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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles called for a full discussion before the General Assembly, of the Near Eastern crisis. He called Soviet meddling in that area, "risky business" - which may touch off new aggression in that part of the world.

CYANIDE

There's a state of emergency at the town of Thamesville, Ontario - because of a truly poisonous situation. In a collision between a truck and a train, fifteen tons of cyanide, in the form of pellets - were strewn in a section along the railroad tracks. Deadly cyanide, a mere taste of which could be fatal.

Today, emergency crews were collecting the fifteen tons of poisonous pellets - carting them away. The fear is that rain, dissolving the cyanide - might cause it to seep into the town's water supply.

QUEEN

Today, the London Daily Mirror declares - the American State Department has a new worry. Which the British newspaper puts in these words - "worried about the Queen's legs." That may sound astonishing - but here's the explanation.

Her Britannic Majesty will visit the United States next month - and, according to the newspaper, the State Department wanted the American public to get a good view, as the Queen drives through the streets. So the order was given that, in automobiles she uses - the seats should be raised four inches. She wouldn't be seen so well, if slumped in a low seat. Hence the need - for extra elevation.

But, then, somebody made an alarming observation. With seats raised four inches, Her Majesty's feet would not touch the floor - and you wouldn't want a Queen with her legs dangling like a little girl. So now the difficulty is being surmounted - by raising the floor in the automobiles.

In all this, the central question was - how long are the Queen's legs? Of course, American diplomats could

have asked Buckingham Palace - but they were too polite. So they had experts make slide rule calculations from full length pictures of Her Majesty. ^{Hoping -} ~~In the hope~~ - the calculations are correct.

EISENHOWER - LITTLE ROCK

President Eisenhower is "deeply disappointed" - because of the way things have developed in the Little Rock integration crisis. At the vacation White House, Newport, Rhode Island, a presidential spokesman said - Mr. Eisenhower had expected Governor ~~John~~ Faubus to comply with court orders. He got that impression in that conference he had with the Arkansas Governor. Hence his disappointment.

~~The President is thinking of eating with a larger group of Negro leaders than had previously been expected. Roy Wilkins, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has asked to join in the conference.~~

LITTLE ROCK

In Little Rock, preparations for tomorrow's possibly fateful court hearing in which Governor Faubus must show reasons why he should not withdraw his national guard troops from Central High.

If he fails, Federal Judge Davies will issue an injunction, ordering the removal of the troops. The governor's failure to comply with that order would put Faubus in contempt and would mean a new test of federal versus state power - would the federal government then jail the governor of a sovereign state for contempt of court?

Tonight one story in Little Rock is that Faubus will comply with any injunction - sources close to him claiming that withdrawal of the troops would lead to violence at Central High, and thus prove Faubus' point.

Faubus today demanded that Judge Davies remove himself from the injunction proceedings - the governor

maintaining that the judge has a personal prejudice against him, and has been getting FBI reports on him from the federal attorney who will try tomorrow's hearing. And a hearing on that petition by Faubus could delay tomorrow's injunction proceedings.

RUSSIAN BOAT

A NATO ARMADA OF WESTERN NAVAL UNITS
~~A Western fleet of Nato,~~ including a powerful

squadron of American warships, was engaged in battle practice - off the coast of Scotland, today. Shipping in general - warned to keep away. When along came a small fishing craft - steaming in among the maneuvering giants.

stay away.
Signals were flashed, But the boat paid no attention.

What nationality? Soviet - a Russian trawler, defying the combined naval power of the West.

American Rear Admiral Yeager told newsmen, "The boat casually passed through the formation of screening destroyers and down the line of capital ships."

The Admiral adding - that there's no legal restriction to stop a Russian vessel, or any other kind, from sailing right on through the maneuvers. Except, of course, the danger of an accident.

A whole fleet of Russian fishing craft are in that area off Scotland - and the maneuvering warships are likely to ~~encounter~~ encounter more of them.

ATOMIC

Today, for the first time, so far as we know - an atomic explosion occurred under ground. Out on the Nevada desert - where scientists were studying a phenomenon, the like of which they had never seen before. A tunnel was dug two thousand feet into a desolate ^{mesa} ~~mesa~~ - one of those flat top hills in the Western desert. Into the tunnel they placed an atomic devise - equivalent to from one thousand to three thousand tons of TNT. Then, this was touched off.

One immediate result - seizmographs at Pasadena, California, three hundred miles away, recorded the explosion as an "earthquake". The quake of medium strength. On the scene, dust arose from the mesa. That was all - no fireball, no mushroom cloud. Just a shock - and a cloud of dust.

Examination disclosed - no radiation. The scientists explaining - that the atomic blast had collapsed the tunnel, and sealed it, so that no radiation got out.

They'll now have to investigate - what's inside.

What effect - of the terrific atomic heat? One supposition is - that the tremendous heat plus pressure, may have fused the rocks - might even have created gems, like rubies, sapphires, even diamonds. But they won't be available for fortune hunters for a century. Scientists say it will take that long for the dangerous radioactivity to cool off. **THE**

The scientists hope that careful measurements of the shock will disclose new information about the structure of the interior of the earth.

TEAMSTERS UNION

In Washington, thirteen rank and file members of the giant Teamsters Union have filed a court action to try to delay the forthcoming union election. They claim returning President Dave Beck has rigged the election to give the job to Vice President Jimmy Hoffa.

LEGION

The new Commander of the American Legion is John S. Gleason, Jr., a forty-two year old Chicago banker - who entered the Army as a Private soldier in World War Two. Coming out from campaigns in the South Pacific - as a Lieutenant Colonel. New Legion Commander Gleason was elected - by acclamation, at the Legion's Atlantic City convention.

JAZZ

The State Department hopes that Satchmo Armstrong will change his mind - and go on a musical mission to Moscow. Which the jazz trumpeteer has cancelled - out of resentment because of the Southern school situation. Armstrong - issuing a bitter denunciation of what he calls - "the way they are treating my people in the South."

Armstrong's manager, today, said the jazz musician has retracted a term of abuse, applied to President Eisenhower. Armstrong quoted as saying that he was hounded by a reporter so much that he made an impatient exclamation.

MANPOWER

A new cut of military manpower - ordered in Washington. Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, today, ordered a reduction of one hundred thousand men in the armed forces. An economy measure - slashing government expenditures.

RED CHINA

At the United Nations, the General Assembly's steering committee turned down India's request for debate again on admitting Red China.

BOY

In Chicago, said little Pedro Lazado to school teacher Mary Ford:

"Miss Ford, I've got a tooth in my ear." One of Pedro's baby teeth had fallen out - and, fooling around with it, he managed to shove it into his ear.

Pedro's recovering tonight - and presumably so is Miss Ford.