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PAKISTAN

Today, the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization gave its full support to Pakistan. In the quarrel with Afghanistan, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, at the Conference in Karachi, threw American diplomatic support in favor of Pakistan.

The two Moslem countries have long been quarreling about areas along the border, the old Northwestern frontier of British India. Afghanistan claiming that various tribal areas, now inside Pakistan, should be made independent.

Secretary Dulles, today, declared that the United States recognizes the "Durand Line". That is the border drawn in Eighteen Ninety-Three between British India and Afghanistan. The "Durand Line" inherited, now, by Pakistan. That is the view taken by the United States and the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization.

## BRITAIN

Britain is urging the United States to join the Baghdad Pact, and in a hurry, so we hear from London.

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In the House of Commons, today, Minister of State Anthony Nutting said - "we are standing four-square by the Baghdad Pact. We have no intention of abandoning our friends, who joined us in it."

But, the British position is shakey, especially following developments in Jordan. So London wants the United States to join the Baghdad Pact, which would bolster the British position.

PALESTINE

Three Arab states have agreed that if Israel diverts water of the River Jordan<sup>yl,</sup>, it will be considered an act of aggression. Israel has long considered plans to use

Jordan water for irrigation and land reclamation, but the river is the boundary between Israel and the Kingdom of Jordan, and the <sup>Jordanians</sup> ~~Arabs~~ object.

Today's decision was made at the Cairo Conference, where Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia are negotiating an unified policy. A spokesman saying, today, that they have elaborated their defense plans against "any aggression" by Israel. Later, the word was out that this was in reference to any diversion, by Israel, of water from the Jordan.

## MARINES

A reinforced battalion of Marines is going to the Mediterranean. Seventeen to eighteen hundred leathernecks to join the Sixth Fleet.

The Defense Department indicates it is a routine move; but in diplomatic circles the belief is that it may be connected with all the tension in the Middle East. That Israel-Arab quarrel. There are suppositions that the Sixth Fleet may make an appearance off those troubled shores, as an argument for peace.

At his news conference today, President Eisenhower urged the U.N. to increase its efforts for a Near Eastern settlement which was followed later by word that there will be new American moves in the United Nations.

At the same time, the President did not indicate an



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early decision in the question of U.S. armament for Israel. He said, weapons alone will not assure peace, since Israel is outnumbered vastly by the Arab States. A settlement of the quarrel is what is needed.

In Israel, though, a demand for war is repeated. Yesterday, the Israeli Parliament voted against warlike proposals made by an extremist leader, who, nevertheless, repeated his contention today that war is "unavoidable."

EISENHOWER--BULGANIN

The reply from Soviet Premier Bulganin pleases *Pres.* Eisenhower so much that there might be a Bulganin visit ~~over~~ to this country to discuss Atomic disarmament.

Yesterday, Bulganin said, in a joking way, that he would welcome an opportunity to go to Washington for conferences. At his news conference today, the President said he has not considered a Bulganin visit as "an immediate development." But he added:- "we shall be alert to follow up any opening that looks like it would lead to a lessening of the tension."

The President made it plain that he was not only pleased, but also surprised at the quick, friendly Russian response to that Eisenhower letter, proposing new disarmament methods, including an eventual ban on Atomic and Hydrogen bombs.

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He said - "I think the world has awakened to the fact that global war is getting well nigh unthinkable."

## EISENHOWER-HEALTH

The question of the Presidential health came up at the White House news conference today. President Eisenhower was asked what would he do if his health should deteriorate before the Republican Convention meets in August. /query/ - Suppose he felt he was - "below par" /query/ He replied that he would inform the people "instantly", if he finds his "organic fitness" does not allow him to carry on important Presidential duties.

And, he added, "I have said that unless I felt absolutely "up" to the performance of the duties of President, the second that I did not, I would no longer be there in the job, or I wouldn't be available for the job.



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President Eisenhower spoke sharply at his news conference today. So what caused him to flare up with words of indignation? Well, it was the question of Vice-President Nixon.

A newsman cited a report that some White House advisers are urging the President to "dump" Nixon, and that he has made the suggestion to the Vice-President that Nixon stay off the ticket and take a post in the Cabinet, perhaps.


To this the President replied that there would be a commotion, if anybody had the effrontery to make such a suggestion, that he "dump" a person he respects as much as Nixon.

At the same time, the President informed the news conference that he is leaving Nixon to make his own

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political decisions. He said he has not presumed to tell  
the Vice-President what he should do in this campaign year.

That is up to Nixon, he told the newsmen...He has asked  
Nixon to say what he <sup>himself</sup> would like to do.



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The newsmen took the Presidential statement on to Nixon, and queried him, but the Vice-President would not give any hint of his political plans or intentions.

TEACHER-EISENHOWER

I have a letter here signed Clara Barnes, Fifth Grade Teacher at an elementary school in Worthington, Ohio.

Teacher Clara Barnes writes --- "The President's illness caused a great deal of anxiety for a group of ten year old children, thirty-six, <sup>children,</sup> the total class membership.

"They began to follow the news to learn about Mr. Eisenhower's progress. A bulletin," the teacher goes on, "was posted from day to day on his condition, as reported by the children who listened faithfully for the latest word from the Army Hospital in Denver.

"This same group," she continues, "was equally anxious about the news conference where the information about a second term would be announced. Finally the day



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came, and one of the children announced crisply ---  
Ike is going to run. Then they all burst into applause.

"It was the first time," the teacher goes on, "that  
I ever experienced such strong feelings about a President,  
displayed by such young children."

Of course the ten year olds can't vote, but this could  
or could not be indicative.

AUTHERINE LUCY

The Voice Of America will broadcast the tape recording made by Autherine Lucy, the Negro Co-Ed expelled from the University of Alabama.

In the recording, she denies - that she ever wrote a letter to any Communist or pro-Communist outfit. This - in answer to a Red broadcast from Northern Viet Nam which declared that Autherine Lucy had written a letter condemning the United States. She says the Communist propaganda is false. She wrote no such letter.

## INDO-CHINA

In Indo-China, the weekend election count is in. And "landslide" is not strong enough to describe it. Premier Diem's Party carried one-hundred-and-twelve out of the one-hundred-and-twenty-three electoral districts.

The National Assembly, thus elected, will be completely under the control of the pro-Western Premier. A new Constitution is to be adopted, and it is sure to be the one drafted by Diem.

## AVALANCHES

Norway has declared a state of emergency in the land of the Midnight Sun. That section of Norway above the <sup>c</sup>Arctic Circle stricken by disaster -- avalanches -- which <sub>^</sub> have taken more than a score of lives in twenty-four hours.

All an aftermath of that bitter cold spell which gripped all Europe for weeks. In <sup>c</sup>Arctic Norway huge <sub>^</sub>snows piling up. Now a thaw, and giant snow slides pour down out of the mountains, engulfing homes and sweeping buildings away.

At one town on the Norwegian Coast, all the people have gone aboard ships in the harbor. The town being so badly threatened by snow slides.



## WEATHER

*Here in the U.S.A.*

The weather is misbehaving again, especially in the Middle West and parts of the South. In the North, Blizzards. In the South, tornadoes.

A blinding snowstorm swept across the upper Mississippi Valley with bitter cold and a violent gale. Five inches of snow in Iowa. In Wisconsin, five fisherman<sup>e</sup> missing in the blizzard on Lake Superior.

In the Eastern states, violent electrical storms. The flash of lightning, the roar of thunder in Pennsylvania and New York. Not so dazzling and noisy, but a greater evil, floods! Rainstorms causing rivers to flood over their banks in various areas.

## BRINKS

Two Hundred and Fifty pounds of legal documents were carried into a Boston Courtroom. A record-breaking tonnage, to be placed on the scales of justice. Some twenty-five thousand pages of lawyers argument.

This is in the Brinks' robbery case in which Joseph McGinnis is a number one defendent. Called the "Brains" in that million dollar robbery.

There are eighty-one indicments against McGinnis. And his lawyer Paul Smith, made five-hundred-and-sixty-seven seperate motions in the Superior Court. The largest number of motions ever filed in behalf of one person in the history of Massachusetts Courts. Each one presented now, in the form of a legal document.

It took three men to carry those motions into the

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Courtroom, and it will take thousands of hours of clerical work to go through them. They say that if the motions are denied, the documents will have to be read to the jury in the Brinks robbery trial. <sup>And that</sup> ~~it~~ may take months" says an official. Pity the poor jury!

## FORGER

This coming Friday was named as the day for a judge to pronounce a sentence in <sup>a</sup>~~the~~ case of tense, emotional drama. Will he grant leniency?... I think we can/guess what the answer will be. When Judge William James passes the sentence on Hullen Watkins, convicted of forgery.

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Last week Watkins made an impassioned plea in court, asking the judge for leniency. Saying that, in jail, he had cut off his right index finger. The finger, so necessary for inscribing a fraudulent signature. Had cut it off out of repentance, to make sure he'd never forge a check again. To prove it he displayed his right hand. The forefinger missing; a bandage over the stump.

All of which recalled those well known Biblical lines, "If thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it



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from thee. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee."

The Judge was deeply impressed, and refrained from imposing a prison sentence, saying he'd have to think it over. He'd have to meditate on the strange case. Sentence delayed for a week.

So Judge William James has been thinking it over. Today, giving special attention to a report from the police identification bureau. A fingerprint chart.

^ Showing that the right forefinger of the forger was missing when he was arrested. He didn't cut it off, he put a bandage around the stump to fool the judge.

So you can guess what leniency there will be when sentence is passed on Friday. *And now across the continent to you, Henry!*