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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Tonight, a Thousand U.S. Marines are ashore in Beirut, Lebanon. Marines from our Sixth Fleet - just ordered into the Eastern Mediterranean. Admiral Charles Brown, Fleet Commander, says the order for shore leave - came from higher up. Meaning, he was ordered by Washington to send his Marines into Beirut. Our government, willing to let our fighting men be seen - during the crisis in Jordan. Lebanon, only thirty-five miles from Jordan.

Admiral Brown says he's sure this will have some stabilizing influence. That he made the run to the Eastern Mediterranean - without incident and he's ready for trouble, if it comes. "I am sitting on a volcano - but, so far, I am not feeling any heat," was the way the Admiral put it.

WHITE


Our State Department hurls counter-charges at Russia. ~~Russia~~ That it's the Kremlin that is trying to overthrow King Hussein. ~~Spk~~ Spokesman Lincoln White says Moscow has been interfering in the affairs of Jordan. Trying to sew turmoil throughout the Middle East. This in reply to Soviet charges of American intervention.

And this agrees with what King Hussein says. The young ruler of Jordan has rejected Soviet charges of American influence, saying: "No basis whatsoever!" Jordan's King then added that he'll accept the ten million in economic aid we offer. With no strings ~~attached~~. attached.

JORDAN FOLLOWS WHITE

Meanwhile, King Hussein says the crisis is about over - the threat of communism squelched. Jordan nearly back to normal. Telephone communications restored - and marshal law raised for Twelve hours today. Officials in Amman, today were denying rumors - of Leftist riots in the City of Nablus - a center of communist strength in Jordan west of the river Jordan.

Hussein met news men in the banquet hall of his palace today. The young king, just returned from a flying visit to his ally, King Saud of Saudi Arabia. Hussein appeared calm and confident during his news conference. He says he'll meet with other Arabian leaders, if he finds it necessary. And then he added that he had warned Egypt to stop the propaganda against him, saying, any Nation that tries to stir up trouble for him will ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~



strain its relation^s with Jordan. ^{This} An obvious reference to propaganda broadcasts by Nasser's radio in Cairo.

News m^en wanted to know -- why Hussein is refusing to receive American Envoy, James Richards --

who wants to talk over the Eisenhower Doctrine with

him. ^{To this the King that} ~~King Hussein~~ replied, his main problem is to

combat communism, and he thinks he can succeed in that

without receiving ~~Richards~~ ^{our special envoy.}

One question ^{he} ~~Hussein~~ refused to answer -- the question about reported attempts on his life last week.

He merely said that a Court of Inquiry is investigating --

its findings to be published soon.

DISARMAMENT

Russia's latest disarmament proposals sound ~~pretty~~ impressive -- but the Allies are not taking them seriously. The basic idea now suggested by the Kremlin -- a modified "open skies" scheme. The Russians say they will let us fly over a vast part of the Soviet Union -- if we will do likewise with regard to America. The catch is that the part of Russia offered for inspection is mostly Siberia -- a ^{vast} ~~big~~ waste of ice and snow. Almost no factories or military installations in Siberia.

But the part of America the Russians want to see -- would extend from the Mississippi to the Pacific -- one of the most vital parts of America.

In other words, ^{we probably} ~~we~~ would see almost nothing worth seeing in Siberia. While the Russians would get a ~~good~~ look at vital American installations west of the Mississippi.

VATICAN

The Secretary General of the UN, in a long, private interview with the Head of the Catholic Church. Dag Hammarskjold, visiting Pope Pius, Twelfth, at the Vatican. Hammarskjold, enroute to Geneva -- made a detour to talk with the aged Pontiff. Today, the Secretary General and his aides drove to the Vatican in a limousine, flying the UN flag. In Saint Peter's Square they passed by a crowd that had assembled -- to see two earlier Vatican visitors -- Prince Ranier and Princess Grace of Monaco.

Hammarskjold ^{immediately} ~~immediately~~ went into audience with the Pope -- for some Forty-Five minutes. To discuss what -- we don't know. But surely the crisis in the Middle East. And probably the latest word from Hungary and the other satellites.

BOHLEN

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee approves President Eisenhower's nomination for Ambassador to the Philippines. The Committee, voting unanimously in favor of Charles ^{"Chuck"} Bohlen, our former *veteran* Ambassador to Moscow. Bohlen was questioned for only a half hour -- and then the Committee agreed that he should have the post in Manila.

Another Administration appointee had rough going. Scott McLeod, who has been named as Ambassador to Ireland. ^{The Senators} ~~McLeod~~ ^{McLeod} questioned [^] for more than two hours. ^{In fact} The questioning, described as "critical." ~~The~~ session went on so long that the Committee never got around to making a decision. The showdown on McLeod, to come tomorrow.

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower flying in from Georgia, in the Columbine Third, was met by Secretary of State Dulles. They conferred for twenty-five minutes, and then Dulles took off for Bonn, Germany, for a NATO meeting. While the President drove to the White House. He is ~~also~~ expected to take personal charge of another drive - to get Congress to modify its slashes in the Administration budget.

OBJECT

Tonight, in Britain, they are asking - whether a Soviet plane whizzed over the English Channel last night. This question was touched off by a peculiar blip that turned up on a British radar screen. Radar picked it up traveling due west over the Channel - seventy miles from London. Two of Britain's fastest jet fighters - were sent up to find out what the mysterious object in the sky was. Jets, capable of flying at Seven hundred miles an hour. But they failed to make contact. Nobody knows just what that blip was. But one persistent rumor is: - a new type of Soviet plane - a new jet.

ATOMIC

The Atomic Energy Commission announces -- plans for another series of atomic explosions over the Nevada desert this year. Nine of which will be open to newsmen -- as well as staged for defense experts. The first blast May Fifteenth; the last, September First.

At least two nuclear devices will be touched off from balloons. These balloons, to be anchored by cables, to ~~keep~~ ^{keep} them from drifting. They'll be allowed to soar -- as far as their tethers permit. Then, the explosions. Both of these to be greater than the bomb that destroyed Hiroshima.

Today's announcement by the AEC says nothing about underground explosions, although there had been talk of detonating ~~one~~ ^{Some} in tunnels in the massive rock formation that lies under the Nevada Proving Ground. No word on that. All we know about this coming series of tests -- is that seven will be touched off from atop steel towers, and two from balloons.

ROCKET

At the White Sands proving grounds in New Mexico -- a new altitude record for rockets. An Aerabee, zooming to a height of One Hundred and Ninety miles. The Aerabee moved at Seven Thousand Feet per second. So fast, it burned out its motor less than a minute after it was launched. Even radar lost contact-- as the Aerabee climbed up to almost Two Hundred miles above the surface of the earth.

is said to have been
This flight, important for our scientists.

The Aerabee carried special instruments for use in the earth satellite -- the man-made moon that will be put up into the sky later this year.

DEWEY

The former Governor of New York -- for the past two years back in private life, and ~~is~~ enjoying it -- was today admitted to practice before our highest Tribunal. Tom Dewey, several times Republican candidate for President, was welcomed today by an old friend and running mate, Chief Justice Earl Warren.

After the ceremony, Dewey told reporters -- he has no case to bring before the Supreme Court at the moment, but he plans to practice as a Supreme Court lawyer -- whenever that sort of case comes his ~~way~~ way.

MCCARTHY

Senator McCarthy is reported on the mend.

Temperature normal today, says a medical bulletin from Bethesda Naval Hospital. But, he's far from out of the woods with that attack of hepatitis.

AMERICAN

A dispatch from Hong Kong states -- there is still no word on the ~~the~~ American who vanished with his Korean wife and their baby. Donald Blackwood, of Newport, Kentucky -- arrived in Macao with his family on Friday. Macao, ~~a~~ *the picturesque* Portuguese colony about forty miles west of Hong Kong -- across the estuary of the Canton River.

The Blackwoods checked into a hotel -- and said they intended to go on to a hotel in Hong Kong. On Saturday, the Blackwoods walked out of the hotel -- leaving their suitcases behind. They haven't been seen since.

Waiters at the hotel say that Donald Blackwood and his Korean wife had a heated argument at dinner on Saturday. According to the waiters, Blackwood wanted to visit a gambling house, *— of which there are many in Macao.* His wife saying, "No." ~~to~~ *the latest mystery* ~~the~~ Then, they vanished. *of Macao.*

WEATHER

America's weather men/^{to} ~~will~~ be ~~be~~ elbowed aside soon, by machines -- within ten years. So says Dr. George Cressman, who is high up in the Weather Bureau. Today he told the American Meteorological Society that the time is nearly here when weather will be predicted by electronic ~~comp~~ computers. The mechanical brain to take over in one more field. A mechanical whiz able to handle and collate thousands of facts on the weather, in a flash. Digest information, solve complex equations, and come up with a ~~we~~ weather forecast that probably will be wrong -- as weather forecasts so often are! Does this mean man is obsolete, in meteorology? Not quite. Merely that electronics will solve the weather riddle over larger areas -- and over a longer ~~per~~ period. But, for local forecasts of tomorrow's weather, that will still be up to our old friend, the Weather Man. The rest to ^{be} ~~be~~ taken over by a robot -- in ten years.

GUNMEN

The Texas Rangers, in wiping out two notorious gunmen, also foiled a bank robbery. The two: Gene Norris and William Humphrey. Desperados of the Southwest, wanted gunmen since the end of World War II.

As ~~it~~^{often} happens, the Texas Rangers got a tip.

Word that Norris and Humphrey intended to rob Carswell Air Force Base near Fort Worth; kidnap a teller in the bank, seize ~~the~~^{the} payroll of the bank -- and then get away -- off the Base -- in the teller's car.

So they had been watching Norris and Humphrey for days. And when the two turned up on schedule, the Rangers called on them to surrender. Instead, the gunmen sped off. Hot pursuit. Exchange of shots from fast-moving cars. Thrills and drama -- like an old-time Western. For mile after mile, across Texas. The gunman at the wheel, throttle to the floor, tried to make a right-angle turn. Over went the car. Uninjured, the two ran, still shooting.

Until the Rangers' Tommy guns cut them both down.

The way the case nearly always ends. Again proving --
that crime doesn't pay.

PIPE

Ever hear of that international, annual pipe-smoking contest? This year, in Montreal, first prize went to Senor Pablo Lena of Madrid - who kept about three grains of tobacco going for almost two hours. The Maple Leaf Pipe Club of Montreal, host at this pipe-smoking marathon - tells us that Pablo is one of the most successful champions on record.

How many entrys? That was the disappointing part. This time only Denmark, Spain and Canada. Last year sixteen nations entered. Is pipe smoking on the decline? Are the cigarette commercials that successful? Us ruddy, absent-minded old pipe smokers - who drop ashes all over the place - hope not! Don't we, Henry?

END PIECE

Just for a change, instead of recalling, let's anticipate. I've a radio message from the Antarctic -- from Captain Finn Ronney of the U.S. Navy, Commander of the Weddell Sea expedition in the Antarctic. The message reads: "Will arrange a phone session with you when conditions favorable. Answer through this channel, give me your number."

This message from the Antarctic ~~xxx~~ adds that Captain Finn Ronney is sure he can get through. So, of course I'm sending him my telephone number, and when he calls, ~~the~~ ^{the} idea will be for all of you to be listening in -- I hope. And

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.