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(Iran's Premier Mossadegh has decided to break off diplomatic relations with Britain.) This after months of wrangling between the two nations over the close-down of the Anglo-Iranian oil refineries. In a radio broadcast, Mossadegh told the Iranian people, "As the British attitude is unfriendly against Iran, there is no use in continuing diplomatic relations."

(One Iranian official says that Mossadegh will recall his charge d'affaires from London, and give the British ten days to close their Embassy in Teheran.)

Mossadegh's action is one more step toward bankruptcy for Iran. The British <sup>insisting they</sup> are not going to pay for the oil revenues which have been lost. And, according to a newspaper in Teheran, our Ambassador has warned Mossadegh that a break with Britain will ~~mean~~ mean the end of American aid to Iran.

Speaking before the U.N. General Assembly, Secretary of State Acheson quotes a great English poet. In the Seventeenth Century, John Donne <sup>writing</sup> ~~wrote a poem~~ on death, Referring to the church bells which announce the death of some one, Donne wrote "never send to know for whom the Bell Tolls: It tolls for thee." From this line Ernest Hemingway got the title for one of his best known novels.

Acheson uses the quotation in speaking about the Korea war. It would have applied to the free world, says the Secretary, if we had lost our nerve at the red attack on South Korea. He clarifies his poetic reference with the words, "had the Republic of Korea <sup>been</sup> allowed to fall to the aggressor, the delegates to these assemblies would now be looking to their left and to their right, <sup>(and</sup> ~~xxx~~ asking which would be the next victim on the aggressor's list."

~~Acheson's speech was the first by a great power in the general debate. In it he called upon~~

The fighting in Korea is slowing down at the moment. But <sup>with</sup> indications ~~are~~ that it will break out as fiercely as ever, ~~very~~ soon. Fanatical Chinese are still holding "Pikes Peak" on the central front, and they are moving <sup>in</sup> fresh troops ~~in~~ to consolidate the position. Meanwhile <sup>the U. N. -</sup> ~~our~~ Seventh Division has gained control of the plateau around "Pikes Peak". <sup>The word is that</sup> ~~so~~ a major battle could develop if we throw a full-scale attack against the hill. ~~more, killed head~~

About a mile away, South Korean troops are mopping up the position known as "Sniper Ridge". A dispatch describes them as dropping explosives into caves where Chinese troops are hiding. The South Koreans have captured masses of military equipment - rifles, grenades, and ammunition.

~~Off the Korean coast, one American sailor was killed, and several were injured, during the mock invasion. Our ~~is~~ ships sailed in toward the shore as if to cover the landing of troops. Then they turned out to sea again. But in the meantime, shells~~

TRUCE TALKS      U

The Communists are asking the Allies to resume the truce talks in Korea. The request is contained in a note to U N commander, General Mark Clark. But the Communists are still demanding the unconditional repatriation of prisoners of war - the demand which caused the original deadlock.

Our chief negotiator General Harrison, has told the Reds that he would meet them whenever they had a constructive proposal to make. Allied headquarters point out that there is ~~xxx~~ nothing new in the Communist note. So General Clark is expected to maintain the recess of the truce talks, until the Reds agree to let prisoners decide for themselves whether they want to go home.

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## DULLES

Republican political expert, John Foster

Dulles, agrees with General Eisenhower that more South Korean troops should be defending their own soil.

Dulles calls it a "dangerous diversion" to have so much

of our army locked up in Korea. He quotes General

Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as

saying that our ~~inf~~ forces would be in a ~~very~~

dangerous position if a general war broke out.

Dulles adds that the South Koreans are anxious to do more. He discloses that when he visited Korea, President Syngman Rhee requested the training and equipment of more South Koreans. Dulles describes the R O K forces as excellent fighting men. He quotes General Van Fleet as saying, "they are showing that today, and gallantly holding up half the line."

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EISENHOWER

General Eisenhower is receiving some support from organized labor. M. A. Hutcheson, of the American Federation of Labor, has come out for Ike. This in spite of the fact that the union's President, William Green, is supporting Governor Stevenson. Hutcheson is President of the Brotherhood of carpenters and joiners of America -- a branch of *the R.F.O.L.* ~~the American Federation of Labor~~

Politics at Columbia University, where General Eisenhower is already an academic President. The professors are taking time out from their books and test-tubes to express their opinions on the election, and like the rest of us, some prefer Ike, and some are for Governor Stevenson. Two statements, have been drawn up, one by the Republican faction, the other by the Democrats. Each statement has appended to it a list of impressive names, including historians, scientists, linguists. One of the Republicans - football coach Lou Little, who hopes that Ike will do better in the election than the Columbia team is doing on the gridiron.

The interest of learned men in politics is an old story. Scholars of Oxford and Cambridge always took sides during political movements in England. And we know that Bertrand Russell, that master of logic and mathematics, is always ready with advice about <sup>even</sup> our political problems.

( Today President Truman entertained a whistle-stop audience with a piano solo. The President is, of course, America's most famous amateur musician. )

And in New Britain, connecticut, he got a chance to mix music with politics. Mayor John L. Sullivan had a spinet ready for the occasion. So after Mr. Truman had lambasted General Ike in his speech, he told the crowd, - "John Sullivan said it would win a lot of Democratic votes if I played the piano, and that's just what I am going to do." Then the Chief Executive played a bit of the Black Hawk Waltz on the spinet. The crowd cheered and applauded the impromptu concert. They invited Margaret, the other <sup>(musical)</sup> ~~member~~ member of the Truman family, to sing to her father's accompaniment. But Margaret preferred to listen to the President - she let him perform solo on the spinet, as on the political platform.



Today we have a statement about - subversive activities by American citizens in the employ of the United Nations. This comes from Democratic Senator O'Connor of Maryland, who has been presiding over an investigation by the Senate internal security commission.

In New York, thirteen Americans on the staff of the U N have been questioned, and twelve have refused to answer the sixty-four dollar question. One a woman connected with the U N children's organization, admits that she was a member of the Communist party - and is still in sympathy with some of its aims.

All of which leads Senator O'Connor to say that there's evidence of what he calls "a full scale operation of subversive activities directed against the security of this nation." With Americans in the U N participating in these.

Of the thirteen brought before the Senate Committee, nearly all are former officials of the *Government in Washington.*

The Russians are fond of saying that their Communist Society is superior to the West. But, to judge from the speeches delivered at the Communist Congress in Moscow, the Soviet comrades are not completely free from vices common in capitalist countries.

The speakers at that Congress attacked corruption, embezzlement, and ~~red~~ tape within the Soviet Union. One mentioned "thieves and bribe-takers" as influencing railway officials, and charged some workers with exaggerating work-reports. Another brought up the problem of nepotism - officials getting jobs for their relatives. He said that in the physics institute, over a hundred workers are related to one another. Stalin's heir-apparent, Georgi Malenkov, noted that many industries turn out inferior products.

All this is part of what the Communists call "self-criticism". ~~We only wish~~ <sup>But,</sup> the Russian people <sup>are not</sup> ~~are~~ free to apply a little <sup>of that</sup> "criticism" to Stalin <sup>and</sup> the Politburo.

## ADD RUSSIANS

Incidentally, Stalin has been elected a member of the Presidium -- which replaces the politburo under the new system of Soviet administration. Also ~~xx~~ elected -- Malenkov and Molotov.

parade of celebrities, glancing in mix coats and jewelry, rolling up to the theater in Rolls Royces, among them - Princess Margaret. She sat the actor, and opened his book.

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## CHARLIE CHAPLIN

Charlie Chaplin's visit to England is capped by a triumphant premiere of his latest picture - "Limelight". It opened at London's Odeon Theater. Ten thousand spectators jammed Leicester Square to see the audience arrive. A dispatch describes a parade of celebrities, gleaming in mink coats and jewelry, rolling up to the theater in Rolls Royces. Among them - Princess Margaret. She met the actor, and wished him luck.

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## HIGHWAY

Everyone who drives a car knows the danger of ice and snow on the highways - one of the <sup>No. 1</sup> ~~worst~~ causes of accidents.

<sup>But</sup> From Germany we hear that science is coming to the aid of the harassed motorist. A German engineer has invented a highway-surface which remains ice-proof in temperatures as low as seventy-eight degrees below zero.

The basis of the invention is a chemical, which is mixed with the tar-coating of the highway. The chemical acts in conjunction with electro-magnetic radiations from the earth. As a result, snow melts when it hits the surface, and there is no chance for ice to form.

German engineers gave the new surface a try on an experimental highway near Hamburg. They say that this highway remained free of snow and ice last winter. Experiments are still going on, but it looks as if science has the answer to the most dangerous factor in cold-weather driving.

Here's the latest for a trip to the moon. Plans drawn up by a board of scientists and rocket experts, headed by Dr. Wenher Von Braun and Dr. Willie Ley, reporting in Collier's Magazine.

They say the rocket ship will be assembled, not on this earth at all - but out in space. A thousand miles up in the sky, there'll be a space ship - revolving around this planet of ours. Aboard it, the people connected with the trip to the Moon - and rockets will carry up to them the parts for their moon-going vessel.

These they'll assemble, climbing out of their space ship, gathering the parts, putting them together. They'll do it, each moving around in space. No force of gravity that far up, so they won't fall down to the earth. They'll propell themselves around, each being equipped with a small rocket engine. Of course, they'll be wearing special interplanetary suits - there being no air out there in space. Suits which will also keep them warm- in the

abysmal interplanetary cold.

So, maneuvering around in out space, they'll put their rocket ship together, climb aboard - and then Nelson off for the Moon. Will you be one of those up there floating around in space?