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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

President Eisenhower caused quite a furore in Geneva today. No, it had nothing to do with the Big Four conference - the parley at the summit. In fact, Mr. Eisenhower was not even with his colleagues at the time. He was downtown in Geneva - shopping.

It all began when our chief executive was driving into the Swiss city from his villa - prior to the afternoon session today. He spied a toy shop, and promptly decided to pick up some gifts for his three grandchildren.

As soon as the President of the United States entered the shop, a crowd began to gather. In a few minutes there were more people on hand than the shop could hold. Mr. Eisenhower was in a friendly mood, and he stopped to shake hands with several of the Swiss

audience. One of them called out, and asked him how the Big Four meeting is going. He grinned, and replied, "So far, very friendly."

Then came a crisis. The toys were all wrapped up - and Mr. Eisenhower discovered that he had no Swiss francs with him. No way to pay for the things he had bought. There was a hurried conference with the owner - and the decision was that the shop would extend credit to the President of the United States. Credit to the tune of twenty-one dollars. So the President carried the toys off with him - and sent the money to pay for them afterward.

## BOOK\_PIRATE.

Over in Tokyo, they've discovered one of the most scientific book pirates in history. Susumo Yamamoto, a former army officer - who has been copying Western scientific books, and selling them at bargain rates.

Yamamoto's method was to have a book photographed page by page. Then he would print it from the photo-offset plates. The astonishing thing is, that he even used the photos of the title pages - which carried the legend, "Copyright in U.S.A." And then he sold them at about ten per cent below their authorized price.

The victimized publishers in this country are especially annoyed. Because the copies Yamamoto made were so good. The Americans are even asking for details about his technique.

Meanwhile, Yamamoto has promised to stop pirating the work of Western writers. Why did he do it in the first place? He says that the reason was, in his words,

"my great passion for learning."

in open debate. Then he went on to describe Nato as an alliance set up for the sake of peace. He argued that the Allies could not leave a vacuum in Germany - where Naziism might revive. So Nato was the sensible way of dealing with the problem of German militarism. And Mr. Eisenhower added that since all this is true - there was no excuse for delaying German reunification any longer.

You can imagine how the men around that conference table came to life at this appeal. The dramatic highlight, with two old soldiers facing one another. The President of the United States and the Russian Defense Minister - who commanded opposite sides in the destruction of Hitler's reich. Mr. Eisenhower, implying that Zhukov can estimate Nato properly - as a soldier.

The Marshal did not respond. Instead, the first reaction of the Russian delegation was given by Bulganin.

## GENEVA.

The Geneva conference had its first big dramatic moment today. Until then, the conference had been a matter of personal statements by Eisenhower, Faure, Eden and Bulganin. Each leader, stating his position in general terms.

Today, the real work began, and the drama was put into the session by President Eisenhower. Our chief executive, talking about Nato - and directing his remarks fight at Marshal Zhukov. Which was appropriate, Zhukov being the Russian Defense Minister - and a professional soldier, who understands the problem of war.

Mr. Eisenhower ~~ask~~ asked Marshal Zhukov to listen with particular care. And then the President pointed out that the military strength of the West is well known. He noted that America cannot go to war suddenly and secretly - because that is a matter for Congress,

He said that he was not questioning Mr. Eisenhower's word - that Nato is an instrument of peace. But Bulganin went on to say that German unification is not proper at this time. Bulganin arguing that the process should come slowly and over a period of time.

Nevertheless, the problem was sent back to the four Foreign Ministers - with instructions to discuss German reunification, in the hope of attaining some solution satisfactory to everyone.

NEHRU.

The Prime Minister of India today came out in favor of the West - on one point of the cold war. Nehru, saying in New Delhi, that the Cominform should be abolished.

We already know that President Eisenhower regards that International Communist conspiracy as one of the worst causes of trouble in the world today. He hopes to persuade the Soviet leaders to put an end to it.

And now Nehru agrees - that the Cominform should be abolished. The Indian prime Minister arguing that the world needs co-existence of the East and the West - while the Cominform is an obstacle to co-existence. Says Nehru: "The logical conclusion is that the Cominform will go."

But the Indian leader went on to repeat a few points with which the West does not agree. He said that the problem of the Far East should be considered



at Geneva - although President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles have both indicated that the real problem to be settled at Geneva is European.

Nehru also said that the status of the Soviet satellites should not be brought up - although that is one point that the American leaders consider of the first importance. Nehru's position is rather peculiar. He says that the satellites should be ignored - until the other tensions of the cold war have disappeared. But he ignores the fact that the enslavement of those nations on the Russian border - contributes to the tensions of the cold war. In other words, if the satellites could choose their governments for themselves - that would be a big step to ending the cold war. But Nehru doesn't think so. He wants the question of Russian enslavement of neighboring countries to be by-passed at Geneva. Agreeing with Khrushchev and Bulganin on that.

## CASABLANCA.

Tonight, French Legionaires and Colonial troops are patrolling the streets of Casablanca. And apparently the five-day riot of murder and arson has subsided.

The violence broke out on Thursday - following the explosion of a bomb in a cafe. Seven Europeans were killed. And shortly afterward, mobs of Europeans and Moroccans began to surge through Casablanca - fighting, killing and burning. They left the city looking like a battlefield. The streets, strewn with burned out cars and buses. Telephone poles, chopped down. And broken chairs and tables littering the terraces. Casablanca police say that the death toll may go as high as two hundred.

Last night, the new French military commander toured the native quarter with the Pasha of Casablanca, highest Arab leader in the city. The latest word, the

rioting is over - at least for the moment. Casablanca, clearing up the mess left after five days of violence.

VIET NAM.

Tomorrow will be the first anniversary of the Geneva Agreement, that settled the war in Indo-China. The agreement, that partitioned the country - giving the Communists north Viet Nam.

South Viet Nam is getting ready to celebrate the anniversary, and the authorities are doing it in a very special way. Making clear just what they think about Communism.

Trucks with loud speakers have been rolling through the streets of Saigon - urging the people to do something about the Communist officials in the city. Those officials are part of the International Control Commission set up at Geneva. South Viet Nam has protested about the behavior of the Communists many times - and now the loud speakers are telling the people to do what they can to get rid of them.

Children are being told to chant "Communist, go

home!" The loud speakers say that all flags should be flown at half mast, as a sign of mourning. The loud speakers go on: "Each one will throw tomatoes and rotten eggs - at the heads of Polish and Viet Nam delegates."

Well, that all seems plain enough. The South Viet Nam government just doesn't like the Reds. And it doesn't care if the people of South Viet Nam show their feelings - with tomatoes and rotten eggs.

The Saigon dispatch says that the resentment is intensified by the arrival of refugees from the north. These, just a few of the great crowds that have poured out of Communist dominated areas - seeking asylum in South Viet Nam.

## BASQUES.

The House Judiciary Committee approves a bill that would allow eighty-seven Basques to enter this country. They're the wives and children of sheep herders who work in our Western states. In places like Montana and Idaho, you find lots of immigrants from that territory of the Pyrenees - herding sheep along the uplands of those states.

Recently, Congressman Walter of Pennsylvania visited Spain. He talked with Franco - and the Spanish leader made one point, that a lot of Basques have gone to America to herd sheep. And they'd like to have their families with them. That's the reason for today's bill. The eighty-seven Basques to enter this country, apart from the quota of Spanish immigrants.

## EMBEZZLER.

In the town of South Amherst, Ohio, they're talking about one of the most astonishing disappearing acts in the history of American crime. This, following the arrest of Mr. and Mrs. John Siemer and their children.

Siemer was employed by a branch of the Staten Island National Bank and Trust Company in New York. And one day, he began to take money from the till. It was the old, old story - betting on the races. He always hoped to put it all back - but he won a little, and lost a lot. And he reached the point where he had to plunge heavily in his efforts to recoup. They all failed. As John Siemer remarked today, "When I was seven thousand short in July, I really had to manipulate not to be found out." Then he went on: "In August I had it down to two thousand - but a week later it was up to twelve thousand."

That went on until September. And then it was

clear that John Siemer could never pay back all the money he had taken from the bank. In his words, "When I saw I'd never catch up, I decided to run - I took ~~thirty~~ thirty thousand the last day."

And then the Siemer family dropped out of sight. The F.B.I. and the police combed the country for ten months. No result - the Siemer family, simply vanished. Never before had an entire family gone underground for such a long ~~period~~ period.

Now we know the method. The family went to Ohio. They took the name of MacTavish. Mr. and Mrs. Siemer dyed their hair. He went to work as a real estate salesman - and she got a job in a store. They didn't spend much money. They kept to themselves. They attended a different church every Sunday. Even their meals were frugal. They had enough money to live well - but they didn't dare to.



This went on for ten months. And it might have gone on a lot longer - except that an anonymous woman tipped off the F.B.I. - that she had seen the family described in a newspaper account of the New York embezzlement. She hung up before the F.B.I. could get any more information. But they followed her tip - and as a result, John Siemer is in jail tonight. The end of one of the most baffling disappearances of all time.

## ROBBERS.

A dispatch from Greeneville, Tennessee, tells of a local business man who was tortured by three robbers - and still refused to tell them where he kept his fortune. John Bohannon is well known in the Greeneville Mountains. Everyone believes that he keeps all of his money on the premises - a lot of money, because he owns extensive real estate property.

Last night three men turned up at the Bohannon house, They pointed their guns at the owner and said: "John, we want your money."

But Bohannon refused to tell them where it was. They beat him with their guns - but still he wouldn't say. And finally, they took just the money they found in his pickets, only seventy-five thousand dollars. And then they fled.

You would think the robbers would be satisfied with their haul. But John Bohannon's daughter told

police today that her father still has a lot of money  
on the premises - only she won't tell where it is,  
either.