

AMBASSADOR

L.T. - Deleo. Tues. Jan. 24 - '56.

The Soviet Ambassador to Washington has requested a private meeting with President Eisenhower - for the first time since Mr. Eisenhower took office. Ambassador Zarubin, saying he wants to deliver a message from Bulganin.

According to Press Secretary Hagerty, a Soviet official telephoned the State Department - and Secretary Dulles passed the request on to President Eisenhower. The President promptly agreed - and ~~said~~ set the time for tomorrow morning, at eleven thirty, Washington time.

FAURE

Tonight it's the familiar old story about French politics - the fall of the Premier. Edgar Faure, resigning formally - after his candidate was defeated for the job of Speaker - which went to a member of the Republican Front - that union ~~between the~~ between the Socialists of Guy Mollet and the Radical Socialists of Mendes-France.

Following today's session, Faure went to the residence of President Coty - and resigned. The President is expected to name a new Premier-designate on Thursday. At the moment, the leading candidate seems to be Mollet.

<sup>Eden</sup>  
~~The~~ Prime Minister ~~of Great Britain~~ is on his way to

this country. Sir Anthony ~~Eden~~, drove to Southampton this afternoon, and boarded the Queen Elizabeth. He left without committing himself in advance on any of the big questions -

although the Laborites tried to pin him down. So <sup>Eden</sup>~~Sir Anthony~~

will have a free hand when he sits down for talks with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles on Monday.

DULLES

~~Secretary of State~~ <sup>Mr.</sup> Dulles held one of his most important news conferences today. The Secretary <sup>of State</sup> going over some of the great problems facing the nation - and emphasizing the quarrel ~~over~~ <sup>about</sup> foreign policy - that <sup>much talked about</sup> ~~famous~~ article in Life Magazine.

~~Mr.~~ Dulles said that partisan quarrels over that article will harm our foreign policy - because other nations might get the idea that we will not live up to our commitments. Pointing out how the bi-partisan approach is the basis on which he has worked ever since he entered the State Department - the Secretary repeated what he has said, often, in the past, that he doesn't mind criticism - but he does dislike partisan criticism. He's afraid that we might give the impression abroad - that the Dulles foreign policy is just a Republican foreign policy - which might be completely altered by a Democratic administration.

Mr. Dulles touched on several other points which will come up when Prime Minister Eden visits the White House

next week. For one thing, there's the question of hydrogen bomb tests. <sup>Pres.</sup> Eisenhower and <sup>Prime Min.</sup> Eden are sure to discuss the possibility of limiting them - and, of course, they'll ask Secretary Dulles for his opinion. From what he said today, it's clear that he will not advocate limiting <sup>such</sup> ~~these~~ tests, as long as the Russians are going ahead with theirs.

On the question of foreign aid, he revealed that <sup>the President</sup> ~~Mr. Eisenhower~~ will send a special message to Congress, asking for authority to undertake big projects abroad. Many members of Congress still oppose any such commitments - but Secretary Dulles believes that the administration will be able to get at least part of what it wants. President Eisenhower, to get the right to pledge long term economic assistance to our allies, with no fear that the work will be left half done by a sudden turn in the internal politics of this country.

ECONOMIC

The President's ~~Eisenhower's~~ economic report to Congress is just about what we expected. It covers all the major issues, from employment to the farm problem - and the total picture is optimistic.

The report states that the high level of production, employment and income - will remain for the next year. Also, that economic growth will continue after that.

On a national scale, the value of goods and services rose so much, ~~that Mr. Eisenhower~~ <sup>— well here are the words: —</sup> ~~states:~~ "We are on the threshold of a four hundred billion dollar economy." And at the same time, we have what amounts to full employment - more than sixty million jobs, with corporate earnings gaining more than nine billion dollars during the year.

Where are the trouble spots? <sup>— if any? The President</sup> ~~Well, Mr. Eisenhower~~ points out that farm income dropped over a billion in Nineteen Fifty-Five; <sup>which is</sup> ~~a~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~matter~~ ~~for~~ ~~deep~~ ~~concern~~. Because of this, the President urges Congress to act on his new farm program, <sup>and</sup> do it right away. ~~Mr. Eisenhower~~ <sup>He</sup> is especially anxious to get his

"soil bank" idea into operation. *He went on to say*

*that* Taxes cannot be cut now. The presidential report calls the demand for such a cut "irresponsible". *Also -* ~~And~~ we are warned that installment buying would be ~~very~~ serious, if it got out of hand. So Congress is asked to restore the government's

authority to control consumer credit. *And -* Congress is ~~also~~ asked to insure home improvement ~~loans~~ <sup>loans</sup> for five years, instead of three.

How do <sup>the</sup> President's ~~Eisenhower's~~ economic advisers feel ~~at~~ about this report? ~~Well,~~ Their general opinion is, ~~that~~ - taxes are higher, and the purchasing power of the dollar lower, than in Nineteen Thirty-Nine, <sup>that</sup> ~~But~~ even so, the average American is sixty per cent better off than he was ~~then~~ *in 1939.*

YUGOSLAVIA

From Trieste, Italy, a rumor that the ~~President~~<sup>ruler</sup> of Yugoslavia has consented to the shipment of Czech arms for Egypt across his territory. Marshal Tito, said to have put his okay on the plan.

If so, this is an important development. Until now, Czech arms have been transported through Poland - sailing from the Baltic to Egypt - by way of the North Sea, the Atlantic Ocean, the Strait of Gibraltar, and the Mediterranean. ~~That's~~ a long, <sup>roundabout</sup> winding route. - and it takes a lot of time.

~~But if the Czech arms are allowed~~<sup>#</sup> across Yugoslavia - <sup>would mean</sup> ~~then they have just~~ a short run down the Adriatic, and across the Mediterranean to Alexandria.

~~Naturally~~ The Iron Curtain countries would like to ~~have~~ the shorter route ~~at their disposal~~ - because it would make Yugoslavia a "clearing house" for ~~sending~~ military <sup>bound for</sup> equipment ~~to~~ Egypt.

Meanwhile, we hear that three hundred Egyptian army officers passed through Yugoslavia last week - bound for



Czechoslovakia - to be ~~xxxx~~ trained by Soviet army experts in the use of Czech weapons.

PIERSON

The Canadian Minister of External Affairs said today that Canadian arms have gone to the Middle East - but ~~are~~ <sup>not</sup> ~~enough~~ <sup>enough</sup> numbers ~~too small~~ <sup>any</sup> to upset ~~the~~ <sup>any</sup> military balance there. Lester Pierson, saying this before the Ottawa Parliament. According to ~~Lester~~ Pierson, the Canadian policy is that every country is entitled to buy arms for self defense - and so Canada is willing to sell them. But, at the same time, Ottawa is insisting that every order be scrutinized ~~very carefully~~ - to see that no one is getting weapons for aggressive war.

( Pierson went on to say that his government is working with the West - to bring about a genuine peace between Israel and Egypt. And he realizes that the peace would be endangered, if weapons were sent to either country on a large scale. )

Breaking down total sales for two years, he pointed out that Israel has received two million dollars' worth of military equipment - Egypt less than eight hundred thousand. Most of it, in training equipment and spare parts.

ATOMIC

A Soviet Marshal claimed today that Russia has surpassed America - in developing hydrogen bombs. Marshal Chuikov, a hero of Stalingrad, and later Soviet Commandant in Berlin. Speaking at a meeting of the Ukrainian Communist Party, Chuikov said that heavy industry has come to the aid of the Soviet army - by developing atomic weapons. Chuikov claiming, that America's lead has now been overcome by Soviet science.

~~There's a ~~XXX~~ prompt retort from~~ <sup>π</sup> Our Atomic Energy

Commission in Washington <sup>replies that the</sup> ~~which terms this~~ Red Marshal's boast,

*is just more*

*"Soviet propaganda." — malarkey.*

## RADIOACTIVE

The National Bureau of Standards unveils something new in atomic science - a portable computer, which can determine the radioactive fall-out of nuclear explosions, <sup>and</sup> do it in one-twentieth of a second.

As soon as the explosion takes place, the computer is fed the necessary data - height of the explosion, wind direction, and so on. All the operator has to do is twist some dials - and the pattern of the fall-out appears on what looks like a T.V. screen - the pattern covering an area two hundred and fifty miles from the explosion.

Atomic scientists say this new computer will help the public authorities determine just how to react in ~~the~~ case of any nuclear attack. It will be <sup>used</sup> ~~tested~~ at the coming tests in the Marshall Islands proving ground.

~~Please drop the story slugged BRENTANO and use the following in its place.~~

HAITI. The island of Haiti rejects a Soviet offer of technical assistance. Last week we heard how the Kremlin stated a willingness to send experts into Latin America. Tonight the Haitian Ambassador, Ernest Chauvet, recalled that in Nineteen Fifty the Soviet Delegate to the UN denounced American technical assistants as "a cloak for American imperialism."

Chauvet says that's why he reacted to this Russian offer - with a skeptical smile. Remarking that Communism always involves slavery, Chauvet <sup>(added)</sup> ~~remarked~~ that the Russian offer will not make much headway in the Western Hemisphere. Said he, "The countries of Latin America are too much attached to real freedom and real Democracy."

## WRECK

Los Angeles District Attorney, Ernest Roll, says he *has* uncovered no evidence of criminal negligence in that train wreck of Sunday night - which took twenty-nine lives. ~~District Attorney Roll saying that no criminal action of any kind is being undertaken at the present time.~~

The District Attorney's announcement follows testimony from the fireman of the train, <sup>who</sup> ~~Homer Smith~~ told the Los Angeles authorities that when the train passed the fifteen miles-an-hour limit - he called out to Engineer Frank Parrish, who acknowledged the warning with a wave of his hand. Smith goes on to say that the train picked up speed - and then he shouted at Parrish to use the emergency brake. The engineer did so - but it failed. And a moment later the train careened off the track, ~~the worst smash-up in California history.~~

BRINKS

At the Charles Street jail in Boston, two of the Brinks hold-up suspects have been moved. Last night, Athnony Pino was transferred to Worcester County jail. And today Joseph McGinnis was taken to Plymouth County jail. McGinnis, described as the "brains" of the ~~spectacular~~ million dollar robbery ~~that was~~ staged at the Brinks Building in January, of Nineteen Fifty.

~~What's the reason for transferring Pino and Mc Ginnis?~~

The police say ~~it's just that~~ there are too many of the Brinks suspects in one place, ~~said District Attorney Byrne: "He didn't want six men of that type - confined in one jail."~~

*No doubt recalling*  
~~Maybe the authorities are thinking about~~ how Trigger Burke  
*the*  
made a spectacular escape from Charles Street jail last year.

FIRST LADY

*have heard how the*  
We ~~all know that~~ President ~~Eisenhower~~ is back on a

*Now comes*  
regular schedule. ~~well~~, a dispatch from Washington ~~states~~ *saying* that

the First Lady is also resuming her list of appointments - for

the first time since Mr. Eisenhower became ill in September.

*Mamie Eisenhower*  
We hear, that ~~the First Lady~~ will entertain the entire ~~group~~ *corps of* of

Ambassadors' wives at tea, on February Ninth. After that, a

full schedule for the First Lady - just the same as the President



PASHA

In Marrakesh, Morocco, they buried the Pasha today - El Glaoui, leader of two million Berber tribesmen, the "Eagle of Atlas."

During the night, hundreds of Moroccans kept a death vigil - chanting funereal songs outside the pink palace of the late potentate. And they lined up today, as his body was carried out for burial. The French Resident General led the pallbearers and Sultan Mohamed Ben Youssef was represented by his Minister of the Interior. The Sultan, apparently staying away deliberately, because El Glaoui had been one of his most determined opponents - until forced into an about-face last year. The Pasha of Marrakesh apologized; but, even so, the Sultan of Morocco did not go to his funeral.

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ANTARCTIC

A note from the Antarctic. The British icebreaker, "Theron", has finally blasted its way out of <sup>the</sup> Weddell Sea.

The vessel had been trapped in the ice <sup>there</sup> ~~there~~ for three weeks - and it was feared ~~that~~ she might be crushed. But a helicopter

flew over the area - and guided the "Theron" ~~out~~ into open

water. ~~Latest word from the British expedition - they're~~ <sup>Another important role for the whisky-</sup>

~~bird - the egg beater - leading ice - speeding east across Weddell Sea, to establish a base on the~~  
~~breakers out of danger in the Antarctic, opposite shore.~~

## MAPLE SYRUP

The Governor of New York challenges the Governor of Vermont to a showdown - on the question of maple syrup. Governor Harriman, daring Governor Johnson - to a "taste test". The place, Cooperstown, New York. The time, next April, during New York's maple sugar festival.

The Harriman challenge followed a statement by the Vermont Governor - that New York maple products taste only half as good as those from Vermont. (Which drew from Governor Harriman both the challenge and a statement that thousands of gallons of maple syrup go from New York State to Vermont every year. *All this, Henry, to be settled by judges at a maple syrup festival in April.*

~~And then there's the question of state emblems. A bill is up before the Albany legislature, to make the sugar maple the official symbol of New York. Governor Harriman is supporting that bill - even though it was introduced by the Republicans. As one member of the assembly put it, "It's the first time that a Democratic Governor has endorsed a Republican~~