

GUANTANAMO

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President Eisenhower's statement on Guantanamo is intended to prevent any miscalculation by Castro or Khrushchev. The President, noting the infiltration of Cuba by Communists -- says flatly that we will defend our Cuban naval base against any attack. Defend it, in Mr. Eisenhower's words -- "With whatever steps may be appropriate." Today Mr. Eisenhower pointed out that Guantanamo constitutes no threat to Cuba. And our position is guaranteed by a solemn agreement -- signed by Cuba. We are entitled to stay in Guantanamo -- and we intend to, according to President Eisenhower.

At the United Nations late today, a setback for the Cubans --- and the Russians. The General Assembly voted down a ^{SOVIET-BACKED} Cuban proposal ~~which had Soviet support and which called~~ for an ~~that~~ urgent assembly debate on the Castro charges that the United States is ~~is~~ planning to invade Cuba.

BASE

The new British base for American atomic submarines -- will not be their home port. Prime Minister Macmillan assured the House of Commons today -- on this vital point. The Prime Minister noted that this Anglo-American agreement provides for the subs to stop at Britain only between patrols. And to leave for the high seas -- as soon as they^e are ready.

Macmillan was badgered with questions -- about safety. What if a Polaris missile should go off -- in the River Clyde? The Prime Minister answered -- that this is impossible. The missiles will be de-fused -- when the subs enter the Clyde. So there's no danger -- of Glasgow being accidentally blown up.

America's economy probably will be strong enough to expand - next year. So says Frederick Donner, Chairman of the Board at General Motors. Donner, following up yesterday's announcement - that his company has earmarked over a billion dollars for spending in the next fiscal year. That much - for building, machinery, and new equipment. That much of an investment - in America's future.

Donner told his news conference today - that this country ought to be prosperous enough for other companies to follow GM's lead. His only condition - consumer confidence must remain strong. And he thinks it will.

Is this announcement just now, a political move - to help Nixon? Donner says - "No." He reminded the newsmen that GM always makes a statement on business prospects - at this time of year. Which I can vouch for, having often attended this annual news conference.

POLITICS

Both candidates ran into some tense moments today - and both came out unscratched.

Kennedy's plane couldn't land on time at Los Angeles International Airport - because of a heavy fog. As a result, the Democratic candidate went round and round up there in the sky with some twenty other planes. Scheduled to land at eight-thirty a.m. he got down at ten.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the continent - Nixon twice came close to personal injury today. Nixon, campaigning in Lancaster, Pennsylvania - rode through a wildly enthusiastic crowd. When one lady rushed up and tried to kiss him, she knocked the Vice President off-balance - and he bounced back into the rear seat of the car. Hardly had Nixon stood up again - when two men pulled at his arm at the same time. They almost dragged the Republican candidate out of the car.

Yes, the Senator and the Vice President had some anxious moments today - and political triumphs too.

Kennedy went from the airport to the University of Southern California - where he received a thunderous ovation, from an audience of first-time voters.

Nixon got the same kind of reception - in Lancaster. He was repeatedly cheered and applauded - as he called on rural Pennsylvanians to vote for "Nixon and security."

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"SPY"

Tonight the Soviet newspapers are giving their readers - another horror story about American "espionage". They claim to have captured - another spy; one Mikhail Platovskiy who is said to have confessed that he was sent into Russia to gather secret information on rocket installations. The Soviets claim that he had with him radios, codes, a printing press, a forged Soviet passport; and a phial of poison, so he could commit suicide if captured.

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East Berlin."

From our State Department, no comment -- except that Platovsky is apparently a Soviet citizen.

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SALAN

A French visitor declared in Barcelona today -- "I'm just another tourist." But the Spanish police aren't convinced -- because their visitor is General Raoual Salan, who once commanded French troupes in Algeria. General Salan, who took part in the army revolt -- that brought General DeGaulle to power.

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CONGO

A Congo delegation will soon arrive in the United States -- to study our military techniques. Nothing political about it -- according to Colonel Mobutu. The Strong Man of the Congo -- ^{which} ~~at least that's~~ ^{what} ~~what~~ he would like to be -- says he must strengthen his army. Do it by adopting the training and tactics -- of the West. Or else leave the Congo open to future aggression -- by the Communists.

Mobutu's men will stop first -- at the Pentagon. Then continue on a swing through Canada and Western Europe -- and back to Leopoldville. At home, they'll advise Mobutu on their findings -- of how to bring his army up-to-date.

QUEEN

Queen Elizabeth opened the staid old London Parliament today - amid all the pageantry of a thousand years. The House of Lords, crowded with dignitaries - Earls, Barons, Bishops; many in brilliant robes.

A blare of trumpets. Everyone rises - and stands in silence. The Queen enters, in royal ermine and crown sparkling with three thousand diamonds. Her Majesty ascends the throne and says graciously:- "My Lords and Ladies, please be seated."

The Lord Chancellor hands his sovereign her speech - which is ten minutes long, and full of the traditional phrases: - "My Government," - "My service abroad," - "My armed forces;" and so on. The speech actually prepared by the Prime Minister.

One day every year, British history comes to a focus - on Monarch and people. The occasion over which Queen Elizabeth presided today - Dick - the colorful, dramatic, historic opening of Parliament.

GOLD

Here's a story -- of hidden treasure. The lucky individual -- Ed Jackson of Packerton, Indiana. Ed, who happened to pick up an empty tool box at an auction -- when no one else would even bid for it. Ed got the tool box -- for ten cents.

He carted it home, and forgot about it -- until the weather turned cold. Then he decided to use it -- for ~~kindly~~ kindling. Trying to split the tool box with his axe, he knocked off a loose board and uncovered a hole in the side. Out came -- a stream of gold.

Thirty-three gold coins -- some dating as far back as the Civil War. ~~Value~~ ^{Worth} -- over a thousand dollars.

Ed Jackson ~~was~~ getting back, a treasure in gold for his original investment of ten cents -- one dime.