

President Eisenhower used vigorous language today denying a report. Which he called - "the worst ~~xxx~~ rot that I have ever heard." The report -- that he may turn over the Presidency to Vice President Nixon. He said "I cannot imagine where these stories came from."

Evidently
~~well, it~~ It's a cockeyed interpretation of the White House proposal to Congress - what to do in case the President becomes unable to fulfill the duties of his office? President Eisenhower suggesting - that a President should make the decision himself. Or, if he ^{then} can't ^{to} the Cabinet ~~should~~ have the authority to say - if ^a ~~the~~ President is incapacitated. In either case the Vice President, would, according to the Constitution, become President.

So you see the ^{possible opportunity} ~~basis~~ for the rumor.

According to his proposal to Congress, President Eisenhower would be authorized to announce - that he is incapacitated. Nixon - succeeding him. Handing the ^{--- that is} job over to Nixon, according to the gossip.

EISENHOWER-SPEED

President Eisenhower ~~XXXXXX~~ hereafter will observe the speed limits. At least his automobile will, the Secret Service men driving it. As for the President, he was never conscious at all that the White House car was going seventy miles an hour in a fifty-five mile an hour zone.

So he told the White House News Conference today -- in a genial discussion of that episode, when the cops in Maryland made three car loads of news reporters slow down. As they were driving to keep up with the President-- on the way ^{to} his Gettysburg farm.

The President explained that for years, he has used the back seat of the car as a conference room ^{while} taking long trips. ^{And on this} ~~So on that~~ occasion he was discussing affairs of state in the back seat and had no idea how fast the car was going. Now -- he has instructed the Secret Service drivers never again to break any speed limits.

The President simultaneously scored a point

on the news reporters. Remarking that some of them had been following him around for years. None of them ever informing him that they had to break speed limits to keep up with him. Which would seem to suggest that the news men didn't mind the ~~the~~ violation of the speed laws until the cops ^{nabbed} ~~stopped~~ them.

BUDGET

The Under Secretary of the Treasury told a congressional committee today that President Eisenhower's budget could be reduced by two to three billions. Randolph Burgess adding that this would be the "sound thing" for Congress to do.

At his news conference, President Eisenhower said that he does not believe the budget could be cut as much as two billion, without impairing -- national defense and vital domestic services. Though he thinks -- that smaller savings could be made .

There seems to be some difference of opinion between President Eisenhower and the Under Secretary of the Treasury. The subtle difference being - yes and no.

The President said -- he'd like to reduce taxes next year. But he wouldn't try to be specific -- about when a cut could be made.

In Congress, Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House declared -- the Congressional Democrats are going to make a study. To see if taxes can be cut

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this year. But he's not sure that they can.

Varying shades of opinion -- about taxes.

WHITE HOUSE SECRETARY

A new President ^{ial} Secretary named as a successor to Murray Snyder who has taken a post in the Defense Department. The new White House Secretary the first woman ever to hold such a post. Mrs. Ann Wheaton, long prominent in Republican affairs.

Mrs. Wheaton, a native of ~~Utica~~ Utica, New York, began her career as a newspaper woman on the Knickerbocker press in Albany. Thereafter -- prominent in Washington.

TEXAS

In Texas the victory goes to a candidate often defeated. Ralph Yarborough who had made something of a record for political defeats. He ran for governor three times and failed. ~~He~~ ran for Attorney General once -- and failed. Then, ~~he~~ ran for the Senate - and, succeeded^{s.}.

In yesterday's election he beat nineteen opponents. Seventeen Democrats^{all} running for the Senate -- and, two Republicans. However, in an election it may be easier to defeat nineteen or a hundred and nineteen -- than one.

It was thought that, with seventeen Democrats in the field, one of the two Republicans might have a chance -- Thad Hutchison ~~who~~ was endorsed by President Eisenhower, but he ran third, which is not so bad^{at that} for a Republican in Texas, ~~at that~~.

In bridge a yarborough is a flat empty hand -- and in Texas, a yarborough meant something of the same thing in politics. Until - now. →

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When we can salute Senator Yarborough, ^{the} a gentleman
from Texas.

WISCONSIN

Here's news. On Sunday, April Twenty-Eighth, the clocks in Wisconsin will be set forward one hour. A commonplace in other states, but never before in Wisconsin.

Yesterday the voters decided on the question of daylight saving. An old controversy -- city people in favor. The farmers -- against. For forty years Wisconsin has debated the question. Daylight saving losing out every time -- until now.

The vote, nearly six hundred thousand --
Yes. Four hundred and thirty thousand ^{--no.} ~~KMSX~~. So,
this coming summer there'll be daylight saving in
Wisconsin.

TEAMSTERS

Reports of a split in the Teamsters Union. Supported by a statement from Senator McClellan of Arkansas today. The Chairman of the Investigating Committee saying that the Secretary Treasurer of the Union, John E. English had "cooperated fully". Supplying the Senate investigators with union records.

Did this information provided by the Teamster^s Secretary-Treasurer, have anything to do with financial activities of union President Dave Beck, who took the Fifth Amendment ~~4~~ one hundred and seventeen times last week? We don't know.

But John F English is said to have opposed Beck in a secret union session yesterday, When Beck demanded that the Teamsters Union spend a million dollars to present his version of the ~~xxxx~~ rackets investigation case/

The million dollar demand rejected. The committee agreeing to spend a hundred and fifty to two thousand dollars to fight "anti-labor legislation".

WEATHER

More tornadoes in the Dallas Fort Worth area- but nothing so savage as the one that struck Dallas last ~~mk~~ night. The Weather Bureau warns of twisters, violent thunder storms and torrential rains in nine states.

Further north highways were open today cleared of ~~the~~ ^{those great} ~~big~~ snow drifts. After - the spring-time blizzard.

ISRAEL

Israel -- planning to seal off its border with the Gaza Strip. Setting up barricades of barbed wire and mine fields. So indicated in a statement at Jerusalem today.

Meanwhile, new border incidents are reported but these are on the side of Jordan and Syria.

IRAN

In Eastern Iran -- a gun battle between mountain tribesmen and bandits of the gang that murdered ^{the three} ~~the~~ Americans. The tribesmen -- loyal to the Iranian government. Which is pressing the pursuit of the outlaws.

Three bandits -- killed. One - Ghader Dad, ~~A~~ brother-in-law of the notorious Baluchistan badman, Dad Shah. Word is that Ghader Dad was the actual murderer of ~~XXXXXX~~ Mrs. Anita Carroll. Killed after her husband and another ~~U.S.~~ U.S. aide-official perished in a bandit ambush.

But the chief of the gang, Dad Shah, himself seems to have escaped, believed to have crossed the border into Pakistan - hiding there.

In Teheran today Premier Hussein Ala resigned. The Shah, Mohammed Riza Pahlevi calling on Court Minister Eghbal to take the post of Premier and form ~~a~~ ~~XXXX~~ cabinet. The political shakeup a result of the bandit murders.

GENERAL SPIDEL

At Fontainbleau, in France, a quiet ceremony today. Nothing exciting -- and that's the news. German General Hans Spidel taking command of the Nato Ground Forces of Central Europe - including units of the French Army.

Popular demonstrations had been predicted. But -- not at all. No protests in French newspapers today -- ^{well} except in Communist papers. In the French National Assembly Red legislators made a demonstration to which other members paid little attention.

At Fontainbleau, French General Jean Vallay greeted General Hans Spidel. A French military band played "Deutschland Uber Alles" and "The Marseillaise".

General Spidel's aide is British. His deputy -- French. His chief of staff - Belgian. Commanders that serve under him include two Americans. And he collaborates with a British Air Marshal and a Dutch Admiral.

They call it an international army -- and it sure is.

CHILE

Wild rioting and wanton destruction by mobs in Santiago, capital of Chile. At least eleven ~~persons~~ killed in frenzied outbreaks that began yesterday.

The trouble started as a student protest against an increase of transportation fares. Then degenerated into wholesale looting. Raging mobs without leaders, without motives - just plundering and smashing things up in general - trying three times to storm the Presidential palace. Repelled by gunfire.

MAYFLOWER

American history tells us -- the Pilgrim Fathers faced a perilous voyage when they sailed aboard the Mayflower -- back in Sixteen Twenty. And now it looks as if it might be just as perilous when the Mayflower sails, in this year of grace, Nineteen Fifty Seven.

Over in England they ^{have} built a replica of that historic ship -- to sail to the United States, retracing the route of the Pilgrim Fathers. The trial voyage -- not so successful. The Mayflower under sail -- developing a list of thirty degrees.

The promoter of the new Mayflower voyage Warwick Charlton, is none too confident. Saying, today, "I'm assured by the technicians that everything is all right. But I ~~will~~ will only know whether things are right or wrong -- when we are sailing across the North Atlantic."

A top ranking British sailor expresses misgivings. Retired Admiral Lord Fraser, who says,

"I wouldn't like it. It's a bad route."

But the Pilgrims of Sixteen Twenty made
it, and let's hope the new Mayflower does too.

Alan Villiers -

DINOSAUR

In New Jersey a discovery described with a big word -- paleontological. They dug up a part of a duck-billed dinosaur. A giant extinct lizard - of millions of years ago.

In Gloucester County workmen were digging in a marl pit -- marl, a kind of clay, ~~used for fertilizer~~. When they came upon -- a paleontological treasure. Seashells and the remains of a marine turtle -- types that existed seventy millions of years ago. When that part of New Jersey was under water. Just emerging in fact from the sea. So you might call it -- the birth of New Jersey.

Then, they found -- a huge bone. Now identified by Professor Glenn Jepson of Princeton. Who says -- it's a thigh bone of a duck-billed dinosaur, ^{that} ~~which~~ was forty feet long, walked on heavy hind legs -- and had a long beak. Shaped -- like a duck-bill.

Quite an ^{ad}dition to other interesting inhabitants of New Jersey.

DUKE

His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh has many titles including one-- that he received on his tour in the South Pacific. Today in London he *was* told about it.

The Queen's husband was on a South Sea Island where the common language is pigeon English. Which lingo -- abounds in curious expressions. The phrase describing the Duke -- being as follows:
Fellow belong Mrs. Queen.

Which was -- correct enough. *But Henry!* ~~Though hardly~~
~~in the style of Buckingham Palace. To call His~~
~~Royal Highness "Fellow belong Mrs. Queen".~~ I wonder
what Mrs. Queen *will have* ~~has~~ to say about it?

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ANNOUNCER: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

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L.T.: One angle of the news, these days, is much in contrast to last year, this time. Now we hear of endless torrential rains, especially - in Texas. Today, last year, the news featured the long Southwestern drought, with dust storms. A year ago I was telling of "top soil, torn loose by winds of seventy miles an hour - a thick, reddish cloud settling over thousands of square miles in Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas."

This year - deep snow and a deluging rain.