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~~The~~ medical bulletins from Walter Reed Hospital, in Washington, continue ~~to be~~ optimistic. We hear that President Eisenhower got eight hours ~~of~~ sleep last night - and awoke in high spirits. He ~~had~~ ^a breakfast ~~including~~ ^{of} eggs and toast. He ~~took~~ ^{some time} his walking exercises - and then he spent ~~forty five minutes~~ signing papers and conducting official business. ~~from his bed~~. His progress, ~~still described~~ as "satisfactory."

Newsmen on the scene are, of course, hungry for news about Mr. Eisenhower's intentions. Also - about his doctors' opinion. Today, they got a statement from the medicos - who refused to become embroiled in the question of whether the President's illness is chronic.

Some doctors have been quoted as saying that Mr. Eisenhower is faced with the possibility of a recurrence of his ailment. In reply, the President's physicians ^{say} ~~declare that~~ they don't want any controversy with ^{others} ~~their colleagues~~, who have

no personal knowledge of the President's ailment. They point out that every case is different - and that no general conclusions can be drawn.

A statement on this was signed by General Snyder, the President's personal physician - General Heaton, head of the Walter Reed Hospital, who performed the operation, and Dr. Isidor Ravdin, one of the consultants in the case.

Later, Dr. Ravdin spoke to newsmen as he was ~~XXXX~~ leaving the hospital. He said he has never seen a recurrence of this ailment in a patient Mr. Eisenhower's age - sixty-five.

It all adds up to this: - the medical men attending the President - refuse to back down on their earlier opinion, there is no reason because of his operation why he should run for re-election.

When will Mr. Eisenhower leave the hospital? According to Press Secretary James Hagerty - not before the middle of next week. Hagerty adds that the President's place of convalescence is still being discussed.

France warns the United Nations - to ^{drop}~~leave~~ the
Algerian ^{matter.}~~situation alone.~~ This, a reaction of Paris - to
~~the demand of the Arab nations - for a U N debate.~~

Once before, the French ^{U.N.} delegate walked out of the
General Assembly - when the U N seemed about to take up that
~~press~~ problem. And the French only came back, when the U N
changed its mind.

The Mollet government wants to make sure ~~that~~ there ^{is}
no further change at the headquarters of the International
organization. So the Foreign Ministry in Paris issues a
statement - repeating that Algeria is an internal affair
of the French - and therefore outside the authority of the
U N. The Paris Foreign Ministry adds that, the fighting in
Algeria is not a threat to international peace - and charges
that the Arab nations who want a U N debate - have been
helping the "Army of Allah."

Later this evening, French Foreign Minister Pineau, after a conference with Secretary of States Dulles - told reporters that America will support France in keeping the Algerian question out of the U N Security Council.

ALGERIA

Meanwhile in Algiers, the French executed two rebels today - amid a scene of "pandemonium". The execution took place at the prison near the Algiers "Casbah". The prison is full of members of the "Army of Allah". When the two executions were carried out by the guillotine at dawn today - the other prisoners began to shout "Long Live Algeria". Also insulting anti-French slogans. An uproar that could be heard for some distance.

The French had held up these executions for a long time - hoping clemency would help end the wave of murders. But in recent weeks, atrocious mass murders and assassinations - have increased. And so finally, the authorities decided - to carry through the executions. With more to follow.

All of which may touch off more violence. Since the rebels have threatened to kill two Frenchmen - for every Nationalist executed.

The guerrilla warfare in Algeria seems to be dying down. France now has massive military forces in

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Algeria - and the main rebel forces apparently have been crushed.

The Minister for Algeria, Robert LaCoste, is preparing to launch his reform program, including abolition of separate administrations in towns that have mixed French and Arab populations. He promises to change the system - if peace really comes to Algeria.

JAPANESE

Fifty Japanese fishermen have returned from Russia - minus their boats and their captains. They were all captured in May - when Moscow claimed they were fishing in Soviet Waters. They however insist they were outside the twelve mile limit.

They say they were questioned about military installations in Japan - and about American troops. Then the Captains of the Japanese fishing boats were sentenced to three years. And the boats were confiscated. The seamen, just released.

EGYPT

Tonight it seems more likely than ever, that Egypt will get economic aid from Russia. That's indicated by Premier Nasser's speech in "Republic Square" - when he told a crowd of one hundred thousand, that Cairo is willing to accept help from anyone.

When the Egyptian Premier said that, one of his most interested listeners - was the Soviet Foreign Minister, Shepilov. Informed sources in Cairo declare that Shepilov has offered Nasser a big "package deal" to help develop Egypt economically.

TITO

Today's scene at the great Dynamo Stadium in Moscow - was enough to make old Joe Stalin do some spinning in that tomb outside the Kremlin where he lies beside Lenin. The Stadium today was filled with a crowd of eighty thousand - including five thousand school children, waving flags and cheering, for Tito! The man Stalin tried to destroy.

In his speech, Tito did not name Stalin as the man who caused seven bitter years of enmity between Russia and Yugoslavia. But the inference was clear when he said: - "The break was a result of one man's opinion - and a distortion of what took place in Yugoslavia."

Then he added that the past is now buried - and Yugoslavia and Russia will work together for peace and cooperation between nations.

Khrushchev also spoke, and promised eternal friendship between the U.S.S.R. and Tito's Yugoslavia.

DULLES

Secretary of State Dulles again asks Congress to support the Eisenhower Foreign Aid program. Before the Senate Appropriations Committee, he reiterated that, to slash would endanger our security. And that the Soviet "new look" - does not remove the danger of Communist aggression. He made a special plea for aid to Yugoslavia, and still thinks Tito's independence of the Kremlin is important to us. That it would be folly to let Russia dominate Yugoslavia economically, - which might happen if our aid were withdrawn.

BERLIN

The allied military commanders in Berlin will not attend farewell ceremonies for Russian troops leaving East Germany. ^{Altho} The British, French and American military leaders had been invited [^] to witness the withdrawal of more than thirty thousand Russian soldiers, ~~But~~ all three ^{But} ~~commanders~~ have refused, - ~~although they say~~ they'll send representatives. ~~Apparently, the West is afraid the Russians would try to make propaganda out of the presence of the western commanders in Berlin.~~

GERMAN NAVY

The West German Navy doubled its size today - when it received four minesweepers from America. Earlier this month, Bonn had received four similar ships. Today's batch, handed over at Bremerhaven - by Captain Charles Moses, who commands our Naval base in that German port.

The West German Navy, ~~growing in size~~ *eventually will* have one hundred and seventy ships; ~~when it reaches its limit. That's~~ the figure set by the Paris peace agreements.

ATOMIC

A United Nations commission reports on the islands of Eniwetok and Bikini - that the native inhabitants will probably never return - the two islands evidently too saturated by atomic radiation.

So, in the U.N., we may have to face an attack on our trusteeship of Bikini and Eniwetok.

Meanwhile, there have been more stories from the Pacific! A Japanese survey ship discovering a peculiar kind of nuclear ash - containing elements never before reported from the scene of atomic explosions. Tonight, Tokyo is buzzing with the rumor that we exploded a "super hydrogen bomb" last week - which Japanese instruments had not indicated. Another suggestion is that this new nuclear ash may be the result of the explosion of a British H - bomb off northern Australia.

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Australian airline pilots report "freak winds" in the Pacific. The winds, up to two hundred miles an hour. So strong that Australian passenger planes are

setting records along the Adelaide-Sydney route. One airliner making a normal two-hour-and-forty-five minutes run in an hour-and-fifty-two minutes.

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Australia announces plans for new atomic tests, including Britain and Canada - to be staged at a new range, eight hundred miles north of Adelaide.

LAFAYETTE

Everyone interested in American history - and that ought to include all of us - should read today's New York Times - the story from Paris, telling of a sensational find of Lafayette papers--thousands of them. Discovered in the old Fifteenth Century Castle where Lafayette once lived. The castle, now owned by Count Rene DeChambrun, one of Lafayette's direct descendants. DeChambrun well known over here, and his wife Jose.

It will take time for scholars to evaluate these new Lafayette papers. But the Times prints one that changes an old opinion of the Marquis. The story was that he sneaked off to fight in the American Revolution - that is, without telling his wife. But The Times quotes a letter to his wife, dated April, Seventeen Seventy Seven. - In it he tells he's off on his new adventure, to America. To help George Washington.

AIR FORCE

Chief of the Air Force development - General Tutt, has told the Senate Armed Services sub-committee that we are ahead of the Russians in quality in the air - even though we are behind them in quantity. But that we must step up our research. He asks for two hundred million more for research.

MCLEAISH

The head of the Farmers Loan Administration resigns.

Robert McLeaish, stepping out after criticism of his conduct.

Yesterday, witnesses before the Senate Sub-Committee accused him of excessive drinking.

According to the Agriculture Department, McLeaish submitted his resignation by Mutual agreement - with Secretary of Agriculture Benson. White House Press Secretary James Hagerty, told newsmen - the resignation will be accepted by the President.

KENTUCKY

Tonight Governor Happy Chandler of Kentucky - is not so happy. The Central Committee of the State Democratic Party has nominated one of his bitter enemies - to contest the seat vacated by Senator Barkley. The ~~first~~ choice of the committee, former Governor Lawrence Wetherby.

Governor Chandler yesterday named his pal Joseph Leary to fill the vacancy, until November. The Governor, hoping that the committee also would okay Leary.

Instead, it names Wetherby, and that means Happy Chandler's enemy is likely to go to the Senate.

STEEL

The steel workers of America warn that "time is running out." The union wants to negotiate new contracts on a company-by-company basis. The industry calls this "divide and conquer tactics." ~~And~~ neither side seems willing to back down, ^{and} ~~said~~ ^{said} a union spokesman today: "Right now, they appear to be bargaining - from irreconcilable positions."

WATSON

One of America's most distinguished and most famous men, died today - Thomas J. Watson, at eighty-two. The man who built I.B.M. - International Business Machines, into a two-and-a-half-billion dollar corporation known round the world. Thomas Watson, famous for his slogan "Think" - which appears prominently in all I.B.M. offices. Famous also as America's No. One host. One of the authentic giants of our time.

CARTOONS

Anyone interested in cartoons of President Eisenhower - will be able to buy them in book form. The book, composed of Mr. Eisenhower's own collection of cartoons, portraits, caricatures, and comic impressions of him - by ninety-five artists. *The President* ~~Mr. Eisenhower has gathered~~ *collected these. Now he permits* ~~them~~ for his own amusement ~~over the past few years. He's~~ *their* ~~allowing~~ publication - to encourage the public to buy savings bonds. The books of cartoons will include both a letter from the President and a foreword by Secretary of the Treasury, George Humphrey.

GLIDER

Ray Jackson of Dearborn - set a new Michigan glider record today, when he soared to near twenty thousand feet. Wind did it all for him.

Released by a tow plane at twenty five hundred feet, he was caught by a terrific gust of wind that took him up and up at a rate of four thousand feet a minute, until he was about two miles higher than the previous record. With his glider out of control, until it reached its limit. Then it nosed over and started down. The pilot finally regained control, although at times he was moving at nearly two hundred miles an hour. And that Henry - that's plenty fast for a glider.