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FOREIGN POLICY

President EISENHOWER today gave his comment on a declaration made by Secretary of State Dulles last night in a New York address. A declaration of Foreign and Military Policy - of the great importance.

The Secretary said we would meet aggression with - retaliation. What he called - "a great capacity to retaliate, instantly, by means and places of our choosing." Which of course, would mean - atomic blows hurled through the air.

The President told a White House news conference today, that this retaliation policy is based - on the theory of "surprise". He reminded the newsmen that our terrific loss at Pearl Harbor was because the attack was completely unexpected. And now - atomic weapons, with their fearful devastating, add enormously to the value of "surprise."

The Dulles declaration indicates that we now have a new policy. The Truman doctrine of "containment," the concept of checking Communism at its boundaries - is replaced by a Policy of "retaliation".

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Aggression by Soviet Russia or Red China would be met by -
swift atomic blows, at the heart of those countries.

We have a soldier President, and that seems to be the strategy he
has prescribed. Informed sources telling us, meanwhile, that this
Country has now more than two thousand atomic bombers.

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TRADE

At the ^{here in Wash.} White House news conference today, they took up the question - of a Minnesota businessman who has asked permission to sell U.S. Government surplus products to Soviet Russia. Duane Andreas, President of a Company at Mankato, Minnesota, proposes to barter butter and cottonseed oil for Russian Gold or Manganese. He'd buy surplus materials from the Government, For a deal with Red Russia.

This proposition has drawn a mixed reception in Congress, where the general ~~opinion~~ opinion seems to be that such a transaction might be okay if - to the advantage of this country.

The President said today that the Administration is studying the question of U.S. trade Behind the Iron Curtain - a thorny question. But - that no decision has been reached. He told the newsmen that there's no question of a direct sale, by the U.S. Government itself - of surplus foods to communist countries. The deals, presumably, would be by private firms. The whole question of East - West trade - under study.

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Berlin

They had another futile session in Berlin to-day - - negotiators trying to decide on a place for the Conference of the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four. British, French, American and Soviet Commanders talked for ten hours - - but, for the third time, were unable to agree on that minor point. - *where?*

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EGYPT

Egypt has outlawed the Moslem Brotherhood. Charging - a plot to overthrow the regime of President Mohamed Naguib. The moslem Brotherhood blamed *he* for the riots we heard about yesterday. Students at the University of Cairo - on the rampage. Shouting anti-British slogans - but Naguib claims the Moslem Brotherhood was in a conspiracy with the British.

Today, one hundred leaders were arrested, and the word is - they'll be tried on charges of treason.

The organization, which is both religious and political, was outlawed in Egypt back in nineteen-forty-eight - and, a few days later, the Premier who issued the decree - was assassinated. Two years later, ^The Moslem Brotherhood was legalized again - and, when Mohamed Naguib took power, he formed an association with the fanatical outfit. Recently, however, there was a split, and now the charge - that the Moslem Brotherhood was in a conspiracy with the British to overthrow the Naguib Regime.

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In Cairo, a spokesman for the British Embassy calls this alleged

conspiracy - "Complete nonsense".

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AGRICULTURE

THE President spoke up today, in defense of the farm program he presented to Congress. He said he thought it was good for American Agriculture - - no matter if it's good politics or not.

Some Republicans from the farm states have told him - - it's bad politics, and they might lose the Congressional election in the fall. The President retorts that he doesn't consider himself smart, politically. He is trying to benefit American Agriculture - - with a long-range program.

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EISENHOWER

Will President Eisenhower run for re-election in nineteen fifty
- six ? That came up ^{here in Washington} at a White House news conference today - a smart
reporter trying a fast one.

They were discussing the Bricker amendment to limit Presidential
Treaty - making powers. The Administration is against the amendment,
in its present form - although it would not affect President
Eisenhower's authority during the next three years. Today he told
the newsmen - he was looking to the future.

Whereupon a smart reporter asked - did this mean that he expected
to be in the White House after three years ?

The President ducked that one. He grinned, and said his advisers
have told him: - never discuss the question of a second term.

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PETTICOAT

A lady lost her petticoat - at the White House reception last night. Mrs Anderson, wife of the Assistant secretary of Commerce.

It happened as nine hundred and sixty - three guests were being greeted by President and Mrs Eisenhower. Mrs Anderson was chatting with Mrs Nelson Rockefeller, when somebody stepped on the hem of her skirt. Then, as she started walking along, Mrs Anderson felt her petticoat give way. So what did she do?

"Well," she said today, "I couldn't crawl under the table. There was only one thing to do, and I did it."

She twisted, and let the petticoat fall to the floor. Then, without batting an eye, she picked it up, and threw it across her arm.

Only a few of the guests noted the mishap - the lady losing her petticoat at the White House reception.

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PRESIDENT

President Eisenhower gives his opinion about having a woman
- for President. He says - no. A woman would be too smart to
want the job.

Recently, former President Truman made the suggestion - that ,
some day, this Country would have ^a Miss or Mrs President. But the
Eisenhower view is - that the Ladies have too much intelligence.

The President said he knew no reason why feminine heart and
brains would not be a good thing - running affairs at the White House.
But he couldn't get away from the idea - that a woman would have
too much sense to seek the Presidency

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DEWEY

Governor Dewey, to-day, called on the New York State Legislature to create - - a czar of Harness racing. The bill he proposed would abolish the harness racing commission, and would make the former New York Police Commissioner, George Monaghan, the Big Boss of the scandal ridden sport. Governor Dewey asks the Legislature to give Monaghan unlimited authority - - for cleaning up the corruption in harness racing.

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REUTHER

The missing witness in the Walter Reuther case was picked up in Canada today. Donald Ritchie - who gave the Detroit Police information about alleged assailants who shot Reuther nearly six years ago. Reuther was then head of the Auto Workers - now President of the C I O. The auto Workers Union paid Ritchie five thousand dollars - as a reward for the information. But the witness thereupon made an escape, got away to Canada, with his wife.

Yesterday, the wife was arrested by the Police - at Preston, Ontario. Later, Ritchie phoned the cops, and offered to surrender - if his wife was turned loose first. That telephone proposition was rejected.

Early to-day, the missing witness, full of liquor, staggered into an all-night restaurant, and told two truck drivers : "I'm Ritchie". They paid no attention to him.

Then he made the same statement to another man - but this was a newspaper reporter, having a bite to eat. The newspaperman took immediate notice, and phoned the Police.

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So now the missing witness is being returned to Detroit - where he faces the charge of "Conspiracy to attempt murder", in the shooting of Walter Beuther.

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ATOMIC

THE ATOMIC ENERGY Commission denies that radioactivity killed sheep in Nevada. This, after a complaint that sheep raisers sustained heavy losses, because of atomic tests in the Spring.

They had their flocks of sheep, wintering in Nevada, then driving them to pastures in Utah. And ^{they} claim - that radioactive particles in the atmosphere had an injurious effect. ^{IT} The atomic energy Commission says an investigation indicates that radioactivity had nothing to do with the loss of sheep.

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SHOOTING

There was a wild outbreak of shooting in a Pennsylvania courtroom today, when a defendant pulled a pistol and opened fire. The judge - - killed.

Norman Moon was about to be sent to jail - - for failure to support his wife. The Judge called him up for sentencing, and the defendant shot first at the District Attorney, but missed. The next bullet struck the Judge, and the gunman ran out of the court, firing as he went.

He drove off in an automobile, and there was a wild chase, until a police bullet punctured a tire of the escape car. Thereupon, Norman Moon fired a shot into his own throat - - and is in a hospital, critically injured tonight.

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BOY

They captured a blackmail extortionist - in Des Moines.

A bloodcurdling note was left at the home of a ten year old boy, threatening him with death - unless money was paid. The blackmail message stating the cash must be left under a tree - by the light of the Moon.

The money to consist of - nickels. The blackmail extortionist, arriving to collect it - was armed with a cowboy gun in a holster. Toys,- that he got for Christmas, I suppose.

He tells the cops he really didn't care about the loot. He was angry - because the other boy wouldn't play with him. Just an eleven year old - who got mad.

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Farm

At Gardner Massachusetts, the oldest farmer in the country is preparing to celebrate her one-hundred and fifth birthday. The pronoun "her" is correct; feminine gender. Mrs Victoria Bonislavski runs the farm, and, does more than her share of the work.

Here's the routine for the Centenarian farmerette: She's up at sunrise every morning, and starts in by going to the back yard, and splitting wood for the stove. She's a great great grandmother, but she's hefty with an axe, and carries armfuls of timber to the kitchen wood-box.

Then, to the barn - where she fills a few bags with hay, and carries these to the cows in the shed. She feeds forty pigs, not counting a swarm of ducks and geese, and does the cooking for the family - a large one. In the Wintertime she wears shoes, but not in summer. For all her one hundred and five years, she has gone ^{- everyone of} barefoot - in the summertime.

Last Spring, Mrs Bonislavski thought she was getting old, and turned over the cultivation of the garden to one of her sons.

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"But" says she. "We didn't get half the vegetables we got when I did the planting." So now, this coming spring, she'll do the ~~planting~~ planting

For entertainment, she likes to listen to her eighteen year old great grand-daughter play Polish dances on the accordion. Her Birthday celebration - Polkas on the accordion, all day long.

^{Happy,}
So now lets all sing - Happy ^{Birthday!} ~~one hundred and fifth birthday~~

to you, Mrs Bonislavski, ~~Happy Birthday to you~~ - Happy one hundred
and fifth birthday to you Mrs. Bonislavski!

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