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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The United States has warned Egypt, Syria, and Israel - not to try to seize parts of Jordan during the present crisis. State Department press officer, Lincoln White, makes it clear - that our show of military force in the Middle East - is a warning to Jordan's neighbors as well as to international Communism. That's why our Sixth Fleet is on the way to the eastern Mediterranean to help stabilize the situation.

So far Jordan has not asked Washington - to send in troops under the Eisenhower Doctrine. Washington hopes young King Hussein has a chance of weathering the storm. But if he should fail, then Jordan's neighbors would move in. That is they are likely to. Hence today's warning - to Egypt, Syria, and Israel; - Hands off Jordan!

Today the Jordanians were observing their sabbath, under martial law. Leftists being rounded up and former

Premier Nabulsi reported in flight.

From Iraq, comes a rumor that Soviet "volunteers" are in Syria - all set to invade Jordan. A rumor that is discounted in Washington.

SAUD

Tonight, top officials of the neutral Arab bloc are in Saudi Arabia. *Including* ~~The top figures among them~~ - Wing Commander Ali Sabri, Nasser's chief aide. Their mission - to persuade King Saud - not to let his troops in Jordan support King Hussein.

The lord of the Arabian desert is an ally of the King of Jordan. Saud's men *already has* crossed the *border* ~~border~~ to meet the threat of invasion from Egypt and Syria.

Naturally Those two *are anxious not* ~~countries don't want~~ to have any trouble with King Saud, if they can avoid it. So Ally Sabri and his colleagues have the task of trying to persuade him - to drop King Hussein. Which would allow Egypt and Syria to go ahead in Jordan - with no opposition to worry about, except that of Iraq.

Meanwhile, King Hussein has demanded that Syrian troops in his country - ~~be~~ pulled back ~~by~~ beyond the border. But even if Syria agreed ^s to that, *there may be complications* ~~it might not be possible~~ because *the* Syrian troops in Jordan are under the over-all command of Egyptian General, Abdel Amer.

SYRIA

More violence reported from the Israel-Syrian frontier. Syria charging that Israeli land forces and torpedo boats - violated her border along the shores of Lake Tiberias - the biblical sea of Gallilee. Syria says that a gun battle raged for about an hour - before the Israelis withdrew. No casualties reported.

United Nations

The question of our Sixth fleet came up in the United Nations today. The Soviet delegate charging that we are trying to use an iron fist - in the Middle East. An "iron fist" made up of the battleships now on their way to the eastern Mediterranean.

Our Ambassador took up the challenge. Henry Cabot Lodge saying - Russia would not be disturbed by the movements of our Sixth Fleet - if she were not bent on turning ~~xxxx~~ other nations into Satellites. Said Cabot Lodge: "The Sixth Fleet is in international waters." Then, he added, "it is on the high seas - where it has every right to be."

Nasser's proposals for the Suez Canal - were also debated. France and Australia attacked those proposals as "unilateral and without guarantees." But Cabot Lodge said America would not make any final judgment - until Nasser's plan has been tried out in practice.

HUNGARIANS

Two more Hungarians reached freedom in Austria - in a clever escape. The two were soldiers with an engineer unit - stringing barbed wire along the border. Guarded by Communist secret police.

Suddenly, one Hungarian threw down his spade - and ran toward the border. The second, picked up a tommy gun - and rushed after him shouting: "Stop or I'll shoot!"

The secret police just looking on. Expecting the man with the tommy gun to shoot down the other. Instead, both kept on running - right over the border, into Austria. Where they asked for political asylum.

Well planned in advance - and it worked perfectly.

HONDURAS

While we've all been watching the hottest danger spots of the world - here near home Honduras breaks with Nicaragua, charging that she has been invaded by troops from Nicaragua. According to reports, the Nicaraguan soldiers crossed the Cruta River yesterday - into Honduras. And tonight several Honduran towns are said to be occupied by the invaders.

Nicaragua denies any invasion. Merely says that land belonging to Nicaragua has been restored to that nation. Seizing territory - the two nations have been quarreling over for years.

In Nineteen Six, the King of Spain acted as an arbitrator. King Alfonso ruling that the territory belonged to Honduras. But Nicaragua never accepted Alfonso's verdict. Now an invasion - with the government of Honduras rushing a representative to El Salvador - asking for support.

SPY

Another former member of a Russian spy ring, operating in the United States - pleads guilty. Jacob Albam, the third member of the ring - admitting he tried to obtain American defense secrets for Russian agents. The other two - Jack Soble and his wife, Myra.

Albam was a foreman in a Brooklyn tea company - when he was arrested by the F.B.I. The government charges that Albam was recruited for spy work by Soble. By pleading guilty, Albam and the Sobles have escaped a possible death penalty for espionage in peace time. But all three could get ~~ten~~ ten years ~~in jail~~ - and a fine of ten thousand dollars.

ATOMIC

A member of ^{the} ~~our~~ Atomic Energy Commission repeats -
human beings are not being harmed by radiation from atomic
tests. Willard Libby repeating - what he said in ^a ~~yesterday's~~
letter to Doctor Albert Schweitzer, ^{who had protested} ~~Doctor Schweitzer has~~
~~said~~ - that radiation would be stored up to the point of
catastrophe - if atomic explosions went on much longer. ^{This} Doctor
Libby denies, ~~this~~ - Today he told the American physical
Society - we need have no such fear, [!] ~~according to Doctor~~
^{That} ~~libby,~~ the nuclear tests ^{can} ~~could~~ continue indefinitely - and
still not create any dangerous concentration of radiation,
~~in human beings.~~

LABOR

Members of Congress - of both parties - are throwing their support behind President Eisenhower's request for legislation - to wipe out labor racketeering. Hoping to make sure the union rank-and-file will be protected from exploitation by union bosses.

The chairman of the Senate rackets committee today agreed - that the executive branch should be given authority to examine union welfare and pension funds. Arkansas Senator McClellan adding that - the President should have the right to make labor finances public. Also that Congress should make sure union elections from now on are on the level.

WEATHER

Tonight the people of Texas are wondering - what happened to gentle spring. The Lone Star State, devastated by tornadoes and floods. More twisters destroying homes and barns - knocking over telephone lines. In Tyler, alone, twenty-five houses leveled by one tornado - three hundred other buildings, damaged.

Five inches of rain at Dallas and Fort Worth, where five hundred persons were rescued from flooded homes. The Trinity River, described as "big and wild as the Mississippi," with a crest nearing forty-two feet.

ROMANCE

Today Secretary of State Dulles received a call from those famous newlyweds. Harold and Olga Connolly, America's champion hammer-thrower and his discus throwing bride from Czcho-Slavakia. The wedding of Harold and Olga a triumph of romance - over international complications. Secretary Dulles saying at the time that our State Department is all in favor of love.

Today Secretary Dulles repeated those noble sentiments - when he met the newlyweds. He said he hoped his remarks - were of some help to them. Then he complimented Connolly on the job he did for the State Department in Europe; noting that our hammer-thrower received a bonus in the person of hammerthrowing Olga. Said the Secretary of State rather plaintively:- "I wish we could all do as well."

BOOTLEGGER

now
~~Here's~~ an echo of the roaring twenties - the prohibition era. A dispatch from Patterson, New Jersey telling us that ~~James~~ "Cockeye" O'Leary has been found guilty - of a murder committed in Nineteen Twenty Nine.

That was when "Cockeye" O'Leary was a big-time bootlegger - supplying ~~the speak easies, with fine water.~~ In May of that year, a gangster was shot to death in the rear of a garage. Before he died, he named ^{*Cockeye the*} bottlegger ~~O'Leary~~ as the gunman. ^{*Altho'*} ~~And so~~ O'Leary was indicted,

~~Somehow~~ the indictment got lost in ~~the~~ office files. ^{*and was only*} ~~Discovered~~, by accident, ^{*recently.*} ~~last December.~~ The old-time bottlegger arrested - finally put on trial. Now the verdict. Ten years for "Cockeye" O'Leary - because of ^{*that*} a crime ~~he~~ committed twenty-eight years ago - when ^{*Cockeye was*} ~~he was busy violating~~ ~~the prohibition laws in New Jersey~~ ^{*a bootlegger.*}

DANCER

That must have been a strange sight on San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge. An unemployed dancer, clutching a yellow rose - standing on a cable - threatening to jump three hundred feet into the water. Billy Crosby, telling would-be rescuers, "I've been misunderstood."

A motorist was the first to spot Miss Crosby up there on the cable. A patrolman rushed up - and ordered her to come down. Crosby refused. Then bridge manager Adam, brought out a loud speaker - and began ~~to~~ taking to the lithe figure swaying on the cable, three hundred feet above the water. He tried every argument he could think of. And finally hit on the right one. First he said:- "It must be cold up there on that cable." No reaction. Then he asked:- "wouldn't you like a platter of ham and eggs?"

That did it. The dancer replied: "Why, yes, I would." And down he came. And off they whisked him to a psychopathic ward.

BIGAMIST

In Chicago, Walter Yemm told police - he likes married life. No one doubts that - because Yemm admits he has six wives. And he would have eight - except that he divorced two of them.

Yemm, forty-seven was all set to take bride number nine - but she got suspicious - and asked the police to investigate her fiance.

What they found - astonished them. Yemm started getting married in Nineteen Thirty One. *He had married* ~~and he went through~~ a whole list of wives - Beverly, Wilma, ~~Edith~~ *Antoinette*, Betty, Mary, *Estelle*, Corrine and ~~and~~ *Ewendolyn*.

With that record, you'd think Yemm must have been - a pretty good husband. He was - in one way. He divided his time equally between the ladies. Each time he left one of them - he ~~explained~~ explained he was on a business trip. But they didn't get much out of him. He let them pay the rent - and buy the groceries. When questioned about his ~~firm~~ finances - he made big promises about retiring any day - with thirteen

hundred dollars monthly from an aeroplane company. None *of that*

long list of
as the Mrs. Yemms ever thought of questioning him ~~very~~ closely

about that company - or its pension.

Anyway, Walter Yemm, the bigamist, is in the clink tonight - the man with six wives - who wanted to get married again.

PARACHUTE

This summer, over Minnesota - another parachute jump will be attempted. General Mills of Minneapolis - which is doing air research for our Air Force, says its "high-dive project" will be one of the most daring experiments - in the history of aviation. Next week there a trial, with a dummy, from ninety thousand feet - higher than man has ever gone. A special balloon will be launched by New Brighton, Minnesota; and at ninety thousand feet, by radio they'll boost the dummy into space. It will plunge straight down for more than seven minutes - a fourteen mile drop - before its parachute opens. Among the witness will be Captain Henry Nielsen of Dayton, who has volunteered to be the first to try it! Later on. How would you like to fall 90,000 feet, Henry?

END

Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

L.T. Well, I recall the many times I've worked with Morse operators, getting the news when broadcasting at some out-of-the-way place. Tomorrow, when I am off the air, we will be celebrating ~~an~~ the one-hundred and sixty-sixth birthday of Samuel Morse, inventor of the electric telegraph. Tonight and tomorrow night Morse telegraph clubs are holding banquets across the country. A reminder of this comes from Ralph Graham, who wrote a book on "The Saga of Telegraphy". So, I have a particular reason for saluting the old-time Morse operators - and a grand group they are - with whom I've worked down through the years. They pulled me out of some tight situations! So, here's to Samuel Morse, and all my Morse operator friends. I hope they are listening. And, solong until ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Monday.