

EISENHOWER

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President Eisenhower in his state of the union message, covers domestic and international problems, in general terms, - leaving specific proposals to be spelled out - in later messages to Congress.

Here's one important quote ~~xxxxxxx~~ from it: Says the President: "The recession is fading into history." Meaning - we are solvent enough to pay for everything we need, including national defense - and our big ~~missile~~ missile program.

Nevertheless he urges those now in control of Congress - the Democrats - to help keep spending down.

He suggests fewer farm subsidies, control of labor racketeering, and acceptance of the Supreme Court order on integration.

Twice he made special reference to the Russians. First, after saying our own American rocket science is first rate - he complimented the Russians on what they have achieved.

Turning to disarmament, he was less complimentary. In fact he castigated the Kremlin for treating international agreements as "mere scraps of paper". This an obvious reference to the Potsdam declaration on Berlin - which Khrushchev now wants to tear up.

Most of the President's proposals are supported by both Republicans and Democrats in Congress - exception on the question of civil rights. The southerners are not happy about that. Senator Talmadge of Georgia says he is only dividing the nation by insisting on integration.

Some members of Congress want to spend more - than this state of the union message calls for. Others feel the administration is wrong - about farm price supports. And there's some criticism - about education. But the general view on Capitol Hill is - that President Eisenhower has given them a real lead. Something to work on - in this session of Congress.

## MIKOYAN

The Soviet Deputy Premier in a chatty mood - in Chicago. Mikoyan, unruffled by eggs - thrown at him, laughing and joking with newsmen, terming the picket and egg incident "a comedy." Not surprised. Said he expected to run into something like that - during his tour of America.

But Mikoyan also then went on to deny that his government is changing its position on Germany. He also brought up the old Communist line - about the withering away of capitalism. Admitting - "history takes time," he added that Khrushchev is right - in predicting America will go Communist some day.



## FILIBUSTER

Today's vote in the Senate means - a setback for the enemies of the filibuster. Senators Anderson of New Mexico and Clark of Pennsylvania had proposed - that all Senate rules be carried over from the last congress - ~~xx~~ except the rule about the filibuster. The Anderson-Clark motion - opposed by Democratic leader Lyndon Johnson. Then voted down - sixty to thirty six.

Senator Johnson's compromise proposal - seems to be getting more support. <sup>Q</sup> ~~That~~ <sup>that</sup> compromise would change the Senate rule - allowing two thirds of the Senators present - to vote down a filibuster.



In Havana, they<sup>a</sup>re asking - "is the Cuban  
revolution really over?" *How about a* ~~if it isn't that's because of a~~ split  
in the ranks of the rebels? <sup>?</sup> Today ~~Fidel~~ Castro warned - "the  
greatest crime is - to ~~xxx~~ break the peace." And President  
Urrutia ordered ~~xx~~ arms to be taken - from everybody except  
authorized personnel.

The point is - weapons, disappearing suddenly. In  
one place, raiders got away with - five ~~xxxxx~~ hundred rifles  
and machine guns. The ~~xi~~ raiders, apparently an independent  
group - who took part in the rebellion. These independents -  
helping to overthrow Battista; ~~Now~~ threatening - to overthrow  
~~Fidel~~ Castro; ~~Who~~ asks - "are we going to return to the times  
of gun battles in the streets?"

## LAOS

The Kingdom of Laos - in Indo-China reports - a Communist invasion. Three thousand Reds ~~are~~ from North Viet Nam - driving across the border. Getting nine miles into Laos. No fighting yet - but the ~~inv~~ invaders are digging in.

The laotian government believes - this invasion is more political than military. The Viet Nameese, trying to encourage the home grown Reds of Laos. Start a Communist uprising - maybe.

## SUEZ

Britain and Egypt will get together - to discuss Suez. That is - the financial claims arising from - the Anglo-French invasion of Nineteen Fifty-Six. American Eugene Black, head of the World Bank - worked out the preliminaries during his talks in the Egyptian capital. Today, ~~max~~ Black told newsmen - "not many points remain to be settled". The rest - up to London and Cairo.



CRASH

The reason for the plane crash in Tennessee -  
is unknown. Pilot Robert Gollmier was only minutes away from  
a landing - at the Tri-Cities airport, near Bluff City. He  
radioed he was coming in -for an instrument landing. That  
was the last the control tower heard from him. Minutes later,  
his airliner <sup>slamed</sup> ~~smashed~~ into - Iron Mountain. No survivors of  
ten aboard.

(~~Note it was a Southeast Airlines plane~~)

## DAM

The Spanish Dam that collapsed today - was only two years old. Built as part of - a hydro-electric power project. But it wasn't strong enough to hold back the ~~REER~~ reservoir - rising under torrential rains.

Suddenly the dam gave way - with a roar that could be heard across the mountains. The water, pouring out - in a solid wave. Then racing down - a steep, narrow ravine.

Tearing up trees, smashing buildings - <sup>— overwhelming</sup>~~overwhelming~~ one village. The villagers, asleep, when millions of tons of water hit them. The entire town - swept away. Many victims - drowned in their beds. Others, caught by the flood - as they raced for the hills. The toll - around a hundred known dead. Another hundred - missing.

## HOW HIGH IS UP?

There's an old question - that's becoming a new problem. How high is up? Correspondent Terry Ferrer of the New York Herald Tribune points out - that space rockets are producing legal riddles.

So I put the question to Dr. Herbert Friedman - of the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington. Recently we were together on an I G Y expedition to Danger Island in the South Pacific.

You may recall my reports - from Danger Island. The rest you will see in our next TV High Adventure show, on CBS, Monday night, January Nineteenth.

Well, how high is up? Our N R L scientist says there's no question about sovereignty - close to the surface of the earth. The nations are able to use force, what force they ~~are~~ each have, to control the air space - for several miles overhead.

The real problem concerns the space above our atmosphere! The space where the artificial satellites - are



in orbit. Rocket Scientist Friedman believes - this space should be free - free to all peaceful man-made moons. With any military vehicles sent up there to remain open to attack by any nation that is threatened.

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What about the moon? He says that's up to the international lawyers. And <sup>Don</sup>~~that~~ scientists would like a legal answer to the question - how high is up? They'd like that answer now - before man gets to the moon.

## TAILORS

A dispatch from London charges - that Britain has

<sup>passed</sup>  
~~gone~~ through a revolution. Here's the key sentence. "We have  
lost our reputation for - sartorial splendor."

The tailors in the British capital, mourning the  
fact that - Englishmen don't know how to wear clothes any more.

*- Saville Row*  
That Bond street look - disappearing. The famous bowler hat

- it used to be part of every well-dressed Englishman's

~~as~~ wardrobe, <sup>?</sup> - well, the bowler isn't being worn much nowadays,

Except by *bank clerks* - ~~the pawnbrokers~~ who are not leaders of fashion.

Spats? ~~Even the pawnbrokers~~ *few* wear them any

more.

Who led this British revolution? Ah, that's the  
point. Royalty. The Royal Family hasn't had a fashion plate  
since the Duke of Windsor was Prince of Wales. Since he used  
to order - white waistcoats and fancy pullovers. What about -  
the Duke of Edinburgh? As far as the London tailors are  
concerned the Queen's ~~consort~~ consort is a washout. In their  
words - "Prince Philip is neat - but that's all."