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Britain and France - announced their decision, today. They will withdraw from the Suez Canal - unconditionally. Yielding to the U.N. resolution - without quibble or qualification.

Today, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd declared that the Anglo-French withdrawal can be completed - "within a short time." In Paris, a French government spokesman said it was likely - that all French and British troops ~~would~~ would leave Egypt by Christmas.

At Port Said, ^{the British General in} ~~General Sir Charles ...~~ commander of the invasion forces - was ordered to start negotiating with Canadian Major General ~~...~~ Burns, Commander of the U.N. police force. For a ~~quar~~ quick departure of the British-French troops; - the U.N. soldiers to take over. And U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold instructed the international police force - to be ready to assume control at Port Said "by the middle of the month." By which time, the U.N. police will have reached its full strength - sixty-five hundred men.

In London, this unconditional withdrawal was announced at a stormy session of the House of Commons. Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd - facing wrathful protests - from the "Suez rebels". The faction of Conservative M./P's, who have threatened an open revolt - against a British-French back-down. Today they shouted - "humiliating". But the Foreign Secretary gave them only one slight concession. Saying - that some non-combat salvage vessels of the British Navy would remain behind - to insure a quick reopening of the canal for navigation. Clearing out the wrecks - with which the Egyptians blocked the waterway.

In the parliamentary proceedings, the Socialist opposition boomed and jeered. Assailing the British-French actions in Egypt, from the beginning on down the line.

~~and~~ **I**t remains to be seen what will happen, politically - ^{with} ~~between~~ the "Suez rebels" on the Conservative side, and the uproar of the opposition.

The British-French withdrawal has been announced

formally. And, the Israelis have agreed - they'll pull out of the Sinai peninsula. In the Commons today, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd said - that Israel should withdraw its troops from the Gaza Strip, also. And let the U.N. take over in that area - with its problem of more than two hundred thousand Palestinian refugees.

FOLLOW SUEZ

Tonight, the government in Washington called for the U.N. to take action - seeking a solution of the basic problems in the Middle East. The statement - also calling for a speedy clearance of the Suez Canal.

The London Daily Express, today, - denounced what it called - "the silliest slogan in Britain". A notice, which has appeared at a number of British gasoline stations. A sign reading - "No Americans served here." Reflecting anger - at the American stand on Suez. Which the Daily Express denounces as - silly.

But London also has the question of Priscilla Birt. A good looking young lady, who appeared - requesting a gasoline ration card.

She was asked - what kind of automobile she had?

She replied - "No automobile at all."

Then what did she want with the gasoline?

Priscilla replied - she's a fire eater. And, for her theatrical act, she needs three gallons a month. About half the gasoline ration for a small four passenger car. *P* All of which has been passed along to the rationing authorities, for them to decide - whether or not the Suez Canal crisis should interfere with Priscilla's fire-eating.

SYRIA

Not much on the Syrian question tonight. The chief item - a Soviet claim that the Turks have sent a couple of battalions of soldiers into Iraq. The Premier of Iraq - Nuri Said, having asked for Turkish military help to bolster his own government. Against elements - backing Syria, and its pro-Soviet regime.

discuss the proposal later. Suggesting - that U.N. Secretary General Hammarskjold might come to Budapest, for talks.

At the United Nations, in New York, this reply was immediately called - "unsatisfactory". With a warning - of possible U.N. action against the Hungarian Reds. Perhaps - the expulsion of Hungary from the United Nations. Another formal resolution may be adopted - giving the Reds in Budapest a final chance.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The United States has halted its exchange program with Soviet Russia. The program - which grew out of the Big Four summit meeting, in Nineteen Fifty-Five. East-West exchanges - to stimulate a better understanding. Russian groups visiting the United States - American groups visiting Russia. Students, editors, farmers - and so on. One project now held up - U.S. participation in the Moscow Trade Fair, next summer.

Our government - "reappr^oaising" the exchange program. Why? Because of Soviet savagery in Hungary.

HUNGARIANS

You've heard about the luxuries - those Hungarian refugees have been getting. American food - after semi-starvation under Communism. And, above all, freedom. But there are two Hungarian refugees, who are getting, what they consider - the greatest luxury of all. For Josef Simon and Juliana Csapo - a church wedding.

Josef and Juliana became engaged back in Budapest, but then came the anti-Communist revolution - and Josef was a fighter for freedom. Both got away, and were taken to the United States - among the first group of refugees to reach Buffalo.

They say - if they had got married back in Budapest, it would have been a drab, Communist affair. People under the tyranny of the Reds - afraid to have church weddings. But it's different in Buffalo, New York - and, on Saturday, Josef and Juliana will have that luxury. A church wedding - with all the ceremony.

MOSCOW - MAUSOLEUM

In Moscow, the Lenin-Stalin mausoleum - is closed.

The monument, that sombre room on Red Square, built alongside the Kremlin wall - long a place of pilgrimage. Where tens of thousands of Communists - and visitors - have gone, to gaze at the embalmed bodies of Lenin and Stalin. My wife and I among them - when only the body of Lenin was on view.

Since the degradation of the memory of Stalin, the question has been - how long would the remains of the murderous tyrant stay there?

No explanation of the closing of the mausoleum is given, but it might be - that Stalin has been or is about to be removed.

At Melbourne, American hopes rest on Mrs. Pat McCormick of Lakewood, California. Diving - from the springboard. The points she's likely to win are needed - as the Russians edge forward. As a result of weekend events, the count is now - United States, four hundred and sixty-eight. Russia - four hundred and nineteen and a half.

The Americans were expected to score in the swimming events - but the Australians horned in. Winning the eight hundred meter relay swimming race - the only championship decided on Monday.

Right now, it's Tuesday in Australia - with diving competitions on schedule. Mrs. Pat McCormick made a great showing, in qualifying for the finals. So, she may win - those badly needed points.

The Eisenhower administration is drafting - a balanced budget. ^{This} despite - proposed increases in military spending. The armed forces - expected to get a hike of two or three billion dollars. Moreover, there will probably be a tax cut for small business.

These factors, however, will be offset by the business boom, with an increased harvest of taxes. So think the financial experts, as the administration drafts a balanced budget for the third straight year.

Substitute BROOKLYN.

This afternoon, New York had the worst fire disaster in its history. Brooklyn waterfront explosion demolishing the largest pier in the Metropolis. At least ~~fourteen~~^{ten} lives lost - two hundred people injured.

The fire broke out ~~on~~ⁱⁿ a pile of rubber on the dock - which was piled with four thousand tons of cargo. Most of it - highly inflammable. Flames soared a thousand feet in the air, and heavy black smoke poured skyward.

Then came explosions. Huge tanks of acetylene gas blowing up. Reports are that an oil tanker caught fire, and exploded. Skyscrapers over a wide area - shaken as if by an earthquake. The blasts heard - thirty-five miles away. A two hundred pound steel beam - hurled for six blocks. Another chunk of steel smashing into the water tower of a building - and two hundred employees fled from the deluge. Damage - in the millions.

In New York, a man told a story today - in a calm, factual way. Victor Riesel - Labor columnist, blinded by an acid attack. Wearing dark glasses, he appeared as the last witness in the trial of three alleged conspirators. ^P Victor Riesel told how, on that fateful night, he made a radio broadcast - attacking racketeers in the garment industry Labor unions. After which - he went to Lindy's Restaurant on Broadway. Remaining there for thirty minutes - then leaving.

He said that, as he walked out - he saw a man lurking in the shadows. And thought ^{him} - a panhandler.

"He began to move toward me," Riesel testified, "and I reached in my pocket for a quarter."

So there is the bitter irony - Riesel ready to give charity to the thug. ~~and~~ The testimony goes on in these words:

"He said - 'Hey,' I turned. And, as I faced him, a sudden burst of liquid hit my face. The liquid hit above my nose and dripped into my eyes. It was the sharpest pain I ever felt."

He says he ran back into the restaurant, where they put water on his face. To which he adds: "My eyes began to lose some of my vision."

He was taken to a hospital, where the doctors tried everything they could - to repair the damage caused by sulphuric acid. But - in vain.

Today, the Prosecuting Attorney asked Victor Riesel to take off the dark glasses - for the final question.

"Can you see?" the lawyer asked.

Riesel answered without flinching: "I am totally blind."

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