

Foreign Ministers Believed Talking Far East Issues Before Atomic Bomb

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW, Dec. 19 (AP)—Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov entertained Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin at lunch today before their formal conversations, in which the atomic bomb was reported to be of uppermost importance.

The luncheon was given at Speridionka palace with the full American and British delegations attending.

A spokesman at the United States embassy said Byrnes expected to confer with Generalissimo Stalin, recently returned from an extensive vacation; neither Byrnes nor Bevin has yet seen the Russian leader.

Gen. Georges Catroux, French ambassador to Russia, conferred with Byrnes for 45 minutes during the morning at Spasso house in what was described as a "courtesy call." Byrnes saw the Chinese ambassador for a half hour Monday.

Japan Control

The question of control of Japan appeared to be one of the topics of the "exploratory" talks.

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Ibrahim Hakimi yesterday appealing to the United States, Great Britain and Russia to withdraw their troops from Iran.

There was no announcement after yesterday's meeting, which lasted three hours and 15 minutes—the longest since Molotov, Byrnes and Bevin started their discussions Sunday. Informed quarters said, however, that they were well along on the main questions which brought them together.

Persons present at the gathering emphasized again the cordial atmosphere which prevailed and said this was indicative that all was going well. The progress so far was pictured as follows: the first session was taken up with routine procedural matters, the second was devoted to filing papers by all three sides and getting the discussions lined up, and the third was devoted to exploration of the issues.

Nuts may be used to add richness to stuffing for poultry, to croquettes, creamed chicken or fish.

V-12 Program Will Continue At OSC

CORVALLIS, Dec. 19 (AP)—The navy ROTC V-12 program at Oregon State college will continue until June 30 instead of reverting to a peacetime navy program at the end of the winter term, Capt. Joseph J. Carey said today.

He reported the Washington bureau of navy personnel announced a special house bill providing additional funds to the V-12 program had passed the house and was before the senate.

E. L. Leom, dean of the college administration, said the order means the navy will continue occupying Snell hall. After June 30, students may choose navy ROTC on much the same basis as army ROTC.

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Land Problem Will Be Heard At Meet Here

The problem of the transfer of county lands to national forests will be aired before a public hearing by the governor's special committee here January 4, County Judge U. E. Reeder disclosed today.

Grievances concerning the operation of the reforestation act and other matters pertaining to forestry and land use will also be brought up.

The transfer of taxable lands to the federal government in payment for cutting rights in national forests, instead of a cash transaction, is slashing into Klamath county's tax income in two ways, Reeder pointed out. Lands are taken off the tax rolls and the former payment to the county of 25 per cent of the cutting rights payment is avoided.

At present Senator Guy Gordon has before congress a measure calling for government grants to the counties in lieu of the lost tax income, and proponents of the legislation hope to get more power behind the bill during this meeting.

Since the first of this year some 327,000 acres of Shevlin-Hixon lands have been added to the federal government's already vast holdings in this district. Klamath county is more than 70 per cent federally owned.

The committee will meet in the circuit court room of the courthouse, and interested persons as far north as Jefferson county have been invited to take part.

On the committee are Judge H. D. Kerkman of Washington

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