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Good Evening Everybody:

Today's elections in New Jersey and Virginia - are being watched as a test of President Eisenhower, and the popularity of his administration. Unlike New York City, where it's a matter of local issues. With Mayor Wagner, an odds-on favorite to defeat his Republican opponent, the popular Bob Christenberry.

The New Jersey and Virginia contests for governor are regarded as the most important elections - since the Soviet Union beat us into outer space and since President Eisenhower sent troops into Little Rock.

In New Jersey, Republican Malcolm Forbes has been endorsed by the President. The G.O.P., hoping to unseat Governor Meyner. Which would offset the recent Democratic victory in Wisconsin. If Meyner is reelected

he may be a leading candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in Nineteen Sixty.

In Virginia, the election centers around the question of segregation. How will Virginia react to the Little Rock crisis? - and the President's use of federal troops to enforce integration of the high school? That's the big question as Democrat Lindsay Almond clashes with Ted Dalton of the G.O.P. Almond favored, because he is backed by the powerful political machine of Senator Harry Byrd - and then Virginia usually goes Democratic.

KNIGHT

Governor Knight's Washington declaration - was expected. All newsmen felt <sup>that</sup> Knight intended to step out of the race - for Governor of California. Which he did today - after a White House conference with President Eisenhower.

Gov. Knight was with the President for ~~almost~~ half an hour. Mr. Eisenhower, urging him to run for the Senate in place of Knowland - who is going after the governorship. When Knight ~~a~~ said he would - Mr. Eisenhower replied he was pleased to know - the G.O.P. will not have a bitter <sup>West Coast</sup> struggle in the coming primary.

Later in the day, Governor Knight met with Vice-President Nixon for forty minutes. The Vice-President, also a Californian, noted that a Knight-Knowland ticket -- would be the strongest the Republicans could put up in California. He thinks there's no stopping Knowland's progress into the governorship - or Knight into the Senate. So there won't be any big show-down between Knight and Knowland.-- They'll be running for different offices, come the primary.

Queen Elizabeth opened the new session of Parliament today - and it was a sombre event. The colorful trappings of monarchy were there, of course. Her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh arriving in the traditional coach. The Queen, entering Parliament amid a blaze of color and pageantry. <sup>And wearing the</sup> ~~she wore the~~ imperial crown, ~~as she spoke to her subjects.~~

It was not an optimistic speech. <sup>Speaking of</sup> ~~Her Majesty remarked~~ on the progress of science - ~~and no one could doubt that she was referring to the achievements of~~ <sup>implying</sup> Soviet science, She mentioned the hopes and fears of mankind. ~~Adding, that science should be inspired by hope - and no retarded by fear. After which, she gave a general statement of British policy in the coming session the policy of the Macmillan government.~~

When <sup>she departed</sup> ~~her Majesty left~~, the Prime Minister spoke for himself. ~~Macmillan~~, calling for cooperation in science. Saying, the free world must unite. - ~~as Macmillan put it;~~ "I believe that never has the threat of Soviet Communism been so great."

## DULLES

At his news conference today, Secretary of State Dulles gave most of his time to - science. Naturally, one of the first questions thrown at him - was about the Soviet satellite - and the status of our own satellite program "Vanguard."

In reply, Secretary Dulles spoke of the great ~~achievement~~ achievement of the Russians. Repeating what we are hearing over and over - that we must not under-estimate the Soviet scientists. He wants an end to the idea that the servants of a tyranny cannot keep up with the free world.

But he still feels we're not far behind. Maybe in some fields we are ahead. That "Vanguard" will go ahead on schedule. And, that we'll put up our own man-made moon into the sky.

What about guided missiles? He admits that the Russians seem to have the jump on us - in developing inter-continental ballistic missiles. But we may be ahead in smaller missiles - which could be just as effective, if fired

from bases in Europe.

Senator Lyndon Johnson of Texas announced today that the Senate Armed Services Sub-Committee will investigate our whole satellite and missile program. This after a seven-hour briefing -- by top experts in the Defense Department.

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Lates word - from the White House:-  
Pres. E to make a Radio-TV report  
to the nation Thurs. nite - on science  
and security. An address of major  
importance.

## SOVIET

Soviet scientists say they can send a rocket to the moon - in ten hours - with the super-fuel used to launch Sputnik Two. Which they ~~a~~ say they sent into outer space at the rate of five miles a second. So they could send one all the way to the moon, in a day.

Have they already launched a moon-rocket? They don't say. But astronomers are on the lookout. Thinking it could be.

Meanwhile, more information from Moscow - about Sputnik Two. We are told the Russians developed a special electronic brain - to guide this one that is made of a special material to resist heat. And inside Sputnik Two - they put half a ton of scientific equipment. An astonishing scientific achievement.

EVANS

The head of Unesco calls for international control of outer space. Dr. Luther Evans, telling a news conference - the United Nations should have control of satellites and exploration through the heavens. He pointed out that other countries, especially the United States - will soon be competing with the Russians. And he thinks the whole interplanetary space business should be internationalized ~~now~~ - before there's any conflict over who has <sup>a</sup> ~~the~~ right to what - out there in space. Maybe this is an opportunity for us to make a gesture!



## RUSSIA

More officers in the Red army - about to be down-graded. So indicated by the newspaper of the Soviet armed forces - the Red Star. In today's editorial it says that Zhukov isn't the only one who magnifies his own importance. That other officers have been guilty of the same thing - building up their own importance- and, supporting Zhukov against the Communist Party. The Red Star doesn't give any names, simply that there will be more candidates for down-grading. Many officers who admire Zhukov - and resent his fall.

## AFRICA - TIMBUKTU

That most mysterious, most remote city in Africa, Timbuktu, has a religious, social and economic background that makes it one of the least likely places for Communism to take over. Nevertheless, within twenty-four hours after we arrived we discovered that the Reds are attempting to get a foothold even in Timbuktu. Young men of that French West African, southern Sahara city, receive frequent invitations to visit Moscow, and also Budapest. One prominent young man of Timbuktu returning recently from the big Youth Festival in Moscow, reported that he met Russians who knew more about his part of Africa than he did, and much more about Africa in general. They welcomed him with such sweeping hospitality, that he returned to Timbuktu completely sold on the U.S.S.R.

Although most of the people in this part of Africa do not have radios, there are hundreds who do. Every man who has any education at all - including the many who work in government offices - do have radios. They all listen

regularly to Radio Moscow, and to the Voice of the Arabs, Nasser's radio in Cairo - both of which spend much of their time attacking us. There's an important government school, about a hundred miles southwest of here at Dioura, midway between Timbuktu and Bamako. I was told that both teachers and students receive much Red propoganda through the mails. From us, nothing.

One of our surprises upon arriving at Timbuktu, was to discover that an American Protestant mission is trying to make a place for itself in this ancient Moslem stronghold, once an important Islamic cultural center. Only this week one of the native employees in the Timbuktu post office said sneeringly to Missionary Frank Marshall: "In your country you kill black people, and then do nothing about it!"

Evidently, the Russians are using the technique once used so effectively by Hitler's Dr. Goebbels,

repeating lies, over and over, until far and wide they're accepted as the truth.

The Russians have been "going to town" on the Little Rock story - spreading it all over the globe. With what result in Timbuctu on the edge of the southern Sahara? French civil and military officials do not bring their families here. Not wanting them to be subjected to life in a city so far off the beaten path, mainly because of the lack of sanitation. For westerners there are not many places where life can be more hazardous than in Timbuctu. But the French do have a school for children of natives who are government employees, and of some of the Sonrai, Moorish, and ~~the~~ Tuareg merchants and nobles. Only two whites, eight year old David and six year old Sandra Marshall, from the American Baptist mission. These two children were recently stoned - although not injured, on their way to and from school. Their African schoolmates shouting:-

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"We do this to you, because you are mistreating our people!"

In my next report from Timbuktu, I will tell you something less grim about this far off romantic city.

BARUCH

Bernard Baruch ~~is in~~ favor<sup>s</sup> of more mergers -- in  
the railroad <sup>world.</sup> ~~business.~~ The famous financier didn't<sup>not</sup> refer to  
the proposed union - of the Pennsylvania and the New York  
Central. But he told a U.P. correspondent <sup>that</sup> \* railroad  
regulations are out of date. <sup>That</sup> They were established before  
trucks came along - and cut into freight and passenger traffic.  
So new regulations have to be drawn up - to get rid of waste -  
especially parallel ~~railroad~~ lines owned by different  
companies. The answer ~~to this problem~~ - more mergers. So says  
Bernard Baruch.

ECONOMY

American business turned out goods and services worth almost four hundred and forty billion dollars - at an annual rate - in the third quarter of this year. ~~So says~~ <sup>Announced by</sup> Secretary of Commerce, Sinclair Weeks. ~~He~~ admits that part of the increase is due to higher prices. <sup>that</sup> But, even so, our economy has hit a plateau higher than ever before. ~~Weeks~~ <sup>Said he:-</sup> ~~ascertaining,~~ "there's nothing to be afraid of - in the current business situation."

WILSON

Charlie Wilson returns to General Motors. That is to the Board of Directors. He was once President of G.M. - with G.M. for thirty-four years. Then in Nineteen Fifty-Three, he resigned - to join the Eisenhower cabinet as Secretary of Defense. Last month, he left his government appointment. And now he's back on the Board at General Motors. One of the really able men of our time.



BAKERS

The Bakers Union today challenged the AFL-CIO.

At least, the Bakers' President, James Cross, did. He said he has no intention of ordering a clean-up in his Union *as*;

*demanding*  
The clean-up, ~~ordered~~ by the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO. *Either* ~~Part of the~~ clean-up -- *and* ~~to~~ oust Cross from his job as President, *or* ~~The alternative~~ -- expulsion from the great Labor organization.

*that*  
Cross replies *that* the Bakers will leave the combined unions - rather than obey. But there seems to be a conflict inside the Bakers' Union. Vice-President, Daniel Conway - accusing Cross of "pious hypocrisy."

## BATTLESHIP

The battleship WISCONSIN entered New York harbor today - to be here three days - then on to Bayonne, New Jersey. Obsolete. Her great guns out-moded in the atomic age - this age of missiles and rockets.

Tugboat whistles sounded and fire-boats threw columns of water in the air. And the band played, "On Wisconsin", On where? Into moth balls.

But, never beaten in a naval engagement - Joe - she now fades from view.

PARIS

Felix Gaillard tonight won approval as Frances' 24th postwar Premier.

The victory came on Gaillards' **thirty-eight** birthday and giving him the distinction of being the youngest Premier in French Republican history.