russia to prove its peaceful intentions by ending "the brutal and unnatural division it has imposed on Germany."

Apparently there was no discussion of the difference of opinion between Adenauer and a number of U. S. officials over the general current attitude of the Russians.

"Nothing Changed"
Some American officials have indicated belief the Soviet Union's present government may be easier to get along with than the Stalin regime. Adenauer has emphasized the view that "nothing has changed."

Hagerly was asked if, since the President now is able to see visitors, he would consider submitting a question to the President. "Whether he thinks it is necessary for him to reconsider his decision to run again?"

"I certainly am not going to do that now," was the reply, "and I most certainly would not suggest or submit that question while the President is in the hospital."

Eisenhower is expected to leave the hospital about a week from next Sunday.

Hagerly said the President still suffers some discomfort but that it grows less every day.

He also said Mrs. Eisenhower is feeling the fatigue effects of sleepless nights and days of worry over her husband's condition. He did not describe her as ill—just said she naturally isn't feeling up to par.

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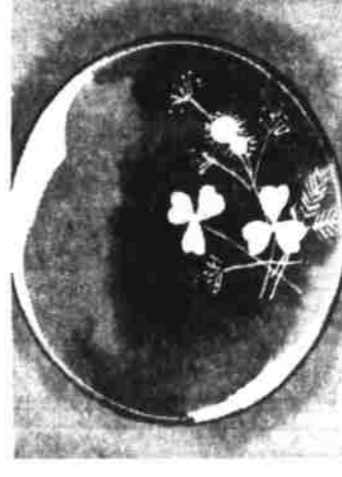
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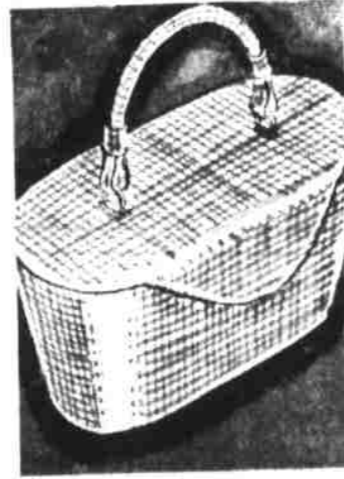
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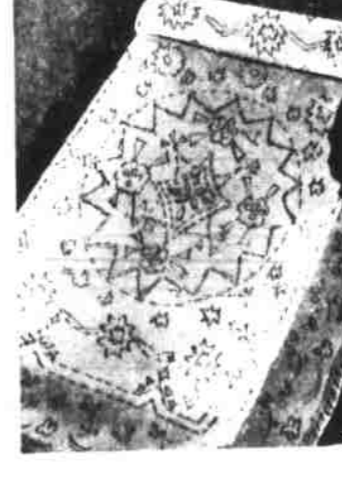
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