

BRITAIN

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Good Evening, Everybody (Given by L.T.Jr.)

Britain today gave a non-aggression pledge to Soviet Russia, - In a letter from Prime Minister Macmillan - answering the communication addressed by ~~Moscow~~ Premier Bulganin to a whole series of countries.

Bulganin proposed - an all-around non-aggression pact. Macmillan, today, replying - that the matter of a formal diplomatic document will have to wait. But his letter stated - that he pledges "most solemnly" that no British government will ever commit, take part in, or condone, an act of aggression against the Soviet Union." Those are the Prime Minister's own words.

As for a summit conference between East and West, which Bulganin also suggested - Prime Minister Macmillan replied politely, ~~that~~ - in the matter of a conference of the heads of state, he will give an answer after further consideration.

DULLES

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, today, called on Soviet Russia - to accept President Eisenhower's proposal for peaceful control of outer space. The Secretary - addressing the National Press Club in Washington, ^{where} He said it would be "tragic" if nothing were done while the "arts" of outer space are still in their infancy. "Arts" of outer space including - such matters as missiles which soar beyond the atmosphere. ~~Secretary Dulles~~

^{Mr.} ~~Secretary~~ Dulles also challenged the Russians to make it clear - whether they want a summit conference to promote the cause of peace and justice in the world. Or - merely for propaganda purposes.

BERLIN

In West Berlin, today, the Western Big Three demanded - that the Russians must end their policy of "harrassing" Allied military trains - Running - from Berlin, across Russian occupied country, to western parts of Germany. The protest follows the news of yesterday - telling how four American trains had been halted at Russian check points. Held - for as long as ten hours - because the Soviets were trying to impose new regulations - not according to standing agreement. They didn't get away with it - but they did make quite a nuisance.

Today, when trains passed through, the stamping demand was repeated. The Americans - refusing. The Russians - letting the trains go on. But, warning - that they'll put their stamping requirement into effect in the future.

TRANSLATIONS

The government in Washington has begun a program - for the translation of all Russian scientific journals and reports. As a way - of keeping American scientists aware of scientific developments in the land of the Soviets.

So stated by Dr. Alan Waterman, Director of the National Science Foundation - following a blast by Congressman Fascell of Florida, - Who declared - that this country has a ten year "back-log" of Russian scientific journals, still untranslated, - While Moscow translates every scientific journal published, within thirty days of publication.

The fact is, of course - that we need translation more than they do. The Russians have a tradition of learning foreign languages. Their scientists - likely enough to read English. But mighty few American scientists can read Russian. It would be a good idea, says Dr. Waterman, if more studied the Russian language.

And
He went on to say that, under the new program in Washington, the more important Russian scientific articles

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will be translated in full. The less important - given in the form of abstracts. All material - to be circulated among American scientists.

FARM

President Eisenhower, today, called on Congress - to reduce the federal farm aid program. The White House - presenting the lawmakers with a fourteen point proposal. One ~~key~~ clause of which - calls for a lowering of price supports from seventy-five to sixty per cent of parity. Secretary of Agriculture Benson to be given a freer hand - in setting the levels of support.

The reception in Congress, ⁷- hostile. A few legislators- approving, ^{but} ₁ Most, ~~of them~~ expressing an unfavorable opinion, -- Republicans - as well as Democrats.

Not surprising - with Congressional elections coming up next autumn.

EXPLOSION

A disastrous explosion - at Richmond, Virginia, today. A blast in a cold storage plant. So violent, that the walls of the building, eighteen inches thick, burst and were hurled out into the street. - The roof collapsing on employees and customers. - People - picking up frozen foodstuffs. Eight persons - believed to have lost their lives.

The cause of the explosion - not clear. But it thundered - as if a bomb were bursting.

INDIANS

An Indian uprising, - threatened in North Carolina.

Where one-third of the population of Robeson County - is
redskin. The trouble---the Ku Klux Klan. Which is preaching -
segregation. Indians, also - to be segregated.

Recently, there have been Cross burnings - by the
"hooded order." With warnings to the Robeson County Indians -
against racial mixing, associating with whites. One Cross of
the Ku Klux Klan was burned at a place - where an Indian
family moved into a white neighborhood.

The Klan has called a mass meeting - for Saturday night.
Which the local white citizens call - "an invasion by outside
agitators." Indians announcing - they'll attend the rally.
And ~~say~~ ^{saying} - they'll wipe out the Ku Klux Klan. Local merchants
report - a booming sale of guns and ammunition.

The authorities in Robeson County are faced with an
~~EXPER~~ explosive situation. Town officials - passing a unanimous
resolution - condemning the ~~K~~ Ku Klux Klan, - With a declaration
of cordial friendship - toward the local Indians.

CHURCHILL

Sarah Churchill pleaded guilty in a California court, this afternoon. The daughter of the great Prime Minister admitting the charge that she was intoxicated in a public place, - Thus ending the affair - which began when Sarah Churchill was arrested at her home in Malibu, California. The police declaring - that she was drunk and fought with the cops.

Today, Miss Churchill told the court: "I was more ill - than drunk. I've been under some strain in these last few months, and I'm sure there could have been a misunderstanding and misinterpretation. I regret the trouble I've caused the community and the court. It is painful to myself - and to those I love."

Whereupon she threw herself on the mercy of the court - and paid a fine of fifty dollars.

MYSTERY WOMAN

Here's a dispatch - about the "mystery woman" of Bethany, Oklahoma. Miss Luerna Pigman - whom the tax collector is now suing for one hundred and ninety-six thousand dollars, - That much due on income - during five years. With - penalties.

P Sounds like a huge lot of income - and where did Miss Luerna Pigman get it? That's the extraordinary part. ~~of it and~~ ~~it's clearly stated that~~ *T*he fifty-six year old spinster in Oklahoma got the money from a woman in Chicago, Mrs. Fannie May Scoville - of the Chicago Social Register.

Today, in an Oklahoma tax court, Miss Luerna Pigman stated - that Mrs. Scoville sent her so much money, she couldn't keep track of it.

"The amount," she testified, ^{*was*} "sometimes ten thousand dollars, sometimes twenty thousand, sometimes thirty thousand."

But why? She said - it was money for charity.

"Giving the money to charity brought sunshine into her life," declared the witness. Adding that Mrs. Scoville didn't want

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her name used, So she sent the money for charity - to
Miss Luerna Pigman.

DOG

At Memphis, Tennessee, a small dog was a hero, today.

A toy terrier, named "Little Bit", - Owned - by Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Raymond.

Last night "Little Bit" was asleep outside his dog-house - when something went wrong with an electric warming apparatus, installed to keep the tiny pooch comfortable.

The dog-house caught fire - soon wrapped in flames. "Little Bit" on a leash, ^{unable to} ~~and couldn't~~ get away. Until a lucky thing happened. The leash - made of plastic, ^{melted by the fire!} ~~which the fire melted.~~

So "Little Bit" got free - and what did he do after such a narrow escape? He ran to the back door of the Raymond home - where ~~the~~ he barked and howled, warning the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond awakened - just in time to see ~~about~~ the fire from the dog-house, ~~was now~~ spreading to their frame residence. A few minutes more - and the whole place would have been ablaze.

Danger averted - after "Little Bit" did a big bit.

WATER SKI

A spectacular stunt - in New York today. When a water skier - made the trip around Manhattan Island, twenty-eight miles, - pulled by a motorboat - and speeding along on those skis thru freezing water, and during a snow-storm.

Three began the trip, starting out in New York's East River - but only one finished - doing the twenty-eight miles - in an hour and forty-eight minutes.

So who was this water skier? - performing a record-breaking exploit? Why, none other than Don Morrow, our Delco announcer. Who is ready, in a minute - to tell us about batteries, but first I'm going to ask him something about - water skiing around Manhattan.

L.T.Jr.: Why did you do it, Don?

Don: I thought it might help to promote water sports in general - and water skiing in particular.

L.T.Jr.: Wasn't it rather chilly?

Don: It sure was. I had a frogman suit on, on of those

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rubberized suits, and that kept me dry. But I got frostbite on the hands, and they're still numb. I started with gloves on, but they got ripped off as I hung onto the towing line. That was the one thing that was murderous - the freezing hands.

L.T.JR.: What happened to the two other water skiers?

DON: One of them had to give up near the Williamsburg Bridge - as we went speeding up the East River. So there were two of us - coming around to the Harlem River, and down the Hudson. Then Harvey Barer hit a ^{Log} ~~rock~~ between the tip of Manhattan Island and the Statue of Liberty - and that did him under. They hauled him into the boat. *A lot of credit goes to our device.*

L.T.JR.: I'll bet a lot of people were surprised - seeing that mid-winter water skiing!

DON: Tug boats whistled at us, and we could see people along the East River Drive - waving their arms. We noticed traffic stopping - to look at us.

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L.T.JR.: Well, during that spin around Manhattan, you must have had enough water skiing to last you for quite a while.

DON: I sure have - especially with these frost-bitten hands.

But now I'd better get along to Delco.

BOAT

The Mississippi River can bid a final farewell - to the old stern-wheelers. The big steamboats - taking passengers for overnight cruises - Cincinnati - to New Orleans, for example. Only one left, the Delta Queen - and she was put up for sale today. So few people interested, nowadays, in taking the long boat-ride on Old Man River.

This ends the river operations of a dynasty - that for three generations, navigated those big stern-wheelers. The Greene family - beginning with Captain Gordon Greene, who started the line of river boats back in Eighteen Ninety. He was a famous river pilot - and so was his wife Mary. The only woman river pilot - in the United States - navigating on the Mississippi - for fifty years.

And Solong Until Tomorrow!