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AUSTRIA.

THIS WAS A GALA DAY - IN VIENNA. ALL AUSTRIA - REJOICING.
CHANCELLOR RAAB CAME HOME FROM MOSCOW. WELCOMED - WITH STATELY
CEREMONY AND POPULAR JUBILATION.

THE AIR PORT - JAMMED, WITH A CROWD OF ^{several} ~~THREE~~ THOUSAND.
INCLUDING THE AMBASSADORS OF THE BIG FOUR, GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE,
THE UNITED STATES, ^{and} SOVIET RUSSIA. OUTSIDE THE AIR PORT, THE HIGHWAY
- LINED WITH ^a ~~THE~~ HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE. HAILING THE CHANCELLOR
- FOR THE AGREEMENT HE CONCLUDED IN MOSCOW.

THE REASON FOR ALL THE REJOICING IS FOUND IN WORDS THE
CHANCELLOR SPOKE INTO A MICROPHONE AT THE FLYING FIELD. "I THANK
GOD THAT WE COULD ALL LIVE TO SEE THIS MOMENT!" HE CRIED. "WHAT
WE HAVE BEEN AWAITING FOR TEN YEARS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED. WE WILL
BE FREE."

THE AGREEMENT, SIGNED IN MOSCOW BY CHANCELLOR RAAB AND FOREIGN
MINISTER MOLOTOV, STATES THE TERMS OF A TREATY - WHICH BOTH AUSTRIA
AND THE SOVIETS WILL PLACE BEFORE THE WESTERN POWERS. FOR - AN
O.K. / THEN, IF ALL GOES WELL, A FORMAL TREATY WILL BE SIGNED.

THE SOVIET-AUSTRIAN TERMS, SETTLED IN MOSCOW, PROVIDE FOR

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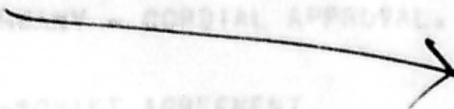
THE FULL INDEPENDENCE OF AUSTRIA, WITH THE REMOVAL OF ALL OCCUPATION TROOPS. THE RUSSIANS - TO SEND BACK ALL AUSTRIAN PRISONERS CAPTURED IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR. ECONOMIC PROVISIONS - CONCERNING, FOR EXAMPLE AUSTRIAN OIL FIELDS, AND - SHIPPING ALONG THE DANUBE.

BUT TERMS THAT PROVOK THE MOST THOUGHT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

AUSTRIA - TO HAVE NO ALLIANCES OR MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. NO FOREIGN POWER - TO HAVE MILITARY BASES IN AUSTRIAN TERRITORY. IN OTHER WORDS, THE SMALL REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA WOULD BE "NEUTRALIZED." A SORT OF BUFFER STATE - BETWEEN EAST AND WEST.

THESE TERMS SUGGEST A REASON WHY MOSCOW MADE A QUICK CHANGE OF POLICY. FOR TEN YEARS, THE SOVIETS HAD BLOCKED AND OBSTRUCTED AN AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY. THEN, SUDDENLY, THE DECISION TO BRING ONE ABOUT, IN A HURRY.

IT SEEMS TO BE, AT LEAST IN PART - MANEUVER TO BLOCK THE REARMAMENT OF WESTERN GERMANY. THAT'S INDICATED BY THE COMMUNISTS, THEMSELVES.



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TODAY, THE LONDON DAILY WORKER SAID - THERE'S NO REASON WHY A SIMILAR PEACE TREATY SHOULD NOT BE MADE WITH GERMANY.

AUSTRIA - NEUTRALIZED, WITHOUT ANY WESTERN CONNECTIONS. THE SOVIETS WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO HAVE GERMANY THAT WAY - NO ALLIANCE WITH THE WEST. NO WEST GERMAN ARMY - IN THE MILITARY FORCES OF NATO.

IT LOOKS AS IF THE SOVIETS MIGHT MEAN AN AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY - AS A TEMPTATION TO LURE THE GERMANS. DANGLING - THE PROSPECT OF GERMAN INDEPENDENCE AND UNITY. BUT - AS A NEUTRAL COUNTRY, LIKE AUSTRIA.

THE WESTERN REACTION TO THE MOSCOW ARRANGEMENT IS FAVORABLE - BUT CAUTIOUS. LONDON, PARIS AND WASHINGTON - WAITING TO GET THE OFFICIAL DETAILS. WASHINGTON, IN PARTICULAR, TAKES NOTE OF THE POSSIBLE EFFECT - ON GERMANY. BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, WE DO WANT AN AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY.

IN WEST GERMANY - CORDIAL APPROVAL. WEST GERMAN OFFICIALS - HAILING

THE AUSTRO-SOVIET AGREEMENT.

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EDEN

TODAY, ANTHONY EDEN GAVE HIS FIRST RADIO BROADCAST - AS PRIME MINISTER. AT THE MICROPHONE, HE SAID: "I HAVE ASKED HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN TO GRANT A DISSOLUTION OF PARLIAMENT ON MAY 6, AND HER MAJESTY HAS BEEN PLEASED TO SIGNIFY HER ACCEPTANCE OF MY RECOMMENDATION."

THAT'S THE BRITISH WAY OF ANNOUNCING - GENERAL ELECTIONS. EDEN CONTINUING - "POLLING WILL TAKE PLACE ON MAY TWENTY SIXTH." THAT'S THE DATE WHEN THE BRITISH WILL CAST THEIR BALLOTS - ELECTING A NEW PARLIAMENT.

THIS HAS BEEN EXPECTED EVER SINCE THE RETIREMENT OF PRIME MINISTER WINSTON CHURCHILL. EDEN, THE NEW PRIME MINISTER - PLACING HIS POLITICAL FATE IN THE HANDS OF THE BRITISH VOTERS.

THE CALLING OF AN ELECTION IS COMPLICATED BY A LONDON NEWSPAPER STRIKE - WHICH HAS TIED UP JOURNALISM FOR A WEEK. ~~THEY~~ *No* *doubt* ~~SUPPOSE~~ THEY EXPECT THE LONDON STRIKE TO BE OVER BY ELECTION DAY - THE TWENTY-SIXTH OF NEXT MONTH.

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WARREN.

HEAD OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

CHIEF JUSTICE EARLE WARREN, TODAY, DECLARED - HE WILL NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, BECOME A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. HE SAID THIS IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT, ISSUED AT THE OFFICES OF THE SUPREME COURT IN WASHINGTON. WHICH BRINGS TO A QUICK END - A SORT OF MINOR BOOM, "WARREN FOR PRESIDENT."

THE REPUBLICANS, OF COURSE, HOPE THAT PRESIDENT EISENHOWER WILL RUN AGAIN, NEXT YEAR. BUT THEY CAN'T BE SURE. SO, INEVITABLY THERE'S TALK OF A POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE CANDIDATE.

RECENTLY THE GALLUP POLL MADE ^a SURVEY, ASKING REPUBLICAN VOTERS - WHOM THEY'D PREFER, IF EISENHOWER IS NOT AVAILABLE. THE RESULT - STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF EARLE WARREN. TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT SAYING - THEY PREFER THE CHIEF JUSTICE. VICE PRESIDENT NIXON CAME NEXT, WITH NINETEEN PER CENT. FORMER GOVERNOR THOMAS E DEWEY - ELEVEN PER CENT.

THE GALLUP POLL FOLLOWED THIS WITH A SAMPLING, WHICH QUERIED VOTERS IN GENERAL - DEMOCRATS AS WELL AS REPUBLICANS. WHOM WOULD THEY PREFER - EARLE WARREN OR ADLAI STEVENSON? THE RESULT CAME OUT ABOUT EVEN. SHOWING - THE CHIEF JUSTICE IS AS POPULAR, ^{with the Democrats} AS THE TITULAR

HEAD OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

ALL OF WHICH INCREASED THE TALK OF CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN,
AS A POSSIBLE CANDIDATE. BUT THAT MADE NO HIT WITH EARLE WARREN.
TODAY HE SAID - IT EMBARRASSED HIM, IN HIS WORK ON THE SUPREME
COURT. HENCE THE STATEMENT.

SO HOW DOES IT COMPARE WITH THAT CLASSIC OF ALL REJECTIONS
- WHEN, AFTER THE CIVIL WAR, GENERAL SHERMAN WAS BOOMED FOR
THE PRESIDENCY? TO THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION, HE SENT THIS WELL
KNOWN MESSAGE: "IF NOMINATED, I WILL NOT ACCEPT. IF ELECTED, I
WILL NOT SERVE."

HERE'S THE WARREN STATEMENT.

"WHEN I ACCEPTED THAT POSITION" (ON THE SUPREME COURT),
SAYS THE CHIEF JUSTICE, "IT WAS WITH THE FIXED PURPOSE OF LEAVING
POLITICS PERMANENTLY. THAT IS STILL MY PURPOSE. IT IS IRREVOCABLE.
I WILL NOT," HE ADDS, "CHANGE IT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES ^{or} CONDITIONS."

WHICH SEEMS TO BE PUTTING IT AS DEFINITELY - AS SHERMAN
DID.

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ATOMIC.

ONE FEATURE AT THE ATOMIC EXPLOSION, TODAY, WAS - THREE AIR STRIPS. ONE - MADE OF ASPHALT. ANOTHER - COVERED WITH WATER, LIKE A MINIATURE LAKE. THE THIRD - AN AIR STRIP OF DESERT SAND.

THE PURPOSE - TO SEE WHAT EFFECT THE ATOMIC BLAST WOULD HAVE ON A FLYING FIELD. THE SUPPOSITION IS THAT THEY COVERED ONE STRIP WITH A DEPTH OF WATER - TO SEE IF WATER WOULD BE ANY PROTECTION.

IN ADDITION TO THE AIR STRIPS, ALL SORTS OF EQUIPMENT WERE SUBJECTED TO THE BLAST. A THOROUGH STUDY - OF WHAT AN ATOMIC EXPLOSION WOULD DO TO MILITARY AND CIVILIAN INSTALLATIONS.

THE BLAST, FIRED AT THE TOP OF A TALL TOWER, WAS THE SECOND LARGEST IN THE SERIES OF 1955, ON THE NEVADA DESERT -- OF CITY DESTROYING VIOLENCE.

MEANWHILE, ATOMIC COMMISSIONER LEWIS STRAUSS MAKES PUBLIC INFORMATION TO SHOW THAT THE SERIES OF EXPERIMENTS HAS PRODUCED HARDLY ANY INCREASE IN THE RADIATION, WHICH IS NORMALLY IN THE ATMOSPHERE.

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STRIKE.

THE WORD FROM BIRMINGHAM IS THAT - STEEL STRIKERS WILL GO
BACK TO WORK TOMORROW MORNING. THOUSANDS OF THEM WALKED OFF THEIR
JOBS TODAY - IN SYMPATHY WITH STRIKING TELEPHONE WORKERS. THIS WAS
UNAUTHORIZED BY THE UNION, WHICH URGED THE STEEL WORKERS TO RETURN
TO THEIR ^{work.} ~~JOBS.~~ UNION OFFICIALS DECLARE - THEY WILL.

THE TELEPHONE STRIKE, WITH FIFTY THOUSAND OUT IN NINE SOUTHERN
STATES, HAS LED TO A WHOLE SERIES OF WALK-OUTS. THE TROUBLE IS
FOCUSED IN BIRMINGHAM, THE "PITTSBURGH OF THE SOUTH." WITH THE
UNION LEADERS TALKING OF A "GENERAL STRIKE" IN BIRMINGHAM.

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MONTGOMERY WARD.

THE ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT HANDED DOWN A RULING, TODAY - WHICH MAY BE IMPORTANT IN THE BATTLE FOR THE CONTROL OF MONTGOMERY WARD. IT FAVORS LOUIS WOLFSON, THE FINANCIER COMPETING WITH SEWELL AVERY.

THE COURT RULED THAT THE MONTGOMERY WARD SYSTEM OF ELECTING ONLY THREE DIRECTORS EACH YEAR - IS INVALID. WHICH MEANS THAT ALL NINE DIRECTORS WILL BE UP FOR ELECTION ON FRIDAY - WHEN THE SHOW DOWN COMES. GIVING WOLFSON A CHANCE - TO GAIN A MAJORITY.

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DUGMORE

For Mr. Thomas.

I wonder how many ~~of you~~ will remember Arthur Radclyffe Dugmore? At one time ~~he was~~ the most famous of ~~the~~ early group that first took still and motion pictures of big game in Africa. Dugmore was also well known as a painter of animals, birds, mountains, and the sea. He was ~~also~~ a founder ~~of the famous Explorers Club in New York, the world's number one society, institute and club, all rolled in one, of the great explorers of our time.~~

I have just received word from Bournemouth, on the south coast of England, that Arthur Dugmore has gone on to the Elysian Fields, -- ~~taken that~~ ^{his} final adventurous ~~ride across the~~ ^{2.} ~~River Styx with Charon.~~

Hundreds of thousands of Americans should remember Dugmore. ^{Years ago} ~~For~~ they saw his first movies of big game in Africa, and heard him tell of his exciting experiences. ~~That was~~ **Back** in the period just before Martin Johnson, Carl Akeley and others became famous for their filming and ~~for their~~ travels in Central and East Africa.

Dugmore also was well known in America because he was one of the group of Britishers, wounded early in the war, sent over here by Lord Northcliffe to tell the British side of that story, and ^{en}list American support. He was married to an American, and spent a considerable part of his life here and in Canada.

He made the first and only picture of the first long flight in the history of aviation -- when Orville Wright, in Nineteen Eight, at Fort Myer, managed to keep that famous Wright Box Kite in the air for fifty-five minutes.

Many years ago I wrote a biography of Arthur Radclyffe Dugmore, entitled "Rolling Stone". It told of his boyhood in a castle in Ireland, of his eccentric father who thought the children could get a better education if he bought a small sailing ship and they all lived at sea. Young Arthur, at eighteen, ~~was~~ master of the seventy-eight foot schooner, ~~and~~ with a crew of four, took her across the Atlantic. He saved his father's life in a banana rebellion

in Honduras. And after that went on to adventures in the big game country of North America and Africa.

When he first went to Africa he had only a cumbersome old-fashioned still camera with heavy glass plates. His companion was a man who went on to fame in this country, Dr. James L. Clark of the American Museum of Natural History. And of all the unusual pictures they made, the most extraordinary, surely, was of a charging rhino. Dugmore stood his ground, behind his big box camera, as the ^{huge} enormous rhino, charged straight toward him. He waited, coolly, until it was exactly sixteen yards away, and filled the entire plate. Then he snapped the camera, and dove to one side, as the rhino hurtled by.

~~(He spent his old age doing something not many men are able to do. Although he was not a man who had saved his money, he did keep on painting right down to the end, dying at the age of eighty-four.)~~ ^{He spent} spending his final ten or twelve years painting and fishing in Ireland. ~~And that's~~ The final chapter in the story of The Rolling Stone.

ELEPHANT

The city council at Columbus, Ohio, has before it - a pathetic letter from a twelve year old girl. Grace Ross, of London, Ontario - who tells what happened to her when her parents took her on a trip to that fair city in Ohio. One feature - a visit to the Columbus Zoo. That's where the pathetic mishap occurred.

"One of the elephants", Grace writes, "grabbed my purse, and swallowed it". The purse contained \$5.60. A fortune for a twelve year old girl.

So Grace now requests the town fathers to reimburse her - and I'll bet they do it.

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I want to appologise to Minneapolis Commentator Cedric Adams, for calling him Cedric Foster last night. I understand he got back at me on his news show by referring to me as Lowell Kaltenborn. And that was a compliment.

GIRLS.

AT DEARBORN MICHIGAN, THERE'S A BEAUTY CONTEST FOR - "TALKATIVE
GIRLS." BEAUTIFUL - BUT NOT DUMB. THAT IS, DUMB IN THE SENSE OF
- SILENT. THE WINNER WILL HAVE TO BE ONE OF THOSE LOVELY CHATTERERS
- WHO KEEP TALKING ALL THE TIME.

THE COMPETITION IS FOR THE TITLE "MISS CITY BEAUTIFUL."
BY "CITY BEAUTIFUL," DEARBORN MEANS - DEARBORN. THE CANDIDATES
WILL BE RATED, NOT ONLY FOR THEIR LOOKS - BUT ALSO FOR THEIR
ABILITY TO TALK INCESSANTLY ABOUT THE WONDERS OF DEARBORN.

Hugh, THEY WANT A GAL AS BEAUTIFUL AS THE "CITY BEAUTIFUL" -
AND AS GABBY AS A TOWN BOOSTER.

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