

DULLES

L.T. - Delco Monday, Feb. 9, 1959.
(Rebe Flacid)

Sec of State John Foster Dulles - is entering a hospital for an operation, To undergo surgery for a hernia. So announced - at the White House tonight.

In addition to the operation, Sec. Dulles needs a period of rest to recover from an intestinal inflammation he had a couple of months ago. His doctor telling him - he has not thrown off the effects completely.

At the White House, President Secretary Jim Haggerty says this does not mean any recurrence of the cancerous condition Sec. Dulles had a considerable time ago. Haggerty adding - the Sec. will be expected back on the job in several weeks.

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Secretary of State John Foster Dulles came back to Washington today - after conferences with our Western Allies abroad. He reports - full agreement on what will be done - if the Communists try to force the West out of Berlin. We are not informed what measures might be taken, but the western powers are determined - they'll stay.

In London, meanwhile, the British government announced full support of the statement made earlier by Secretary Dulles. That - ~~the~~ the west will make no concessions to the Soviets, unless they make concessions too.

PLANE

The State Department in Washington challenges Moscow - to say it in Russian.

Referring - to charges made over the weekend by the Soviet Radio, That the tape recording - is a fraud. That evidence - of radio talk between Soviet fighter pilots. Proving - that they shot down the unarmed American transport plane, which was destroyed in Soviet Armenia.

The Moscow ^{in a} radio broadcast, ^{ed} declaring the tape recording is a fake, ^{and} made the charge in several languages, [^] But not - in Russia, [^] Telling other countries - but not the Russian people who - are kept in ignorance of the tape recorded evidence.

So, today, the State Department said in effect - say it in Russian.

IRAQ

The alarming state of affairs in Iraq - was a weekend headline, With indications - of Communist influences prevailing in the government at Baghdad. So here's an analysis given - by Iraqis in Beirut.

After King Faisal was ~~overthrown and~~ ^{assassinated} ~~last~~ last July - the new regime of Premier Kassem was divided in two factions. Pro-Nasser, and Pro-Communist. Premier Kassem against a union with Nasser's Arab republic. His number two man, Abdel Salam Aref - in favor of Nasser and against the Communists.

The feud of the factions - leading to an open break. Aref, charged with a plot to assassinate Kassem - and condemned to death.

So, now, the cabinet at Baghdad is dominated by left-wingers - favorable to Communism.

Observers in Beirut say - they don't think Kassem is a Communist. But he's a soldier with ~~no~~ little experience in politics and is likely to be dominated by the pro-Communists around him.

ALGERIA

A wild uproar in Algiers today - with raging demonstrations against the visiting Premier from Paris. Premier Debre - right hand man to President Charles DeGaulle. The mob - consisting of French Algerians. French settlers - angered by DeGaulle's policy of concession to the nationalism of the African Algerians.

Today, they howled in fury - "Debre to the gallows!" The same right-wingers - who played so important a part in bringing DeGaulle to power in the first place. They staged a virtual revolt in his favor then. And are bitterly against his liberal policy now.

CYPRUS

At the conference on the future of ~~xxxxxx~~ Cyprus a definite agreement had been expected ~~by~~ between the Greeks and the Turks. But that- seems to be delayed.

Meeting at Zurich, Switzerland, the foreign ministers of the two countries are drawing up a plan for the independence of Cyprus. A few details - still to be worked out. These concerning provisos to safe guard the Turkish minority on the land. The scheme for an independent Cyprus - to forbid union with Greece. The Turks - to have a sort of local self rule.

The foreign ministers - to hold another meeting tomorrow. Hoping - for a final settlement.

WEATHER

The weather story - tonight ^{is} illustrated by a dispatch from Chicago. Hospitals overworked - with doctors busy setting broken arms and legs. Fractures by the dozens, Because of people falling on icy streets. The middle west from Kansas East - one vast sheet of glaze. A layer of ice - covering one state after another. Driving conditions a nightmare of slipping and sliding. The weather man declaring the East will get the glaze ice tonight.

I, by the way, am in the Adirondacks, back at the famous Lake Placid Club, and here we are deep in powder snow.

SCHOOL

In Congress a request from President Eisenhower asking for two billion, five hundred million dollars, To finance a program - for school construction aid. The money - to go to local schools and colleges. Providing - that the state's contribute their part, fifty-fifty.

Sitting here with me this evening are the boys of Northwood School - and some of their instructors. If we had ^{many} more schools as fine as Northwood - the nation would not now be worrying as much as it is about our American educational system.

FORDHAM

Fordham University had a dramatic fire today. Flames destroying a building. A small building, fifty by a hundred, and one story high. But - a research laboratory where scientists experiments of number one importance were being conducted.

No lives lost - nobody hurt.

Brave work by students rescuing priceless research material. Vials of chemicals with which laboratory studies were being made. Masses of papers - belonging to absent professors - data developed by long laborious experiments. Some scorched but legible.

A lot of laboratory equipment ruined. But the research information saved.

LOCOMOTIVE

Tonight there's a slow freight - loafing along across California. The train taking it easy - because of "General Pershing".

An aged steam locomotive - named after the commander of the A E F in World War One. The General Pershing - having served in three wars. The first and second world wars - and the Korean war. That historic locomotive - now to be given a place of honor at the National Railroad Museum, ^{at} Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Shipped over from Korea, it landed in Oakland - and, there, was hooked onto a freight train for the trip to Wisconsin. The old steam engine - so decrepit it can't make any speed. Maximum, twenty-five miles an hour. So it will take the freight train a month or more to haul the General Pershing to Green Bay.

AUTOMOBILE

Here's a story with a glorious beginning - and a sad, sad ending. An automobile race over in Switzerland, at St. Moritz, and one entry was -- a Nineteen-Twenty-Eight Bentley. That thirty-one year old British sedan - competing with a string of the most modern makes of speedy cars. So how did the old girl do?

There were two laps and in the first - the Nineteen-Twenty-eight Bentley won out. Coming in ahead - of the Nineteen-Fifty-Eight racers.

Then, the final run - and the aged auto was ahead, when - the inevitable happened. The tail pipe got loose - and bumped along bangety-bang. The radiator sprang a leak, then the front wheels, ~~went~~ ~~out of gear~~. The brake^s - locking tight.

The venerable relic falling apart. Running off the track, smashing through a fence - and doing a somersault in the snow.

Sad, sad ending, *Don,*

ROBBERY

~~Here's one for the police - something to
make the cops envious. You know - how they try to
get a witness to give a description of a criminal?
The description, so vague and unprecise - it isn't
worth a thing.~~

~~Well,~~ Over in Paris, Pierre Drefus gave
the gendarme^s a description of one of two bandits
who robbed him. Pierre - not ~~st~~ only telling what
the bandit looked like, but giving his exact measure-
ments. Length of arm and leg. Size of waist, size
of neck. How come?

Well, Pierre is a tailor, and the bandit
came in saying he wanted to be measured for a suit.
Then, while Pierre was using the tape measure and
marking down the figures, the second robber hit him
over the head.

Will The gendarme^s with all that information
from Pierre, - ~~certainly should~~ be able to catch the
crook? We wonder as we say s-l-u-t-m