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## VACCINE

This afternoon, Dr. Jonas ~~E~~ Saulk declared - that only a "thorough investigation" will determine whether the polio vaccination was at fault. This followed a Government Order - withdrawing all the vaccine manufactured by the Cutter Laboratories of Berkeley, California. Six children - stricken with polio, after having been innoculated under the Vaccine Program. In everyone of the six cases, the drug used was made by the Cutter Company.

The "thorough investigation" mentioned by Dr. Saulk, will concern one chief question: - May not the children whose cases are now reported - have been infected before they were innoculated with the Vaccine? Dr. Saulk points out - it may be <sup>such</sup> a coincidence.

Five of the six children affected are in California. Two - in San Diego, two 7-year olds. Both were vaccinated on April 16. One, showing symptoms of polio on April 20. The other, on April 21. Four and five days - later.

The importance of the dates lies in the fact that the normal incubation period for polio is 12 to 14 days. The symptoms showing - 12 to 14 days after infection.

So, Dr. Alvin Leonard, of the County Health Department says: "It is the opinion of the department that the children were infected before the vaccinations."

In Nevada, 12,000 children were ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ innoculated with the Vaccine from the Cutter Laboratories. Today, the State Health Officers said - no indications of ~~the~~ polio are reported among the 12,000.

The Cutter Laboratories produced all the Vaccine shipped by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to Idaho, Nevada, New York, Arizona and Hawaii. And 75% of the drug shipped to California.

~~Vaccine~~ <sup>Vaccine</sup> ~~vaccinations~~ made by other concerns was not affected by the Government order, today. ~~the vaccinations~~ <sup>Inoculations</sup> with the drug, ~~when~~ made by such other companies - will continue.

Various reports tell of the inoculation of school children -- being held up. As -- in Philadelphia. Delayed -- until the vaccine has been checked.

In Washington, the Government health service ~~states~~ <sup>says</sup> it has "complete faith" in the Salk Vaccine. Nor is there any definite indication that anything may be wrong with the product of the Cutter company. They just want to be sure -- and take no chance.

## ATOMIC

The atomic explosion was called off again today - though, for awhile, this morning, it seemed as if the test would be held. ~~But~~ The winds were wrong, <sup>and</sup> ~~they~~ stayed wrong. All - part of the freakish weather in the west.



## FARM PROGRAM

President Eisenhower, today, sent Congress a "poor mans' farm program." Designed to aid the farmers who ~~ha~~n't enough land or whose land isn't good enough.

The President/ stated: "In this wealthiest of nations, where per capita income is the highest in the world, more than one-fourth of the farmers who live on farms still have cash incomes of less than \$1000 a year.) The program he presented includes credit for small farmers, guidance in agricultural improvement, ways of earning more on small farms, and ~~a~~ industrial jobs for ~~such~~ farmers who simply can't make a go of it.

TRUMAN

Former President Truman came out for Adlai Stevenson today - as the Democratic nominee in Nineteen Fifty-six.

The ex-president has been plugging for Stevenson all along, and now reaffirms his preference.

## HOTELS

The Conrad Hilton hotel people say - they will fight the anti-trust action taken by the Government. William Friedman, secretary, and legal counsel for the Corporation declares - the suit ~~was~~ begun by the Department of Justice, is "completely without foundation".

The charge is that the Hilton Company, violated anti-trust laws, when it bought the <sup>ten</sup> Statler ~~chain of 10~~ hotels, a 100 million dollar deal - which made the Hilton chain the largest in the country.

The Department of Justice claims that, by purchasing the Statler Hotels, the Hilton concern eliminated competition - for "Convention business." Trade conventions ~~some~~ of one sort or another, are a lucrative line for hotels. Four cities are named in <sup>particular</sup> ~~respect to it~~ - Washington, St. Louis, Los Angeles and New York. - ~~where,~~ according to the charge - Hilton and Statler Hotels were in direct competition, ~~which was eliminated~~ <sup>and then</sup> when Hilton bought out Statler.

In Washington, the Department of Justice asked for a court order - to compel Hilton ~~to~~ get rid of all ~~the~~ Statler Hotels, the purchase of which affected competition.

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~~This Presidential correspondence was reported in NEWSWEEK Magazine, in an article which stated - (Zhukov began it, with the Red Marshall, breaking the ice. Expressing to the President, <sup>Expressing</sup> the hope that the two countries could ease their differences.)~~

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He cited - the break in the Formosa crisis with the Foreign Minister of Red China & suggesting negotiations. Also - the moves made by Moscow to conclude an Austrian Peace Treaty.

As for the Formosa proposition, President Eisenhower <sup>repeated that</sup> ~~said this country would be glad to sit down with Red China, discuss the cease fire. But, he added, we will not negotiate affairs of the China Nationalists "behind their backs." In this, he confirmed what Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, <sup>Just as</sup> ~~said~~ <sup>said</sup> yesterday. When he declared that we would not go into a conference on the fate of Formosa without Chiang Kai Shek being represented. But we would negotiate for a cease fire - with Red China alone. The presence of the Nationalists ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~needed~~ ~~for~~ that.~~

FORMOSA-LONDON

The British <sup>is querying</sup> ~~Government has~~ ~~ordered its envoy in~~  
~~Peiping to inquire about the view of~~ the Chinese Reds <sup>further</sup>  
concerning <sup>their views on</sup> ~~talks for peace.~~ In London, today, Foreign  
Secretary Harold ~~MacMillan~~ MacMillan stated that Humphrey  
TrevElyan, who represents Britain in Peiping, will confer  
with Chou En Lai, the Red Foreign Minister. ~~What she did~~  
~~Chou En Lai mean exactly when he spoke of negotiations~~  
~~with the United States? At the recent Bandung Conference,~~  
~~the Red Foreign Minister said his Government was willing~~  
~~to go into talks with the Americans for a settlement~~  
~~along the China Coast. So now, Britain wants to find out~~  
~~more about that.~~

Today, ~~Foreign Secretary MacMillan said:~~ "British  
~~policy has always been to try and get a cease fire and get~~  
~~the problems of Formosa and the offshore islands settled~~  
~~by negotiating."~~

All of which <sup>adds</sup> ~~adds~~ to the belief that Britain wants  
to act as a middleman and promote a deal between the  
United States and Red China.



## FORMOSA

~~From Tokyo comes the report that Americans and Chinese Nationalists have been talking about a possible "knockout blow" against Red air fields. The Chiang Kai Shek airforce - making bombing attacks to put the flying fields on the mainland out of commission.~~

Last week, Admiral <sup>R</sup>Bradford, Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Walter Robertson Assistant Secretary of State - flew to Formosa for top secret conferences. So now, we ~~xxx~~ hear the purpose was - to consider a demand by the Nationalists, ~~to~~ who want to strike at the Communist bases across from Formosa.

We have heard all along, that Chiang Kai Shek agreed he ~~xxx~~ would go easy with tactics of war. Wouldn't do anything drastic - without the consent of the United States. Our Government - not wanting to precipitate war with Red China.

But, in the meanwhile, we have been hearing insistent reports - of a build-up of Communist airpower,



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at bases threatening Formosa. So Chiang feels he has a right to do something about this. Should be allowed to bomb the Red build-up of airpower.

~~This, we hear, was~~ <sup>That</sup> the No. 1 subject in the secret negotiations on Formosa. <sup>So we hear from</sup> ~~Such, at least, is the belief~~ in diplomatic and military circles in Tokyo.

## PHILIPPINES

A surprise proposal was made in the Philippines, today - where a meeting of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization is being held. With military planners - considering problems of defense. The Philippine Republic proposed - an eight nation army to police Southeast Asia, against Communist aggression. The surprise part of it is - the size of the International Army suggested. Says the news dispatch: "Bigger than the force which the United States had in the South Pacific in World War Two."

LLOYD-GEORGE

In London, a prominent member of the Liberal Party, has gone over to the Labor Party of Socialists. Her name indicates - the significance - Lady Megan Lloyd-George - daughter of that famous Lloyd-George of World War I; the last Liberal Party Prime Minister of Great Britain.

The political history of the Lloyd-George family illustrates one of the striking changes that has come about in recent years. The eldest son of Lloyd-George, the Prime Minister, remains a member of the Liberal Party. He is a member of the House of Lords - ~~Earl~~ Lloyd-George <sup>who</sup> inherited the title bestowed upon his famous father. But he is a Civil Engineer, <sup>and</sup> plays no part in politics. He never would have anything to do with politics, which ~~xxxxxxx~~ <sup>disappointed</sup> his father so much - that Lloyd-George disinherited his <sup>son</sup> ~~eldest son~~. <sup>But</sup> He could not ~~however~~ deprive him of the title.

A younger son of Lloyd-George is now the British Home Secretary - in the new cabinet of Prime



Minister Anthony Eden, which is of course, Conservative.  
William Lloyd-George having swung to the right wing.

Now Megan Lloyd-George, Liberal for twenty-  
two years, who a couple of years ago resigned as Vice  
Chairman of the Liberal Party, now writes "It is only <sup>in</sup> the  
Labour Party that I can be true to the radical tradition.



## HANNES

Some forty odd years ago, at St. Anton, in the mountains of Austria, a young man introduced some new ideas into a sport that until then had been associated almost entirely with the Scandinavians, the Norwegians in particular. ~~Up to that time it had been~~ Scandinavian monopoly, jumping, and cross-country. But young Hannes Schneider lived in mountains ~~that were~~ of the steep Alpine variety, And the things he did to skiing played a major role in transforming the sport so that today it's ~~virtually~~ world wide; wherever there are ~~XXXXX~~ mountains, ~~with snow on them.~~

~~Young Hannes Schneider~~, ~~organized~~ <sup>the</sup> mountains Troops for the armies of Franz Joseph, in World War One, ~~after that~~, his ski school at St. Anton am Alberg ~~rapidly~~ became so famous that winter sports enthusiasts from ~~many lands and every~~ continent went <sup>there,</sup> ~~to St. Anton.~~

The Imperial Government of Japan lured him to that country where he ~~literally~~ launched the sport for them.

When Hitler rose to power, he put Hannes Schneider in a concentration camp, where he probably would have died had it not been for an American admirer. Harvey Gibson, New York banker and sports enthusiast, had returned to the town of North Conway in New Hampshire, which he had left as an orphan boy, to go to the city and make his way. Harvey Gibson, through his international connections, mainly Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Hitler's Finance Minister, succeeded in getting Hannes Schneider released, and then brought him to this country. Ever since then, his ski school at North Conway has been a ski mecca.

At the death of Harvey Gibson many expected that Hannes would return to the Arlberg. But, he remained loyal to the memory of the man who had saved him from the Nazi concentration camp.

Today, the entire ski world is mourning the passing of Hannes Schneider, <sup>from</sup> a heart attack. ~~He was still~~ a comparatively young man, only sixty-four. There has been intense rivalry in skiing between the various schools, and ski leaders of Scandinavia, France, Italy, Switzerland and Austria. But I never heard of anyone saying an unkind word about Hannes Schneider, or contesting the statement that he is "the father of modern skiing".

In this country his instructors have played a dominant role in the growth of the sport here, the top men of his Austrian school, who followed him to America, or came just ahead of him:

( Otto Lang, now a film director for Twentieth Century, Benno Rybiska, Freidl Pfeiffer and Toni Matt who were his two top racing stars, Franz Kessler, Otto Schroll, Herman Ostermeyer, and many others including his <sup>son</sup> ~~son~~ Herbert ~~who~~ succeeds him at North Conway.



Part of today I spent in the Wasatch Mountains, above Alta, with Monty Atwater, the avalanche expert, and the now legendary Alf Engen, I suppose Alf Engen ranks as the greatest all-around skier of all time, champion in everything. As a norseman, he summarized the world regard for Hannes Schneider. *As* we stood at the top of Germania Pass, ready to take off for a two mile run through ~~in~~ deep powder, *alf* ~~Said Alf~~ "No one could ~~possibly~~ over estimate what Hannes Schneider did for ~~the sport of~~ skiing. There was no one like him. ~~And~~ ~~it~~ doesn't seem possible ~~that~~ he is gone."

The father of a sport that in his lifetime, and largely because of him, has spread to the mountains of New Zealand and Australia, to the McKinley country north of Ankorage in Alaska, to the Caucasus behind the Iron Curtain, to the high Himalayas along the border between Tibet and India, to the mountains of Japan, and even to the great peaks of



the Atlas that look down upon the sands of the Sahara.  
In all this vast region, ~~in~~ millions of people right  
around the planet are today mourning the passing of a  
modest, humble Austrian who was himself like a craggy  
mountain.

And now across the mountains and plains to  
Hugh Holder in New York.