

PERSONALITIES IN NEWS.....



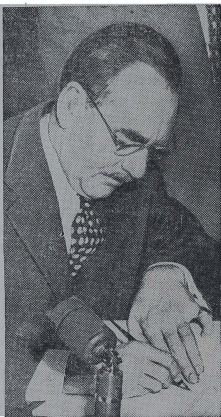
V.P. FERNANDO LOPEZ did a yeoman's job of Philippines affairs during the brief absence of President Quiroga. His main concentration presently is the reorganization and streamlining of government enterprises preparatory to full-scale industrialization of the country.



DAVID LILIENTHAL, chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission resigned his important post last month. Exact reasons for the action of the atomic authority was not revealed. At the time of his resignation, the United States was faced with the decision to embark on the production of the much-ballyhoosed hydrogen bomb, reportedly under production in Soviet Russia.



ALGER HISS for a while occupied the news limelight in the United States during his now-famous perjury trial, in connection with his espionage activities. He was sentenced to five years' imprisonment by the federal court in New York for denying under oath having transmitted government secrets a Soviet spy ring through one Whitaker Chambers.



NORTH ATLANTIC NATIONS signed recently a joint defense pact in formal ceremonies in Washington. Important figures during the signing of the agreement were (left to right) Ambassador Henri Bonnet of France, Secretary of State Dean Acheson of the United States, and Sir Oliver Franks of Great Britain. Under the treaty the North Atlantic nations were to receive \$1,000,000,000 worth in U.S. arms and equipment. Other signatories were Italy, Denmark, Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg and Norway.