

DULLES

L.T. - Dulles. Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1959
(Lake Placid)

At the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington the announcement - that the operation on Secretary Dulles will be performed late this week, or early next week. The surgeon - Major General Leonard Heaton, the same doctor who operated on President Eisenhower in Nineteen Fifty Six.

In Europe, the illness of the American Secretary of State - was headline news, today. An international bombshell. With speculations - that action by the western powers in the Berlin crisis might be delayed because of the absence of John Foster Dulles.

President Eisenhower, however, says - he doesn't think the Secretary's illness will hold up the preparations for a conference of the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four. Dulles - having carried the work so far along before consenting to go to the hospital. During his absence, his place is being taken by Under Secretary Christian Herter.

At his news conference today, President Eisenhower paid Secretary Dulles a glowing tribute saying: "I believe his performance over six years - has been remarkable, a brilliant one. I think - it's almost a miracle that he hasn't had to go for a longer period of rest and healing," said the President.

KUWAIT

Reports of a political overturn in the small principality of Kuwait, on the Persian Gulf.

Small - in size, huge - in oil.

The news - telling of a bloodless, palace revolt. In which the Sheik of Kuwait has turned his power over to the Chief of Security, Abdullah Mubarak. The cause of the coup d'etat - a spread of internal strife in the little Arabian oil state. A conflict between supporters of Nasser, President of the United Arab Republic, and adherents of the Kassen regime in Iraq. Which is reported to be - left wing.

To suppress the trouble, the transfer of power - from the Sheik of Kuwait to the young energetic security chief.

CYPRUS

At Zurich, Switzerland the representatives of Greece and Turkey tonight agreed in principal - on a plan to establish an independent republic of Cyprus. After much negotiation the two sides decided on a treaty, which would safeguard the Moslem inhabitants of the Island. Independent Cyprus to be guaranteed by Greece, Turkey and Britain.

UNEMPLOYMENT

The federal government reports - an increase of unemployment in January. Six-hundred-and-sixteen-thousand more jobless, than in December.

The labor and commerce departments explain - that the increase is about normal for this time of year - but adds - that it reflects a slow-down in the rate of recovery from last year's recession. If the recovery had continued as expected the increase of unemployment would be less.

ALBANY

In Albany, today, Republican legislators - rejected a request for one-hundred-and-forty-four million dollars; To assist - education. The G O P leaders - won't back it. This - in the face of mounting protest against the budget presented by Governor Nelson Rockefeller, with his program - for an increase in taxes.

Legislative hearings on the subject begin tomorrow - and the storm is expected. Four hundred opponents of higher taxes - to have their say.

As a result of the ~~tax~~ wave of criticism the New York Republican leaders have dropped their plans - to rush the Rockefeller tax increase through the legislature. Instead, ~~thems~~ they'll try what they call - a slow sell. With a program - of trying to persuade the tax payers.

ST. LOUIS

The St. Louis hurricane story - is a thing of terror. During the night - a pounding flooding rain. Basements flooded - ~~wx~~ water five feet deep. The weather warning - high winds and thunder storms. But - no expectation of the tornado.

The twister struck at two fifteen a.m. Central Standard Time. Crashing at first - into the southwest edge of St. Louis, where the blast blew down a three hundred foot transmitting tower of radio station KXLW. A big sports arena damaged heavily.

Then the funnel-shaped cloud veered upward in a freakish way. The tornado - skipping over a wide area of St. Louis. Then - coming down in the middle of the city.]

Striking - a densely populated ~~xxx~~ area of apartments, rooming houses, restaurants, and night clubs. The twister, with a wind that swirled at one hundred-and-seventeen miles an hour, ripping

its way through an area thirty blocks long, seven blocks wide. Smashing down buildings - one after another.

Worst of all - a three story rooming house, blown down, with the loss of twenty lives at least. Actually, the death list in the devastated area is not yet known.

In one apartment - Joe Cunningham, first baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals. Joe, still up - sitting, reading the Bible, with him, a friend - Teddy Glynn.

"I heard the wind" the baseball player relates, "and I kinda felt the big glass double-doors bulge between the front and middle rooms. I got up to check the doors, when this big chunk of ceiling fell onto the chair where I had been sitting." The big first baseman of the Cards goes on to say - that Teddy Glynn went out in the hall but was blasted right back in by the wind.

Teddy landed on the floor, says

Cunningham and the wind blew a nail - into the heel of his foot. Fantastic violence of a western tornado.

The St. Louis disaster - the worst in a whole series of ills, caused by the weather. An enormous winter storm - lashing the whole middle west all the way from the Rockies to New England.

Tonight President Eisenhower declared St. Louis a major disaster area.

OXFORD

At the University of Oxford, eyes gaped - when, at the Oxford railroad station, today, people saw a new sign. Instead of the former sign, reading "Oxford" - another name. And @ what a name!

All - the doing of some waggish Oxford student, who happened to be in Wales, and swiped a railroad station sign. Which they brought back to the University - and put up at Oxford.

Well, you know how long and weird the names of some of those Welsh towns can be. This one - taking twenty feet of lettering. The name containing - fifty-eight letters.

I won't try to pronounce it in Welsh, but here's what the town name means in English. -

Church of St. Mary in a white hazel hollow near a rapid whirlpool and to Saint Tysilio's Church near a red cave."

Don, imagine somebody saying - "where do you live?" and you have to answer ^{with} that.

MOTTOS

There's an outfit in Los Angeles - that's getting to be a menace - called the "let's have better mottos association." Cynical characters who think up mocking parodies. The trouble being - that ~~xxxxxx~~ you're tempted to use a few of their sarcastic mottos.

Today for example, they issued a new list one of which reads: I don't want to shoot you - just the guy who introduced us.

Another one goes: Don't try to save face - yours isn't worth it.

Or, imagine saying to somebody: If I were you - I wouldn't admit it.

Or, I've always admired your get up and go. Why don't you?

It's time for me to go - with to Canada. And s-l-u-t-u.
~~Lead us not into temptation. We~~

~~might be tempted to make those remarks on some social occasion.~~