

L.T.-OLDS. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1961.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Vice President

When former/Richard M. Nixon holds his news conference tonight at seven p.m. Pacific Coast time - he is expected formally to announce his return to politics. The G O P candidate for President in Nineteen Sixty - to throw his hat into the California ring and run for Governor of his home state - next year. That's the educated guess of - those around Nixon, of old political pros on the coast, and soothsayers in Washington.

The former Vice President has been under much pressure from California Republicans - who want him to capture the state house in Sacramento for their party. Besides they know as Dick , Nixon knows - that as Governor of California, he'd be in a perfect spot to make his bid in Nineteen Sixty Four; his bid to regain -

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the G O P presidential nomination. By they the experts
tell us California will have a greater population than
any other state.

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RUSK

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The next head of the Central Intelligence Agency -
will be the former head of the Atomic Energy Commission. John
McCone, ^{who has been} ~~often~~ called - "an ideal public servant." Meaning -
a man of great ability, who could do a lot more for himself
in ~~print~~ private life. But turns down the chance - in order
to do something for his country. The A E C is still, to a
certain degree - what John McCone made it. And no one doubts
that he'll have some ideas of his own - when he takes over the
C I A.

DULLES FOLLOW C I A

One thing is sure - McCone takes over a going concern. Handed on to him - by Allen Dulles, one of the ablest living Americans, who has been running the hush-hush agency for eight years. Doing it so well - the Soviets turned him into their enemy number one.

It was Allen Dulles' fate that his greatest achievements - never became known outside the C I A. The American public, never learning how much we all owe - to the brother of the late Secretary of State. On the other hand, Allen Dulles was always ready to take the blame - whether he deserved it or not. For example, he volunteered to be the scapegoat - at the time of the U-2 crisis. And again - after the failure of the invasion of Cuba.

The first was turned down by President Eisenhower. The second - by President Kennedy, who today expressed his personal gratitude to Allen Dulles who has given so many years of his life to our country.

MILITARY

Two stories out of Washington - supplement one another. The first, from the State Department - denying reports of a coming pull-back from Central Europe. The Administration - to keep our troops where they are. Not contemplating a policy of "disengagement," as a solution to the Berlin crisis.

The second story - from the Pentagon. Revealing that we may send more fighter planes to Europe - if the crisis gets any worse. "Several hundred additional jets" according to Pentagon sources. Probably to include most of the national guard squadrons - recently reactivated.

Today's speech by the British Foreign Secretary at the U N - was a strong indictment of the Soviet Union. Lord Home, castigating Khrushchev for preparing to explode atomic bombs - while he pretended to be negotiating at Geneva in good faith. The British diplomat went on to denounce the "Troika" plan - as a Soviet maneuver to paralyze the U N, and he called on the Russians to honor their demand for self determination, Honor it, by applying it to Eastern Europe - as well as to Africa and Asia.

Turning to the ■■ neutrals, Lord Home admitted ~~that~~ their right to stay out of the conflict between the big powers. But he frankly criticized - their double standard, ~~the habit of~~ ^{always} condemning the West, but not the Red bloc - no matter what happens. For example, the refusal of the uncommitted nations at Belgrade - to censure Khrushchev, for ■■ breaking the moratorium on atomic testing.

SPENDING

Sometimes a balance sheet doesn't seem - very interesting. For ~~an~~ instance, take these figures - in the spending column:- ~~For~~ seven, eleven, fourteen, eighteen, five - and so on. Then add to each number the word - billion. Then they become interesting - in a hurry.

Needless to say - I'm referring to - the ^{balance} ~~instance~~ sheet of the U S government. To the fact that this session of Congress set a record - for spending. Almost ninety-six billion dollars.

FIRE

That fire aboard a tanker in the Newport River at Morehead City, North Carolina - is the worst disaster in the city's history. The tanker "Potomac" carrying a big load of fuel - when it caught fire. The blaze, whipping through the ship - touching off a series of explosions. The flames, ~~roaring up eighty feet~~ turning the hull white hot, until it cracked and settled on the bottom of the river. Tonight, dense black ~~smoke~~ smoke hanging ^s over Morehead City - blotting out the moon and stars, as it blotted out the surf during the day.

The toll - several dead. Many injured. The tanker a complete loss. The docks - badly damaged. But it could have been a lot worse. The fire raged only a hundred yards from storage tanks - containing twenty-five million gallons of fuel oil. Hundreds of firemen, policemen, coast guards ~~men~~ and volunteers, ~~have been~~ working frantically - to keep the flames from reaching the tanks, ^{have} ~~Fortunately~~ - succeeded.
But the port section of the city is a shambles.

HARVARD

You've all seen "for sale" signs on houses.

But I wonder if you've ~~me~~ ever seen anything like that one -
in Verona, New Jersey? Put up by - owner John Anderson.

Reading: "For sale. No brokers. College graduates,
acceptable colleagues. Harvard, unacceptable."

John Anderson anti-Harvard? He pleads guilty.

Says he's fed up with - President Kennedy's appointments.

A Harvard man, taking so many Harvard men to Washington.

He infers this is an insult to graduates of Rutgers, Wabash,

Auburn, Tufts,

[^] Texas Christian, U.C. L.A. and so many other great American

colleges and universities.

So, he'll sell his home, but not to a Harvard
graduate.

Is he himself a college man? Yes, he's a former

son of Lehigh. Not knee-hi, Dick, [^] Lehigh.

BASEBALL

How about a salute to Roger Maris? By now everybody knows about Roger connecting for home run - number sixty. The second player in baseball history - ever to hit that many in one season. Now it's Babe Ruth, and Roger Maris. With the difference that the Bambino clouted sixty out of the park - within a hundred-and-fifty-four games. Roger getting his in 159. I'm sure we all liked Roger Maris's modest remark when he said he was glad the Babe Ruth record still stands.

A lot of baseball excitement since I was on the air last night. Cincinnati coming through in the National League. The Reds now on their way to a World Series collision with the Yanks. Top contender for Manager of the year, Fred Hutchinson - who took a sixth place club, and won the National League pennant.

Here's to Roger Maris, to the Yanks, and to Fred Hutchinson and the Cincinnati Reds.