

## Seven NATO nations delay missile talks

WASHINGTON (CP) — Defence ministers of seven NATO countries have agreed to postpone a decision on whether the Atlantic alliance needs an anti-ballistic missile defence system.

Concluding two days of talks on various questions of nuclear policy, the defence ministers said in a communique Friday NATO's offensive nuclear capability is adequate.

The emphasis now would be on exploring "ways of preventing a further spiral of the arms race," the communique said.

The newly-formed NATO nuclear preparedness committee met President Johnson Friday after winding up its talks. The president told them NATO's success as a nuclear deterrent means "we can try to lower the ugly line of walls and watch towers that defaces the map of Europe."

The bulk of the closed discussions occurred Thursday, when Canadian Defence Minister Hellyer participated. Charles Ritchie, Canadian ambassador to NATO, took over Friday when Hellyer returned to Ottawa.

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The committee was set up to give non-nuclear countries such as Canada — but particularly West Germany — more access to nuclear military information.

Britain, Italy, Turkey and the Netherlands are the other members.

U.S. Defence Secretary McNamara reported on the anti-ballistic missile issue, including "both the Soviet deployments and the U.S. research and development program," the communique said. It said the ministers agreed "to keep this subject under review."

This means, diplomatic observers explained, that the ministers decided to postpone a decision on their main concern: The anti-ballistic missile defence of NATO, until they know whether bilateral Washington-Moscow talks can prevent "a further spiralling of the arms race."

Johnson suggested such talks with the Soviets after it became known that Russia had begun to deploy anti-ballistic missiles around Moscow. The talks began last month in Moscow.



Promoted

Air Commodore G. F. Jacobsen, 50, of Winnipeg will be promoted to the rank of air vice-marshal April 15. He is now director of general personnel requirements at the Canadian Forces Headquarters and will become deputy commander, administration at Mobile Command Headquarters, St. Hubert, Que., April 20.

## French books on exhibition

French pocket books will be displayed Monday through Saturday at the Lumen Book Store, Provencher Ave. near Tache.

Sponsored by the French government, through the French Consulate in Winnipeg, the exhibit will be representative of the different publishing houses of France.

The display includes 500 books on all subjects.

The exhibit is being premiered here and will then travel to other provinces in Canada.

## Jumpers still battle for top Fair award

Special to The Tribune

BRANDON — The Hood, owned by the P. V. Ranch of Edmonton and ridden by Gail Ross, and Stack 'Em Upp, owned and ridden by Robin Hahn of Belle Plaine, Sask., continued their battle for the top jumper award Friday at the Manitoba Winter Fair light horse show.

Both horses won one event and came second in another.

The Hood captured the timed event ahead of Stack 'Em Upp by clearing 17 jumps in the allotted 60 seconds.

Stack 'Em Upp came back to win the scurry jumping event with a clear ride while The Hood, with just one fault, was second.

Stack 'Em Upp came back to sage event, new to the fair, earlier in the day.

Tees Pee Wee, owned and driven by Mrs. Ray Chapman of Brandon, won the single fine harness show pony event while Stormy, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lowe of Bradwardine, Man., and driven by Maxine Lowe, topped the single pony 12 and not exceeding 14.2 hands class.

Dufferin Temptress and Bobcaygeons Seven, owned by the Memory Lane Farm of Portage

la Prairie and driven by owner Erna Lyttle, grabbed the hackney harness tandem class.

In the western classes, Leche Bar, owned by the Flying Red Wheel Ranch of Edmonton and ridden by Bill Collins, won the cutting horse stake while Buck Ben, owned by Dick White of Devils Lake, N.D., and ridden by Harold Rankin, swept the western pleasure competition.

## De Gaulle okays new government

PARIS (Reuters) — President de Gaulle has approved a new French government headed by Premier Georges Pompidou and retaining Maurice Couve de Murville as foreign minister.

An official announcement Friday night said Pierre Messmer also kept his post as defence minister.

Eight new men were introduced to the government and seven dropped, including two former cabinet members—Alexandre Sanguinetti and Jean Charbonnel who both lost their seats in a general election last month.

## Man killed as coasting truck, half-ton crash

THE PAS, Man. (CP) — One man was killed and another injured in a two-truck collision near this northwestern Manitoba town early today.

Dead is Donald Currie of Bowsman, Man.

William Fulmore of Bowsman was reported in fair condition in St. Anthony's Hospital here.

RCMP said the accident happened when a semi-trailer truck driven by Robert Latimer of The Pas ran out of gasoline and began to coast on Highway 10. A half-ton truck driven by Currie collided with the rear of the semi-trailer eight miles north of The Pas, which is 314 miles northwest of Winnipeg. Fulmore was a passenger in the half-ton truck.

Coroner Neil G. MacPhee of The Pas ordered an inquest.

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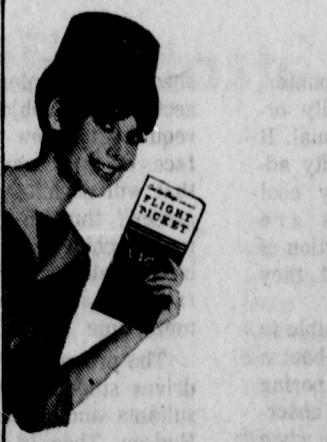
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## Speck talked of 'maniac'

PEORIA, Ill. (AP)—Richard Speck, accused of murdering eight nurses in Chicago last July, was quoted Friday as commenting: "Whoever did it must have been a sex maniac."

Robert Gerrald, a ship's cook from Mullins, S.C., testified that Speck made the remark while touring saloons within 10 hours of the time the young women were slain early in the morning of July 14, 1966, in their dormitory on Chicago's south side.

Gerrald told a circuit court jury at Speck's trial that he and Speck went to the Ebbtide Tavern, about 1 1/2 miles from the victims' living quarters about 12:45 p.m. July 14.

"There was a lady and a man in there and they brought up about the nurses being killed," Gerrald testified.

"So Richard made a statement to the bartender: 'Whoever did it must have been a sex maniac.'"

Then, Gerrald added, they returned their saloon tour.

Dr. Eugene Tapan, assistant director of pathology at the

Cook county (Chicago) morgue, had been stabbed about 18 times, another had been kicked in the stomach and all had been strangled, stabbed or both.

Gerrald pointed to Speck in the packed courtroom. He said he met Speck on a Great Lakes vessel late in April, 1966.

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