President Eisenhower will leave Washington tomorrow morning
for a two-week vacation at Key West, Florida. So announced by Press

Secretary James Hagerty - who told newsmen that Mr. Eisenhower

intended to leave by plane at eight-thirty; Washington time, for Key

West.

The trip follows the recommendations of the President's doctors - who advised him to spend some time in a warmer climate, where he could get sun, fresh air, and mild exercise.

Only last week, the President informed the Key West Chamber

of Commerce - that he probably could not get south this winter, - or

But to day he says

anyways no farther south than Georgia. Todays announcement means

that our Chief Executive has changed his mind. Key West it will be

So Mr. Eisenhower will be away when Congress converse next

The meantime he is working on the lines of but, of course, he'll have Congress very much on his limited as he works of his State of the Union message - which goes to Capitol Hill on January fifth.

Meanwhile. The President had another conference with Secretary

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of State Dulles - the second in two days. Pin Hagerty refused to say

what subjects were discussed today - but he revealed that

yesterdays discussion involved the Pope's Christmas appeal for a ban on atomic weapons.

The floods in California are getting worse. Rivers, bursting as a result of another their banks for a second time - as they rise under a downpour. of rain.

Hardest hit, Yuba City, where the Feather River is on the rampage again. The flood, rolling down from the Sierras, putting half the town under water - three feet deep in some places.

Governor Knight has ordered three hundred more National

Guardsmen to Yuba Cfty - to help prevent the looting of homes

and stores. The curfew is still on - no one allowed on the eity

streets after five - without a special pass.

The new flood at Yuba City has interrupted the search for the dead. The toll thus far - over fifty, including Northern California and Oregon. The officials of Sutter County predict that the final tabulation of fotalities may easily go over a hundred. And the Camage already done is estimated at one hundred million.

Tonight there's another California danger spot - the Delta of the San Joaquin and Sacramento Rivers, at the east end of San Francisco Bay.

two rivers collide with a freak tide in the Bay. Army engineers believe the tide will rise at least ten feet - which will send a which deluge over the islands of the Delta. There are bundreds of them.

And elthough the danger to life is small—thousands of acres of rich farm land might be ruined. Tonight, four hundred civilian and Air Force volunteers are manning the dikes - prepared to build a rampart of sandbags wherever a break occurs.

The question of who really runs East Germany may get a dramatic answer - from the case of an American soldier, who was arrested by the East Berlin police last night, Sergeant Mike Kliman, of Brooklyn, was driving with his wife and son - when he was involved in an accident with another car. The Communists say that he was drunk, Pailed to stop at a main intersection, and was responsible for hitting the other car. The Red newspapers, describing Sergeant Kliman as a "Drunken Occupier". The police threw him in 55 jail, but allowed his wife to return with her son to West Germany.

Mrs. Kliman's version of what happened - is quite different.

She says they were driving along on a dark street, and in pouring rain. Their car was moving at only twenty miles an hour because of the weather. She adds, that the intersection light was out.

Suddenly a taxicab came streaking along, doing about fifty.

It ran into the Kliman's car.

They were promptly picked up by the police - who were very polite - until they found out that Sergeant Kliman was an American.

Then they told him "We must clear this up - and you must come along

with us." They took the sergeant away, leaving Mrs. Kliman free to return to West Berlin. Now she's wondering if it will be possible to get her husband released.

Which, of course, is just the point. Our Army has appealed to Soviet headquarters - asking the Russians to send Sergeant Kliman back. In the meantime, the East Germans say they'll put the Sergeant on trial in their own courts - since they're not under the U.S.S.R.

Under the Four-Power agreement, the East Germans are supposed to hand American soldiers over to the Russians. But, physically, they don't intend to do that, this time.

West Germany appoints an ambassador to Moscow. This, the latest development. following Chancellor Adenauers agreement to establish diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union. The Soviet Ambassador to Bonn arrived last week.

And now, Chancellor Adenauer repays the compliment His encoury; choice. Wilhelm Hass, a fifty-nine year old career diplomat; - at present, Bonn's Ambassador to Turkey.

Here interesting potes - Hass accepted the Moscow post - after

five previous candidates had turned it down.

Turkish narcotic agents today seized half a million dollars

worth of opium - earmarked for shipment to America. Istanbul says

the opium was discovered in a small mountain village - apparently,

the place where it was prepared for transportation. The discovery,

the result of cooperation between American and Turkish agents.

The second big narcotice haul in Turkey since less November
dollar worth A

when four million is morphine and opium were seized.

Communist rebels attacking again in Indo-China. Since the end of the war, the Reds have been in control of many areas south of the truce line. And they stir up trouble whenever they can.

This story, is from the province of Laos, it says that ten
thousand communists are stracking in the jungles about one hundred
miles from Dien Bien Phu - the scene of pepic stand by the French
eighteen months ago. The rebels come down from the mountains on
Friday night to strike at a national outpost - and the latest
report states that fighting is still going on - with the government
of Laos rushing up troops to try to stem the Red Tide.

A bishop of the Ukranian Orthodox Church in South America, charges that Argentine Communists were responsible for that with the Brazilian train wreck on Christmas night. The train was crowded with workers, when it was struck by four run-away freight cars. The crass killed twenty and injured more than one hundred.

Bishop Alexis Pelypenko said in Buenos Aires today, he has a photostat of a letter written by Russian agents in Argentine to comrades in Brazil. The letter urging a campaign of sabotage.

Bishop Pelypenko adds that this train wreck was part of that

Communist campaign.

The Bishop's opinion is taken seriously in Buenos Aires Because he's a native Russian, and an expert on Communist methods.

Today, the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee issued a booklet. That doesn't sound like much of a story - Congressional Committees, are forever issuing booklets on almost any subject you could think of. But this one is something special - it's called The Communical Party in The United States, and is intended to give Americans sound information about Communism.

The booklet points out, for example, that Communism is not just another political party - because it demands things that no real party demands; - rigid discipline, restriction of membership, and control by leaders instead of by members. Here's how the Communist Party is described - "A Russian-inspired, Moscow-dominated, anti-American, quasi-military conspiracy - against our government, our ideals, and our freedoms".

That's the definition of the perty. Then the booklet shows how to identify Communist front organizations. We are told that a front almost always has party members and fellow travelers. It gets publicity in Communist publications. It cooperates with the party and supplies the party with money, either directly or indirectly.

When threatened with exposure, the front will deny being Communist, or change its name, or entice decent citizens into defending it.

This publication of the Senate Sub-Committee is one of the most important of all - and the members of the Sub-Committee hope as many Americans as possible will read it. We can all get it from Washington on request.

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Yesterday's dismal prediction came true. As we heard over and over the National Saftey Council estimated there would be five-hundred-and-sixty deaths on the highways. Until then, the record was five-hundred-and-eighty-eight. Both of those figures fall far below todays final tabulation - six-hundred-and-twenty-one.

Safety experts say there are just too many cars on the road. They might have put it another way- that our roads are inadequate. And there no doubt should be some new regulations.

Tonight the President of General Motors is accepting

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congratulations of from employees, and members of the general public.

Harlow Curtice, named by "Time Magazine" as the "Man-of-the-Year" for nineteen fifty-five.

"Time" points out that Harlow Curtice is President of the world's largest manufacturing corporation. Also, the organization that became the first of its kind to make more than one billion in profits in one year.

But the magazine says that this was not the reason for its choice. It decided to nominate Curtice because of his leadership that has pointed the way for American business. The point being, that when there was a lot of "gloom and doom" talk about a possible depression - G. M. announced a billion-dollar expansion program.

And that optimism gave confidence to a lot of other American companies.

So, tonight, Harlow Curtice of G. M. - is the "Man-of-theYear."

Florida police are hunting for a group of convicts who broke out of jail - in a way that hardly seems ethical. They escaped while their fellow prisoners were singing Christmas carols.

The mass break was well planned. First of all, someone on

as the carol-singing began this group went to work on the bars of the window - and cut their way out. Then they made a rope out the bars of mattress covers - and climbed down from their fifth floor cell.

Six of them gotaway - two recaptured within a few hours, the rest, still at large.