

L.T. - DELCO. FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1959.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Chicago in the middle of a shipping jam - because of the St. Lawrence Seaway. It used to be - that the biggest freighters couldn't sail from the Atlantic to Lake Michigan. This year, for the first time - they are making the run. Too many of them! Not enough port facilities on the great lakes - to handle all the vessels! A strange problem for Chicago - which finds itself in the midst of a boom - caused by the St. Lawrence Seaway.

## STEEL

A settlement of the steel contract, before the July First deadline is unlikely. At the negotiations today, Conrad Cooper repeated the steel companies' proposal - for a one-year extension of the present contract. Cooper, arguing again that a wage hike would strengthen the inflationary trend.

David MacDonald, head of the United Steel workers Union - again rejecting the proposal. MacDonald still thinks the industry can raise wages - and absorb the difference without passing it on to the consumer.

QUARLES

The sudden death of our Deputy Defense Secretary - is a tragedy no one foresaw. Donald Quarles - apparently in good health. A top figure - in the administration. Tapped as the man to become Secretary of Defense - after Neil McElroy. Quarles was scheduled to appear on a television show - ~~ems~~ this morning. But they found - he had passed away in his sleep, at the age of sixty-four.

DEFENSE

The House Appropriations Committee - slashes President Eisenhower's civil defense budget. The President asked for twelve million dollars - to finance new civil defense jobs throughout the country. The committee - calling the plan - "wasteful". Refusing to okay - the extra twelve million.

STRIKE

New York City's hospital strike - was called in defiance of a state Supreme Court order. The order, banning any walkout - before next Tuesday. The union, refusing to wait - taking its members off their jobs. Picketing, now going on - *in front of some of the hospitals of New York,*

Involved in the strike - maintenance personnel - porters, electricians, elevator <sup>(operators)</sup> ~~mechanics~~ and son on. The union says they'll stay out - until it gets bargaining recognition from the hospitals.

## TRUMAN

For the big Truman birthday party tonight - some fifty thousand guests. In sixteen cities - from New York to San Francisco. All joined together by - closed circuit TV. Paying their respects to Harry S. Truman on this his seventy-fifth birthday.

Mr. Truman is in New York for the celebration. We hear the highlight of the evening will be a special film called "Man Of Decision". Showing his career after April Twelfth, Nineteen-Forty-five - when he became President upon the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

A salute to the Independent man - from Independence,

G O P

The Republican party - launching a counter-attack against the Democratic leader in the Senate. Senator Lyndon Johnson of Texas has been saying - the old guard now dominates the G O P.

To which Styles Bridges/gives the retort - "political bunk". The New Hampshire Republican insisting - his party is united on most issues. United - under the leadership of President Eisenhower. Senator Bridges predicting <sup>that</sup> moderate Republicanism will go on - after Mr. Eisenhower leaves the White House.

## GENEVA

Geneva - filling up with newsmen, photographers, historians, experts in political science - and diplomats. The Swiss city, getting set for - the conference of Foreign Ministers, beginning Monday.

Britain, France, West Germany, and the United States - have already made their position perfectly clear. Russia - changing tactics, slightly. The Soviets, now concentrating their attack, on West Germany. Claiming - the other allies might be more agreeable to Moscow's terms - if Bonn would go along. In the West, the tail wags the dog - according to Moscow.

Anyway, no one in Geneva expects much - to come out of this conference. Its main purpose - to smooth the path to the summit - when the heads of government will get together.

TIBET

A jet airliner, bound for India - loaded with American medical supplies for Tibetan refugees. Which comes about after an exchange of cablegrams.

In this country, the Emergency Committee for Tibetan Refugees, of which I am chairman - made the offer to the government of India, in the form of a cable - which I sent to Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. Who replied - that the care of the Tibetan refugees was in charge of an Indian Committee, headed by J. B. Kripalani, a member of the New Delhi Parliament. Nehru instructing this committee - to get in touch with our committee.

Hence the jet airliner - loaded with medical supplies, at Idlewild airport, New York. Lowell Jr., representing the American committee. The huge cargo of medicines <sup>worth perhaps \$200,000 -</sup> donated by Charles Pfizer and Company. Flown to India, gratis - by Pan American World Airways.

In his cablegram to me, Prime Minister Nehru says: "the requirements for medicines are essential and immediate."

That statement - getting a prompt response, in the form  
of today's lifesaving cargo - flown to India.

NILE

Cairo reports - disaster on the Nile, an age-old river that has seen many disasters. This time - an overcrowded steamer, going down. On board at the time - four hundred sightseers. The latest count - around twenty dead, fifty injured. The most tragic part of the story - two hundred missing.

## EXECUTION

Today a screaming mob of men, women and children - tried to storm Britain's Pentonville prison. Their aim - to stop the hanging of Ronni Marwood, who killed a London policeman in a street brawl.

The Ronnie Marwood case - widely discussed in Britain. Many Britishers feeling - the verdict was unjust. Death - for something the accused did in the middle of a fight. They thought - a jail sentence would have been enough.

But Ronnie Marwood was sentenced - to hang. So are they hanging Ronnie Marwood in the morning. They hung him this morning. After the Pentonville guards beat back the crowd that tried to storm the prison.

PAN

At Camogli, Italy, they won't have their annual fish fry this year. Reason - they've lost their frying pan.

That pan - was Camogli's masterpiece. Built especially for - the fish fry. Diameter - sixteen feet, depth - two feet. Length Of the handle - twelve feet. It held practically all the fish & the anglers of Camogli could bring in.

So big, the only way of transporting it - was to tow it across the bay. <sup>But</sup> This time <sup>up came</sup> a sudden storm. The <sup>big</sup> Pan - filling with a ton of water. Sinking - to the bottom of the bay. They had to cut it loose in a hurry - to keep the tow boat from going under <sup>too.</sup> ~~with it.~~

In Camogli - no frying pan. And no fish fry - this year.

Don - have you any fish to fry?

## SHARK

The Mayor of San Francisco is asking that a Carnegie Medal be awarded eighteen year old Shirley O'Neill, the medal that is almost the civilian equivalent of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Shirley is the girl who swam out to Albert Kogler - when he was attacked by a shark. Dragging him fifty yards to shore. She couldn't get him away from the shark - in time to save his life. But she risked her own life - and San Francisco has never had a greater heroine. And Mayor Christopher wants the Carnegie Medal for Shirley O'Neill.