

Substitute EISENHOWER L.T. Fri. Oct. 8-'54,

President Eisenhower, tonight, did a vigorous, effective, bit of electioneering, I thought. The speech forthrightly political. As, naturally, it would be - since, in a formal way it was addressed to a couple of million Republicans and campaign workers. Although, of course, other millions were listening in - and the President had them very much in mind.

(He gave them a methodical, persuasive, account <sup>A what</sup> ~~of which~~ his Administration has been doing in the past couple of years. Emphatic, especially, on the subject of world affairs. The settling of a series of international problems. ~~and~~ the absence of war on this globe - for the first time in years.)

He called for the election of a Republican lead Congress - to go on collaborating with him. And said - that a hostile Congress would mean a state of political cold war in Washington.

(Altogether, a telling campaign address by a President whose trade is not politics.)

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The president ran over his time limit, and was cut off the air, thirty or forty seconds before he was thru. This brought a flood of telephone calls to stations on - three radio-TV networks. Officials explained that the time had been purchased by the Republican National Committee. And according to F.C.C. rules, they couldn't let the program "run over."

Network spokesmen say:- it was unfortunate, but they were bound by government rules.



FORMOSA

From Washington - a statement that the U.S. government wants the Chinese ~~in~~ Nationalists to refrain from activity that might bring about a major war in the Far East. This information is attributed to high officials of the Eisenhower Administration - who, however, are cautious in discussing the subject.

Report has been that ~~the~~ Chiang Kai-shek Air Force ~~has~~ halted its ferocious bombing of the Red mainland - on advice from American officials. Today, there was a bitter blast in a Nationalist newspaper on Formosa. Denouncing this American attitude of caution. Saying, Nationalist China is being made the victim of, what the newspaper calls - "the new American policy, which borders on indecision, timidity and refusal to face the facts."

The Washington explanation is that the Nationalists should limit themselves to the normal needs of defense. They shouldn't overdo it. <sup>They</sup> ~~XXX~~ should be "sensible."

Administration circles are officially silent, but



there are indications that we've advised Chiang Kai-shek - to take it easy. The Formosa bombing of Red China might explode into a big war.

This Far Eastern issue might also explode in our own political campaign - with Congressional elections coming up. So no wonder the word from Washington is - cautious. A little like - walking on eggs.

## PRISONER

One of the strangest of prisoner stories comes from Tokyo - about the soldier seized by the Reds, after the armistice. Private Charles Julius of Orlando, Florida - who was released by the Communists on Wednesday - along with Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Peters, a Marine Corps flyer.

Private Julius relates how he made a "confession" of espionage, right after he was captured. Telling the Reds he was a spy. Doing this - voluntarily, without a threat or a promise.

Private Julius is twenty years old. He had only a Sixth Grade education and served two jail sentences, before joining the Army. He "confessed" espionage because he *thought* ~~believed, apparently - that~~ the Communists would expect this.

Today he said: "I told them I came to spy on their infantry and artillery positions. I knew they wouldn't believe I came unintentionally."

They threatened to shoot him - but that was because he said he didn't know the name of his commanding officer.

Later on, he repudiated his "confession". That was when the Communists informed him what Lieutenant Colonel Peters thought of him - the other prisoner. The Lieutenant Colonel, they said - "despised" him. Hearing that, the soldier had a change of heart - and wrote the true story. Telling - how while straying out in the neutral zone, he stepped on a land mine and was injured. He didn't want the Colonel to "despise" him.

Communist propaganda broadcast the "confession", but never mentioned the repudiation. Apparently, they didn't think much of the "confession" to begin with. <sup>Hard to</sup> imagine what they really thought of Private Julius! Anyway, they turned him loose - along with the Lieutenant-Colonel. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~  
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GERMANY - ARMY

West Germany has picked a commander for the new German army, under the London accord. So says a dispatch from Bonn - giving the name of the new commander. Ludwig Cruewell - one-time commander of the Afrika Korps. Cruewell - having succeeded the legendary Rommel, when Rommel was given a larger command.

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Sure ~~does~~ bring memories of the war news <sup>more</sup> than a dozen years ago, when the headlines were full of the ~~war~~ <sup>campaign</sup> of the desert. Rommel and that Afrika Korps - in bewildering exploits, <sup>with</sup> The Panzers racing across <sup>the</sup> eternal sands. When finally defeat came - Cruewell, successor to Rommel, was captured. A prisoner - of the British. Now - to be West Germany's first Commander, - in the new rearmament.

<sup>German</sup> ~~The~~ military training - to be supervised by an officer named by Nato. So who is he? British Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Who - those years ago, commanded against Rommel in North Afrika. Winning the decisive battle, ~~with~~ that won for him the nickname - "Monty of El Alemein."

Now, he will be the superior officer - over that Afrika Korps Commander, who succeeded Rommel.

The new West German army, when formed, will come under the direction of the Supreme European Commander of Nato, and he is - French Marshal Juin. Who - was a prisoner of the Germans in the Second World War.

Well, it sure makes quite a combination - the way the threads of history can become tangled.

## FRANCE.

Premier Mendes-France, tonight, put his government - on the line. Or, in terms of French politics, he announced - he'll demand a vote of confidence on the question of the London accord for the re-armament of Western Germany.

The French National Assembly is in the midst of a bitter debate. The Premier - backing, with all his power, the terms he agreed on in London. He'll stake his political life on this issue. Taking it - to a vote of confidence.



## ITALY

Premier Scelba won a formal vote of confidence,  
today - upholding the settlement of the question of Trieste.  
In the Italian Senate, the agreement was called "temporary."  
Indicating - that, at least as a formality, Italy does not  
~~renounce~~ renounce claim to the area given to Yugoslavia.  
There was a three-day debate - ending in a vote of  
One hundred and twenty-two to Eighty-nine, upholding The  
Scelba government *winning by a wide margin.*

## BRAZIL

In Brazil, they <sup>a</sup>re counting the votes; ~~in an~~

~~election~~ and it looks as if the Labor Party of the late

President Vargas <sup>is</sup> ~~were~~ going down to defeat. It had been

supposed that the suicide of Vargas might stir up popular

feeling in favor of this political faction. But Labor

candidates for the Brazilian Congress are not making a good

showing, as the vote piles up.

NOBEL

There <sup>will not</sup> ~~will not~~ be a Nobel Peace Prize this year! So

decided by the Nobel Committee, in Norway. The award for  
Nineteen Fifty-Four <sup>to</sup> ~~will~~ go over until next year.

This is the more curious because right now is the  
first time, in years - that no large scale war is on.  
Hostilities in Korea and Indo-China - having been called off  
by armistice agreements.



## HURRICANE

The Southern Coast of Cuba <sup>tonight</sup> on the alert, —

expecting "Hazel." Today the hurricane was roaring across the south Caribbean, ~~sea~~ winds of one hundred and twenty-five miles an hour. Veering away from the South American coast — and threatening to turn on a more

northerly course. Which would send the howler —

straight at Cuba. <sup>However, the path</sup> ~~But the course~~ of the storm is unpredictable tonight, and our <sup>own</sup> Gulf Coast <sup>soon</sup> may feel the fury of the winds.

<sup>— a Hurricane among, says</sup>  
Hazel is a giant. <sup>The Weather Bureau, saying</sup>  
the mightiest hurricane of the season!

## NEVADA

*Now* The Democrats have won out - in the Nevada court fight! The state Supreme Court ruling, that the question of a Senator must be decided in the November election. The voters - to select a successor to fill out the term of the late Senator McCarran.

The Nevada law is none too clear on the subject, and the Republicans insisted that the Governor should name a Senator to serve through Nineteen Fifty-Six. Governor Russell is a Republican, and he named a Republican - Ernest Brown. The Democrats contended that Brown serve in the Senate only through the remainder of this year. The rest of the McCarran term - to be filled by popular election.

The G.O.P. won a couple of preliminary skirmishes in the courts, but now the Nevada top tribunal reverses all that. Ordering - the names of candidates to go on the November ballot. For the Republicans - Ernest Brown. For the Democrats - Alan Bible, former Attorney General.

*the - that is,*  
Brown is ~~a~~ Senator <sup>the</sup> until the first of the year. From then on - Nevada voters to decide.

The Republicans might appeal the ruling to the United States Supreme Court. They say they'll have to study today's decision - before making up their minds about the appeal.



DIXON-YATES

The question of the Dixon-Yates power contract <sup>to be</sup> ~~now~~ <sup>put off</sup> ~~gone over~~ until after the Congressional elections. The joint Congressional Atomic Energy Committee - postponing its decision until then. So announced by Senator Hickenlooper of Iowa, who says <sup>that</sup> both sides, Republican and Democrat, <sup>have</sup> ~~agree~~ on a delay.

Yesterday, the Atomic Energy Commission of the government announced - approval of the terms of the contract, according to which a private company would provide electrical power in the Tennessee Valley area. Power - to replace electricity used by Atomic Energy plants. But the Commission added - that the Dixon-Yates contract had not been signed. Terms okayed; - but, no commitment.

~~The~~ <sup>A</sup> Congressional group was to have taken up the matter next week. But now Senator Hickenlooper says - the Committee members object. They say - they're too busy campaigning, to return to Washington until after the election.

~~Reproduction of the Dixon-Yates contract with certain~~

~~deletions and additions. XXXXXXXXXX~~

## HOUSING

At the Senate Housing investigation, one witness today was - a former dentist. Which might make you wonder what ~~are~~<sup>have</sup> teeth ~~got~~ to do with buildings? Well, a few years ago this Washington dentist changed from dentures and fillings - to housing. Which certainly was a wise move. Today, he told how he made a million dollars, <sup>1 million</sup> from deals in federal housing. <sup>1</sup> Those "windfall" profits. <sup>1</sup> He invested part of the money - in bets on horses. He also bought a cabin cruiser, in which he entertained - the jockeys.

Dr. Samuel Dewey Gottlieb testified that the horses ran "pretty good" at first. But later, in his words - they "broke down." The horse investment costing him about ninety ~~thun~~ thousand dollars. In spite of the fact that, in <sup>his</sup> ~~that~~ cabin cruiser - he entertained the jockeys.

## MURDER

The murder atrocity at Springfield, Massachusetts - now seems to have been solved. The police announce - they have a confession from ~~an~~ eighteen year old, ~~high school boy~~ / a neighborhood high school boy. / Kenneth Chapin, who admits - the killing of the fourteen year old girl baby sitter and the four year old child. He says he went "berserk" when the girl resisted his advances. Then he was afraid - the child might identify him. The police say the clue in the solution was - a piece of string, found at the scene of the crime.

Detectives traced the piece of string to the manufacturer, then back to a wholesale dealer in Springfield. The trail - leading finally, to the Chapin home, where they found a sample of the same type of string.



## LONDON

London's law court sensation has ended - with a conviction. The headline affair of Lord Vivian and Mrs. Mavis Wheeler. Today, a jury of nine men and three women voted a verdict of - guilty, in the shooting of Lord Vivian. Penalty - six months in prison.

It was ~~an~~<sup>an</sup> emotional trial - with all the qualities of a stage play. Lord Vivian, testified, and Lady Vivian was there. ~~The testimony~~<sup>Evidence</sup> pictured a high pressure romance between His Lordship and Mrs. Wheeler - ending in gunfire. Lord Vivian played the gallant part.- ~~and~~<sup>insisted</sup> the shooting was accidental. <sup>That</sup> ~~The lady~~<sup>The lady</sup> didn't mean it.

Today, the courtroom was crowded. And there was a chorus of feminine shrieks - protesting the verdict. Guilty - with six months in jail.

## SMUGGLER

In London, Eddie Chapman denies - that he was engaged in any scheme of international intrigue. Reports are that Eddie had a scheme to kidnap the former Sultan of Morocco, and use him in a revolution against the present Sultan. But Eddie says he was out for nothing more than - a bit of smuggling.

Back before the Second World War, ~~he~~ <sup>Eddie</sup> was known as -

London's /

~~the~~ master safecracker. Who - looted many a vault in many a British bank.

But ~~he~~ <sup>he</sup> reformed, and, ~~was~~ <sup>he</sup> became a war hero

of British Intelligence. Playing - a double game. Acting the part - of a spy for the Nazis. ~~Handling the information~~

~~was~~ Later, the

London War Office described him as "one of the bravest men of the war." The fine irony is that - the Germans had awarded him an Iron Cross.

Recently, the former King of the London Safe Blowers, showed up in the Mediterranean in a speedy yacht, with a crew

to remind you of the pirates of old. Rumor said - the destination was Madagascar, where the French keep the exiled Sultan of Morocco. That former potentate - to be kidnapped and taken back to North Africa. Purpose - revolution.

Today, in London, Eddie Chapman laughed at that, and said: "My mission to the Mediterranean was to pick up a few honest dollars - as a smuggler." The former master safecracker doesn't consider smuggling - a crime.

He said that, 'last summer, he teamed up with Billy Hill of the London underworld. They call Billy the "Al Capone" of London. Eddie and Billy - hatching the smuggling scheme. Billy - providing the yacht. The crew - about as tough as ~~any~~ <sup>any to</sup> sailed the ocean blue, since the days of Blackbeard.

Including - Georgie Walker, a prizefighters, contender for the British light-heavyweight championship. And Frankie Daniels, former member of the London "Smash and Grab Gang" - which specialized in smashing store windows and grabbing the loot. For navigation - "Dirty Bill" Beamish, a



skipper with a reputation for smuggling.

So the yacht "Flamingo" sailed for Tangiers, Morocco - that international port where there are no customs, tariffs, or duties on merchandise. Great for smuggling - to the countries with high tariffs.

"We made our first contacts at Ma Chicco's, a dirty waterfront bar," Eddie Chapman relates. "We agreed to run eight hundred cases of cigarettes. In Tangiers they cost five cents a pack, and would sell for more than fifty cents. So our profit would figure at something like ten thousand, four hundred dollars," says Eddie.

He refuses to give the name of the country into which the cigarettes were smuggled, but relates how, when they got ~~there~~ <sup>there</sup> - a grabby individual came aboard.

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"He produced a roll of American banknotes and I counted them," says Eddie. "The total was eight hundred and forty dollars short, and something else caught my eye. Six of the hundred dollar bills were counterfeit.

"I reached in my pocket," Eddie goes on, "and pulled out a spring knife. Frankie Daniels did likewise. I stuck my knife against the crook's throat. He squealed like a frightened rabbit."

Eddie says - correct money was thereupon forthcoming, and the deal was concluded. The cargo of cigarettes - then smuggled ashore.

So that's the story ~~as~~<sup>told by</sup> the one time king of London safe blowers - and British espionage hero of the Second World War. No international intrigue - just "an honest bit of smuggling." And now Bob Hall.