

(By L.T.Jr. -  
Mr. Thomas in Africa)

There's a British airliner that has been doing more than its share of trans-Atlantic work - in the world of statecraft. Yesterday, that big passenger plane carried Queen Elizabeth home to London - where she was greeted by Prime Minister Macmillan. After which - Macmillan boarded that same airliner, taking off for a flight back to the United States. The Prime Minister, accompanied by top ~~flight~~ officials - on his way for conferences with President Eisenhower in Washington.

The news ties <sup>in</sup> the Queen's aerial voyage ~~to~~ with the Prime Minister's flight - and that's not irrelevant. At the Washington airport, Macmillan was received by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles - who promptly mentioned the glowing reception Her Majesty got over here. The belief being - that the good-will engendered by the Royal visit will be a help for arrangements the President and Prime Minister may make.

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They're in conference at the White House right now, and the word is - that two questions are foremost in their

discussions. Not much ~~diff~~ difficulty - guessing what those two questions are.

The Syrian crisis <sup>with a</sup> ~~and the~~ need of close British-American cooperation, ~~dealing with the crisis.~~ What to do - about the Syrian-Soviet accusations. - The noisy talk - that the United States has been inciting Turkey to make an attack on Syria.

The other topic - "Sputnik", ~~the Russian satellite~~ ~~xxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~ the Russian satellite-rocket achievement. The necessity for the Western powers to push their own development in the rocket field.

We hear that Prime Minister Macmillan is proposing - a British-American partnership in a missile program. With greater inter-Allied cooperation - in the realm of science.

President Eisenhower, during the Queen's visit, suggested - that a super-scientific alliance be created within the framework of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

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One point is **that** - there might have to be changes in our own atomic energy law to permit a larger exchange of scientific information. Congress would have to pass on this, and several top lawmakers are saying - they favor such amendments. Others, however, are warning - that caution should be used in divulging American atomic secrets.

So, in any Macmillan-Eisenhower agreements - Congress may have to ~~say~~ vote an okay. - Which gives added meaning to the good-will -- created by the Queen's visit.

## ROCKET

An American rocket in the satellite program - was fired at Cape Canáveral, Florida, today. A Navy "vanguard" missile - one of three, to be used in a three-stage affair.

Rocket number one - the first of a triple combination. The ~~xxx~~ type - that will boost the other two high in the sky.

Today's test of the vanguard - successful, - When it streaked up through rainy skies - trailing orange and white flames. **The Vanguard rose 100 inches - a large part of the distance to an altitude for an orbit.**

Previously, the scientists had tried out rocket

number three - the third member of the ensemble. Which worked - all right. Rocket number two - still to be tested.

In December, all three will be sent up together.

The three-stage rocket - fired. But it won't launch a satellite. That won't happen until March - when a man-made moon, planned with complicated scientific instruments, will be hurled into an orbit, to go circling the world. A far more scientific "Sputnik" - it is expected.

BRITAIN

The British Labor Party, the Socialists, made a reply, today - to the letter from Khrushchev. In which the big boss of the Kremlin accused the United States of inciting trouble in the Middle East, - And asked Socialist Parties in Western countries to join the Communists in efforts to prevent war. To this Hugh Gaitskell, the Labor Party leader, says - No! <sup>POINTING</sup> ~~is~~ ~~pointing~~ out that the Soviet Syrian complaint is now before the U.N., and the U.N. should handle it.

The British Laborites join other European Socialist Parties - which have, already, rejected the Khrushchev bid.

HUNGARY

Today, in Budapest - was like any other day. The weather - cold and rainy. No commemoration - no sign that this was the first anniversary of the Hungarian revolt.

No Russian troops were visible, but there seemed to be an unusual number of Communist policemen, patrolling the streets.

The Red puppet government had announced - that any anniversary demonstrations would be crushed without mercy.

People didn't even dare <sup>to</sup> display any sign of mourning for the victims of Soviet suppression, a year ago. No mourning

bands were seen - or black neckties. But they flocked into churches tonight and kept away from places of entertainment.

In cities outside the world of Communism, there were anniversary observances ~~today~~. In Japan, for example, crowds  
6 marched through the streets of Tokyo - calling for a withdrawal of Russian troops from Hungary.

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SYRIA

Syria charges that American carrier planes are violating Syrian "air space". The Chief-of-Staff at Damascus declaring - that planes based on the American Sixth Fleet are making, what he called, "daily" reconnaissance flights over Syrian soil. In conjunction - with Turkish military forces.

This is the latest in all that Syrian-Soviet propaganda talk - about plans for American-Turkish aggression. In Moscow, the word is that Red Marshal Rokossovsky has been ~~appointed~~ appointed Commander of the Soviet army on the Russo-Turkish frontier. It isn't clear what the appointment of so prominent an officer may mean.

INDO-CHINA

At Saigon, Indo-China, the bombing of Americans, yesterday, is called - a scheme by the Communists, who are trying to disrupt friendly relations between the United States and Viet Nam. And also - sabotage the Colombo-Plan Conference. That is, the gathering of representatives of Anti-Communist of Southern Asia nations, - which is to meet at Saigon. The Reds - trying to create the impression that the Vietnamese government has lost control, and can't maintain order.

This is the explanation given by ~~President~~ President Diem, today - following the explosion of three bombs. Two - placed in American buildings. The other - thrown under a bus-load of American soldiers. Thirteen Americans injured - none seriously.

Today, Americans <sup>IN</sup> ~~IN~~ Saigon adopted precautions - keeping off the ~~streets~~ streets, and using car pools instead of buses. Not wanting bus-loads of passengers to be targets for other Communist bombs.

~~Today in Saigon, there was~~



## FORMOSA

On Formosa, they've selected a successor to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in the event of his death. The head of the Nationalist regime is now sixty-nine years old - and the fear was that, ~~if he's~~ when he's no longer there, a struggle for power would ensue. So who's the heir apparent - now named? Appropriately, the man who saved Formosa for the Nationalists, when the Communists grabbed control of China.

In Nineteen Forty-Eight, the Formosa Governor was - Chen Cheng. The Nationalist cause on the mainland was collapsing, and Chen Cheng might have turned the island over to the Communists. But he remained loyal, and held Formosa as a fortress - to which Chiang Kai-shek and the defeated Nationalists could retreat.

Recently, Chen Cheng has been the Nationalist Vice-President, but that is not as important as it sounds. Today, the National Congress of the Kuomintang, the ruling party, selected him as - Deputy Director-General, A newly created post - making Chen Cheng the number two man. Second only to Chiang Kai-shek - and his presumptive successor.

## NOBEL PRIZE

In Stockholm - lively speculation about the Nobel Prize for Medicine, which <sup>will</sup> ~~would~~ be awarded ~~by the Swedish Medical College~~, tomorrow. One obvious candidate - Dr. Jonas Salk, the American who developed the Salk polio vaccine. He would certainly seem to be - a plausible choice. But the word is - that the prize is more likely to go to a Swiss-Italian chemist, who created synthetic curare.

That's a sinister word - curare. The deadly poison - the South American Indians use, for their poisoned arrows; ~~dipping~~ the tips in. ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~.

However, Dr. Daniel Bovet found a way to use that lethal curare - as a valuable medicine. To relax - muscular tension. And he found a way to produce curare - in the laboratory.

The speculation, today, will make tomorrow's award of the Nobel Prize for Medicine - all the more interesting.

BROWNELL

Attorney General Brownell - is retiring. So announced by the White House. Which says - that Herbert Brownell will quit in a couple of weeks - to return to private law practice. I He is, of course, a member of the original Eisenhower "team", and has played a prominent part in the administration. Particularly - in the question of the desegregation of schools in the South.

The retiring Attorney General will be succeeded by Deputy Attorney General William P. Rogers - with a recess appointment. He'll serve as head of the Department of Justice - in the interim.

## RACKETS

At the hearing of the Senate Rackets Committee, today, Chairman Senator McClellan of Arkansas, declared - it certainly looks like evidence of collusion between the Union and the Company. <sup>-</sup> <sup>-</sup> The Bakers Union - and the country's largest bakery firm, Continental. <sup>P</sup> Evidence indicating - that, at one plant, a Company labor consultant helped recruit Union members. And - arranged for the selection of Union officers "acceptable" to the Company. Furthermore - that a "sweetheart" contract was negotiated. Meaning - a Union contract not as favorable to the workers as might have been had. .

There was testimony to this effect, ~~at a hearing,~~  
~~today~~ with Union and Company officials <sup>-</sup> denying the charge.

CIVIL WAR

At Memphis, they've discovered a treasure. In which - the priceless gem is a portrait six feet high. A life-sized oil painting - of Jefferson Davis, President of the Southern Confederacy. And along with that - a whole roomful of Confederate mementoes, photographs of Confederate leaders and battle maps of the Southern army.

The discovery was made in a room at an auditorium, which had been closed for thirty-three years, ignored, forgotten. The <sup>collection</sup> ~~treasure~~ of Confederate mementoes had previously been kept at the Shelby County Courthouse. But, in Nineteen Twenty-Four, when the auditorium was built, that historical treasure was moved into an out-of-the-way room. Which was sealed off - and then they forgot all about it.

In recent years, there has been a wide search for that ~~the~~ portrait of Jefferson Davis, which was known to exist - ~~but was missing.~~ At the latest meeting of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, a resolution was adopted - recommending that the search be renewed for the life-sized painting of the

President of the Southern Confederacy.

Now discovered, along with other historic objects  
- when somebody, by chance, took a look into the long  
neglected room.

Well, Joe, this ought to please the folks down  
in Dixie!

END PIECE

ANNOUNCER:- And now Lowell Thomas, Jr. with a final/oddity. <sup>closing</sup>

L.T.:- At the town of South Shields, England, there's a psychiatrist - who probes deep into the subconscious.

Ascertaining - concealed motives and inhibitions. So what happened - when he psychoanalyzed a sixteen year old boy, who had stolen six dollars and eighty-six cents from a purse? ---  
The juvenile court - having ordered a psychiatric examination for the culprit.

We don't know what the psychoanalysis revealed - but the boy, today, was back in court.--For stealing two dollars and eighty cents, from the psychiatrist.

**For my Father -**  
And/So Long Until Tomorrow!

YUGOSLAVIA

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( American aid to Yugoslavia - to be cut. Such is the word in Washington, which says - it's a tentative decision.

U.S. economic aid - to be reduced as a result of the Yugoslav recognition of Communist East Germany. )



Last night, there were six official sightings of "Sputnik" and its rocket - in the eastern part of the United States. Moon watch teams, from Virginia to Connecticut, observed the satellite, or its companion, or both. Which were visible - to the naked eye.

It had been announced that, for several evenings, Americans would have their best opportunity to get a glimpse of "Sputnik" and company. ~~But~~ We don't know how many saw them, or think they did. However, there were half a dozen official sightings.

Meanwhile, Dr. Fred Whipple, Moon-Watch Director, ~~says~~ says he thinks - the rocket will soon lap the satellite.

The companion is running ahead of "Sputnik", traveling faster, and will ~~gain a~~ gain a lap within about a week - <sup>so</sup> says the Moon-Watch Director.