

INTERNATIONAL L.T. Roberts May 14-'53,

The international situation, today, produced a verbal duel between Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin, and Clement Attlee of Great Britain. Incited - by that speech of Attlee's in the House of Commons, on Tuesday. Attlee said it was hard to tell who was the more powerful in the United States, President Eisenhower or Senator McCarthy. McCarthy called that an insult to the President, and today, continued the attack in an address on the floor of the Senate.

He shouted that if the British don't want to support American policy in Korea, let them - withdraw and be damned."

(He charged that the British Navy is protecting cargoes carried in British vessels to Red China. And added: "let us sink any accursed ship which is carrying arms to the Communists, killing American boys.) If there is any attempt to blackmail us into accepting the Communist peace, on the grounds that otherwise Britain will withdraw, then we can - go it alone." cried McCarthy.

He assailed Attlee bitterly for what he described as a "cheap uncalled for fantastic attack" on President Eisenhower and the United States. He blazed at Attlee for criticizing the American Constitution, as an "isolationist" document. He demanded that Attlee apologize - and wanted to know if Prime Minister Winston Churchill agreed with what Attlee had to say.

Only a few Senators listened to the McCarthy speech, but <sup>the</sup> visitors gallery was crowded - and there was applause. <sup>RP</sup> The British Labor Party leader makes an immediate retort. Issuing a formal statement, Attlee declared: "I made no attack on America, Americans, or the American constitution". He said he ~~xx~~ was referring to the constitutional division of power between the President and Congress - according to which the President cannot speak with the same authority as the British Prime Minister. ("The Constitution"; ~~xx~~ Attlee goes on, "was framed at a time when the conception of the United States, in relation to the rest of the

world, was isolationist." )

As for the Senator's talk about Communism, Attlee ~~has~~ declared: "The British Labor Party, and I myself, have been vigorously opposing the Communist party long before Senator McCarthy was ever heard of."

( And so the international situation seems to get around to a quarrel of personalities, the leaders of the "outs" in London versus the Senator from Wisconsin. )



## EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower, today, spoke his mind on the Winston Churchill proposal for a top level conference. ~~XXXXXX~~ The opinion he gave was moderate and cautious.

He said he had no objection whatever to the Churchill plan - if he thought it would be of any real service to world peace. But, he wants good faith all around. If he did accept the Churchill program for a meeting, <sup>he hoped</sup> that they'd be able to work out a master blueprint for the world. But he would insist on some definite evidence of Soviet good faith - more than he sees at present. He repeated that a Korean armistice and an Austrian peace treaty would be such evidence.

The President was asked about British suggestions that a Korean armistice might be followed by the admission of Red China into the United Nations. He said - this did not necessarily follow. Peace in Korea did not necessarily mean - the Chinese Reds in the U.N.

In Congress, Senator Homer Ferguson of Michigan called for a White House declaration against any such thing. Inform the British government, <sup>said he,</sup> categorically, that we will oppose any plan that would give Red China U N membership.

The President, at his news conference, declared that the different views held by the United States and Great Britain would not mean a split between the two countries. We, for example, refuse to recognize the Communist regime in China. Britain has extended recognition. But the President pointed out that "recognition" has different implications. Ever since the time of Woodrow<sup>W</sup> Wilson, we take it to mean - a tacit approval. While other countries, like Britain, regard recognition merely as an acknowledgment of the actual existence of the government recognized.

Altogether that Eisenhower tone today was diplomatic and cool-headed - no heat or bluster.

## KOREA-TRUCE

The truce talks are deadlocked again - following a definite Red rejection of the latest plan submitted by the U N negotiators. Today, our chief negotiator, General Harrison said: "Their May Seventh proposal is completely unsatisfactory to us, and they say ours of yesterday is completely unsatisfactory to them." Which ~~is~~ sounds like a full description of a deadlock.

Nevertheless, the truce teams are meeting again, tonight, <sup>10-11</sup>~~10-12~~ in Korea, tomorrow. They'll try to break the deadlock.

At the Pan Mun Jom truce tents, American observers are saying that the Reds may be trying to exploit what looks like a rift between the United States and Great Britain. In London, Prime Minister Churchill gave the armistice plan of the Reds a sort of qualified endorsement, and maybe he'll urge Washington to accept it. The Communists may be stalling, in hopes of that.



## PRISONER

The last liberated prisoner left Japan today - Captain Zach Dean of Douglas, Kansas. Having been set free at Pan Mun Jom, he was kept under medical treatment in Tokyo. Now the last to leave - flying back to the U.S.A. accompanied by his wife, a former Red Cross worker in Tokyo.

## **THURSDAY**

## PHILIPPINES

General Carlos Romulo has resigned as Philippine Ambassador to the United States. He's going to campaign for the Presidential nomination in the islands, which, by the way, adds to the complications of Philippine politics.

The Nationalist party, the opposition, has nominated the former Minister of Defense, Magsaysay - as its candidate. He's the ~~XXXX~~ strong character who played a dominating part in the battle against the Communist led insurrectors, the Huks. The liberal party, now in power, has an internal fight on its hands. President Quirino has announced that he seeks the nomination - he wants another term. *So Romulo and Quirino* ~~the two~~ will battle it out for the liberal party nomination.



## PAKISTAN

There was an uproar in Pakistan today, when Premier Mohammed Ali arrived at Karachi. Five thousand people met him at the airport, for a demonstration of welcome. But a lot of them began to shout, "release Maududi, release Maududi!"

This all goes back to disturbances in the Punjab, two months ago. Riots incited by a Moslem sect opposing the government. Its leader - Maulana Abdul Ala Maududi.

He was arrested, and sentenced to death. But that, we hear, has been commuted to fourteen years in prison. The members of the Moslem sect want him turned loose altogether. Hence the noisy demonstration - "release Maududi"!

~~American small boys are likely to echo,~~

~~"Howdy Daddy"~~

## BUDGET

President Eisenhower will go on the radio next Tuesday, to discuss the questions of balancing the budget and cutting taxes. He'll also go on television, later - to give the public his views in the dispute. (The President will try to clarify the business, - *We already* ~~and we~~ know what his basic principles are. He does not believe that the budget <sup>*can*</sup> ~~can~~ be balanced in the next fiscal year, without seriously weakening our national ~~army~~ defense. And - he does not believe taxes should be reduced, until the budget is balanced.

## CONGRESS\*ECONOMY

A congressional committee made a decision on government spending today, and the watch-word was not - economy. Hitherto, the House Appropriations Committee has been slashing appropriations, cutting out billions in behalf of economy. Today, the legislators had before them - the farm program. They boosted the cash for farm aid. They added more than one-hundred-and-six million dollars to the figure presented by the Eisenhower administration.



## STEEL

The steel workers make a demand for a wage  
— of 18 cents an hour,  
increase. In Pittsburgh, a bargaining session began  
today between the Union and U.S. Steel, and the word  
is that the union is asking a wage hike of between  
ten and fifteen cents an hour. Industry leaders declare  
that this is not justified, and it would raise the  
price of steel.

However, both sides appear - in optimistic.  
One point is that government wage-price controls  
have been removed, and there would be no legal  
obstacle to an increase both of wages and of prices.

## LEOPOLD

The Illinois parole board refuses to set free - Nathan Leopold, one of the two principals in the Leopold-Loeb case back in the Twenties. Convicted of the "thrill murder" of little Bobby Franks. Leopold has been in prison - for nearly thirty years. He asked for a parole, but the board rejected the plea, and put off the case until Nineteen Sixty-five. Meaning, that Leopold cannot file a new parole petition for another twelve years.

## TORNADOES

More tornadoes in the south -and this windy, stormy time in Dixieland. Two in Mississippi - another in Alabama. Considerable damage, several people injured, but no lives lost - according to early reports.



## TOWN

An election campaign is on, in a big way - at Perryopolis, Pennsylvania. The town has only twenty-six hundred people, and only nine municipal offices are to be filled -- but there are seventy-nine candidates. Billboards, trees and fences -- plastered with electioneering signs.

Why all the political enthusiasm? Well, the town officials to be elected will have a chance to spend a million and a half.

Mrs. Mary Fuller Frazier, a nostalgic old lady once lived at Perryopolis, and had such fond memories - that she left a fortune for public improvements. Perryopolis can use them. The town, for example, has just one street light.

So now the candidates are running for the job of spending a million and a half.

## HYPNOTISM

At the McLean School in Detroit, Assistant Principal James D. Berry says - he'll never hypnotize anybody again. Today he was back on the job, teaching classes, after a hypnotic storm.

In the sixth grade, he put three girls in a trance, and others went into fits of weeping. ~~xxxxxx~~  
~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ The whole class was hypnotized, more or less. One mother says her eleven year old daughter came home "in a state of shock and hysteria". Another, whose two daughters were in the hypnotic seance, declares: "This makes you afraid to send your children to school." The school board says - it was all a strange mistake.

It happened during a class in spelling, when the word "hypnosis" came up. The children wanted to know what the word meant. Which reminded the teacher of a lecture he had heard on how a dentist used hypnosis to soothe patients. He told the class about this, about hypnotic suggestion - and three

girls volunteered. Could the teacher ~~hyp~~notize them?

Today he relates: "I just told them to clap their hands "and count to seven - and then I suggested they do different things. I told one child she couldn't remember her name - and she couldn't - until I ~~xxx~~ clapped my hands." He put the two others to sleep, and they stayed in the trance - ~~xxxx~~ until he ~~xx~~ clapped his hands.

Then an epidemic of weeping, and the teacher had to take some of the children home.

Strange episode in the spelling class.



## POETRY

The poet-janitor of Oshkosh is in Chicago tonight -- having won the trip as a prize. Arthur Fisher sixty-three years old, works for the Universal Motor Plant - sweeping up, looking after the furnace, taking care of things as a janitor should. But he's also a poet. When somebody at the plant gets married, or promoted, or retires, the janitor celebrates in verse.

He won a contest held by the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce - but not for poetry. The prize was awarded to the best worker - for industry and efficiency on the job. The poet took the honors - as a janitor.

Last night, with his wife, he was entertained at a nightclub, where the star was - Hildegarde. The janitor-poet met her, and wrote a poem. Which goes like this: "Today I met a lady

Yes, more than passing fair;

Of Willow~~y~~ form, of stature tall

And golden was her hair."

2/4 *ah!* Not such a bad little lyric, *eh Nelson?* ~~and it makes me wonder. What would rhyme with Oshkosh?~~