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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Today President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles were at work - on an answer to Khrushchev. Press Secretary Jim Hagerty told newsmen - there will not be a quick reply. Also, our government, to consult with Britain and France.

Around Washington it's taken for granted that this country will agree to Khrushchev's plan for a meeting of the heads of government at the United Nations. Right now, everything points to - an East-West meeting - within the next two weeks.

But there's a lot of criticism - on Capitol Hill. Senator Knowland, denouncing Khrushchev's conditions. The California Republican, warning against what he calls "another Munich". Knowland, objecting in particular - to the presence of Nehru.

Then there is Senator Humphreys who is willing to

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have Nasser attend the conference; but the Minnesota Democrat adds that Prime Minister Ben Gurion of Israel should be included - because a settlement of the Middle East without Israel, would be unrealistic.

BRITAIN

*Further word from London:-*

The Prime Minister of Great Britain ~~is~~ willing to come to New York - to meet his opposite numbers at a summit conference MacMillan, declaring ~~that~~ he'll leave for New York as soon as he knows when the conference will open. His advisors, now considering the details - drawing up an agenda of the things - the Prime Minister would like to discuss.

DE GAULLE

But how about De Gaulle?

^ This was a day of assertion and denial - in Paris.

Would de Gaulle go to New York or not? First of all, a minister in his government said - yes, the General would go. Then the French Ambassador in Washington got in touch with Paris by telephone, and was informed - no decision has been made yet.

Meanwhile the French Minister of Information, Jacques Soustelle, was telling newsmen <sup>that</sup> De Gaulle probably will go to a summit conference, no matter where it's held. ~~well,~~ We know ~~that~~ the

French Premier is not an easy man to nail down on anything - so we'll ~~just~~ have to wait for him to let us know exactly what he

intends to do, if and when the heads of government get together at the U.N. Security Council, <sup>where de Gaulle does not want the meeting held.</sup>

## SECURITY

One interesting sideline to Khrushchev's proposal to come to New York - is the question of security. You no doubt have wondered about that! The head of any major government always has his own secret service men when he travels abroad. So will Khrushchev bring General Ivan Serov - notorious head of the secret police? Serov went to London at the time of Khrushchev's trip to Britain - but had to be sent home because of popular resentment. Would Khrushchev try to bring Serov to America? And would Serov be photographed - shaking hands with J. Edgar Hoover? Serov did get to shake hands with - the head of the British Secret Service.

And what about Soviet agents roaming New York City - working alongside the New York police? Suppose Russian gunmen with bulging revolvers in shoulder holsters - should come within reach of President Eisenhower? It could happen. It happened to Anthony Eden when he played host to B. and K. - Bulganin, with Khrushchev on that British

trip. There will be some interesting security problems -  
if the boss of Soviet Communism - turns up at the U. N.

... to hold a ... conference before he leaves.

Lebanon.

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space, was hit by anti-aircraft fire, and crashed across

the border in Lebanon.

## LEBANON

Troubleshooter Murphy from the State Department - was with the President of Lebanon again today, and has promised to hold a news conference before he leaves Lebanon.

Marines seem to be getting along alright in Beirut, but Syria claims to have shot down an unidentified plane. According to Damascus, a jet fighter violated Syrian air space, was hit by anti-aircraft fire, and crashed across the border in Lebanon.

## IRAQ

The new Iraqi Government - is bidding for recognition by Britain and America. That's the opinion of western newsmen who attended a press conference - by Minister Siddiq Shanshal. Shanshal declaring, "The revolution - is here to stay." Then adding - This government will have to be recognized by other nations - sooner or later. An obvious reference to - London and Washington, which have not yet decided what to do about the new Iraqi Government.

These newsmen report - there's a lot of enthusiasm for Nasser among the people of Iraq. But no sign that they want a merger - with Nasser's United Arab Republic. How strong is the Baghdad regime? The guess is - it's now supported by a majority of the nation. No sign of any counter-revolution.



## HARASSMENT

Late word from East Berlin that the Communists have done nothing to stop anti-American demonstrations.

Gangs, roaming East Berlin - armed with knives, stones and red paint, breaking windows of American cars, slashing tires.

Communist police, watching. Several cars today were smashed and painted with slogans like "Hands Off Lebanon" and "Aggressors Get Out."

East Berlin, dangerous for Americans - for the first time since the Berlin blockade. But so far, no warning from our people not to go there.

## SHIP

A Dutch freighter sailed from the Moroccan port of Safi today - without unloading. Reason - she was carrying supplies for an American Air Force Base. Moroccan stevedores - refusing to handle the cargo.

The ~~fix~~ freighter arrived at Safi - without sending word in advance. The idea, to have her unload and leave - before any trouble started.

But the stevedores assigned to the ship - wouldn't move the cargo. They just stood around - while left-wingers gathered a mob, and started toward the docks. The freighter, receiving <sup>an order</sup> ~~orders~~ from our Air Force - "Sail at once." ~~The~~ freighter, lifting anchor - moving out of the harbor. Tonight, she's standing out a few miles - waiting for further <sup>instructions</sup> ~~orders~~.

## SUEZ

Today an American destroyer steamed into Port Said - at the northern end of the Suez Canal. The sirens began to scream - in Port Said. ~~Residents~~ Residents, diving for cover - before naval shells began to fall on the city. Watching for hostile war planes - waiting for their own guns to ~~be~~ open up. Then, realizing - nothing was happening. The destroyer, on a routine passage - through the canal. The sirens of Port Said - being tested. Just a coincidence - that they went off ~~at~~ the destroyer hove in sight.

## MILITARY

President Eisenhower wins a victory. The Senate and the House - giving him authority - to streamline our chain of command. The measure passed today - a compromise. Mr. Eisenhower, endorsing the compromise - in a letter to Chairman Carl Vinson of the House Armed Services Committee. Then the congressmen put their okay on the bill - unanimously. Sending it along to the Senate - which approved the measure by a voice vote. Tonight, the bill is on the President's desk.

A key provision in this concerns more authority for the Secretary of Defense. Allowing him to give orders directly to the three services - without waiting to consult their civilian heads. This appears to be a big step - toward unification of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

At the same time, this enactment provides for the continued existence - of services that were afraid they might disappear under the reorganization plan. The Marines and National Guard - to stay, even though they'll

be more directly under the authority of the Secretary of  
Defense.

## FUNDS FOLLOW MILITARY

~~And President Eisenhower also suffered a rebuff in the~~

*At the same time the House*  
~~House. The congressman~~ slashing five hundred million - from ~~the~~ *the*

Eisenhower's request for a military construction appropriation.

Members of the House, denouncing what they called "a country club

atmosphere in Defense spending." Demanding *fewer* ~~the end to things~~

~~like~~ swimming pools, and ~~more~~ officers' clubs. Said

Congressman Charles Brown of Missouri - "billions for defense,

but not one cent for nonsense."

## DEBT

The Eisenhower administration will ask Congress - to raise the ceiling of the federal debt. So reported by Congressman Wilbur Mills of Arkansas - referring to Secretary of the Treasury Anderson. The Secretary, scheduled to testify before the House Ways and Means Committee on Monday.

It's believed Anderson will ask an increase in the permanent debt - from two hundred and seventy-five billion to two hundred and eighty-five billion. ~~And he'll ask that the temporary ceiling be pegged at a two hundred and eighty-eight billion.~~

~~The reason for the increases - federal revenue is dipping~~ Because of the recession. The government, ~~facing a~~ ~~bigger deficit~~ needing more money to pay ~~the~~ bills.

GOLDFINE

Five members of the House Investigating Sub-committee - are demanding a vote on Bernard Goldfine. They want to know whether the Sub-committee considers the Boston industrialist - guilty of contempt of Congress.

Goldfine was excused as a witness - last Thursday.

Throughout his testimony, he had refused to answer - twenty-three questions about his financial affairs. The refusal to answer - considered contempt of Congress - by these five Sub-committee members. But so far, Chairman Harris of Arkansas has not indicated - when he will call the Sub-committee together - to vote on Goldfine.



MILTON EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower's brother is in Puerto Rico

- to help celebrate the sixth anniversary of the Puerto Rican Commonwealth. Milton Eisenhower, flying into San Juan - from Nicaragua. In Puerto Rico until Sunday. Then back to Central America, to San Salvador.

## MISSILE

Tonight the fate of "Wickie" the mouse - is in doubt. Wickie? The passenger in the nose cone of the Thor-Able rocket - fired at Cape Canaveral. The missile flew its course perfectly. The nose cone was scheduled to zoom down into the earth's atmosphere - at fifteen thousand miles an hour. A parachute, to open at fifty thousand feet - letting the nose cone with Wickie aboard - come down in the Atlantic, where a balloon was supposed to open - marking the spot.

Today ships and planes were out looking for that balloon; mainly around rocky Ascension Island - between Brazil and Africa. This time the nose cone has not been sending back radio signals. So all they can do is look for the balloon, and it's only twenty-seven inches in diameter. As for Wickie the mouse - she has food and water for two weeks. Tonight, she's probably somewhere out in the Atlantic - waiting to be found.

## ATOMIC

A Federal judge refuses to order Uncle Sam - to stop nuclear tests in the Pacific. Judge Richmond Keech, handing down his decision in Washington.

The plea, made by a group of intellectuals - including British philosopher, <sup>Bertrand</sup>~~Bertrand~~ Russell, Socialist Norman Thomas - and physicist Linus Pauling of Cal Tech. The lawyers for the group argued <sup>that</sup> when Congress authorized the nuclear tests in Nineteen Forty-six - it had in mind weapons of limited radiation. The okay, not covering the massive bombs - invented since then. The government, accused of acting unconstitutionally - in permitting the present tests.

Tonight we have <sup>the</sup> Judge <sup>'s</sup> ~~Keech's~~ ruling: ~~His honor~~

<sup>that</sup>~~because~~ the government is not acting unconstitutionally.

The present tests - covered by the original decree of Congress.

# **EXPLOSION**

The city of Belleville, Illinois - rocked by

explosions. More than one. A washing machine blew up in one home. Five houses destroyed - many damaged. The people of Belleville, swarming into the streets; afraid to go home. The police say the probable cause natural gas seeping into the water system of the city.

Majesty's government.

ESTATE

The British Government announces - it's just taken over Starwell Place. A modest country house - fifteen miles outside London. The point of the story - Starwell Place used to belong to the King of Iraq. Young Feisal, using the estate as his home - when visiting England. With Feisal ~~was~~ dead after the coup in Baghdad - Starwell Place, <sup>with</sup> ~~had~~ no owner, ~~so it~~ now reverts ~~to the British people occupied by officials of His Majesty~~ to Majesty's government.

## DRUG STORE

Now here's a question for motorists. How would you like to drive your car around - in one of those vast new drug stores: Jim MacDonald of Malibu, California did just that.

Jim, an unemployed press agent, despondent - trying to end it all. In his car at sixty miles an hour he slammed into a Malibu drug store, thinking he'd <sup>be</sup> killed in the crash. Instead, in he went. Once inside he began bouncing off counters - knocking over stools - smashing windows. Everything movable - going galley west. Books, toothpaste, sleeping pills, razor blades, hair tonic - all over the place! Jim? He's now cooling off - in the cooler - Don.

Jim MacDonald - off to the pokey.

## DOCKER

Tonight the French Riviera is braced to meet - a British invasion. Sir Bernard Docker and his colorful wife, Lady Norah - are aboard their yacht, somewhere in the ~~Mediterranean~~ Mediterranean. The Dockers, banned from the Riviera - because they insulted the Principality of Monaco. But they say they intend a show of force. Sir Bernard, sending a telegram - to warn the French that he and his wife will storm ashore, at the strategic moment. Possibly tonight. They say they have a Fifth Column beyond the beach - and their plan is to link up with it. Then they think they'll be able to hold out - against any counter-attack. Lord and Lady Docker in a full-scale invasion of the French Riviera.