

L.T.-OLDS. TUES. DEC. 1st, 1959.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

In Washington - a resignation. In Cincinnati - likewise a resignation.

Secretary of Defense Neil McElroy - stepping out, as had been rumored for some time. President Eisenhower - decorating the retiring Secretary with the "Medal of Freedom."

Neil McElroy - now going back to Procter and Gamble. The firm that he headed before he became Secretary of Defense. At Procter and Gamble headquarters in Cincinnati - resignation. Chairman of the Board of Directors, Richard Deupree - stepping out. Recommending that Neil McElroy be named Chairman of the Board. With Howard Morgens staying on as President to which he had moved up when Neil McElroy went to Washington.

The new Secretary of Defense - Thomas S. Gates, Jr., who served as secretary of the Navy, and then as

number two man in the Defense Department.

In a "swan song" news interview, retiring Secretary McElroy said - it is possible that the Soviets may have the edge on us in intercontinental missiles, during the next several years. He added that we depend not only on ballistic missiles, but also on other ultra-modern weapons.

He said - the new budget provides for a round-the-clock airborne alert. Meaning, a force of atomic bombers in the skies at all times. Ready for instant retaliation - in case of a missile attack.

ANTARCTICA

The ★ treaty - signed in Washington, today, ~~Dedicating~~
is causing wide comment,
Antarctica - to the uses of peace, The frozen continent -
demilitarized. No armament of any kind - permitted.

The treaty - signed ^{today,} by a dozen countries, including
the United States and Soviet Russia, With a proviso - for a
unique inspection system, ~~By~~ which - any country signing the
treaty may send ^d observers to any part of Antarctica, ~~To~~ check -
on the observance of the agreement.

At the signing, Secretary of State Christian Herter
read a message from President Eisenhower, ~~stating~~ that
Antarctica will now be - a laboratory for cooperative scientific
research.

BRITAIN

A resumption of diplomatic relations - between Britain and Nasser's United Arab Republic. A joint statement released in London and Cairo, announcing - an exchange of diplomatic representatives. *And this!*

~~which~~ heals the diplomatic rift that began - with the invasion of Suez more than three years ago. Britain, France, and Israel - assailing Nasser's Egypt. *Then their* ~~The~~ attempt to seize the Suez Canal - called off, under diplomatic pressure.

Recently, negotiations between the British and Nasser have been going on behind the scenes. And now - a resumption of normal relations. Each side - naming a charge d'affaires. Ambassadors - to be exchanged later.

The split between France and Nasser's Arab republic - still continues. The word in Paris - that France is not likely to follow the British lead - in restoring diplomatic ties. The question - being complicated with troubles in Algeria. Nasser - in sympathy with the Algerian insurgents, rebelling against France.

MANUSCRIPT

Back in the Thirteenth Century, a Benedictine monk in a stately monastery, toiled - nobody knows how long, Copying - the last book of the Bible, the Apocalypse of St. John. An illuminated manuscript - with a wealth of drawings, illustrations and graceful ornament, gleaming - with gold leaf. The monastery - St. Albans, it is believed. One of the most venerable monastic foundations - in England.

Well, that monk of old would be astonished - if he were in ^(London) ~~ENGLAND~~ today. ^{Where} ~~HE~~ his illuminated manuscript - brought a huge price at auction: A hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars - making it one of the most expensive books in the world. The illuminated manuscript - a masterpiece of the Thirteenth Century.

MEDITERRANEAN

The Mediterranean ~~Sea~~ - lashed by a storm. The worst - in many years. Winds - up to eighty miles an hour, with torrential rainfall.

Ships - driven aground. The British ocean liner, "Braemer Castle", with five hundred and seventeen aboard, blown onto the shore near Gibraltar. ~~But was~~ ^{-- and then} refloated - when high tide came in.

Along the French Riviera - huge seas ~~are~~ pouring over barriers and flooding highways, railroads and streets.

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Vacationists - marooned by floods. Travelers - warned away from coast roads, ~~Because~~ of the danger - of waves that come surging inland. The rainfall, sweeping into the Alps, turns to snow. Mountain passes - choked with huge ~~amount~~ drifts.

Traditionally, the blue Mediterranean. Today - ^{will} ~~gray~~ ^{with seas crashing in,} ~~turmoil, running with white-capped waves, white-capped waves.~~

STEEL

Negotiations between the steel companies and the Union - resumed. But, with a sour note, right away. Union President McDonald - charging the industry officials with bad faith. Saying - they're not prepared for any concessions.

"The Companies," declared McDonald, "have already said - they've made the last offer, ^{and} this is as far as they can go."

All of which doesn't sound promising for a settlement - that would ~~which will~~ avert the resumption of the steel strike in January.

GENERAL MOTORS

General Motors announces - that most of its laid-off employees will be back on the job, in about a week. Workers - idled by the steel strike. The resumption of the production of Oldsmobiles, Buicks and Pontiacs - to be resumed five days ahead of schedule. Nineteen Sixty models - coming off the assembly lines.

CRASH

There was only one survivor - in the airline crash at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, today.

The plane, with twenty-five persons aboard - ~~was in~~ had come in for a landing in a snowstorm. Making - a bad approach. Then - circling around for another attempt. In the course of which - the airliner crashed into a mountain, just across the Susquehanna River from ~~Williamsport~~ the Williamsport flying field.

The first fatal crash ~~- the Alleghany Airlines~~ ~~have~~
in its
~~had in~~ twenty-two years of operation.
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MOTHER

In London - an explanation of a strange state of affairs, Disclosed- in a petty court case.

Mrs. Lily Gumley - was told she would have to pay forty-five dollars in damages, Because her dog, a boxer, killed a dachshund - belonging to another woman. Whereupon Mrs. Gumley told the judge - she'd try to pay it off at the rate of five shillings, seventy cents, a week. "But I don't think I can afford it," said she. Her husband, a railroad carpenter - earning small wages. Mrs. Gumley, herself - taking in boarders to supplement the family income.

The headline broke, when it was revealed that Mrs. Gumley is the ~~make~~ mother - of the British television star, Dave King. Salary - more than three thousand dollars a week. Dave King - returning recently from Hollywood with a seven hundred thousand dollar contract.

Today, the wife of the television star said: "I know it makes Dave appear to be an awful ogre."

His mother, she added, wouldn't take anything from

her son. She insisted on living on her husband's wages as a carpenter.

"She is an Irish woman, and very independent," said the daughter-in-law.

Dick, would that seem rather excessively independent - even for an Irish woman?

AUTOMOBILES

In St. Louis, there are two partners - Olen Neal and Alfred Cowell, who are charged - with violating a radio regulation. The two partners - certainly knowing how to go after business.

They have an automobile repair firm - which operates a tow truck, for bringing in wrecked autos. ^{(The tow truck - having/} ~~which has~~ a way of appearing at the scene of a wreck - with remarkable promptness.

The explanation? Well, the two partners monitored police calls reporting on auto accidents. The cops - doing a scouting job for the tow truck.

Sounds like a motor car version of the old ambulance chasing lawyer.