

Interpreting

Germany Question Still in Stalemate

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This is not the first time that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, having made some generalized statement on German reunification in an effort to avoid the appearance of intransigence, has been forced to explain that the West is not going to surrender, either.

So far, every suggestion made for reunification, except the Western demand for free elections, has contained the possibility of a permanent foothold for the Communist institutions of East Germany.

Every time any alternative for free elections is mentioned, the West German government fears it is being threatened with the sort of infiltration practiced when the Communists were taking over

East European governments after World War II.

There are strong elements in West Germany which would be willing to run some risks to obtain unification. Any sign that Britain, France or the United States might also be willing to do so immediately puts the Bonn government under political pressure to preserve its position.

Thus we get statements first and then explanations.

This confusion always develops because of trying to walk without touching feet to the ground.

Germany will be unified. The present situation is only a break in the trend which persisted through centuries of division. Germany is no Korea or Viet Nam, which have had no real political entity within memory.



"I'm Gonna Graduate!"

Newton Harris of Fort Worth happily shouts the news to a buddy as he checks the official list. He will be among the 330 Aggies getting their degrees Saturday.

All in the Course

Student Economists Playing With Money Eye Fluctuating Stock Market Eagerly

By GEORGE OHLENDORF
How would you like to invest \$10,000 as an assignment in one of your courses? About 25 students do this every fall semester in Agricultural Economics 324—using imaginary money, of course.

Each student who "makes \$1,000 from his investment by the end of the semester gets his grade raised five points. In ad-

dition, the individual who makes the most net profit is presented a desk pen.

Winning the award this semester was Billy W. Baker of Baytown, who "made" \$3,157.50 by trading in eggs. Others netting over \$1,000 were Luther B. Smith, Joe Fenton and Robert Kuhn. Three other students "made" under \$1,000, while 16 were "in the red."

This unique practical work was developed by the instructor of the course, Dr. Robert Branson, associate professor of agricultural economics.

Combining theory with practice is a problem that most professors face in planning the instruction for their courses. Labs are included as a part of some courses for this purpose, but many courses such as this one do not have labs. Therefore, the professor must use his imagination to provide some type of practice for his students.

Most agricultural commodities are traded on a futures market, as well as a cash market. In the futures market the buyer contracts to accept delivery of the commodity in a designated future month and the seller contracts to deliver the commodity in that month. However, the majority of these contracts are cancelled prior to the delivery month by taking an opposite position in the market.

Branson begins his agricultural prices courses by covering these two types of markets. He then gives his students an opportunity to trade in a miniature

futures market.

The transactions are made on the basis of the previous day's prices, which are quoted in The Wall Street Journal. After studying current prices and a host of other factors, the student determines the probable price trends and makes his transactions, hoping his predictions will come true.

This seems fairly easy but it is risky, as the students taking the course will tell you, especially those who lost more than \$1,000. However, regardless of how much a student makes, he does understand the futures market better than before he took the course.

Data Processing Courses Offered

Seven electronic data processing courses are presently being offered at A&M.

The courses include survey of data processing (business and accounting); principles of digital computers, digital computer circuits, programming of digital computers, and problems in data processing (electrical engineering); and numerical calculus, and numerical solution of differential equations (mathematics).

Equipment of the A&M Data Processing Center being administered by the Texas Engineering Experiment Station will be used in course work.

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Guard Duty Big Challenge To Freshmen

Freshman cadets on guard duty are very devoted to their job these days.

At times they become so engrossed in their assignment that they even forget where they are.

And sometimes they don't know which master to serve.

Two telephone calls made by The Battalion to the Dorm 2 Guardroom this week exemplify their plight. On the first one, the in-a-hurry reporter calling the guardroom became somewhat irritated after Bell's invention rang six times. When the Private of the Guard finally answered, he asked the freshman the cause of the delay.

"Well, sir," came the befuddled reply, "I was looking up a name on a list for the O.D., and didn't know whether I should keep on looking an answer the phone!"

Another reporter called to get a story from a man living in Dorm 2 and asked the freshman to summon him to the phone. After looking up the man's room number, the private, apparently forgetting his temporary location, advised:

"You'll have to call Dorm 2, sir. That's where he lives!"

Meanwhile, back in the guardroom...

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Congress Introduces 'Bills'; Last Names Not 'Important'

By ARTHUR EDSON
WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress has been in session only a week, and already it has enough work to keep it in the legislative trenches for a decade.

Bills by the thousands have poured in. Bills on every conceivable topic. Bills that could involve the fate of the world. Bills that concern only one individual. Bills to fill gaps you didn't even know existed.

Take H. R. 243. It was intro-

duced by Rep. Melvin Price (D) of East St. Louis, Ill. He wants to set up permanent firing squads for national cemeteries in which burials are conducted.

Live on a farm? Sen. Alexander Wiley (R) of Chippewa Falls, Wis., is for you. He wants to set up a Country Life Commission.

Live in town? Rep. J. Arthur Younger (R) of San Mateo, Calif., is back with his scheme for a Department of Urbiculture—he made up the word himself—to concentrate on city problems.

Are you a teacher? Rep. Gordon L. McDonough (R) of Los Angeles is pulling for you. He wants the first Sunday in June to be National Teachers Day.

Are you a shut-in? Spessard L. Holland (D) of Bartow, Fla., would make March 30 of each year National Shut-ins' Day.

A coal miner? Both of West Virginia's new senators, among others, are worrying about you because, they say, you're in a sick industry. Sens. Jennings Randolph (D) of Elkins, W. Va., and Robert C. Byrd of Sophia, W. Va., are plugging for a Coal Research and Development Commission, to find new uses for coal.

The list could go on and on. Rep. John P. Saylor (R) of Johnstown, Pa., wants the last

survivor of the Union army and the last survivor of the Confederate army buried at Gettysburg.

Possibly most of the legislation falls into this class: It may be worthy, but it will be hard to stir up much enthusiasm for it.

Take the bill proposed by Rep. Saylor to provide for a postage stamp bearing the phrase "Highway Courtesy is Contagious." It may be fine, but it's not the sort of thing to set off a Senate filibuster, one way or the other.

Tot Gets Treatment For Alcoholism

LEWISBURG, Tenn. (AP) — An unconscious 3-year-old boy was admitted to a hospital yesterday for treatment of acute alcoholism.

Police said the parents and a visitor were arrested at the child's home and jailed on drunkenness charges.

The boy, Jimmy Lee Davis, was listed in critical condition. He was placed in an oxygen tent.

State Patrol Sgt. Leslie Tomlin said he arrested Mr. and Mrs. Scott Davis, and a visitor, Robert Shirley. He said the parents accused each other of giving the child whiskey.

Freshmen Able To Take Physics For First Time

General physics will be offered to freshmen students in the spring semester for the first time, Dr. James G. Potter, head of the Department of Physics, announced yesterday.

There will be two special sections of Physics 218 offered for physics and electrical engineering majors available to freshmen who are sure they will not change their major, said Potter.

The program, in cooperation with the Department of Electrical Engineering, is a geared-up plan for majors in these two fields.

Students who take this course will also be in special sections of Physics 219 and 220.

Potter warned students who are not sure of their major against taking one of the special sections as it would cause a conflict if they took the regular sections in 219 and 220.

Students desiring to take the special section of the course are urged to contact the Physics Department or to register for section 40 if they are physics majors, or section 63 if they are electrical engineering majors, said Potter.

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	Total	Local	State & County	Sinking	Transportation
Cash Balance	-21,846.86	-21,846.86			
Federal Funds					
Federal Lunch	9,398.40	9,398.40			
Federal Maint. and Operation	4,739.60	4,739.60			
State Funds					
State per Capatia	123,535.80		123,535.80		
State Salary and Operation	163,367.00	163,367.00			
State Foundation					
Transportation	9,393.00				9,393.00
State Vocational Education	1,237.28	1,237.28			
County Funds					
County Available	325.84		325.84		
Local District					
Tax Collections	134,639.52	95,952.78		38,686.74	
Transportation Fees	5,313.05				5,313.05
Tuition	3,658.00	3,658.00			
Other Local	7,196.26	7,196.26			
Misc.	629.85	629.85			
	\$441,586.74	\$264,332.31	\$123,861.64	\$38,686.74	\$14,760.05
Cash Disbursements					
Administration	19,430.27	19,430.27			
Instruction	322,895.89	189,073.06	133,822.83		
Pupil Transportation	13,711.49				13,711.49
Operation of Plant	30,461.55	30,461.55			
Maint. of Plant	2,053.36	2,053.36			
Fixed Charges	3,723.44	3,663.44			60.00
Other School Services	18,951.26	18,951.26			
Capital Outlay	576.55	330,000.00			246.55
Debt Service	40,684.42	1,407.56		38,686.74	590.12
	\$425,488.23	\$265,370.50	\$133,822.83	\$38,686.74	\$14,608.16
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