

U. S. Must Keep Exporting \$s, Or Buy More Europe Goods

Washington, Dec. 15 (AP)—Rep. Mansfield (D., Mont.) has brought back from overseas an idea that Americans must keep on exporting billions of "get in the habit" of buying more European goods.

"Competition in some measure, and on fair and reasonable terms, with the goods and services of our own producers," he said, "will have to be accepted."

This, he said in a report to the house foreign affairs committee, will require "a profound shift in the outlook of the American people to make them really import-minded."

Mansfield and Rep. Javits (Republican-liberal-NY), another member of the committee, took opposite views on a quick peace treaty and diplomatic recognition for western Germany.

Mansfield is for them, Javits against. Each spent weeks abroad. Mansfield has been back for some time but just submitted his report today. Javits flew in yesterday and held a news conference.

Mansfield reviewed political and economic trends in France, western Germany, Austria and Italy.

He said all western Europe should be brought into an economic union without any customs barriers, the European recovery program should stop as such in 1952, and dismantling of German plants should stop now.

Mansfield said he had concluded that American aid through the recovery plan has stopped the advance of communism in western Europe and put it on the defensive.

Americans, Mansfield said, have three choices in helping Europe. He listed them this way:

- The first is to stop or greatly reduce our exports and freeze world trade at a low level. He said this must be rejected because it would lead to stagnation and perhaps war.
- The second is to continue to subsidize Europe's buying through gifts of billions of dollars a year. He said such gifts can't keep on indefinitely.
- The third is to buy European goods and make investments abroad.

"In accepting the third choice," the congressman said, "the United States will have to get in the habit of buying European products, where price and quality make such purchases sensible."

ideas: occupation of Germany must continue around 10 more years; the United States should re-study its embargo on arms shipments to Israel; and President Truman's point four program for helping the world's backward countries should be the key point in foreign policy in 1950.

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"For many... servicemen and women in the United States there will be no Christmas at home," the president wrote Weil.

"I think it would be a fine thing if American communities, wherever members of our armed forces are located, made special efforts, this year of great spiritual significance, to welcome community life."

The president himself will fly home to Independence, Mo., for Christmas. He will leave here December 20, spend a brief time in Washington and fly to Independence December 23. He will return to Washington December 28.

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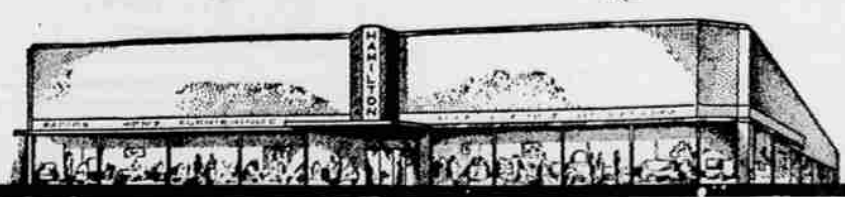
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