

L.T.-OLDS. TUESDAY, DEC. 8, 1959.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Tonight, President Eisenhower is flying from Turkey - over Persia bound for far off Afghanistan - although there had been some doubt about the jet plane journey to the walled city of Kabul, the Afghan capital. Reports - of bad weather. Kabul - frequently snowed in at this time of year. But the weather reports indicated, later, that the presidential jet plane would be able to land at the Kabul airport and the he'll drive through the Gate of The Trumpet and Drums to the Amirs palace.

When the President left Pakistan, after a two-day triumph there, a communique was released, promising - close cooperation in the cause of human freedom. The communique - signed by President Eisenhower and Pakistan President Ayub Khan.

And now tonight, the chief magistrate of the United States is on his way to what until recently was

one of the wild remote countries of this earth -
mountainous, tribal Afghanistan. Now - on over Khyber
Pass - next stop - India.

EISENHOWER - INDIA

When President Eisenhower arrives in India, he'll receive a present ^{that} ~~which~~ certainly sounds like a surprise. Prime Minister Nehru - to give him a portrait - of Elihu Yale. The patron - of Yale University.

Now why should a portrait of that ^{Colonial} ~~Eighteenth Century~~ American, a native of Boston - be out in India? The answer, easy - if you look at a bit of history. Elihu Yale of Boston was, during part of his life - a British official in India. The governor - of Fort St. George, at Madras. Not surprising, then - that his portrait was painted out there in India. Becoming part - of India's national archives.

(Nehru - now presenting it to a graduate of West Point. But, I suppose, the President won't mind giving a few ^{raising} cheers - ~~Rah, Rah, Rah,~~ for dear old Yale!)

CUBA

Three American soldiers of fortune on trial in Cuba - sentenced to long terms in prison. Austin Young and Rafael Del Pino, of Miami - getting thirty years. Peter John Lampton, twenty-five years.

They were charged with plotting to overthrow the Castro government, and the prosecution demanded - the death penalty. Their defense was - that they were merely free lance photographers, trying to get pictures.

At the same trial, a number of Cubans were sentenced to long prison terms.

ESCAPE

A huge manhunt is on, tonight. In North Carolina - Virginia, and adjoining states. Following a mass escape - of convicts from the state prison at Yan'ceyville, North Carolina.

The prison - considered almost escape-proof.

Dangerous and desperate convicts - held there. But - they were able to get hack saws, with which, they cut their way out of their cells. Seizing guards, slugging one - and taking their weapons, The fugitives ^{made} ~~making~~ off in a prison truck and a passenger car. Armed - with pistols, rifles and a tommygun.

The twenty desperate escapers wrecked the passenger car - and went on in the truck. Heading north, - ~~and~~ The belief is ~~that~~ they crossed into nearby Virginia. *Only one so far recaptured.*

STEEL

The federal government calls for - arbitration. To settle the labor dispute in the steel industry - and prevent a resumption of the strike.

Today, Secretary of Labor James Mitchell advised the Companies and the Union, to submit all the points on which they, themselves, cannot agree - to neutral arbitration. Or have a board - recommend a settlement. (Or this could be done - by Federal Mediator Joseph Finegan. Such recommendation to be used as a basis for negotiation between the Companies and the Union.)

The Secretary of Labor stated - that President Eisenhower would approve of these procedures.

BLIMP

A storm beaten blimp - able to land at Lakehurst, New Jersey, today. After having been marooned up in the air - for forty-eight hours. Unable to come down - in the frosty gale.

The Navy blimp, with nineteen airmen aboard, went navigating out over the Atlantic, Sunday morning - on a routine patrol. Then, coming back - it couldn't get across the coastline. Unable to buck - a gale from the west. Hovering out at sea - delayed for long hours.

Then, finally - able to make it. ~~It~~ Only to run - into another difficulty. It was too windy - for a landing at its hangar. The reckoning being - that it wouldn't be safe ⁱⁿ ~~with~~ winds over twenty-seven miles an hour. The storm blowing - at thirty-seven miles an hour. With the probability - the huge gas bag would be slammed into buildings at the naval air station.

But - they were able to refuel. Hovering - four hundred feet above the ground. Taking aboard - a line for pumping in the necessary fuel.

All of which went on - until today. The wind - still high. But the blimp hooked on - to its mooring mast.

DEMOCRATS

The Democrats had their hundred-dollar-a-plate banquet in New York, last night. Dedicated fervently - to Party harmony. It resulted, of course - in sour notes and blaring discords. Which - were still reverberating, today. Former President Harry Truman - expanding on his denunciation of "hot-house liberals." As he took a plane back to Kansas City, the news reporters asked him - to name those "hot-house liberals" in the Democratic Party.

To which the former President replied: "You'll have to wait until a little later on, when the campaign starts - and I'll name everyone of them." But he thought - some of them, perhaps, might reform in the meanwhile.

The "hot-house liberals" include a New York newspaper - easy for New Yorkers to guess. But, for the benefit of others, that newspaper identified itself, today - the New York Evening Post.

Among those who don't agree with HST - Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. The Democratic rally, last night, held in her honor.

She says - she welcomes every kind of liberal in the Democratic fold. Hot-house - or no hot-house.

Well, Harry Truman always did have - a contrary streak. Dissenting - disagreeing. It's part of his personality. Even his whiskers - being that way.

Today, taking a plane at the airport, he noticed - a bearded news photographer. Beards, nowadays - becoming the fashion, apparently. Beatnik style - maybe. Anyway, HST took a look at the spinach, and made a confession. All his life - he's wanted to grow a beard himself.

"But," he explained sadly, "the whiskers on one side of my face grow up, and on the other side - they grow down. So you can see - why I decided against it."

The whiskers - contrary, dissenting, disagreeing.

But don't blame Harry Truman for everything that went haywire - in the Democratic strategy. There was a luncheon held by the Democratic Advisory Committee - in a confidential session. Behind closed doors - everything secret. News

reporters - barred. Told sternly - they could not get in.
So all they could do was - wait in an adjoining room.

It happened, however, that a loud speaker at the proceedings was connected - with that same room. Somebody forgot - to turn it off. So the newsmen - heard everything that went on. Which provides us - with an anecdote.

Adlai Stevenson arrived an hour late - and he had to explain. He had gone to the wrong hotel for the luncheon. Then, getting straightened out finally - he told the taxi driver his mistake.

Whereupon the driver growled: "Don't you Democrats know where you're going?"

Dick ~~go~~ That came over the loud speaker, ^{to} ~~and~~ the banished newsmen. ~~must have answered - "apparently not."~~

ENGLISH

British comedian Dennis Norden is thinking of compiling - a dictionary of pronunciation. For the benefit - of Americans in England, who are bewildered - by proper names. Spelled - one way. Pronounced - another way.

The American speaks of "Myerscough" the way they spell it. Which puzzles an Englishman, until he finally gets it. *Oh, I say you*
~~"Myerscough"~~ meaning "Maskew." Or you say - "Dalziel". Only to find that it's pronounced "Dee-all."

"Featherstonehaugh" is - "Fanshawe." The "Leveson-Gower" family call themselves - "Loosen-Gore."

But, then, here in America - we have those Indians called "The Sioux". And the far famed name of "Arkansas."