


GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Today, President Eisenhower sent Congress a special message on our Highways. Which, he says are not adequate, and are largely to blame for more than thirty-six thousand deaths, and more than a million injuries every year.

The Presidential message also notes that this country suffers economically - losing almost ten billion dollars annually. That some roads add as much as a cent a mile to operating costs.

Finally President Eisenhower mentions the question of civilian defence. He points out that, in case if an atomic attack - our civilian population will have to evacuate target areas quickly. But he adds "the present system in critical areas - would be the ~~breeder~~ breeder of a deadly congestion within hours of an attack."

So he proposes a new road-building program, to spread over the next ten years. The program, to cost more 

than a hundred billion - and to be financed on a pay-as-you go basis.

The Federal share of that sum <sup>to</sup> ~~would~~ be thirty one billion - the President, leaving it up to Congress to decide just how the government money should be handled.

*out west*  
*to break*  
And we are told that this makes a total of more than sixty Communist ships either destroyed or damaged since last Thursday.

Meanwhile, planes from the mainland have hit Nanchi for the first time. Mao Tse-Tung, sending his bombers to plant Nationalist strongpoints on the island. Military observers say this means - that the Reds are now flying from air bases in Fukien province, which is directly across from Formosa.

NANCHI

The Chinese Nationalist issued a communique ~~this~~  
~~today~~ <sup>today</sup> ~~morning~~ - claiming that their Air Force has destroyed or  
damaged at least ten Communist ~~in~~ ships near Nanchi Island.

According to the communique, a ~~big~~ Red <sup>armada</sup> ~~squadron~~  
was headed for Nanchi - including gunboats and ~~modernized~~ <sup>modernized</sup>  
junks. Bombers <sup>out went</sup> ~~promptly flew out~~ from Formosa - ~~and~~ <sup>to break</sup>  
~~dispersed the Communist fleet.~~ <sup>it up. And we are told that this makes a</sup> ~~The latest figures making a~~  
total of more than sixty Communist ships either destroyed  
or damaged since last Thursday.

Meanwhile, planes from the mainland have ~~been~~ hit  
Nanchi for the first time. Mao Tse-Tung, sending his bombers  
to blast Nationalist strongpoints on the island. Military  
~~observers in Taipei~~ <sup>- Formosa -</sup> say this means - that the Reds are now  
flying from air bases in Fukien province, which is directly  
across from Formosa.

Secretary of State Dulles arrives in Bangkok.

The Secretary, flying from Manila, for the three-day conference that begins tomorrow. A conference of the members of Seato - the eight nations that have agreed on a common defense against Communism in southeast Asia.

Today, Dulles talked for half an hour with

Australia's Minister of External Affairs, R. G. Casey.

Afterward, Casey <sup>referred to it as having</sup> ~~said that he had~~ been briefed by Dulles on the Formosa situation. The Australian Minister went on to say that Formosa probably will not be discussed in the Seato Conference itself - Formosa, lying outside the treaty area. But it will be discussed in private meeting<sup>s</sup> on the side.

Nothing on the agenda is the situation in Indo-China -- where the Communists are accused of violating the Geneva treaty. Casey remarked that there have undoubtedly been violations of the treaty, but not serious enough to call for military action.

Dulles will of course confer with Sir Anthony Eden, soon. For he is anxious to convince Eden that Red China should be bearded as an aggressor in the Formosa Strait - this by formal resolution of the United Nations.

Soviet Union is standing on guard against all attacks. He insisted that Russia is following a peace policy, while America is beginning preparations for war.

*In the midst of*

*It seems*

... the Marshall's remarks may have been meant as a warning for home consumption. But they don't sound as if they were meant to what ... said to ...

*few*

... Randolph Hearst Jr. a couple of years ago.

In Moscow, Marshal Zhukov spoke over T V today -  
on the eve of Red Army Day. And his remarks didn't sound at  
all agreeable - not like what some observers had been ~~not~~  
hoping. He called America a war-monger - and <sup>said</sup> ~~that that~~ the  
Soviet Union is standing on guard against all attacks. He  
insisted that Russia is following a peace policy, while  
America <sup>in the midst of</sup> ~~is beginning~~ preparations for war.

<sup>Of course</sup> ~~Well,~~ the Marshall's remarks may have been meant  
<sup>it all</sup> strictly for home consumption. But ~~they don't~~ <sup>sound</sup> as  
<sup>different to what</sup> ~~conciliatory as those that~~ Zhukov <sup>said to</sup> ~~made in his interview with~~  
W M.  
<sup>few</sup> Randolph Hearst Jr. a ~~couple~~ of weeks ago.

## LIBERTY BELL

The Liberty Bell rang today. A special ceremony in Independence Hall - marking the observance of Washington's birthday. The purpose - used to send a message of freedom behind the Iron Curtain. Representatives from the satellite states - from Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria and the Ukraine - were at Independence Hall. They *all* transcribed messages to be broadcast by Radio Free Europe - broadcast across the Iron Curtain. With each message, the Liberty Bell was rung - so that millions in the satellite states will be able to hear both our famous bell, and messages in their own language, telling them that they too will be free some day.

by push buttons - during atomic warfare.

The British white paper with one main point. That the Royal Navy - is no longer Britain's first line of defense. It takes a back seat for the first time, in centuries, a back seat to the R & F. This fact is clear from the official

A white paper, issued by the British Government, describes the greatest revolution the Royal Navy has ~~been~~ *undergone in 1/2 a century.*  
~~through in fifty years.~~

~~The white paper~~ *It* emphasizes the importance of sea ~~power~~ *but* power in modern warfare, ~~It~~ goes on to say that Britain accepts the American doctrine - that the aircraft carrier is the core of the modern fleet.

~~But~~ the revolutionary *Part* ~~thing~~ is this - ~~the~~ *e* new aircraft carrier ~~that was~~ commissioned today, ~~The new~~ ~~carrier~~ can be operated by remote control - meaning, that it will move through radioactive clouds, while the crew shelters in the compartments below. *A great warship* ~~The great dreadnought~~ to be handled by push buttons - during atomic warfare.

The British white paper adds one more point. *That the* Royal Navy - is no longer Britain's first line of defense. It takes a back seat for the first time, in centuries, a back seat to the R A F. This fact is clear from the official



*Queen's*

figures - which show that the Navy will get a smaller share of the budget than it has had since Nineteen Forty-six.

*While* ~~At the same time,~~ the R A F *will get more,* ~~is expected to show an increase.~~

*the followers*  
First, ~~when the~~ *roy* of De Gaulle voted, eighty-seven to thirty six in support of Faure. And if that, the ~~radical~~ Socialists followed ~~them~~ *with* a vote of one hundred and twenty one to forty-eight. ~~But~~ *was* ~~Spaugh~~ *to* give the Premier a significant hope - because he already had the Catholic Republicans, the ~~right wing~~ *right wing* ~~tax~~ *tax* ~~independents,~~ and ~~various~~ *various* other splinter groups *in his corner.*

*today*  
~~So, Faure~~ *immediately* set about forming ~~his~~ *new* cabinet. The report is that he will keep the double job of Premier and Foreign Minister -- just as did his predecessor, ~~André~~ *André* France. We hear that Faure expects to head a moderate center administration - if he takes it. The National Assembly ~~will~~ *will* ~~to~~ *to* decide tomorrow.

FAURE

Another French politician is getting close to success in the struggle to form a government. Edgar Faure, now backed by both the radical Socialists of the left, and ~~the~~ <sup>into</sup> DeGaulle's party of the right,

First, ~~of all, the men,~~ <sup>the followers</sup> of DeGaulle voted, eighty-seven to thirty to support Faure. And after that, the radical Socialists followed ~~then~~ <sup>with</sup> by a vote of one-hundred-and-twenty-one to forty-eight. ~~This was~~ <sup>this time</sup> enough to give the Premier

designate hope - because he already had the Catholic Republicans, the right wing ~~and~~ independents, and ~~various~~ <sup>some</sup> other splinter groups <sup>in his corner.</sup>

So, Faure <sup>today</sup> immediately set about forming ~~his~~ <sup>a</sup> cabinet. The report is that he will keep the double job of Premier and Foreign Minister -- just as did his predecessor, Mendes-France. We hear that Faure expects to head a moderate center administration - if he makes it. The National Assembly <sup>will</sup> ~~to~~ decide tomorrow.

ATOMIC

Our second atomic test this year was carried out today at Yucca Flat, Nevada. The bomb, described as of

"ordinary size," - <sup>this one</sup> equal to around twenty thousand tons of

T N T, which makes it smaller than <sup>the first two dropped as</sup> ~~these used at the end of~~

<sup>climax to</sup> World War Two.

The <sup>is</sup> bomb was exploded atop a three hundred foot steel tower. The fireball lasted for about ten seconds -

<sup>a</sup> ~~it was~~ brilliant orange and purple, rising rapidly into

a mushroom cloud. The flash <sup>this time</sup> ~~was~~ seen in San Francisco - five hundred miles away.

<sup>Another</sup> ~~One scientist remarked that this experiment would~~  
~~be an interesting one but so far the experts haven't told~~  
~~us just why.~~

~~us just why.~~

MATUSOW - add

*Witness Harvey today said*  
A late bulletin Matusow ~~also~~ charges that

he told lies at the suggestion of Senator McCarthy.

According to Matusow, when he campaigned against Senator

Jackson of Washington and Mansfield of Montana, McCarthy's office furnished him with material.

The Wisconsin Senator denies the charge -- saying he won't answer a self-confessed liar.

## HINDU

A dispatch from Calcutta about a husband with thirty six wives. Which is even unusual in Asia, these days. But this is an unusual story.

Mrityunjay Bhattacharjee belongs to a Hindu sect that believes the worst thing that can happen to a woman is to die a spinster. So this Hindu took this matter up as a religious matter. He made a vow to marry as many women as he could. He was known as an "itinerant husband" who went from village to village - marrying all the girls who wanted to avoid spinsterhood.

But he was always careful to make it clear that he would not be responsible for their support. That would be up to others - ~~mm~~ usually relatives. Even so they're after him. Mrityunjay Bhattacharjee is being sued for ~~mm~~ non-support - by his first wife. He expected her brother to take care of her after the marriage - but the brother says cost too high - he can't do it any more. So he demands that the wandering husband be compelled to support

wife number one.

In reply, Mrityunjay Bhattacharjee points out that he has all those other wives - and if number one wins her case, then the thirty-five others will take him into court, and spoil his altruistic matrimonial project - his ambition to save spinsters from a fate worse than death.

Ah poor Mrityunjay Bhattacharjee!

## GOLD RUSH

Occasionally there <sup>is</sup> ~~are~~ strictly local news stories, of near-epic proportions that <sup>for</sup> ~~have~~ some reason or other fail to reach the great press associations, and so do <sup>not</sup> ~~do~~ not come to us over our press wires. I've just read such a story in the weekly paper from Cripple Creek, Colorado -- The Gold Rush, successor to the daily paper that I edited in the days when the Cripple Creek District was the greatest gold camp on earth. <sup>R</sup> A local gold miner, sixty-four year old Clarence Petersen, was killed when he fell hundreds of feet to the bottom of an abandoned stope in the Moffett Tunnel. Far down in the earth under Gold Hill.

When Clarence Petersen failed to show up for supper, his friends went to the mine where he had been working alone. They found his car at the entrance. Entering the tunnel, they found a coat, and lunch bucket, ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup> the food untouched. Farther in, they came upon the miner's carbide light still flickering, hanging from a timber on the <sup>brink</sup> ~~fringe~~ of a hole

in the floor of the tunnel. *Then* hurriedly they  
~~rounded~~ <sup>up</sup> ~~Next~~ they got six veteran miners to ~~come~~ and help  
 in the search. These men, including Al Beebee, whose father

was a classmate of mine, descended ~~xxxxxxx~~ into the dark  
 cavernous stope via rickety ladders and ropes. <sup>OK</sup> Their first  
 descent, <sup>nothing.</sup> ~~was a failure.~~ But the next day they tried again.

It was <sup>an</sup> eleven hundred <sup>drop</sup> feet to the bottom of that huge stope.

<sup>descending</sup> was a <sup>rescue party</sup> perilous venture for these ~~miners~~ because rocks from time

to time ~~would~~ <sup>would</sup> come off the walls of the stope and ~~so~~ went  
 whistling through the blackness, like projectiles. In fact,

when they were near the bottom of the abyss, their <sup>own</sup> ropes,  
<sup>against the rock wall,</sup> started a slide and for several minutes the falling rocks

made the cavern reverberate as though with thunder, and

dust covered the men below. <sup>Luckily</sup> ~~But fortunately,~~ they were under  
<sup>at the moment or that would have been the end of them,</sup>  
 a ledge ~~and were not killed.~~ There, in the depths ~~that~~ they  
 eventually found the body of <sup>their friend.</sup> ~~the miners.~~ Yes,

<sup>this is</sup> a story that is repeated over and over in mining  
 camps. And occasionally a <sup>search</sup> ~~rescue mission~~ like this will be as



spectacular as an expedition in the Himalayas or the

Andes, where an accident happens to someone in climbing.

Only in a gold mine in the Rockies, you have to do your

climbing in the dark. A thousand foot sheer rock wall is

awe<sup>^</sup>inspiring on a mountain. But a thousand ~~feet~~ foot

precipice underground - that's one to keep you awake.

Or is it a bull?

As one Senator remarked this must have been  
pointed with a T-square. For here was a square bull right  
there in that Nebraska State Capitol mural. The painter?  
Simeon Syett, of Estes, Colorado. Now who ever heard  
of a square bull? say the Senators, who admit to being  
authorities on bull -- I mean bulls. Huh.

BULL

A committee of Nebraska state Senators is involved in a heated discussion - over a square bull. The committee met in Lincoln, to decide on the murals in the State Capitol. The mural commission is asking for ~~ten~~ twenty-five thousand dollars - which explains why the State Senators were interested

The committee ~~was~~ taking note of a mural called "Labors of the Hand", were bewildered at a bull in the mural. Or is it a bull?

As one Senator remarked this must have been painted with a T-square. For here was a square bull right there in that Nebraska State Capitol mural. The painter? Kenneth Evett, of Estes, Colorado. Now who ever heard of a square bull? say the Senators, who admit to being authorities on bull -- I mean bulls, Hugh.

12