



CLAMMING UP—Hands and mouth work in quick harmony in this clam eating contest in Seattle, Wash. Dick Taylor, left, won by gobbling down 337 steamed littlenecks in 10 minutes.

Acheson Says U.S. Will Stand Pat in W. Europe

By JOHN HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson declared Wednesday the United States is "determined to maintain" the position of the Western powers in Berlin, and to protect and assist the people of Berlin and the Western zones of Germany.

nearly on schedule as possible was set forth in a note to Russia Tuesday night.
The American note, identical with notes sent by Britain and France, declared that this government will "not be deflected" from the policy of creating true unity among the European nations because this "represents the true path of peace."

Acheson's assertion at a news conference appeared to be an indirect warning to the Soviets against assuming that recent treaty-making Communist moves would sway the United States, Britain and France from pursuing their announced policies on German unity with the Western world.

At the same time the United States and the other Western powers expressed readiness to open negotiations with the Soviet Union on the unification of Eastern and Western Germany provided there is first a clear understanding

While Acheson did not personally say so, it is understood he expects to leave for Europe within 10 days for the signing.
The peace contract is one of the basic treaties involved in clearing the way for the rearmament of Western Germany in connection with the total buildup of defenses of Western Europe.

The latest expression of the firm resolve of the western nations to go through with these plans as

MAIL CAR ROBBED
LONDON (AP)—Robbers boarded the 1:38 train from Brighton to London Tuesday afternoon and swiftly a silently stole 11,000 pounds (\$30,000) in an unguarded mail car.

upon the fundamental problems to be examined.
The first problem to be tackled, the Western powers said, is that of investigating political conditions throughout Germany and of creating conditions necessary for holding free elections.
This would be the first step toward establishing an German government which could negotiate a German peace treaty.

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marble tournament.
Approximately 44 contestants from seven city elementary schools and four suburban grade schools are expected to enter the tourney and vie for competition in the Young Oregon tournament at Janzen Beach Park in Portland May 24.

to the VFW national tournament at Durham, N.C.

Finalists for the city championship have been picked from play-offs at city and suburban schools during the past month. Two divisions will be contested, class A for boys or girls aged six to 12 years and class B, 13 to 15 years.

Medals and a trophy will be presented through the VFW here by Danny Peck, city marble champion of 1938.

Real Bargains For an Hour

HUTCHINSON, Kas. (AP)—How would you like to buy a silk necktie for 35 cents, a pair of nylons for 39 cents, or a 20 table lamp for \$3.95?

Those were some of the bargains listed for an hour-long sale at 24 Hutchinson stores Wednesday. The prices were rolled back to 1902 levels as part of a city-wide celebration.

Here are some of the other buys: Cotton house dresses, 99 cents; Ginger snaps, five cents a pound; work shirts, 69 cents; men's summer suits \$15.95; and 130 davenport \$69.50.

The merchants checked newspaper advertisements of a half century ago to dig out the prices.

Joy Gets New Staff Chief

TOKYO (AP)—Rear Adm Frederick W. McMahon Wednesday relieved Rear Adm. Ralph A. Ostie as chief of staff to Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, commander of U. S. Naval Forces in the Far East, the Navy announced.

McMahon has commanded carrier Division Five in Korean waters. He is from New Haven, Conn.

Ostie, from Everett, Wash., became chief of staff May 6, 1951. He has been acting commander of Naval forces in the Far East since Joy's appointment as senior United Nations Command delegate to the Korean armistice talks.

Ostie will report at San Diego as commander of the U. S. First Fleet.

POLICE INVOLVED
ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP)—Police-man Donald Dunce, driving his own automobile, struck a dog owned by Dunce's colleague, Policeman Patrick McDonald. The dog—police, naturally—is recovering.

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