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Weather Forecast

Continued fair after early morning haze. Little change in temperature. High 39, low 24. —Air Weather Service

CLOSING STOCKS

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market closed higher in fairly active trading Tuesday. Steels and coppers led the rise. Most gains ranged from fractions to around \$1 a share, but there were some bigger gains and some scattered losses.

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McElroy Says ICBM Race Evening Up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Neil H. McElroy said Tuesday the U.S. will be practically even with Russia in war-ready intercontinental missiles by the end of this year. McElroy told the House Armed Services Committee the U.S. will have "a few intercontinental ballistic missiles by July 1959, and a few more by December 1959, which will be with-

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in a few missiles one way or the other of what we would expect of the Russians at the same time." McElroy obviously was speaking of missiles operational and in place — not test rockets such as have been fired.

McElroy and Gen Nathan F. Twining, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both reacted skeptically to the claims made in a speech in Moscow by Soviet De-

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Fanfani Told To Seek Vote

ROME (AP)—President Giovanni Gronchi has refused to accept the resignation of Premier Amintore Fanfani because his center-left coalition was not brought down by a no-confidence vote in parliament. Gronchi ordered Fanfani to seek a vote of confidence from the parliament.

Until Fanfani does so, the president said, he will not accept the resignation Fanfani submitted nine days ago.

His action apparently means he was unable to find a new premier. When Fanfani's cabinet of Christian Democrats and Democratic Socialists resigned Jan. 26, Gronchi directed Fanfani to remain as caretaker premier until a new government could be formed. At the time, he reserved his decision about whether to accept Fanfani's resignation, the normal practice when a government quits.

Search for Hedtoft Aided by Weather

COPENHAGEN (UPI)—The first search operations for the missing ship Hans Hedtoft under ideal weather conditions started south of Cape Farewell Tuesday, the Royal Danish Greenland Trading Co. said. For the first time since the company's flagship Hans Hedtoft vanished Friday night with 95 passengers and crewmen, weather conditions were such that both planes and large and small vessels could cooperate, the company said. The company said the search would be concentrated along a line from Cape Farewell southwest to Argentina, Newfoundland.

2 German Captains Killed

LANDSBERG, Germany (AP)—Two captains in the German jet forces were killed when their jet trainer crashed and burned near here Tuesday.

Negro Student Takes Place in Norfolk School



Alceraze Gonsonland (center), one of 17 Negroes admitted to Norfolk, Va., schools, sits at his desk in Norview High School, surrounded by white students. —UPI Telephoto

Virginia Classes Run Smoothly on 2d Integrated Day

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Integrated classes opened uneventfully Tuesday in six public schools in Norfolk. They continued without incident 200 miles to the north in Arlington County.

Against this backdrop of integration calm, plans to attempt to hold integration to a minimum and prevent its spread through the state will be made in the governor's office and the General Assembly during the next few weeks.

The assembly couldn't find a way to halt integration entirely in a five-day special session which came to an end Monday night.

Police Tuesday kept vigil again at the Norfolk schools and at Stratford Junior High in Arlington, a well-to-do Washington suburb. But again it was a matter of humdrum performance, of preserving order against threats that never developed.

Integration began for Virginia Monday, under order of Federal courts. It started at Stratford. Four Negroes attended public school classes with whites for the first time in the Old Dominion's history. They did again Tuesday.

At Norfolk, there were only preliminaries Monday—registration and class assignments—in preparation for the actual classroom study Tuesday. The three Norfolk white high schools and the three junior

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'Blues' Give Up More Ground Under 'Aggressor' Pounding

By HENRY B. KRAFT, Staff Writer

VILSECK, Germany (S&S)—Defending "Blue" forces lost more ground Tuesday in the Hohenfels sector as they fell back under heavy pounding by invading "Reds" in the second day of 7th Army's Exercise Free Play war games.

There was bitter fighting all along the wind-swept front, but the heaviest action was in the central sector at Hohenfels during the day-long mock battle.

On the east, the "Red" 21st Inf was slugging its way slowly against

Pilot of Light Craft Also Perishes

3 Rock-Roll Headliners Die in Iowa Plane Crash

MASON CITY, Iowa (AP)—Three of the nation's top rock-'n'-roll idols were killed during a light snow when their chartered plane crashed shortly after taking off from the airport here early Tuesday.

The trio, Buddy Holly, 22, of Lubbock, Tex., Ritchie Valens, 17, of Los Angeles, and J. P. Richardson, 24, of New Orleans, known professionally as the Big Bopper, had completed an engagement at the Surf Ballroom in nearby Clear Lake a short time before.

Dulles Leaves D.C. For Allied Talks On Germany Issue

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, flying to Europe for urgent talks, said Tuesday there will not be any war over Berlin as far as the U.S. is concerned "but I can't tell what the Russians have in mind."

In a special statement issued at the White House, Dulles emphasized his talks with the British, French and German leaders in London, Paris and Bonn would be aimed at solidifying the West against Russian threats against Berlin.

He said he also expected to explore the possibility of Big Four talks by the U.S., Russia, Britain and France on settlement of the Berlin situation and the reunification of Germany.

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force their thrust into "Blue" lines, and by late Tuesday, the drive seemed to have been felt in the Hohenfels area.

Observers here expected the

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Soviets Hold U.S. Convoy In East Zone

BERLIN (AP) — The Soviet Army Tuesday night detained—for the second day—a U.S. Army convoy trying to reach West Germany from isolated West Berlin.

On an inspection technicality, the Russians have held up the four-truck convoy since 1:05 pm Monday at their Marienborn checkpoint on the West German frontier.

Red Army headquarters in East Germany has brushed off three strong U.S. protests and demands for the immediate clearance of the convoy to West Germany.

"The Soviets have said only that they will take the matter under consideration," a U.S. Army spokesman said.

At the Russian headquarters in East Berlin, a Soviet Army spokesman told a reporter without elaboration that the convoy "is free and can go." Presumably he meant the convoy could return to Berlin.

(In Washington, a State Department spokesman said there was no apparent reason for the Russians to halt the convoy.

(Press Officer Lincoln White declared this was the only comment he had on the incident other than

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Vincent Astor Dies in N.Y.

NEW YORK (UPI)—W. Vincent Astor, 67, head of the American branch of the wealthy Astor family, died in his New York apartment Tuesday of a heart attack.

Astor was the great-great-grandson of John Jacob Astor who made a fortune in North American fur trapping in the 18th Century and pyramided it with investments in New York real estate. His father, also John Jacob, went down with the Titanic in 1912. Astor managed the family's millions since that time.

He is survived by his third wife, the former Brooke Russell Marshall, to whom he was married in 1953. They had no children. The present John Jacob Astor is his half-brother.

Astor listed his position as chairman of the board of News-

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Balloon Small World Backed for 2d Flight

LONDON (AP)—The Small World balloon crew says it has financial backing for a second attempt to float across the Atlantic. "I think I can say we shall have a bash," said Arnold (Bushy) Eiloart, leader of the first expedition last year. Eiloart said a British movie company executive had promised financial help in the new attempt. He added the flight would not be made before December 1960.



Astor