

## Stomach Ache Stops Tour

CHICAGO (UP)—A sudden stomach attack today forced Uruguayan President Luis Batlle Berres to discontinue his tour of the United States.

The president suffered an apparent bleeding ulcer attack at a private dinner Wednesday night and was rushed to a hospital. Doctors at Wesley Memorial Hospital said his condition was "excellent" but advised him to stay in bed for at least a few days, cutting short his 19-day-old tour of the U.S.

Sources close to the 56-year-old president said he fainted while attending a dinner in his honor at the exclusive Chicago Club.

Batlle Berres recovered consciousness and refused to be carried to an ambulance. But, while walking to the door he became ill and vomited some blood, the sources said.

Hours later at the hospital, attending physicians issued a statement saying "there is apparently a bleeding ulcer. The president's condition is excellent."

The president's wife, attending a suburban function, was reported to have suffered an attack of indigestion as she rushed to her husband's side. Batlle Berres' oldest son, Juan, 23, was also with him. Uruguayan officials were meanwhile trying to locate his youngest son, Luis, in New York.

Wesley doctors also expressed optimism, saying they hoped the president would make a "complete recovery" within a few days. However, an official statement said earlier that Batlle Berres was suffering from "extreme exhaustion" and his U.S. tour would have to be discontinued.

Batlle Berres had been showing visible signs of strain during his fast-moving trip through this country. Wednesday, before flying from Boston, Mass., to Chicago, he remarked that he had made about 250 speeches in 10 days.

## Fort Rock Drought Eased

FORT ROCK — Extensive rain and snowfall for the last six weeks broke one of the most devastating droughts ever recorded here. Two and one-quarter inches of precipitation have been recorded at the weather station at The Poplars since November 13.

Prior to mid-November, every month of this year was well below average in rainfall except two, April and September, and they were only slightly above average.

November also witnessed record-breaking minimum temperatures. Minus 28 degrees was recorded at the weather station at Fremont where W. L. Dehne is observer. His station has kept records for 41 years. The previous record low in November was 17 degrees below zero which occurred in 1919. On the same day in 1955, minus 23 degrees was recorded at The Poplars. Average temperatures for the month, however, were about normal at both stations.

## Griffin Sentenced For Drunk Driving

WEED — Ronald Griffin, 34, El Paso Heights, California, pleaded guilty to charges of driving while drunk at his appearance before Judge Kenneth Stone in Weed Judicial Court last week.

He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$263 or spend 51 days in the county jail at Yreka. Arrest was made by California Highway Patrol.

## TWO DEER KILLED

WEED — Two doe deer, killed in the Devils Garden area under permits issued for the current special hunt, were brought to the Weed Locker plant at the close of the first day of the season. The successful hunters were Ed Andrews and Billy Stone.



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## Leaders Plan Ike's Running

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Eisenhower's backers in New Hampshire have been assured that Mr. Eisenhower will not bow out as a possible 1956 candidate before their March 13 primary, it was reported authoritatively today.

This assurance will permit them to run as pro-Eisenhower delegates to the Republican National Convention without risking repudiation if the President decides later against seeking a second term.

The report came from a reliable informant who did not claim that the go-ahead came from Mr. Eisenhower himself. This source did say, however, that it originated with an administration lieutenant with sufficient authority to assure pro-Eisenhower delegates that they would not find themselves without

a candidate when the New Hampshire votes are cast.

It was not suggested that encouragement of pro-Eisenhower forces in New Hampshire means the President has decided to run again. If New Hampshire should elect Eisenhower delegates and he announced his retirement after the primary, they would go to the national convention unpledged, but presumably friendly to any White House choice for the presidential nomination.

New Hampshire sends 14 delegates to the convention. Gov. Lane Dwinell already has announced he will run for delegate-at-large listed on the ballot as "favorable" to the renomination of Mr. Eisenhower.

Under its first-in-the-nation primary, candidates for New Hampshire's national convention delegation can run as favorable to a presidential candidate, pledged to a candidate or unpledged. If pledged, the candidate's consent is required.

The primary law also permits a presidential preference vote unrelated to the delegate elections. A

## TRADE AGREEMENT

MOSCOW (UP)—Tass said the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia signed a trade agreement in Prague yesterday providing for a further increase in trade between the two nations.

prospective candidate can be entered without his consent, but he can withdraw his name if he is entered in this contest.

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