

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

This morning, the President had a meeting with leaders of Congress - to hold which he broke off his Georgia vacation. One thing - known in advance. Most of the members of Congress at the White House meeting - against any notion of imposing penalties on Israel for its refusal to withdraw from Egyptian territory.

So what happened - at the presidential conference? The law-makers, upon emerging, said - it had been a full, free and frank discussion. But - no decision. Senator Knowland of California declared: "No final decision was reached.

At the meeting with the President, Senator Knowland offered a proposal - that sanctions be invoked against any nation defying the United Nations. Not - just Israel.

Meanwhile, there's word from Jerusalem, Israel - the Israeli government is considering a new Canadian proposal - that a naval force of the United Nations patrol the Gulf of Aqaba, to enforce - freedom of passage there. A dispatch from Jerusalem calls the Canadian suggestion - "New hope in a hopeless situation."


Today, Premier Ben Gurion and his cabinet were conferring with Aba Eban, Israel's ambassador to the United States. Discussing the Canadian proposal - about which there's a difference of opinion in Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem report adds - that there's dissension within the cabinet of Israel. First observed signs - of a disagreement among Ben Gurion's ministers. Some believing - that the American proposals should not have been rejected.

Minister of Justice Rosen they say, has declared in favor of some sort of temporary arrangement. Some compromises - rather than run the risk of sanctions.

However, the guess in Israel is that Premium Ben Gurion would fall from power if he had accepted a program offered by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. So, in a way, the Ben Gurion cabinet is fighting for its life.

At the United Nations, the news is - that Secretary General Hammarskjold has sent a top-ranking official to Egypt, to find out - what's the trouble at the Suez Canal. Reports being that the task of clearing the waterway has been stopped by the Egyptians. Nasser - refusing to let the Suez Canal be opened, as long as Israeli troops remain on Egyptian soil.



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~~STORY, AND SUBSTITUTE THE FOLLOWING:)~~

Such was the picture of the day's news pertaining to the Middle Eastern crisis, as President Eisenhower went on radio-television. Giving his opinion -- that the U.N. had no choice -- but bring pressure to bear on Israel. Sanctions -- if Israel does not withdraw from Egyptian territory.

VETO

Another veto - Russia has vetoed a plan to have the President of the U.N. Security Council conduct peace talks with India and Pakistan on the Kashmir issue; the plan sponsored by the U-S., Britain, Cuba and Australia.

TRUMAN

Today, we have a time table -- of the Truman refusal to go on a mission to Turkey and Greece. The Administration -- asking the former President, if he would participate in ceremonies over there -- during the week of March tenth. Ceremonies -- at which Harry Truman would certainly be a Number One figure..

Turkey and Greece -- commemorating the tenth anniversary of the Truman Doctrine, which aided those countries ~~annually~~ in the face of threatened Communist aggression. The Truman Doctrine -- one of the major events of the Truman Administration.

The time table says that on February eleventh, a week ago Monday, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles telephoned Mr. Truman in Florida, asking him -- could he make the trip to Turkey and Greece? HST replied -- he was interested. But would have to see -- if his own schedule could be so arranged. He ~~is~~ asked the Secretary -- to write him a letter. Which Mr. Dulles did. But a few days later, February sixteenth, the former President Telegraphed his reply -- a refusal.

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One statement in the telegram reading as follows:

"The information which you sent me arrived too late."

So the Truman refusal might indicate -- bad timing, not giving him enough advance notice. But a dispatch from Washington, today cites -- "Personal reasons." Recalling -- the breach between President Eisenhower and former President Truman who, were such great friends at one time.

We don't know the personal reasons that intervened.

The White House and the former President -- keeping a tight-lipped silence.

ATOMIC

American jet fighter planes -- armed with a new type of atomic rocket, -- ~~was~~ ^{So,} announced in Washington today by Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson. Who added -- the new atomic rockets are being sent along to jet fighter bases throughout the country.

The weapon -- an air-to-air missile with -- an atomic warhead. To be fired from jet fighters -- against hostile bombers. Each rocket -- capable of knocking out a whole fleet of hostile planes. Blasting them -- with an atomic explosion. Secretary Wilson says -- they now are a standard part of the arsenal against hostile air invasion. A new spectacular addition -- to our atomic age defense.

(Two years ago, atomic tests were held on the Nevada Proving Grounds. And the belief then was -- that they were trying out an atomic warhead, such as could be used on a rocket fired from a fighter plane. Later, ^{the} Atomic Energy Commission admitted -- yes -- an atomic-tipped, air-to-air rocket had been tested.

So now we know -- it was a successful test. The atomic-tipped rocket -- being distributed around at our fighter

plane bases.

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Today's announcement emphasizes -- that the storing of these atomic weapons at the bases -- will produce no possible hazard, so far as neighboring civilian populations are concerned. They'll be kept safely -- no danger of radiation.

(Secretary Wilson tells us that guided missiles, to be released from the ground -- are also being sent with atomic warheads. Ground-to-air weapons -- for use against possible enemy bombers.)

SPACE

At San Diego, California, Major General Bernard Schriever spoke -- of battles. But not battles on land, or at sea -- or in the air. General Schriever is an Air Force officer, but he went up higher than the air. Telling -- of warfare in outer space.

Addressing the Astronautical Symposium at San Diego, he declared: "Several decades from now, the important battles may not be land, sea, or air battles. But -- space battles."

The General, an expert on ballistic missiles, looks to the time when the countries of this earth may fight it out -- with fleets in outer space.

So he said: "In the long haul, our safety as a nation may depend on our ~~maintaining~~ ^(maintaining) space-superiority."

Talk of interplanetary travel! -- The General foresees warfare somewhere along the line between the earth and the moon.

STRIKE

The New York dock strike - finally settled. The Federal Mediation Service announcing today - the end of a nine day walkout which has tied up harbors along the East coast. The forty-five thousand longshoremen to go back to work tomorrow.

... was taken over last night by the Traffic people ...
... and some other things. ...
... which states it has information as follows:
... the last time anybody saw the Gallant was March ...
... Seattle, a year ago. When, at night, he was observed ...
... the New York subway.

Then, later that night, an American pilot, Harold ...
... Murphy, Eugene, Oregon - took off from a Long Island ...
... airport. Flying a chartered plane - with a passenger. Later ...
... on, Murphy told details of his ...
... Seattle, who had been taken from the New York subway. Then, ...
... back to the airport in an ambulance.

Murphy and his mysterious passenger flew to the ...
... British Columbia. What happened there ...

GALINDEZ

Here's a weird account of intrigue, mystery and puzzling melodrama. In the case of the disappearance of the Dominican -- Galindez. Who was an instructor at Columbia University, New York -- and regarded as a bitter political enemy of the Trujillo regime of the Dominican Republic. Charges have been made that he was abducted by the Trujillo people -- and done away with. So now, a strange account in Life Magazine. Which states it has information as follows:

The last time anybody ever saw Galindez was March twelfth, a year ago. When, at night, he was observed -- entering the New York subway.

Then, later that night, an American pilot, Gerald Lester Murphy of Eugene, Oregon -- took off from a Long Island airport. Flying a chartered plane -- with a passenger. Later on, Murphy told friends of his -- that the passenger was an invalid, who had been taken from the New York subway. Then, -- taken to the airport in an ambulance.

Murphy and his mysterious passenger flew to the Dominican Republic. What happened there -- a mystery.

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But later Murphy appeared in Miami. Previously --
hard up for money. Now -- with a bundle of cash.

After which he had a job with ^a Dominican Airline.
Flying, often, as co-pilot -- with a Dominican flyer. Name --
de la Haza. ~~With whom he made various trips between the island~~
~~and Miami.~~

November seventeenth -- Murphy writing from the
Dominican Republic to his parents in Oregon. Saying -- that he
was coming home. Somewhat later -- his automobile found
abandoned on a cliff in the Dominican Republic. Followed later --
by the arrest of de la Haza, who hanged himself in a Dominican
cell, leaving a suicide note -- saying he had killed Murphy.
As so the dominican authorities declared.
~~So these are the elements presented by Life Magazine.~~

R All -- involved in doubt and mystery. But what happened to
Galindez? What really happened to the missing American pilot,
Murphy? A Caribbean riddle.

QUEEN

Queen Elisabeth and the Duke of Edinborough, today -- were among people dressed in Scotch plaids. Village folk -- wearing the tartans of the Highlands, the colors of the Campbells, the Gordons, and the MacGregors.

Sounds as if the Queen and her husband had left Portugal. Must be somewhere near Edinborough, ~~Edinburgh~~ ^{Bherdeen or Inverness.} But not at all -- they were still in Portugal.

The royal visitors, after a tumultous reception in Lisbon, were touring the picturesque Portuguese coastlines. Where one fishing village still ~~retains~~ ^{remains} -- a style of dress inherited from Scottish regiments. Highlanders -- who served with Wellington in the Peninsular campaign, a hundred-and-fifty years ago, when the Portugese in those parts adopted Scotch plaids -- and still wear them.

So the Queen and the Duke must have felt ~~very much~~ ^{—amid that} at home -- a bit of Scotland which lingers on in Portugal.

TRIAL

Italy's "trial of the century" broke up -- in pandemonium today. The police, -- called in to stop the uproar in the sixteenth century palace, on the Grand Canal, *in Venice.*

The trouble -- a witness, who kept going into a trance. A science fiction writer -- who is also clairvoyant. He testified that a police officer told him -- the death of the girl, Wilma Montesi, was being "hushed up", because it involved "highly placed" persons, *Kino* the son of the Foreign Minister, -- The son -- who is now on trial. The authorities ^{wanting to} ~~prevent~~ keep the case of Wilma Montesi -- quiet. Afraid -- the Communists would capitalize on the scandal.

This the witness testified -- between trances. But confronted by the policeman, to whom he contributed the story -- he would make a statement, *then* -- stare into space, like a ~~schambulist~~ *schambulist*. The policeman -- shouting denials. The seethayer -- shouting back, *and* then -- going into a trance again.

The crowd in the courtroom laughed -- and then the lawyers got into an argument. The clairvoyant witness and the

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policeman, all the while - yelling insults at each other.

It ended - Henry - with the whole place in an uproar. The judge, finally, calling in the police - who cleared the courtroom. All - because a soothsayer went into trances on the witness stand, in a palace on the Grand Canal in Venice.

and no long shall tomorrow.

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Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

LoT:1 A year ago today, the Twentieth Congress of the Communist Party in Moscow voted unanimously - approving the degradation of Stalin. Khrushchev began the attack - other Kremlin leaders joining in. The degradation of Stalin - causing an uproar among Communists everywhere. Now, a year later, Khrushchev is taking back a lot of that anti-Stalin talk.

^ And So Long Until Tomorrow.