

L.T. - DELCO. FRIDAY, AUG. 15, 1958.
(Given by Allan Jackson - L.T. in Africa)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

During his meeting with newsmen today - James Hagerty remarked, "the whole matter is too ridiculous for comment." Hagerty was relaying President Eisenhower's attitude - to the story of a Defense Department investigation - of how this country might surrender in an atomic war. Mr. Eisenhower yesterday demanded a prompt report - from the Pentagon. After cooling off, Mr. Eisenhower give it as his final word - that this is a lot of nonsense. And he assures Congress that he has no intention of spending any money on such a project.

The Senate nevertheless - approval and resolution - specifying th& no money be spent for such purpose.

UNITED NATIONS

This was a day of back-stairs maneuvering at the United Nations. Oh, yes, there were some official ^{speeches.} ~~features.~~ But the main business ~~is~~ was conducted quietly - with Western delegates trying to round up support - for the idea of sending Secretary General Hammarskjold to the Middle East.

The Norwegian Foreign Minister has taken the lead in this. Hans Engen says he will introduce a special motion. ~~And~~ And he's already lined up several nations - who ^{agree to} ~~say they'll~~ go along with him.

The Norwegian plan is much like - the one backed by both America and Britain. It would ask Hammarskjold to go to Jordan and Lebanon - and do everything necessary to have the U.N. take over in those two countries. Around the U.N., they describe this proposal as - "let Dag do it."

BEIRUT

More violence erupted in Beirut today. First, two cars were stopped on the highway that leads to the airport. The men in them - shot to death. Then the cars ^{were} set afire. The atrocity happened near the beach - where the U.S. Marines landed when they first went ashore.

Later, an explosion rocked a store near the headquarters - of the political party supporting President Chamoun. The blast wrecked the building - and smashed windows for blocks around. The toll - ⁵ ~~three~~ dead, twelve injured.

These incidents are described as part of a guerrilla war - between the rebels and Chamoun's party. The Lebanese army claims it hasn't been involved - since General Shehab took office as President-elect.

SAUDI ARABIA

The Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia - is in Cairo.

Crown Prince Feisal flew in - for talks with Nasser. He got the red carpet treatment - a big delegation of Egyptians on hand to greet him.

His conference with Nasser will concentrate on - the future relations of Saudi Arabia with the United Arab Republic.

It's pointed out in Cairo that Feisal probably will not offer to have his country join Nasser's federation - because that would mean an end to monarchy in Saudi Arabia. But Feisal might have brought with him a plan for ^{closer}~~stronger~~ cooperation - with Nasser.

CRASH

Tonight it seems clear that yesterday's plane crash in the Atlantic - was the worst disaster in the history of commercial aviation between Europe and America. The authorities have ~~just about~~ given up hope of finding any survivors among the ninety-nine persons aboard the Dutch airliner.

The big question now - is what caused the tragedy. There's some talk about sabotage - because it happened so quickly. *The* ~~x~~ pilot didn't even have a chance to send out an SOS. But for the moment, the airliner is working on the theory that the plane was knocked down by a violent storm.

HURRICANE

The first hurricane of the season - is raging across the South Atlantic. Hurricane "Cleo" - with winds of ~~up to~~ a hundred and forty-five miles an hour. The Weather Bureau calls this "a severe hurricane" - and warns all ships to stay clear of the area. The Leeward and Windward Islands - are maintaining a "hurricane watch."

"Cleo" is across the path taken by guided missiles - fired from Cape Canaveral. But the missiles won't be disturbed, unless she comes a lot closer - because they travel in a high arc, that would take them above the storm.

ECONOMY

During July, production rose for the third straight month - according to the Federal Reserve Board. The index for factories and mines, climbing two points above the June level. The main reason - greater demand for textiles, clothing, and products made of leather and rubber.

CURTICE

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The head of General Motors predicts - a big upsurge in American prosperity. Harlow Curtice, speaking to business ~~lead~~ leaders in Flint, Michigan - said the boom will begin in the automobile industry. He thinks the Nineteen Fifty-Nine models will give the industry a shot in the arm. And that will have a chain reaction throughout our economy - because so many other industries are affected by what happens to the auto company^{ies}.

ROCKET

At Cape Canaveral, scientists are putting the finishing touches on a rocket - that may be the first to reach the moon. The third stage of the rocket is already in place - clearly visible from the beach. And technicians have been swarming around the launching area all day.

An unofficial report has it - the rocket ~~could~~^{might} be launched early Sunday morning. If all goes well - this could be man's first rocket to the moon.

INTRO. TO RECORDING

30 In tonight's report from Hawaii - Lowell isn't as

light hearted as usual. But then, he's a newscaster - and the

news can be pessimistic as well as optimistic. Maybe it's

just as well for us to hear a little pessimism - if it helps

keep us alive to the realities of the world situation.

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L.T. -

Hello Everybody. The Hawaiian Islands, as I have often said, are as near Paradise as anything on our planet. I don't like the idea of sitting here in this mid-Pacific Garden of Eden and saying what I am about to say now.

What has touched me off is an article on the first page of The Honolulu Advertiser. A U.P. dispatch telling how my old friend, aviation expert Alexander DeSeversky, is on the housetops again with another grim warning. Major DeSeversky has been doing this, every few years, since World War I. And every time I believe he has turned out to be correct.

This time he says that we have about three years in which to catch up with Russia - or - we are doomed. That the ruthless Moscow rulers are determined to destroy us, and will - unless we put forth super-human efforts to overtake the military lead they have seized, while we have dozed.

The reason I am repeating the DeSeversky warning is this:- Before leaving the West Coast I discussed preparedness with several of our leading atomic scientists. One of them, for whom I have great respect, says the Russians are already years ahead of us - and he sees little chance of our overtaking them.

He tells me that while the Russians did use the brains of many German scientists that the Russian scientists themselves are second to none and have done most of the work on their own! And at no time have allowed any Germans to do the final climax work on any project.

Dr. Luis Alvarez of the University of California says the Russians right now could just about wipe us off the map.

On a recent trip to Russia, and in visiting with Russian scientists who have come here for visits, he found that nearly all Russians are convinced that we

Americans are out to conquer the world, economically - and that they are determined to smash us and impose their ideology on all mankind.

He said he was much impressed to find that their top scientists speak perfect English. While ours know little or no Russian.

He says his opposite number at The University of Moscow gets a salary considerably greater than we pay our scientists; is given a home in Moscow, one in the country, and a car and chauffeur. In other words lives the good life.

He tells me also that in the design and construction of airplanes they have gone over entirely to what was the American competitive system - while we have done just the opposite. That is, ours are put on the drawing board and then turned over to plants that are told to build a particular plane.

While the Russians now leave it all to competition, and the plant that turns out the best plane then gets the contract to turn them out.

This and much more just as startling!

Maybe here in Hawaii is an appropriate place to do some viewing with alarm. After all, here I am within a few minutes of Pearl Harbor. A part of our battleship Arizona is still showing above the water at Pearl Harbor. I fly over the Arizona every time I pass this way.

We don't want another Pearl Harbor. If there is another the experts tell us it will wipe out many of our great cities and will bring death to from one-tenth to one-half of all our people.

So - wake up America! So long.

FOLLOW RECORDING

Thank you Lowell. With men like Major deSeversky and Dr. Alvarez sounding the alarm - America should be awake to the job ahead.

MOLOTOV FOLLOW RECORDING

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A dispatch from London shows - the pessimism isn't all on our side of the Iron Curtain. It describes what could be - a major split in the Communist world. A conspiracy between Molotov and Mao Tse-tung - to unseat Khrushchev.

Molotov was exiled to Mongolia - for opposing Khrushchev. According to the dispatch, the old henchman of Stalin used his new post - to establish personal relations with the boss of Red China. All this - either in defiance of Khrushchev - or else behind his back.

Some experts on the Soviet Union believe - that's the reason why Khrushchev backed out of a summit conference. They think Molotov and Mao agreed on a stronger Stalinist line. And Mao passed the order along to Khrushchev, who had to obey, for fear of alienating Red China.

Anyway, the Iron Curtain bloc has its own problems - because of the never-ending struggle for power in every Communist state. At least the West doesn't have to worry about

that. = Don do you have any worries, friends.
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DOUKHOBORS

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The Canadian government is going to help some of Canada's most controversial residents - emigrate. A spokesman in Ottawa, referring to the Doukhobors - who came from Russia sixty years ago. Ever since, they've been a problem - because they refuse to send their children to the schools. And have disconcerting habits - like taking off their clothes in public.

Recently, the Doukhobors got permission - to return to Russia. They said they ~~will~~ would go - if Canada would pay the cost.

Well, the Canadians have decided - to put up the money for this emigration. It's a deal between Ottawa and the provincial government of British Columbia. The federal government announces it will pay transportation for the Doukhobors. ~~And~~ British Columbia is to meet the other expenses involved.

The religious sect has until the end of September - to decide whether or not to accept this offer. If they turn it down - they'll have to stay in Canada - where they'll be subject to all the laws governing Canadian citizens.

RICKOVER

The battle between the U.S. Navy and the Admiral's wife - has subsided. The Admiral's wife is Mrs. Rickover - whose husband was the key figure in developing our atomic submarine. The lady wanted to know why - she was not invited to christen one of the subs? When she didn't find her name mentioned - she called some ^{of the} high Navy officers "stupid windbags"

Today, the Navy explained - it was all a mistake.

Mrs. Rickover is down on the list - to sponsor one of our forthcoming atomic submarines. She hasn't been formally invited - because the date for launching her sub - hasn't been set.

STRIKE

There was ^{some} a ~~lot~~ of "scare buying" in Minnesota today.

The reason - that Teamsters strike, which has cut off packaged food supplies - to eighty per cent of the grocery stores in the state. Dairy products and bakery goods - are plentiful.

But anything canned or ^{bottled} ~~boxed~~ - stayed in the warehouse today.

As a result, housewives lined up in Minneapolis and many other cities - to buy as much as possible, before the stocks ran out.