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EISENHOWER

I don't suppose there was anything deliberate about - the timing. But President Eisenhower's brief address, which so many of you must have heard - was a reminder ~~of~~ of how appropriate it was - for him to return from his intercontinental mission of peace at Christmastime.

Home last night - and, today, presiding over the lighting of the National Christmas Tree, on the White House lawn, in Washington. Taking the occasion to make a report to the nation - on his immense journey in ~~the~~ behalf of peace.

After all, Christmas is a time of year when, most of all, we recall that message on the first Christmas. When the angels sang "Glory be to God in the Highest and On Earth, Peace, ~~and~~ Good Will Toward Men."

The President said one thing, which certainly was aimed ~~at~~ at Soviet Russia, when he declared - that ~~there~~ mere co-existence is not enough. Adding: "After all, an uneasy co-existence can be as ^πbarren and sterile, as joyless and stale a life for human beings - as the co-existence of cell mates in

→ in a penitentiary or labor camp." Which implies the hope - that there can be a world settlement, on a basis of understanding and friendship.

STEEL

No sooner had he got back, then President Eisenhower was confronted - with the problem of steel. What to do - about ~~the~~ the long drawn out labor problem in that vital industry? Before he left on his international tour, he said - he hoped the companies and the union would have arranged a settlement, by the time he returned. But, now that he's back, he finds the deadlock ^{(more} ~~than~~ Dead and more lock than ever.

~~of a deadlock situation.~~

Today, Federal Mediator Joe Finegan adjourned the sessions of collective bargaining, which were getting no where. They ^are to be resumed on Sunday - when another kind of negotiation will begin, on a company-by-company basis. The union - dealing separately with each steel manufacturing concern. But an industry spokesman, today, predicted - that these individual talks will get nowhere.

Meanwhile, Union President David McDonald announced that the steel workers have been polled - and were voting ninety-three percent against accepting the latest offer from the industry.

So the President, this morning, called in three of his cabinet members - ^{his} Secretaries of Labor and Commerce, and the Attorney General, ~~To~~ advise him - on what to do about it.

Unless there is a settlement, heading off a renewal of the steel strike in January - the President, we ~~will~~ ^(hear,) call on Congress to enact new legislature, ~~To~~ deal with strikes that endanger the security and health of the nation.

KRUPP

An agreement - signed in Germany, today, ~~By~~ Alfred Krupp, head of the huge Krupp Armament Firm, ~~For~~ the payment of a million, five hundred thousand dollars. To a Jewish committee, representing the interest of Jewish victims under the Nazi regime.

During World War Two, the Krupp Industrial Empire, the most famous Armament Firm in the world, manufactured weapons for Nazi Germany. The Nazis- putting forth ^{ced} labor into ~~the~~ Krupp Munitions Plan[†], and thousands of the forced laborers were Jews.

So now - any Jew who can prove that he was compelled to work in a Krupp Factory will receive some twelve hundred dollars. Alfred Krupp stating - that, if the money now put up is not enough, he will provide more.

All this, it appears, is voluntary. Krupp wanting, in the words of a spokesman, "To help heal the wounds that were suffered during the war."

CUBA

News reporter James Buchanan came home to Miami, today - and got quite a welcome, After thirteen days - under arrest in Cuba. Most of the time - in a Castro jail, Accused - of being implicated in the escape of Austin Young, American soldier - of fortune. Buchanan - put on trial, and given fourteen years in prison. Sentence suspended - if he'd get out of Cuba. Which he did - pronto.

His welcome back to Miami may not have been as dignified and stately as President Eisenhower's in Europe, Asia, and Africa. ~~XXXXX~~ But it was lively enough. The reporter - cheered by people at the Miami airport, where the editorial staff of his newspaper, The Miami Herald, was waiting for him. Then, in the news room of the Herald, a blast on a bugle hailing him. And a big sign, reading: "Welcome home, jailbird."

A jailbird - ^{glad} ~~XXXX~~ to be home.

PENSIONS

The nation has paid it's farewell - to it's veteran of the Civil War. But not - to the last Civil War Pension. More than four thousand dependants of Civil War Veterans, such as widows, are still drawing pensions. To the tune - of more than three million, three hundred and sixty thousand dollars a year. Recalling - how young women married aged veterans.

On the government pension list are dependants of veterans of the Mexican War. In the case of the Revolutionary War, pensions ~~are~~ were drawn as ^{recently as} ~~as~~ nineteen ^{-e-} six!

The cost of wars - lasting a ^{long,} ~~long~~ ^{long} time.

WIDOW

At Newark, New Jersey, the Bamberger Department Store got a letter, ^{enclosing} ~~enclosed in it~~ a wedding ring, a plain gold band.

~~XXX~~ The letter, reading as follows;

"It is five years, now, since my husband passed away - and they have been lonely years. Enclosed you will find my wedding ring. It's the same one my husband gave me when we got married. A long time ago, he needed a serious operation to live, and we didn't have the money to pay for it. In some miraculous way, Louis Bamberger heard about our terrible trouble - and, out of his own pocket, paid for the operation.

"I'm an old lady now," the letter goes on, "and before I go and meet my beloved husband, I am sending you my precious ring, ~~Because~~ Because of Louis Bamberger - and what he did for us."

So that's the letter received at the department store which Louis Bamberger founded. Will ~~he~~ he receive the ~~the~~ wedding ring? No, he's been dead for twenty years.

BOY

At New York's Idlewild Airport, an airliner from Portugal came in. One passenger - a five year old boy. Traveling by himself.

Airport officials asked him who he was, and the lad replied; "Nuts."

That surprised them, and they questioned him again, and this time he replied; "Smart."

Those were the only two words of English that he knew.

After a while, his parents were located - Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Larangeira. Who said, they expected the lad home for Christmas, ~~But~~ didn't know he was arriving on that particular airliner.

Seven months ago, they sent him for a visit to his grandmother in Portugal. When he left, he talked English like any other five year old. But, in Portugal, he forgot it all except those two words, "Nuts" and "Smart". But he talks Portuguese fluently.

Dick, what have you to say?
Something forthright, I hope. And not in Portuguese!

ZOO

An announcement at the Bronx Zoo, reporting two new born arrivals. One - the tiniest in the history of the Zoo. The other baby, one of the largest.

The smallest kind of monkey in the world, is the pygmy Marmoset. The mother at the zoo weighing about four ounces. The infant, one ounce.

At the same time, Phoebe the Hippopotamus, became a mama. Her baby - weighing thirty-five pounds.

New arrival^s, in the household^s of the pygmy Marmoset,
and the Hippopotamus. Contrast - at the Zoo.