

MOSCOW L.T.-Deleo Tues. Feb. 12 - 57.

The reaction in Washington is that the latest Russian move is - propaganda. Intended - as a cold war maneuver against that Eisenhower doctrine. Which opinion is not surprising - since it was indicated so plainly by Moscow Foreign Minister Shepilov.

In Moscow, today - a six-point program for the Middle East. Placed - before the Red Parliament, the Supreme Soviet. In presenting this, Shepilov gave a long harangue. Moderate enough, in its general tone - but bristling with attacks on the proposed American program ^{for} the Middle East. The propaganda summed up in one sentence. "The Eisenhower doctrine is purely imperialistic in nature", said Shepilov.

The six points he presented included a proposal - that everybody stop sending weapons to the troubled area. Which would signify - no more Communist armament to the Arab states. Which would be - okay.

But one other ^{point} ~~point~~ calls for an end of big power

alliances in the Middle East. Which would mean - an end of the Baghdad Pact, ^{That's} a major Soviet objective.

And another one of the ~~six~~ six points reads as follows: "The liquidation of foreign bases and the withdrawal of foreign troops." The Soviets wanting nothing better - than ^{all those} to abolish American bases abroad.

So no wonder the new Shepilov program of "hands off" is called - strictly propaganda.

(~~and much the same sort of thing is being said - in West Germany, Concerning Bulganin's letter to Chancellor Adenauer, Calling - for closer diplomatic and cultural relations between West Germany and the Soviets.~~)

West German officials note that Premier Adenauer faces ^e critical election year. The Bulganin letter - interpreted as an election maneuver against Adenauer.)

FOLDOW MOSCOW

Here's a bulletin from the U N - Soviet Russia tonight - demanding that the United Nations take up the Eisenhower doctrine. Calling it -- an act of aggression, threatening world peace.

BRITAIN

In the British House of Lords - a formal statement.

Following - an exchange of remarks at a dinner for American General Lauris Norstadt, Supreme Commander for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The gathering at the English speaking Union - addressed by Prime Minister MacMillan. Who spoke of the necessity of cutting Britain's military expenditures. Saying - a strong economy is as important as a strong army. Such questions - to be decided by statesmen. Not - by military men.

General Norstadt is in Britain to discuss the proposed cut-backs of British ~~and~~ Defense money. So, when he got up to speak, he differed with the Prime Minister. Warning against deductions of the British contribution to Nato. Saying - the defense of the west could not afford any large cut.

Well -

~~So~~ that was brought up in the House of Lords, today. With Lord Mancroft, Parliamentary Secretary of the Defense Ministry - replying. Giving formal assurance - that the British ~~will~~ contribution to Nato will not be cut without "proper consultations" with other members of the North Atlantic Alliance. He ~~says~~ stated this particularly - concerning British military forces in West Germany.

There's a report - ~~that~~ that the new program includes the elimination of all ~~the~~ fighter planes from the Royal Air Force. Aircraft - to be replaced by guided ~~missiles~~ missiles - for defense. So stated in the Daily Express, today, - but, without confirmation.

Meanwhile, the British government has informed Japan - that Britain will go ahead with hydrogen bomb tests in the South Pacific, next month. In spite - of a Japanese protest. *The setting -* ~~Explosives planned~~ at Christmas Island. - and Japan is worried about radioactive fall-out. London replies - there'll be no danger. The site - so ~~re~~ note.

ISRAEL

Israel is asking for clarification - of the latest U S offer. Which promises that, if the Israelis will pull out of the Gaza Strip, and the Aqaba sector - the United States will back two proposals. Declare the Gulf of Aqaba open to Israeli shipping - and shift U N troops into the Gaza strip.

Israeli Ambassador Abba Eban had a long conference with the State Department today. Followed by word - that Israel would like to know more about the American suggestion.

EGYPT

Here's a report - that one of the top military men in Egypt has been placed under arrest. For plotting against Nasser.

The report, from London, names - Major Salah Salem, who was one of the original members of the revolutionary council that overthrew King Farouk. Major Salem, later - entering the cabinet of Premier Nasser, as propaganda chief. Ousted from that job - in Nineteen Fifty ^{he was} ~~two~~ five, given an ~~important~~ important Army post at the time of the British-French invasion. Placed in command - of the Suez garrison in the southern half of the Canal zone.

The London story is that Nasser became alarmed - after the cease-fire, when he discovered that Salem's garrison was deployed in such a way as would facilitate - an attack on Cairo. The Major ^{was at once} ~~was~~ relieved of his command.

After which he remained - a critic of Nasser, - now -- arrested for a plot ~~ga~~ against the Premier.

EISENHOWER DOCTRINE

The Eisenhower program for the Middle East - appears to be going through the Joint Senate Committee in high style. A member of the Committee stating- that a number one Democratic amendment was defeated. A provision that would have eliminated economic aid from the resolution. Earlier in the day - two other Democratic moves to weaken the Eisenhower doctrine - were voted down.

So it looks as if the resolution will go to the Senate - with committee approval. The program has been okayed already - by the House.

DOCK STRIKE

The East Coast dock strike -on again. Longshoremen, tonight, renewing their walkout from Maine to Virginia. Negotiations went on until the last minute, but the Taft Hartley injunction expired this evening - and the strike was on again.

to be dry cleaned. The escaped convict--scared, every time he saw a cop.

Today he said: "Many of the policemen gave me their dry cleaning business, but every time they came to my place - I felt they were coming for me." Every time he handled a policeman's blue uniform, it was like a symbol of the law.

Finally, he couldn't stand it any longer, so he went back to ^a prison cell in Georgia - leaving his wife ^{to run} ~~with~~ the dry cleaning business; ~~going on, I suppose with~~ ^{with all those} policemen for customers - dry cleaning their uniforms.

JAPAN SPY

Japan - having a spy trial. A Chinese, Ku Yuan Pin -- accused of seeking espionage information about American military movements in Japan. Evidence showed that, at the port of Yokosuka, Ku Yuan-Pin entertained an American service man giving him a big dinner with plenty of liquor and extracting from him information about the arrival of U.S. warships. Nevertheless, the Japanese court - suspended sentence.

How come? Well, Ku Yuan-Pin had an explanation - and it was accepted.

He's a Chinese laundryman - and, at the port of Yokosuka, there's one fine line of business. American soldiers and sailors arriving - with lots of laundry. A number of Chinese washie-washie men - competing for their patronage. Ku-Yuan-Pin -- seeking information about the arrival of warships, So ~~that~~ he'd be ahead of his competitors - getting to the ships first, ^{and get all} ~~getting~~ the business - washie-washie.

PICTURES

In London - a dispute in the world of art.

Over two famous pictures ^{are they} genuine, or fakes? Both - shown at a royal academy of art exhibition. Both - attributed to the famous old master, Holbein, ~~the~~ younger. One - a portrait of Archbishop Warham. The other - picturing Sir Nicholas Carew. Both of whom were prominent figures - at the court of Henry the Eighth.

The challenge is made by Art expert Leonard Koster.

Who declares - the portrait of Sir Nicholas Carew was painted, not by Holbein, but by one of his pupils. ^{However -} ~~But~~ a good picture. As for the painting of Archbishop Warham, he says, "I think it is worthless copy, probably done by some amateur, about thirty years after the original." Which opinion - is really a shocker.

Warham was the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Chancellor of England - who performed the marriage and the Coronation of Henry the Eighth and Catherine of Aragon.

When he resigned as Lord Chancellor, he was followed in that office by the great Cardinal Woolsey. Then, in later years, Archbishop Warham was involved, unhappily, in the divorce of Henry the Eighth from Catherine of Aragon. And, reluctantly - in the break with Rome.

The portrait, now in dispute, hung in the Lambeth Palace of the Archbishops of Canterbury - for long generations. Now, sent on loan to the Royal Academy Exhibition, as a Holbein masterpiece. Only to be called - a worthless fake.

So no wonder there' ~~is~~ an uproar in London - with Humphrey Brooke, Secretary of the Royal Academy ~~is~~ defending the two pictures. Declaring hotly: - "they're not fakes at all!"

On the financial side, the two paintings are valued at nearly half a million-dollars. ^{That is,} Assuming - ~~that~~ they^rre genuine Holbeins.

Americans, today, are observing, Lincoln's birthday. But there was one American - who never did. Ignoring Lincoln's birthday - paying little attention to it. So who was this unpatriotic character? Lincoln, himself.

A United Press dispatch from Lincoln's old home town, Springfield, Illinois - states the following: "Nowhere, in the vast catalogue of material on Lincoln, is there found mention - of any special festivity connected with February Twelfth."

Most ^{other} ~~of the~~ people celebrated their birthdays - including Lincoln's neighbors, ~~etc.~~ But, for the Great Emancipator, it was business as usual - on his birthday.

February Twelfth, just one hundred years ago, was typical. Lincoln - forty-eight. A week before - he and Mrs. Lincoln had entertained a large number of guests at a party. On February thirteenth - the Lincolns attended a reception at the Governor's mansion in Springfield. But,

for the birthday itself, here's the only record of what Lincoln did.

He wrote a letter to a law firm at Paris, Illinois, strictly business. At the time, lawyer Lincoln was suing the Illinois Central Railroad. Demanding - a five thousand dollar fee, for defending the railroad in a tax case.

Henry -

So, today, we celebrate a birthday - which Lincoln, himself, never did *celebrate*.

ANNOUNCER: And now Lowell Thomas recalls:

L.T. A year ago, today - there was news that now sounds like ancient history. Egypt - planning a high ~~level~~ level dam at Aswan, on the Nile. Nasser - to get a two hundred million dollar loan. U.S. backing - announced. But, later, Nasser began to get Communist weapons. American financial support for the dam - withdrawn. Followed - by Nasser seizing the Suez Canal. ^{all of} which brought about the British - French-Israeli invasion of Egypt. The results of which are ^{still} critical in the news today.

And so long until tomorrow.