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At the Security Council of the United Nations, tonight, the Moscow delegation proposed - that the U N should ask the United States and Russia to intervene in the Middle East - with joint American and Soviet forces. Unless - Britain, France and Israel agreed to a cease fire in twelve hours.

Earlier in the day, Soviet Premier Bulganin had made the same suggestion - in a letter to President Eisenhower. Which communication was handed to the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow, just as our Embassy was delivering a letter from Eisenhower to Bulganin. In which - the President protested in scathing terms against the new Soviet occupation in Hungary. Adding a note of bitter irony - to the whole thing. The Soviets proposing that we join them against aggression in Egypt, while they are savagely crushing the Ma Hungarian fighters for freedom.

The White House immediately stated - that any scheme of using Russian military forces in the Middle East

→ would be opposed by the United States. Opposed
- in the U N. Since, obviously, it would mean - the Soviets
getting a foothold in the Suez Canal area.

Last night, the General Assembly of the U N voted -
for U N military units to be stationed in the Middle East, for
the purpose of keeping the peace. But - an international Army
from which the big powers would be excluded. The United
States is backing that. The Soviets to keep out. Ourselves -
also excluded.

The plan for a U N police force was put up to
Britain and France - and they have agreed. They'll call off
the war in Egypt, if both Israel and Egypt accept. And now,
they do accept. Egypt replying promptly - saying okay. Israel
following suit - they'll accept. So it looks as if the project
might go through - the war called off, and a U N ~~px~~ police
force brought in.

Britain, tonight, announced - that an order has

been given for all bombings to stop. No air action in the Suez area - except for the immediate ~~purpose~~^{purpose} of protecting ground forces in an emergency.

This information was given to the U N tonight by British Ambassador Sir Pearson Dixon - no more air raids in Egypt.

The latest - the Security Council has just rejected the Soviet appeal for an ultimatum to Britain, France and Egypt. With that threat -- of American-Soviet intervention.

SUEZ

Today's invasion of Suez was - in two airborne waves. The first one - at dawn. When a fleet of big transport planes flew from Cyprus - with British and French paratroops. Winging their way across the narrow waters of the Mediterranean to the northern end of the canal. Soldiers of the sky - descending in a swarm, at a point near Port Said. The ~~beach on the shore~~ ^{city in Egypt}, where the Suez Canal enters the Mediterranean. The British-French paratroop army - fanning out to seize important points.

The second wave - in mid-Afternoon. French paratroops - coming down at another point near Port Said. And moving - to join forces with the first airborne wave. The two forces - seizing airfields, bridges across the canal, ^{the} and Port Said waterworks.

The operation so successful - that, before the day was over, the Egyptian garrison in Port Said was negotiating for a surrender. Prime Minister Eden announcing ~~it~~ to the House of Commons, in London - that a cease-fire ~~is~~

had been declared at Port Said, while surrender negotiations went on. *And now word has come that the Port Said garrison has surrendered.*

But all this was accomplished - ~~is~~ only after hard

fighting. So says British military headquarters on Cyprus.

Which tells of the Egyptians putting up a tough battle - with

tanks, mortars and machine guns. Yet casualties - were

extremely light. Instructions for the air invasion having

been - to avoid casualties ~~as~~ as far as possible. Including-

Egyptian casualties. Keep them down, too. They don't want

any blood bath at Suez, if they can help it.

The story from the Egyptian side - much to the

contrary. Cairo denies that the garrison at Port Said is

talking surrender. Cairo says, the Egyptian Army has sworn

to fight to the last man. And claims - the first airborne

wave of the invasion was annihilated. Planes landed/^{with}paratroops -

shot down. The ~~next~~ second - in process of being destroyed.

Egyptian military headquarters announcing: 'Our forces are in

complete command of the situation."

Well, every war brings those grotesque inconsistencies, contradictions verging on lunacy - and you can take your pick. At any rate, the day ended with word of a huge amphibious fleet sailing from Cyprus - to land massive military forces at Port Said. The way having been cleared - by the paratroop invasion.

ISRAEL

Israel announces the capture of an Egyptian strong point at the head of the Gulf of Aqaba. Not far - from the Israeli port of Elath. Which is Israel's outlet into the Red Sea.

Otherwise - no war news from that side. Where the Israelis are cleaning out Egyptian soldiers and equipment from the ~~desolate~~ desolate spaces of the Sinai Peninsula.

In Jerusalem, Israel - reports of troops moving into Jordan from Syria and Iraq. The Israeli cabinet - in emergency sessions. Considering the possibility of an attack from Jordan.

But there's other word, saying its unlikely that either Jordan or Syria would make any move. Allied with Egypt - but mighty cautious in the face of the military strength of Israel.

President Eisenhower has appealed to King Hussein of Jordan - asking him to help in preventing a spread of the war in the Middle East.

HUNGARY

tonight

The State of Affairs in the martyred land of Hungary - is not at all clear. It's obvious that a massive Russian army has taken control - and established a new government in Budapest. Columns of Soviet armor - fanning out through the country. Making it seem impossible for the Hungarian people to put up any kind of effective resistance. ^{TP} So it would seem.

Yet, there's word ~~that~~ the Hungarians - continue to ~~not~~ resist. In Budapest, a patriotic force holding out - in a section of the city, which they defended against the Russians in the first successful revolution. ^{now making} Received ~~on~~ another heroic defense. ^{and} the same sort of news comes from other towns in Hungary. - People still defiant, in the face of an overwhelming force.

Today, the Russians gave the Hungarian army an ultimatum - telling them to surrender their weapons, or face court-martial. With penalties of death - or exile to Siberia.

The Russians have installed a new government
in Budapest - after deposing Premier Nagy. The character
of this new regime - remains to be seen. Whether it is a
brutal ~~as~~ Stalinist outfit, ^{style} ~~after the old fashion~~ ^{or} ~~or maybe~~
something ^{slightly} ~~of~~ a milder sort, as in Poland.

SUB LEAD ELECTION

The White House denies last minute, pre-election reports that President Eisenhower is ill. These reports are called-a desperate, fraudulent attempt to influence votes tomorrow. Presidential Secretary Hagerty says he received "a lot of telephone calls", asking about rumors that President Eisenhower is confined to the White House by illness. The word - circulated extensively in the last forty-eight hours.

Democratic chairman Paul Butler denies promptly that the Democrats have been circulating rumors about the President's health.

The truth, said Hagerty, is that the President spent a busy day, working on matters - connected with the violence in Egypt, and the brutal Soviet suppression in Hungary.

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→ ~~President Eisenhower spent a busy day. Working on matters connected with the war in Egypt, and the brutal Soviet suppression in Hungary.~~ (Also - talking over political affairs with Vice President Nixon, the busiest Republican campaigner, and with G O P National Chairman Leonard Hall.)
Later, the President paid a call at Republican headquarters, thanking the workers there for their campaign efforts.

(Tomorrow, the President and Mrs. Eisenhower go to their Gettysburg farm - to vote. ~~Rankin~~ Returning almost immediately - to Washington.)

Adlai Stevenson attended a campaign breakfast in Minneapolis and is electioneering in Boston, tonight - flying halfway across the country. Which illustrates - the amount of traveling he has done, almost thirty-six thousand miles in this one political campaign.

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The Secretary of State is making an "excellent" recovery, according to the doctors. John Foster Dulles - having had a cancer operation. ~~A cancerous~~^Q growth, removed from the large intestine, on Saturday.

The surgeons, then, estimated he would be six weeks in recovering. But the medical word was, today - that Secretary Dulles would be back at his desk in Washington sooner than expected.

Meanwhile, his place is being taken by Acting Secretary of State Herbert Hoover, Jr., whose name, as it happens, got into the political campaign on Saturday. When Senator Kefauver charged that Herbert Hoover Jr. owns oil interests - in the Middle East. The Democratic Vice Presidential candidate said this in a campaign speech at St. Paul. With an obvious reference - to the importance of Arabian oil in that Middle Eastern imbroglio.

All of which draws an emphatic ~~in~~ denial - issued by Herbert Hoover ~~is~~^{Sn.} who ~~is~~ calls the Kefauver statement an -

"absolute lie." The former President said - that neither his son, the Acting Secretary, nor any other member of the Hoover family, holds any interest in Middle Eastern oil. To which he adds - that Herbert Hoover Jr. gave up all of his business interests, anywhere in the world, when he accepted his position in the State Department. At great sacrifice - to himself.

ATOMIC

Here's a statement of number one importance - concerning those front page headlines - a couple of weeks ago. Those hydrogen bomb excitements - and the danger of blowing the earth off its axis.

The statement is from two of our top ranking atomic scientists. Dr. Ernest Lawrence, who devised the ~~at~~ cyclotron - and Dr. Edward Teller, who played the principal part in the creation of the hydrogen bomb. So what have they to say? Well, Adlai Stevenson argued - that we should stop hydrogen bomb tests, on the basis of a mere agreement with Soviet Russia. The "adequate safeguards" on which President Eisenhower ^{Adlai Stevenson, Because,} insists - not necessary, ~~if~~ the Soviets violated the agreement, we could always detect a hydrogen-bomb-test explosion - anywhere in the world.

To this Doctors Lawrence and Teller reply: "We have no sure method of detecting ~~missile~~ nuclear weapons tests. The widely held belief that our detection methods are infallible," they go on, "is an unfortunate misconception."

The Democratic nominee gave ~~me~~ nightmare warnings - about the frightful effects of hydrogen test explosions.

Poisoning the ~~skm~~ atmosphere - threatening the entire human race.

But doctors Lawrence and Teller state the following:

"The radioactivity produced by the testing program - is insignificant. The most authoritative report on this subject," they add, "is the study of the National ~~Academy~~ Academy of Sciences, in which it was shown - that past tests have not put into the atmosphere an amount of radioactivity which is harmful in any manner."

{ They go on to say that we cannot progress with our development of atomic weapons - without tests. That, without a continuing test program - we could fall far behind Soviet Russia. }

All this news is pretty heavy tonite - maybe you can cheer us up a bit.