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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Good Friday in Jerusalem with The Holy Land, as usual tense. The number of pilgrims? Less than four hundred passing from Israel into the old section of Jerusalem, now held by Jordan.

Jordanian border guards turned back three Russian nuns; because they carried Soviet passports. This apparently a reflection of the latest development in Jordan - where King Hussein has just ousted a leftist government.

The few hundred pilgrims who were allowed inside the old walled city - found everywhere reminders of violence. Soldiers of the Arab Legion, barbed wire, and tank traps. Jerusalem, The City Of Peace, where there is only temporary peace - on Good Friday.

SUB NOTE

Russia has sent notes to Britain, France, and the United States. We hear from London that the notes are identical in substance. Of course, no details will be given out - until the three governments have examined these latest Soviet proposals. But it's believed in the British capital that a key point made by ~~Mr~~ Bulganin - it ^{that} ~~states~~ America has created greater tension in the Middle East - by strengthening military ties with the nations of the Baghdad pact.

DIPLOMATS

President Eisenhower reshuffles ^{OWI} ~~his~~ diplomats.

The President, shifting a number of our Ambassadors to different posts. Robert Hill leaves the State Department to become Ambassador to Mexico. Francis White goes from Mexico City to Stockholm. John Cabot moves from Stockholm to Bogota, Colombia. Cabot, replacing Philip Bonsal, ^{who now goes} ~~appointed~~ to LaPaz, ~~in~~ Bolivia.

An interesting point about these assignments - all of the men involved are career diplomats. ~~and that is~~ In line with President Eisenhower's feeling about appointments to the diplomatic service. Under Mr. Eisenhower, about seventy percent of the jobs abroad - are held by career ^{This is} diplomats. ~~The~~ highest percentage ~~is~~ in the nation's history.

The administration has often been criticized for sending "political appointees" rather than men who have devoted their lives to diplomacy. ^{But the} ~~the~~ figures tell a different story.

When President Eisenhower took office, career diplomats held

only fifty-nine percent of the top diplomatic assignments. President Eisenhower raising that to seventy percent.

However, most of the top European posts are held by non-career men. Career officials seldom can afford the expense - of such an embassy as London, Paris, or Rome. Where we are represented by Ambassadors with a fat bank roll. The British, French, Russians and others apparently provide adequate compensation for their top diplomats. We don't. Nevertheless our State Department has attractive opportunities for young men. With world problems what they are the ablest and toughest of our young men should enter Uncle Sam's foreign service.

So, if you are fullback on your varsity team - also a Phi Beta Kappa with an aptitude for languages, and international affairs - now's your time to get into Uncle Sam's foreign service and help make it the best in the world.

CANAL

Today a British ship sailed into the Suez Canal for the first time since that vital waterway was closed last November. The freighter WEST BREEZE flying the Union Jack. The captain paid the toll to the Egyptian canal authorities - then steamed northward toward Port Said.

But there's a catch to the story. The WEST BREEZE is not chartered to a British firm. It represents a ~~RUSSIAN~~ company doing business for the Chinese Reds. The freighter, enroute to Rotterdam from the Far East - with a cargo of peanuts. Under the terms of the charter, the British owners cannot control the ship's course. And so no protest was made - when the WEST BREEZE headed for the canal.

Another British freighter is expected to enter the canal tomorrow. We are not told whether this one represents a British firm ~~or~~ not. Anyway, tonight the Egyptian press is boasting that the number of ships using Suez - will soon be back to normal. According to these Cairo ~~RUSSIAN~~ papers, the

Suez Canal is so valuable to the nations of the West that they will be forced to take the short route through the canal - even if Nasser does insist on having his own way about running it.

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NORMAN

The United States is giving serious attention to the Canadian threat - to halt the flow of security information between the two countries. So stated in a note from Deputy Under-Secretary of State, Robert Murphy, to S. F. Rae, Minister of the Canadian Embassy in Washington. The Murphy note pledges a vigorous investigation - with the Canadian threat relayed to all appropriate agencies.

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The Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs, asked our ^{government} ~~government~~ to promise that executive agencies in Washington - would not pass on Canadian security information

to groups outside their control - without the consent of Canada. Lester Pearson adding, that without such a promise - Canada might refuse to supply to the American government- security information about Canadian citizens. That's the threat ^{to which} our State Department is giving serious consideration.

Meanwhile, there has been no break-down in the traditional cooperation between the Internal Security forces of the two nations. The Royal Canadian mounted police still have a man assigned to the Washington headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. And the F B I ~~is~~ still has its agent at Moun~~ty~~ headquarters in Ottawa.

What about the Norman tragedy? It's become more mysterious - with the publication of a couple of suicide notes he left - notes that seemed to hint at strong personal motives for killing himself. ~~It~~ Also, the issue of his connection with Communism has not yet been cleared up.

CONGRESS

Altho' members of Congress are on their way home - - for a ten day Easter recess, most of their work is still ahead of them - when they return on April Twenty-ninth. But one thing seems clear - President Eisenhower's legislative program - is already in trouble.

The President has asked Congress to put its okay on what is called the Eisenhower "modern Republican legislation." But Congress has only gone part way with the President. Approving the Eisenhower doctrine for the Middle East; - raising the interest on U.S. Savings Bonds; - extending taxes; - and giving Postmaster General Summerfield that extra forty-one million. But, most of the President's legislation is tied up in committees, and he has little chance of winning on such things as civil rights, school construction, and amendments to the Taft-Hartley Law.

Observers in Washington believe the President's biggest fight will be over his foreign aid program.

He is asking for almost four and a half billion - and many members of Congress are anxious to start slashing at least a few million off the Presidential request.

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SUB RACKET

The head of the Teamsters' Union still considers himself a member -of the council of the A F of L - C I O. Dave Beck stating this in a letter to George Meany, President of the great organization of unions.

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BATTLESHIP

One of our greatest battleships ^{ends} ~~has just completed~~
its last voyage. The New Jersey - a forty-five thousand ton
dreadnought. She was outstanding in World War Two - when she
was still new. Later, she took part in the Korean war, ^{and} ~~she's~~
been patrolling the seas ~~for~~ ever since.

Today, Captain Charles Brooks brought his famous
battlegon into the New York naval shipyard, where she'll
be put into mothballs ^{— never to sail again} ~~she'll never sail~~ as a battleship, ~~again~~.

But she's not ~~going~~ going to be broken up - instead, she'll
be used as a missile carrier. Captain Brooks says she'll
make an excellent ^{missile} carrier - because she's tough enough to

plow a straight course through the roughest ~~wave~~ waves, ^{if}
^{need be, in a nuclear war,}

~~The New Jersey to change from a battleship - to a missile
carrier - part of the development of our fleet in an age~~

~~of nuclear warfare.~~

BURGLARS

In Chicago, Chief of detectives, Patrick Deeley, remarked today, "this is one of the finest bits of police work, I've ever seen." He was referring to the way the police handled the attempted burglary at Mandel Brothers Department store.

The store had been doing a lot of Easter business, and in its vault was over a quarter of a million dollars. A tip came - that burglars intended to raid that vault. Whereupon a seven man detective detail hid on the eleventh floor of the Department store, near the vault. For eight hours they patiently waited. Finally they heard men approaching.

There were three of them - well dressed - wearing gloves to prevent fingerprints. The three brought in a mass of equipment - suitcases with burglar tools; acetylene torches! With which they went to work on the safe.

~~At that point,~~ The chief of ~~the~~ detectives stood up - and shouted for the burglars to come out with their hands up. Instead, they reached for their guns- and started shooting. The detectives, firing back with machine guns - killing all three of the ^{with} ~~burglars~~

There was one weird twist to the gun battle. One of the robbers carried a small radio in his pocket. ~~He was~~ tuned ~~to~~ to the police band. And after he had been killed - that radio kept blaring away - a rousing tune by the police band.

D A R

The Daughters of the American Revolution have just ended their sixty-sixth continental congress - in Washington. Our most patriotic organization of women - breaking up - after a resounding vote for Americanism. During the convention they called for religious ~~xxx~~ training in the school. Also, such things as water conservation - and the retention of our traditional holidays, like Washington's birthday. The D.A.R. resisting a move to change these holidays to Mondays. Then they elected seven new Vice Presidents - held their last banquet - and went home.

But that wasn't the last of the D A R convention. Behind them the ladies left twenty-five unmatched gloves, a dozen stray ear rings, and a box-full of other lost articles - everything from lipsticks and handkerchiefs to fountain pens and artificial flowers.

MAYFLOWER

The "Mayflower Second" won't sail from Plymouth, England, on schedule tomorrow - unless it gets a life ~~raft~~ raft in time. The replica of the famous ^{ship} ~~ship~~ that brought the Pilgrims to the New World - is supposed to leave for Plymouth Massachusetts, tomorrow. But the ship has been having trouble. It developed a list - and had to be towed into its home port. Waves flooded the living quarters - and sloshed about with every roll of the ship. High seas drenched the men on deck. Someone accidentally touched off an automatic collapsible life raft. The raft, filling with gas, flopping across the deck - becoming snarled in the equipment. The raft, punctured beyond repair.

When Admiralty inspectors went aboard, at Plymouth, England - they said the "Mayflower Second" would have to have a new life raft before it could sail for America. The raft *that salty Australian, Capt. Alan Villiers* costs more than a hundred pounds. So tonight ~~at~~ the crew are wondering - ~~what~~ just when they'll be able ~~to~~ to leave

on the track of the ship's famous ancestor - the Mayflower,
that made the historic passage from Plymouth, England, to
Plymouth, Massachusetts, back in Sixteen Twenty.

Henry - I suppose your ancestors
came over in the Mayflower?

END

Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls

L.T. I'd like to recall to everybody - that this is the season of seasons for church-going. As is witnessed - by "operation Easter car lift." Meant - for people who might not be able to attend religious services ~~in~~ on Sunday. Because of illness, age, or other disability. Needing - transportation. The loyal order of moose is placing automobiles at their disposal. Ten thousand cars - in eighteen hundred communities all over the country. *And I am sure there are other organizations doing the same.*
Happy Easter! and solong until Monday.