

EISENHOWER

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Good Evening Everybody!

(Given by L.T.Jr.-L.T. in India)

President Eisenhower's latest message to Bulganin -
is brief and to the point. - Just three sentences, - Mr.
Eisenhower, saying he stands by his last letter. That was
when he told the Soviet Premier - he still opposes a summit
meeting, until agreement on key issues is reached at a lower
level, - The President, not ruling out a possible meeting with
Bulganin and Khrushchev - but he still wants some kind of
guarantee that they won't use the conference ^{merely for} ~~as a sounding~~
~~board for~~ propaganda.

PRESIDENT

President Eisenhower ^{also} calls for a bipartisan approach to "peace and security." Mr. Eisenhower, delivering a radio and TV address to the American people tonight - from the international amphitheater in Chicago. This, officially ~~opens~~ ^{opens} the G O P Congressional drive for the Nineteen Fifty-Eight elections.

The ~~Eisenhower~~ ["] President ~~Eisenhower~~, ["] -talking party politics in Chicago. But insisting that certain key issues must be kept above politics - backed by both the Republicans and the Democrats. These issues, summed up in the phrase "peace and security."

MISSILES

London and Washington have almost completed ~~the~~ plans -
for ^{These} American missile bases on British ~~in~~ soil. The idea was
outlined in personal talks between Prime Minister MacMillan
and President Eisenhower, ^{who} ~~They~~ passed it along to their
subordinates. And now we hear that it's almost ready for the
final signatures.

Under this ~~is~~ plan, we ^{will} have a right to ~~it~~ set
up missile bases. They'll cost eighty million dollars - and
will be armed with intermediate range ballistic missiles.
The reason for putting these missiles on British soil - is
to counteract the Soviet intercontinental missile. In other
words, weapons with an intermediate range will be sufficient
as long as they're based near ~~enough~~ enough to the Russian
frontier.

As we know, the Soviets have been warning all Nato
nations - not to accept American bases. Britain, ~~is~~ the first
to reject that warning. And Washington hopes the other Nato
^{members}
~~members~~ will do the same.

SCIENTIST

President Eisenhower's advisor on science - says we should take the "confidential" label off ninety percent of our classified information. Lloyd Berkner, testifying before a House subcommittee, ~~he~~ spoke of what he called ^{the} "over-mentioned by classification of data." Here's a case/Doctor Berkner. -

~~SECRET~~ Seven different government agencies translated the same Russian book on science. Each agency thought it was the only one doing the job -- and each labeled its own translation "secret."

Doctor Berkner thinks we'll have to stop that kind of duplication of effort - if we expect to catch up with the Russians. Under the existing system, in his words, "we may have to ~~gi~~ fight a war with pieces of paper marked ^o secret ^y - instead of weapons and men."

MACMILLAN

The British Prime Minister arrived in Australia today - and he didn't know it! Prime Minister MacMillan's plane touched down at Sydney for a stop-over enroute to New Zealand. The Prime Minister - under the weather with a cold and a fever -- was asleep when his plane landed. And his aides decided to let him sleep on. Which he did.

So MacMillan missed the Australian officials from Melbourne - who were on hand at the Sydney airport to ~~give~~ give him an official greeting; also, a military honor guard - and a battery of television cameras.

~~(The consolation for Prime Minister MacMillan is that he'll be coming back to Australia for a formal visit. So he'll get an official reception ~~for~~ after all - after sleeping through the first one.)~~

MOTHERS

Those three American mothers in Red China - are going to have a conference with top officials of the Mao Tse Tung ^{Gov't} ↙

So reported by Mrs. Ruth Redmond, of Yonkers, New York, who spoke to the United Press by telephone from Shanghai - her statement, relayed from Hong Kong.

According to Mrs. Redmond, the conference had been arranged by the Chinese Red Cross. Its purpose, to give the three mothers from America - a chance to explain why their sons, who have been behind bars for years on charges of espionage - - why they ought to be released.

SCHOOL

In Kaysville, Utah, the local high school is offering a new course - Russian. For the first time in the history of the State - Utah's secondary school students will have a chance to study the language of the Soviet Union. School officials say they decided to put Russian in the curriculum - after hearing that only six American high schools teach it. This, in contrast to Moscow - where almost half the pupils in the schools - graduate with a knowledge of English.

INTRO TO TAPE

Tonight L T sends us another report - from his
jaunt to the other side of the world. The subject this
time - education, passing along some advice he was given
in Beirut, Lebanon -- by one of the most respected intellectuals
of our time.

CHARLES MALIK

For many many years I have been concerned about the educational system in America. So, naturally I have been much interested in recent comments about this. For instance Raymond Moley, in his well-known column in Newsweek magazine, has some startling things to say about American education, repeating President Eisenhower's remark that "When a Russian graduates from highschool he has had five years of physics, four years of chemistry, a year of astronomy, five years of biology, ten years of math through trigonometry, and five years of a foreign language."

He also repeats former President Hoover's comment that "Our highschools are not preparing youngsters for the entrance requirements which must be maintained by our colleges," plus some even stronger statements.

Years ago when I first started moving about the globe I found that the average American is not as well educated as the average Frenchman, Italian, German,

Scandinavian, or Britisher, at any rate those I met.

Ever since then I have been trying to make up for deficiencies and still do not feel that I am an educated person. What's wrong with our system? I dropped off at Beirut, capital of Lebanon, and talked this over with one of the wise men of our day. A man who is about as pro American as any non-American can be. His name, Charles Malik, Foreign Minister of Lebanon.

Dr. Malik is a graduate of Harvard, and at one time taught philosophy at that great university. He believes that our American educational system is what it is because until now it has seemed adequate. He went on to say that American students, both in highschool and college, do far less work than European students. His explanation is that our continent has been so rich, and it has been so easy for the average man to make a living that we Americans have not found it necessary to acquire a better education.

The Lebanese Foreign Minister went on to say that by the time a youngster in Europe is eleven years old, if he attends their top schools, he already has a better education than an American highschool graduate.

Dr. Malik has lectured in more than one hundred American colleges and universities, and he believes that only necessity will drive us to where we will overhaul our educational system. He believes the way to improve the system would be to put tougher tasks, greater challenges before our students.

Another comment he made on this subject was that we Americans must rediscover "our cultural roots". By that he meant that we must rediscover that our cultural roots are not in America, but are in Europe, especially in ancient Greece and Rome.

He was not pessimistic about it. He said that because we now have world-wide responsibilities, responsibilities heavier than any other nation, he believes

that we will get down to work, do the things we must do, including this matter of becoming better educated.

The Foreign Minister of Lebanon had just returned from America, and I was interested to hear him say how impressed he was with one of the new people in President Eisenhower's cabinet. He thought the President had made an unusually good choice, in the selection of our new Secretary for Defense, Neil McElroy.

Solong.

ANTARCTIC

Down at the South Pole - where every direction is "north" - Dr. Vivian Fuchs repeats that he and his men intend to push on across the Antarctic continent. All twelve members of the Fuchs party - thawed out at the American South Pole station, they they agreed unanimously - they want to be the first to cross Antarctica from one side to the other. Their start was on the shores of the Weddell Sea, and they've made it as far as the Pole. Now their problem is to cross that icy waste between the Pole and McMurdo Sound. Fuchs estimates that with a bit of luck - they may finish their trek in February.

As for that difference of opinion with Sir Edmund Hillary - that's all in the past. Hillary had thought it was too dangerous for Fuchs to continue. Today Fuchs remarked, "he made a suggestion, and I didn't accept it - that was all." The two explorers were cordial with one another - when Hillary led a welcoming party to meet the British about a mile from the South Pole.

Here's one important scientific result of the Fuchs expedition so far. Experts on the Antarctic have been arguing as to whether it really is a continent - or a series of islands - down underneath the immense mass of South Polar ice. Fuchs believes - the "continent" theory is correct, because his expedition crossed many miles in which there was earth and rock far above sea level.

EXPLORER

The President of Brazil has ordered three days of national mourning - for one of the top explorers of the Twentieth Century. Marshal Candido Rendon - who died, on Sunday, at the age of ninety-two.

Just after the turn of the Century, Marshal Rendon led many expeditions into the vast rain forest of the Amazon. That was when it was dangerous for an outsider to go anywhere near the Indians. It was Marshal Rendon who pacified them - and who brought ninety percent of the tribes within the limits of the white man's civilization. As a reward, in 1911, Rendon was made head of the Indian Protection Service.

Two years later, he acted as guide to Teddy Roosevelt - the famous Roosevelt-Rendon expedition, which penetrated six hundred miles into the rain forest - reaching the "River of Death" unmapped at that time.

In Nineteen Thirty, Marshal Rendon retired. Now dead at the age of ninety two - snapping another link,

Don - with the heroic period of exploration along the
mighty Amazon.

END

Down in Jackson, Mississippi, they're all stirred up about the war -- that is the Civil War.

Jackson has a Yankee on its mind - Adelbert Ames of Maine, who was Governor of Mississippi during reconstruction. His portrait now hangs in the Hall of Governors. What really annoys Mississippians - is that Ames is portrayed in his Yankee uniform - complete with military decorations, for his victories over confederate troops.

Today a group of "unreconstructed" rebels sent a telegram to the Mississippi Secretary of State, pointing out that there are no portraits of Hitler, Mussolini, and Stalin - hanging in the Capitol in Washington, and that they don't want that infernal Yankee Adelbert Ames, in Mississippi's Hall of Governors.

And solong until tomorrow.