

EISENHOWER AGREEMENTS *LT:RB Feb. 16-53. Mon.*

President Eisenhower and his congressional leaders are preparing a resolution rejecting secret international agreements. So states Senator Taft, after a meeting at the White House. According to Taft, the resolution will repudiate some of the <sup>(terms)</sup> ~~XXXXXX~~ of the Yalta agreement. Because, at Yalta, President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill, made big concessions to Stalin. And the agreement was not made public until two years later.

The Republicans have long been attacking the Yalta agreement. General Eisenhower said, in his state of the Union message, that he would not recognize secret understandings with foreign governments. ~~So~~ now a resolution is to be issued, to cover the Administration's position. Senator Taft says <sup>is</sup> ~~that~~ the resolution will not be aimed at any particular agreement, but will be broad enough to deal with Yalta, and with all other secret agreements.

According to House Republican leader Halleck, the resolution will give, what he terms, "hope and

encouragement" to anti-Communist forces behind the  
Iron Curtain.

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FEDERAL SECURITY

At the same conference, President Eisenhower raised the question of the Federal Security Agency. And Senator Taft discloses that the President wants to turn it into a federal government department. Which would make its head, Mrs. Ovita Culp Hobby, a member of the cabinet -- the first woman to join the cabinet of the new administration.

Mrs. Hobby <sup>already</sup> has been sitting in on cabinet meetings. The proposed change would give her the right to take part in all discussions along with ~~other members~~ members of the cabinet. For she would be one of them.

## EDEN

Great Britain definitely will not join with President Eisenhower in repudiating secret international agreements. Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons, went on record about this today. He says Britain will stand by the Yalta agreement, which has been so harshly criticized over here -- a present to Stalin. The London Foreign Secretary adds that his government ~~has~~ has received ~~no~~ no word from Washington on all this.

Anthony Eden points out that London of course does ~~not~~ want close cooperation with Washington. But! Questioned about his conversations with Secretary of State Dulles and Mutual Administrator Stassen, when they were in the British capital, the British Foreign Secretary said: "The talks covered a wide range of topics. Indeed", said he "all the main problems in which the United States and ourselves share a common interest, -- especially European defense, and the Far East."



The British want to go along with us -  
even if they can't see eye to eye with us on everything  
-- such as the deal made with Stalin at Yalta.

## STEVENSON

Adlai at the White House tomorrow, for lunch with President Ike. The unsuccessful Democratic candidate already is in Washington where today he met congressional leaders, both Republican and Democratic. Stevenson is, of course, titular head of the Democratic party, but he was welcomed by members of the G O P who paid their respects to him. Speaker Joe Martin called him "a distinguished American". Afterward, Adlai made one of his typical quipps. Said he: "If this sort of Republican courtesy continues much longer I won't have a hatchet left."

And now - to meet his <sup>late</sup> political opponent at the White House. And among the topics for discussion will be the tour of Asia and Europe, that Adlai is to undertake.

## JAPANESE REARMAMENT

The Japanese are much disturbed, ~~many~~ many of them now advocating rearmament; because of recent Russian violations of frontier.

New' dispatches tell of American planes intercepting Soviet planes - in the sky over Japan. Two of our jets patrolling over the island of Hokkaido, suddenly picked up the enemy on their radar screens. Strange aircraft. <sup>(Rushing)</sup> ~~Rushing~~ to intercept, the American pilots signalled the intruders to land; and opened fire when they refused. But none were knocked down. They escaped in the direction of the Russian held ~~in~~ Kurile islands. The planes in fact were identified as Russian. And now, members of the Japanese parliament are saying Japan once again must be in a position to defend herself.

As things are, all responsibility for defense of Japan rest on us.

KOREA - AIR

In Korea, Allied planes have blasted the Reds in one of the biggest aerial attacks of the War. The target, a big Red troop and supply center. They showered it with bombs, rockets, napalm and bullets. They report one hundred buildings destroyed, and the wreckage left in flames. According to Captain Malcolm Bouns of Birmingham, Alabama, "After I got off the target, I looked back, and everything in the target area seemed to be blowing up."

Fighter planes were in action, and the dispatch mentions two well known names - one of them Major James Jabara of Wichita, Kansas, who damaged one Mig. He was our first jet ace. Now he's back in Korea, transferred to the battle zone at his own request.



SUB FOR LAST PARAGRAPH IN KOREA AIR

We also hear that Captain Theodore Williams has returned from his first combat mission. All baseball fans -- which means most of us -- recognize the Captain as Ted Williams, the great slugger of the Boston Red Sox. The last major leaguer to bat over four hundred. Williams was flying with a Marine air group. Suddenly, his jet plane caught on fire, he says he has no idea how the fire started, because he didn't feel any anti-craft fire hit him. Anyway, his radio went dead. MM Smoke poured from the plane, but he managed to get back toward his base.

Here's how he describes what happened then. "I had to use both hands on the stick for a final approach," he says. "I thought I was going to <sup>0</sup>MM fast, MM but when I looked at my air speed indicator, it wasn't working". So there was nothing for him to do except try for a crash landing. "I hit pretty hard and chugged down the run way," he states.

"I thought I would never stop. I jerked the emergency release on the canopy, and got it off. Then I practically fell out of the airplane."

As they say in baseball terms, Ted Williams slid into home, safely once again.

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## PLANE CRASH

A sea and air ~~xxx~~ search has been going on ever since that New Orleans bound airliner disappeared. There was hope that some of the forty-six aboard might be still alive. But today the Coast Guard gave out the grim report: all four of the plane's life rafts accounted for. No hope for survivors.

The plane was on a flight from Tampa, Florida - people going to the Mardi Gras. Indications are that the accident ~~xxx~~ was caused by bad weather over the Gulf of Mexico. The plane descending, dropping down <sup>some 5</sup> ~~xxx~~ thousand feet to make flying easier, flew into the sea.

One pathetic piece of cargo found by the Coast Guard - a sack of mail containing water-soaked Valentines.



## BRITISH CARRIER

Today, Mrs. Winston Churchill launched a new British aircraft carrier - a carrier, designed especially for jets.

Most details about this ship - this new type flat-top are secret. But its length is over seven hundred feet; its ~~xxx~~ width, ninety feet. Its speed believed to be about thirty knots also. And she'll carry forty-five jet planes.

But the most important change seems to be the flight deck which is not in a straight line from stem to stern. It runs on the bias. In this way they get more room - which is needed for jet aircraft. The usual type landing deck is too short. ~~xxxxxx~~ Britain maintaining her reputation as a pioneer in the handling of jets.

A news dispatch states that an accident occurred during the ceremony. A pile of huge steel plates got loose and began sliding toward the platform on which Mrs. Churchill was standing. Eleven spectators were injured. But there was no panic.



## IRAN EARTHQUAKE

In Iran, relief has been rushed deep into the Elbruz Mountains, where the earthquake wiped out a town and killed more than a thousand people - at Toroud. A dispatch from Teheran states that our Ambassador, Loy Henderson, is in charge. Toroud is in a remote region, on an almost impassable road. Naval attache Eric Pollard of Oakland, California, flew over and dropped several thousand loaves of bread, to the few survivors; Also tea and sugar - and picks and shovels. Then he picked up twelve injured, and brought them out.

All of the facilities of our point four program are being used to help the earthquake area. The Iranian director of the Red-Lion-and-Son Society -- the Persian Red Cross -- has thanked the United States, "for the aid ~~which~~; helping save many lives."

## BERLIN

The East German Reds are sealing off their part of Berlin. So we hear from our High Commission in Germany. The Reds doing to Berlin what they've already done to the rest of Germany -- creating a "zone of death", to try and stop movement across the border. Residents living near West Berlin are being sent farther East. Business establishments are being closed and the Reds are stopping traffic by cutting the transport system and blocking all streets between the two zones.

Nevertheless today, two thousand more fled from the Eastern zone - making a total for the month of seventeen thousand.

HOUSE EQUIPMENT

The House Appropriations Committee, economy minded, wants to cut down on money for federal agencies -- by sixty-per cent. But, the Committee's economy does not extend to comfort for Congressmen.

Today it approved of new automobiles for both the Republican and Democratic House leaders.



SUB FOR BERLIN

Tonight a news dispatch tells of a tremendous explosion in the town of Plains, Texas. The whole thing started when fire broke out in a warehouse holding two hundred pounds of dynamite. Firemen rushed to the scene and started to put out the blaze. Spectators gathered around to watch. ~~Then~~ They, suddenly, a shattering blast. The ~~XXXX~~ warehouse was blown to bits. Debris flying in all directions. A brick house fifty yards away knocked flat. And an automobile ~~was~~ caved in, although a woman sitting in it miraculously escaped injury. Telephone and telegraph communications broken. Hundreds of windows shattered, and buildings badly damaged for two blocks around.

Many firemen and spectators were ~~knocked~~ <sup>hurled to</sup> ~~off their feet~~ <sup>the ground</sup> by the blast. A number of them critically injured, and at ~~least~~ least one death reported so far.

Doctors and nurses are rushing from <sup>nearby</sup> towns ~~and the~~ ~~area~~ to help care for the ~~many~~ injured.