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(L.T. in Africa)

President Eisenhower spent today on last minute details - before he leaves for the Nato meeting in Paris.

This morning he had a long conference with the National

Security Council - which included eight officials who

also will be ^{with him} in Paris. The most important of these,

Secretary of State Dulles, who took off for Europe immediately after leaving the White House.

President Eisenhower leaves tomorrow - aboard his presidential plane, Columbine Third. The plane has been

pressurized to keep it at a sea-level atmosphere. According

Associate ^{to} White House Press Secretary, Anne Wheaton, this has

nothing to do with Mr. Eisenhower's illness. It's standard procedure.

Mr. Eisenhower will take with him - definite proposals to lay before the Nato nations. He'll push for

the creation of missile bases abroad - as well as atomic

stockpiles. He'll suggest new training centers - to teach

Nato service men how to use the latest rockets. Most

important of all, our Chief Executive will outline a broad plan - for scientific cooperation between all the nations who belong to Nato.

These are just military ideas. But it's believed that President Eisenhower will go further - and make new proposals about economics and other fields in which the Allied countries are having trouble. It's believed he'll accept the advice that has come into the White House from so many quarters - advice about Nato cooperation all along the line - from resisting Soviet aggression to a possible revision in our tariff laws.

STEVENSON

RETAKE

Adlai Stevenson believes we should give a reply "affirmative in spirit" - to the latest Bulganin note. The titular head of the Democratic Party doesn't say just what he means by that phrase, "affirmative in spirit". But he told newsmen - something positive must be done, to end the cold war. He doesn't want us to back down before Soviet threats -- but he doesn't want us to slam the door in Bulganin's face.

Bulganin proposed a new summit meeting, an end to nuclear tests, and new non-aggression pacts. All of which our StateDepartment has already brushed off - as propaganda, intended to create dissension at the Nato conference.

BULGANIN

That Soviet note to Britain - is pretty much what we expected. Bulganin, accusing ^{Prime Minister} ~~Roosevelt~~ Macmillan - of following an American policy that will lead to war. The Soviet leader saying Britain will have to take the consequences - if she permits American missile bases on her soil. Bulganin, uttering this open threat, "Britain has no effective means of defense - against modern weapons."

Around London, they say Macmillan won't answer the Bulganin letter - until after the Nato conference.

RUSSIA

Late this afternoon - word from Moscow radio -
Russia is sending a note - to all members of the United
Nations - warning that the danger of nuclear war has
increased - and urging that action be taken at once to
improve relations between countries.

INDONESIA

That situation in Indonesia - the campaign to drive the Dutch out of the islands - and to take over Dutch-owned West New Guinea - took a new turn. First - the army was confined to its barracks - all members on leave were recalled.

And this afternoon - the premier announced that President Sukarno - would take a rest soon - for health reasons.

The Indonesian Ambassador in Washington - amplified this - said that Sunkarno - tired and needing a rest - will go to a neighboring friendly country - and the speaker of the Indonesian parliament - Sartono - will take over as acting president.

STRIKE

The worst subway strike in the history of New York City - is petering out. That's indicated by today's events. About a hundred motormen came back to work - and seventy per cent of the trains are running. Mayor Wagner promised the strikers - they would not be fired if they returned to their jobs. And tonight's mass meeting of the motormen - points toward an end to the walkout that has tied up the City for four days - right in the middle of the Christmas rush.

WEATHER

Tonight, America is caught in the grip - of one of the bitterest cold snaps on record. The thermometer plunging, all the way from Florida to Montana. Snow and sleet falling - even in the deep South. More than fifty deaths already reported. And the irony is - about half weren't killed by the cold. They died in the wave of fires that broke out - as Americans tried to keep their homes heated. The fire toll, especially heavy south of the Mason-Dixon Line. Where they're not used to this kind of weather - even in December.

PLANE

The U.S. Air Force chalked up a new speed record this afternoon. Major Adrian Drew, of Carrolltown, Georgia - drove his Voodoo jet over the Majave Desert - at twelve hundred and seven-point-six miles an hour. Major Drew, winning the Distinguished Flying Cross for his achievement. The old mark, held by Britain - 11-hundred-and-32 miles per hour.

The Voodoo is our largest fighter. It's capable of carrying atomic bombs. And it's already in operation. Major Drew's jet has been part of our Tactical Air Command since last May.

DESTROYER

A warship of the U.S. Navy - badly damaged in an Atlantic storm. The destroyer "Manley" was in a flotilla steaming from Norfolk, Virginia, to Lisbon. The flotilla, running into the tempest - just past the Azores. Gales of sixty-miles-an-hour, with waves forty feet high.

One wave crashed down on the "Manley" - smashing the superstructure. The two thousand ton destroyer - tossed around like a tin can on the surface of the Atlantic. She managed to make land under her own power - but with one sailor dead, three others critically injured - and a lot of repair work to do.

INTRO. TO L.T.

Tonight finds Lowell Thomas - still in Africa.

This time, he's on the northwest corner of the Sahara - reporting from one of the fabulous and romantic places - of the continent that isn't quite as dark as it used to be.

L.T.

Greetings from the Atlas Mountains! In fact this broadcast message is coming to you from the favorite palace of the Berber Sultan who until he died last year, had long been known as The Lord of the Atlas. Also as The Pasha of Marrakech. At this moment I am seated on the Pasha's throne, surrounded by his dancing girls - twenty of them.

It's a gay scene. Like something out of the Arabian Nights. Gay - on the surface. Beneath, there is something melancholy about it. For not only is the Pasha gone, but most of El Glaoui's sons are in prison, at Rabat, awaiting trial. They will be lucky if they escape with their lives.

The Atlas Mountains of course are in Morocco. Three ranges, the High Atlas, the Middle Atlas, and southernmost, the Anti Atlas.

From here we are going down to Quarzazate, on the northern edge of the Sahara. Which was also a part of

El Glaoui's domain. Although he was usually referred to as the Pasha of Marrakech he was the acknowledged head of more than 3,000,000 Berbers. The Berbers being - so far as we know - the original inhabitants of North Africa from the Atlantic right across Morocco, Algeria, Tunis and Libya, to Egypt.

The Berbers in the Atlas Mountains are a people called Glaoui. The Pasha of Marrakech came from the Atlas. As the paramount chief he was known as El Glaoui - the Glaoui. Morocco had been an independent Sultanate for hundreds of years - until the French came in 1902. It took them some 30 years to conquer the country, all of it. And the Berbers put up the longest fight of all. But once they bowed to the French they kept their word and cooperated with them.

Only four years ago El Glaoui helped the French oust the then Sultan of Morocco, an Arab, Mohammed Ben Youssef - who, with one wife and a number of concubines,

was flown into exile, to Madagascar. El Glaoui's man, Mohammed Ben Moulay, became Sultan. But nationalism was growing. Government after government fell in France. The French, without a Marshal Lyautey to handle Moroccan affairs, vacillated, and brought Ben Youssef back from Madagascar. Today he is King Mohammed V - who visited America the other day. El Glaoui died a few months ago, a broken old man. His palaces have been confiscated - including his favorite here at Telouet, deep in this valley in the heart of the Great Atlas, midway between Marrakech and Quarzazate.

This was his favorite refuge, among his own people. This was his kasbah, or castle, with its great walls, its massive medieval doors, and its labyrinth of passages and winding stairs leading to inner rooms like the most beautiful you will see in the Alhambra at Granada - in Spain. Lofty rooms of exquisite Moorish architecture,

lace-like marble screens, tiles of many colors, mosaics of intricate patterns.

Here, in the rooms where till recently the Pasha and his sons entertained - and where we are told no Europeans ever came, we have been filming El Glaoui's Arabian Night's palace and his Moroccan dancing girls for our United Motors-Delco TV Adventure series.

El Glaoui's eldest son, by a Circassian mother, was the governor, the aid of Telouet. He succeeded in escaping before the Nationalists took over. I knew one son, an artist, Si Hassan. What has happened to him no one seems to know. Evidently in prison.

AGA KHAN

The leader of twenty million Moslems - today paid a visit to the ^{head} ~~leader~~ of the Anglican Church. The new Aga Khan, at Buckingham Palace - for a private meeting with Queen Elizabeth. He's the former Harvard student, who became ^{chief} ~~head~~ of the Ismaili sect - when his colorful grandfather died earlier this year.

The Aga Khan was at Buckingham Palace for ^{an} ~~a~~ half hour. He went in through the royal entrance - and came out the same way. This, indicating his acceptance by the British royal family - in his own right. As usual on such occasions, no details of the meeting were announced. Just a statement that the Queen congratulated the Aga Khan on his coming of age. He'll be twenty-one tomorrow.

ROCKET

At Fort Churchill, Manitoba, scientists watched a streak of light in the sky this morning. An aerobee rocket - zooming up and out of sight. Powered by liquid fuel - it reached an altitude of sixty miles. The trail of light - clearly visible for almost ^{four}~~forty~~ minutes.

But the scientists were more interested in what they could hear. Eighteen grenades attached to the rocket - went off at intervals. The sound, picked up by microphones on the ground. The sound waves, sending back data on temperature, winds, and the density of the air. The scientists say they received all the data they were looking for - the experiment with the aerobee rocket, a complete success.

TUNISIA

Tunisia has just received a shipment of arms - from Egypt. The arrival of the guns, announced by President Habib Bourguiba - in his weekly broadcast to the Tunisian people. Bourguiba describes the shipment as made up of two thousand rifles, and some mortars. The President of Tunisia saying - "These are defensive arms - they are a gift."

Egyptian arms for Tunisia - only a month after Britain and America sent a cargo of weapons to that former French protectorate. With Paris protesting bitterly - that the guns would end up in the hands of the Algerian rebels.

The Anglo-American argument was - Tunisia would go elsewhere if she could not get what she wanted ~~in the West~~ ^{from the West.}
~~markix~~ This argument, now supported by arms going from Cairo to Tunis.

FLU

About twenty million Americans will be happy to hear this announcement. Asian flu - is on the way out. Surgeon General Leroy Berney says the number of new patients dropped to a little over two hundred thousand - in the last week of November. The smallest batch to be added to the American victims - since the epidemic began. Twenty million Americans suffered from it - but now General Berney thinks it is beginning to disappear. All the same, he's cautious - warning that another flu wave could come in out of the Orient.

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Announcer: And now Allan Jackson with a footnote to the news.

L.T.: Tonight's oddity is archeological. Another great find - from the days of classical antiquity. Israeli experts digging in the Gaza Strip - have uncovered a marble statue of the Greek goddess, "Nemesis". In the Greek Partheon, Nemesis presided over destiny, fate. Her worshippers imagined her in the form of a fantastic animal. The sculpture just uncovered - has a woman's head, the body of a lioness, the tail of a serpent, and ^{the} wings of an eagle.

The archeologists tell us this statue dates back to the Year Two Ten A.D. It's the first indication that this particular cult was practiced in Palestine - the cult of the goddess Nemesis.

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