

L.T.-OLDS. TUESDAY, DEC. 29, 1959.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

In Moscow, today, the British, French and American Ambassadors handed in letters to Premier Khrushchev letters written by - British Prime Minister Macmillan, French President Charles DeGaulle and American President Eisenhower. These all named the date for the forth-coming summit conference - May Sixteen, as we heard last night. In Moscow the word is - that this date will be O.K. with Khrushchev.

## TEST BAN

President Eisenhower's decision, today, concerning atomic testing - seems intended as a spur to hasten proceedings at Geneva, where a conference for an agreement on a test ban had been deadlocked by Soviet obstruction.

Right now, this country has halted atomic testing - for a ~~XXXX~~ fourteen month period, which expires - the first of the year. President Eisenhower, today, declaring - that we will not extend this moratorium. <sup>Altho!</sup> We have no plans to resume the test <sup>WP</sup> ~~but~~ <sup>do</sup> reserve the right to do so. The President stating - that, if we do, we'll give ~~XX~~ advanced notice.

As a comment on this, the President stated that negotiations in Geneva show no sign of <sup>any</sup> ~~a~~ satisfactory result, ~~because~~ of what he called - "Politically-guided Soviet experts." Intimating that, instead of confining themselves to the scientific ~~aspect~~ <sup>they're</sup> aspect of a test ban, ~~they're~~ playing the politics of the Kremlin.

MOSCOW - AGRICULTURE

Things not so good - down on the Soviet farm, *says*  
Khrushchev ■ - in a frank statement, Published in Moscow, today.

The Soviet harvest this year - the worst in four years.  
Grain production - down sharply. Part of the trouble / blamed  
on the weather, a long drought last summer. But Khrushchev  
made it clear that the worst thing was - mismanagement.

Which he held responsible for the fact - that, in one  
rich farm area, three-million acres of crops were left unharvested  
in the field. Eighteen-thousand tractors, thirty-two thousand  
combines, and twenty-one thousand harvesters - out of commission  
in that sector. Because <sup>of</sup> a lack of repairs.

"The trouble," Khrushchev declared, "is that we still  
have farm leaders who do not understand a thing about  
agriculture."



## GERMANY

In West Germany, two youths have confessed - that they smeared Nazis slogans on a Jewish Synagogue in Cologne.

Painting Swastikas and Anti-Semitic phrases on ~~the~~ the walls of the Synagogue on Christmas Eve.

One peculiar twist - the fact that both of them had been regular vistors to Communist East Germany. They <sup>are</sup> ~~are~~ members of Right Wing organizations, and are said to have urged fellow members - to take trips to the Red Area.

The Communist<sup>s</sup> of East Germany are constantly charging a revival of Nazi Anti-Semitism in West Germany. One supposition being - that they may incite Anti-Semitic acts in West Germany. To back up their propoganda.

STEEL

*looks no better. In fact*  
The labor dispute in the steel industry <sup>λ</sup> looks worse,  
~~than ever.~~

Today, in Washington, the Presidential Fact-Finding Board held it's final hearing. The meeting - stor<sup>my</sup>: Conrad Cooper, Chief ~~NEGOTIATOR~~ Negotiator for the companies - declaring the Union was not bargaining in good faith. Union President McDonald <sup>replying</sup> ~~replied~~ with a charge - that "monopoly power" was being used by the companies.

After a bitter clash, George Taylor, chairman of the Fact-Finding Board, adjourned the hearing, <sup>With</sup> the gloomy remark - that the two sides are furthur apart than they were two months ago.

## TAXES

Bad news - for the lucky ones <sup>on</sup> ~~on~~ sumptuous expense accounts, ~~So~~ free with company money - because it can be deducted from income tax.

In Washington, tax authorities are ~~is~~ launching a drive to wipe out abuses of business expense accounts and income tax deductions. They plan to compel employers to give more detailed information about expense account allowances made to employees, ~~So~~ as to guard against improper deductions in company tax returns. Also - the failure of employees to report on expense money, as income.



## BIBLE

Clergymen across the country <sup>are</sup> asked to select a text from the Bible, which would, in their opinion, most closely pertain to the world of nineteen-sixty.

The United Press International made the request, and got a long series of answers. One interesting point being - that two of the clergymen suggested the same Biblical quotation. The Reverend Carl Howie of Calvary Presbyterian Church, in San Francisco - and Monsignor Edward Reiley, of Philadelphia.

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The text they both selected - not surprising. It's that same Christmas message. But one quoted from the Protestant Bible, the King James version. The other - from the Catholic Bible, the Douay version. There's a small difference - between the two translations.

In the King James version, the gospel of St. Luke, says: "Glory to God in the Highest - and on earth, peace, good will toward men."

The Catholic Bible puts it in these words: "Glory to God in the Highest - and on earth, peace among men of Good Will."

Interesting - to reflect on the difference.

## NIGERIA

Television - in Nigeria! That ultra modern wonder - now established in the new West African Republic.

T V starting out in a big way - with a typical program, ~~A~~ news event - the arrival of Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary General of the United Nations. But, alas, there are some angles of televising - which the Nigerians do not understand.

~~Dag Hammarskjold~~ <sup>Hammarskjold</sup> - welcomed by Nigerian Prime Minister Balewa, ~~who~~ who was ready - with an eloquent message of greeting. But, just as he began to talk - a tremendous roar. The pilot of an aircraft nearby - revved his engine. Drowning out the Nigerian Statesman, ~~who~~ who talked louder, shouting, yelling, ~~In~~ competition - with the roar of the airplane motor.

News reporters wanted to know what he was saying, and crowded around, trying to hear. Getting in the way - of the T V cameras. Camera men surging forward, to shove them away. Which turned the picture - into a rioting mob scene.

So that's what the Nigerian T V audience got. Whatever audience there is <sup>in that</sup> ~~is~~ a land of wilderness and jungle, ~~and~~ almost no TV sets, <sup>1</sup> ~~What's the word about~~ <sup>oldsmobile</sup> ~~tomite, Dick?~~



## FISH

Here's a fish story - with an unhappy ending. ~~Which~~  
~~tells how~~ <sup>About</sup> Alexander Grande, a construction officer at the  
Newport Naval Base, <sup>Who</sup> ~~he~~ caught the largest cod fish ever taken  
with a rod and reel. A seventy-two pound cod ~~fish~~, a record  
breaker - or, at least, that's the belief. The only thing needed -  
an official verification, ~~and~~ <sup>And</sup> the name of Alexander Grande -  
would be on the record book.

But, what happened? A thief stole the fish. Swiped  
the seventy-two pound cod from Alec's own station wagon.

It's an old story - how the big one got away. ~~Which~~  
~~in this case, happened in an~~ <sup>This one in wholly</sup> unexpected fashion.