

In Washington, a Congressman drove to a Senator's home, today, and was given a large suitcase and a couple of boxes. Which - he took away. The Congressman - John Flynn of Georgia, a member of the House Committee investigating government regulatory commissions. And having - such a noisy row. The Senator - Wayne Morse of Oregon.

All of which ends a weird sort of mix-up. Dr. Bernard Schwartz - fired as chief counsel for the committee. Taking away with him - a mass of ~~mix~~ records in the investigation. Delivering these - to Senator Morse, a number one critic of the Eisenhower administration.

The astonished committee - asking the Oregon Senator to hand back the records. Morse replying okay. Demanding, however a Senate investigation of the regulatory commissions. But, anyway, the House Committee has regained possession of the suitcase and couple of boxes filled with papers.

But here's later word. Committee Chairman Congressman Oren Harris declares - some of the files are still missing. He says he believes - that Senator Morse returned all the documents given to him. But -that other material has disappeared.

Today, the committee issued a subpoena - calling on their ousted counsel, Dr. Schwartz, to appear and explain his claim that an F C C official accepted money for the award of a television channel.

The latest - in the big rumpus; - Committee Counsel Schwartz - declaring the committee was trying to white-wash the whole investigation. Whereupon the committee ousted him.

## EISENHOWER ECONOMY

President Eisenhower declares - that the government is readying public works programs - if such are necessary to check the present recession. In an official statement, he notes that action has already been taken - to stimulate home building, step up slum projects, and increase work on highways.

"If other measures are needed", says he "I assure you they will be proposed and in time."

He repeated the belief that employment will start picking up next month. Signaling - the beginning of the end of the slump in business.

~~"I believe" he declared "that we have had most of our bad news on the employment front". And added, "Every indication is - that March will be the start of a pick-up in job opportunities."~~

## TEAMSTERS

Officials of the Teamsters Union - ordered to give up business interests that might conflict with their union duties. The order - issued by Union President James Hoffa, who included himself. Hoffa - to give up the interest his family holds in a trucking company.

All of which is in line with a court order issued by Federal Judge Dickenson. Part of a compromise - whereby the Teamsters Union, accused of corruption, accepts official supervision.

## BYRD

The U S Senate is to lose - its most eminent veteran. Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia - to step out next year. He says - he's retiring at the behest of his ailing wife. Having promised her, when he ran for re-election six years ago - that he would not be a candidate again.

"It is our desire" says he "to spend our lives together, at our home in Virginia."

Seventy years old, forty years in politics - twenty four years in the Senate. Harry Byrd - long time advocate of sound finance in government.

## EX PRESIDENTS

Two letters - made public, today. Written when the Civil War was just beginning. In an effort to avert the disastrous conflict between the States. Made public - on Lincoln's birthday. The surprising thing being - that Lincoln is not mentioned in the correspondence, which has to do - with ex-Presidents.

The first letter - dated April Sixteenth, Eighteen Sixty One. The writer - exPresident Franklin Pierce.

Fort Sumter had just been fired on, and he proposed - a conference of Ex-Presidents. Five alive at the time-- Pierce, Martin Van Beuren, John Tyler, Millard Fillmore, James Buchanan. Unusual - for this country to have that many ex-Presidents.

Pierce addressed his letter to Martin Van Buren. The oldest Ex-President, the Senior. Suggesting - that he call the conference. To seek some way - of averting civil war.

But Van Buren wrote back - declining. Saying - such a conference should be called by

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James Buchanan, the ex-President latest in office.

Van Buren offering - to attend.

In all this - not a mention of Abraham  
Lincoln, who was President <sup>Lincoln ignored. He had</sup> ~~having~~ been inaugurated  
- a little more than a month before.

The conference of Ex-Presidents - never held.  
One, John Tyler, of Virginia, <sup>already</sup> had given his allegiance  
to the Southern Confederacy. Elected - a member of  
the Confederate Congress.

## YEMEN

Word from Cairo is that a union of the Kingdom of Yemen and the Arab republic of Egypt and Syria - will be proclaimed soon after February twenty-first. The day when the Syrian Egyptian merger will be okayed by a Vote of the people in both countries. Nobody has any doubt how the vote will go. Nasser - to be elected President of the new Arab state.

My Negotiations have been going on - to bring <sup>mediaval</sup> ~~the~~ Yemen into the combination. Agreement reached - in all important matters.



## PERSIA

Over in Iran - the final chapter, closing the story - of a savage episode. The murder, last March, of three Americans - in the ~~area~~<sup>desert wilderness</sup> of Eastern Iran. Two U.S. aid officials, and the wife of one - shot from ambush by a bandit gang, Headed - by a ~~notorious~~<sup>named</sup> outlaw ~~x~~ Dad Shah.

The Iranian government pressed a relentless hunt for the bandits. Dad Shah, himself - killed in a gun battle with Iranian police. Today - the final chapter. His brother, Ahmed Shah, with ten other members of the bandit gang - executed by a firing squad.

## BRITAIN

The British government gave a flat rejection today to demands - that American military forces leave Britain. The Labor Party arguing - that U S bases in Britain should be closed. Thirty-six thousand American troops - sent home.

This was answered by Minister of Defense Duncan Sandys, who told the House of Commons; - "so far as the American forces are concerned - they will stay here."

## TUNISIA

Riotous demonstrations - in the city of Tunis, today. Huge crowds - demanding vengeance against the French, for the bombing of a Tunisian village. "Give us weapons" they shouted - outside the office of Tunisian President Bourguiba. With another similar demonstration - at the French naval base of Bizerte.

~~Meanwhile - all sorts of diplomatic activity. To bring about a settlement of the new flare-up. The United States - offering to act as mediator between France and the government of Tunis. Paris ready to negotiate.~~

## GERMAN SCIENTISTS

Twelve German scientists - came home from Russia, today. A dozen of the technologists - taken by the Soviets at the end of ~~the~~ World War Two. Their release - the result of negotiations by a special West German mission to Moscow last summer.

The scientists arriving home today may have helped the Russians launch their space and missile program. But there's nothing definite - about the kind of work they were engaged in. They<sup>a</sup>re cautious about any discussion. Not wanting to jeopardize nine other German scientists - who are to be released on Friday.

~~One of them, Dr. Johannes Goldberg, a radio expert, tells how he was captured in Nineteen Forty-five. Spending two years in a prisoner-of-war camp. And then - working on "secret" projects in a Moscow technical institute.~~

~~He, In Nineteen Fifty, he signed a contract.~~

At Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Fred Schneikert relates - how he helped in making it possible for this country to launch an earth satellite. The Explorer - still whirling in its orbit, out in space.

It happened in World War Two - when Fred prevented the shooting of a German, approaching the American lines. The German - a younger brother of Dr. Wernher von Braun, now Chief of the Army satellite project, which sent up - the explorer.

As a G I Fred was an interpreter with an American outfit, in the invasion of Nazi Germany. When, one day - a young man in a long coat was observed on the enemy side, walking - toward the American line.

"I convinced the others not to shoot," says Fred.

So, instead - they talked. The German declaring - that a ~~xx~~ group of German scientists want to surrender. The scientists - who had built

the buzz bombs and the V - 2 rocket, which - had been blasting Britain. He, himself, a brother of one of them - Wernher Von Braun.

Whereupon Fred went along with him - and interviewed the German scientists, who came over to the Americans - and entered the service of the United States.

Talking instead of shooting. An incident - leading finally to an American earth satellite.

WEATHER

Snow cats -to the rescue. Vehicles for Arctic travel - taking food and medicine to seventy-five marooned families.

Alaska -- Oh no! New York State. Schoharie County. Highway ~~xxx~~ crews making slow progress against the huge drifts.

NEW YORK SNOW

Returning East from the Detroit Premiere of our latest Cinerama, Search For Paradise, I decided to stop off in Central New York, the area that has been the nation's headlines these past few days. I wanted to see the results of that big snow storm. Mohawk Airlines, and American Airlines, together, managed to get me to Cortland. *So* ~~right~~ <sup>I am</sup> here, in the middle of ~~the deep~~ <sup>all the</sup> snow. They got me here in a small twin-engined private plane, which gave me ~~the best possible~~ <sup>a</sup> chance to look the country over from the air.

<sup>all</sup> You heard ~~it~~ about that storm, and you ~~xxx~~ no doubt heard the story ~~that~~ Walt Conklin of the Cortland Standard has just been telling me. He says it wasn't so much the amount of snow that fell -- between three and four feet of it -- It was the wind that blew it into fifteen and twenty ~~xxx~~ foot drifts. *Then he told me*

~~And~~ <sup>^</sup> about the Henry Allens, ~~from Syracuse,~~ caught in the storm near Baldwinsville. He forty-



six, she forty-four. They were found under a drift a few miles north of here. The snow had covered them and their car so there wasn't even a bump indicating an automobile. They were in the car for forty hours.

Mr. Allen, says Reporter Conklin, tried to shovel to keep the car free of the drifting snow. But he couldn't open the car door, so he shoveled from a window, and while doing so died of a heart attack. Slumped across his wife in a way that made it impossible for her to start the motor. But she did keep sounding the horn; and eventually they were found.

Just one of many many stories of this storm that people here are telling. I could devote a special broadcast to it. Many country roads around here are still blocked; people still snowed in.

## CLOSING

A few miles southwest of Syracuse, today we saw a huge fire up ahead, flames soaring to a height of ~~perhaps~~ five hundred feet. Allen Hayes who was flying me, brought our plane down so we could circle the fire. But it was so intense that we ~~we~~ couldn't tell what was causing it. After we landed again from ~~at~~ Walt Conklin of the Cortland Standard, I found ~~me~~ out the cause of this spectacular blaze.

John Famoly, pushing through this heavy snow, ran into one of those pipe lines that brings natural gas up from the South. Although he had backed off one hundred feet before the explosion came, the force of the blast was so great that it hurled him from ~~from~~ the bulldozer, tore the roof off a nearby barn, and spread it over hundreds of yards, up the barn went in flames, a spectacular fire to suddenly come upon as you are flying along over snowy central New York. Evidently the blast had happened just a few moments before we got there.

SATELLITE

The satellite explorer - losing one of its voices, today. One of its radio transmitters - going dead, apparently. Which bears out estimates by scientists - that this one transmitter would last a couple of weeks. Which two week period - Don - has <sup>nearly</sup> ~~just~~ expired.


## SCHOOL

At the High School at Elgin, Illinois, they will ignore the criticism by Admiral Rickover, who developed the atomic submarine. Elgin High to go right on, giving a course in love and marriage. And let the Admiral - stick to atomic submarines.

At a Congressional committee hearing, Admiral Rickover took up the familiar theme - of the deplorable state of scientific education. Ridiculing - what he considers silly subjects taught in our schools; citing - Elgin, Illinois High where, said he, one subject is - "how to know when you are really in love."

Says the Admiral: "You can learn how to make love outside of school, in the good old-fashioned way."

Or, as Ethel Merman used to sing, "Doing what comes naturally".

All of which draws a tart reply from Elgin School principal Chester Alexander. Who says - they'll go right on with that class in "love and 

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marriage". Adding - that the Admiral can take the course, if he wants to.

Or maybe, the Admiral will bestow his *ardent* affections on - atomic submarines.