

L.T.-DELCO. TUESDAY, SEPT. 24, 1957.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The President in his speech to the nation, a moment ago - which you/^{probably}heard; the President explained why he has ordered the Arkansas National Guard into Federal service. Also, why he has ordered the Defense Department - to send troops into Little Rock.

The President's explanation: - that he had to do it - to prevent anarchy. He began by saying that he feels sad about all this - but that he had to act firmly in the Little Rock crisis. He pointed out that when local authorities cannot uphold Federal Court Rulings - then Washington must act. As he put it: "The President's responsibility is inescapable." It is his duty under the Constitution.

President Eisenhower then went on to describe the situation in Little Rock - saying that the local authorities have not been able to put down, the violence

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around Central High School. Hence his order to the Defense Department to send enough men to restore order and see to enough to see that negro children are not harmed if they turn up at the school tomorrow.

Substitute GUARD FOLLOW EISENHOWER

The entire Arkansas National Guard has been ordered to report for duty immediately. They^a are now arriving at assembly points - ^{as of tonight,} and are on the Army payroll. Their new Commander - General Edwin Walker, Commanding General of the Arkansas Military District at Little Rock.

General Walker will have all ten thousand men under his command. And he received reinforcements - when five hundred men of the Hundred and First Airborne Division landed this afternoon in Little Rock.

Shortly afterward, General Walker ordered the people of Little Rock - to let Central High School be integrated peaceably. He says he does not want any crowds in front of the school when classes open tomorrow morning. But the General ^{says he is} being as consiliatory as possible - ordered by ^{Secretary of Defense} ~~Defense Secretary~~ Wilson - to use the minimum of force ~~to get negro students into Central High.~~

LITTLE ROCK

Meanwhile, there is better news from Little Rock. Not quite so tense there today - after the outburst yesterday. A crowd of three hundred did show up outside the Central High School; and nine were arrested - two, accused of carrying concealed weapons. This makes forty-five arrests in all.

But there was no fighting. Negro pupils stayed home. However we hear that tomorrow the colored youngsters intend to return - if troops on duty to protect them.

Negro leaders today were saying they are grateful to President Eisenhower for his leadership and his pledge that Negro children shall be protected in their right to go to school. At the same time, the NNACP is calling on its members to avoid trouble - by avoiding incidents.

Tonight Governor Faubus is back at the executive mansion, in Little Rock. When he flew in from the Southern Governors Conference - at Sea Island, Georgia,

he told newsmen the Federal government is responsible for the trouble at Central High. Said the Governor of Arkansas, "Nothing happened while I had the Guard there."

GOVERNORS

And from other Southern Governors at the conference at Sea Island, further strong condemnation of the President's action. Governor Griffen of Georgia, air chief executive a "dictator". Charging, that the President turned from a policy of conciliation to a policy of force - all because he is the captive of Republican politicians who are angling for the Negro vote.

Governor Griffen's accusation is supported by Governor Timmerman of South Carolina, Governor Hodges of North Carolina, and Governor Collins of Florida, with one dissenting southern voice - Governor McKeldon of Maryland; who told newsmen today that he is sure President Eisenhower has all the facts in the Little Rock case, - and that he is taking proper action in dealing with the crisis.

HOFFA

Now comes a wail from

The apparent crown prince of the Teamsters Union ^{who} protests ^{that} he is being persecuted by the Senate Investigating Sub-Committee. Jimmy Hoffa, referring to ^{the} charges by Senator McClellan, ~~charges~~ that he misused Union money. Hoffa says it isn't so. In particular, he defends that deal with a Minneapolis department store. The Teamsters, loaning money to ~~a~~ ^{the} department store - when its employees were on strike.

According to Hoffa, the deal was made with the approval of the Trustee Committee - and the Teamsters will get a profit ^{from it of} about a hundred thousand dollars.

TEAMSTERS

On the other hand, tonight Hoffa seems to be running into unexpected opposition - in his bid to become boss of the Teamsters Union. His rival for the job, Thomas Haggerty, now claims to have eight hundred votes with only a hundred more needed to win.

The head of the Chicago Federation of Labor, William Lee, today came out for Thomas Haggerty - versus Hoffa. A group of the Union rank and file in Pontiac, Michigan - say they prefer Haggerty - and protest that delegates from their local have been chosen by a method "rigged" in favor of Hoffa. Also pledges of support for Haggerty are coming in from Iowa, Indiana, Minnesota, and several other states.

But in spite of Haggerty's optimism - Hoffa still says he's confident he'll win this Union election - come out on top, as successor to Dave Beck.

PRICES

In August, the cost of living rose - for the twelfth month in a row. ~~So indicated by the~~ Labor Department. ~~Its~~ report shows that food prices went up four-tenths of one per cent. ~~And there were~~ ^{with} increases in the cost of housing, clothing, transportation, medical care, and so on.

The Labor Department report is not ~~completely~~ ^{at} pessimistic. It predicts that the upward spiral may level off soon. And secondly, while the cost of living went up in August - so did the buying power of workers.

GIRARD

At the Tokyo trial of G.I. William Girard - the man who was on duty with him, today described Girard's behavior as intended for a joke. Corporal Victor Nickel, of Inkster, Michigan, said Girard never intended to harm the woman - who was killed by that empty shell from his grenade launcher.

Nickel told the court that Girard did entice the woman to come closer in her search for empty cartridge shells. Also, that Girard placed his gun against his shoulder, aimed ~~directly~~ at her, and then fired.

But Nickel insists - Girard had no intention of harming her. Girard ^{was} in a state of shock - ^{he saw what} when ~~she fell to~~ ^{had happened.} the ground. Said Nickel today: "He was scared, and white - his voice ~~was~~ shaking."

Girard has testified that ~~the~~ was about twenty-four yards away at the time. Nickel says it was ^{about} ~~only~~ thirteen yards. And adds, Girard asked him to help move their machinegun further back - after he found that the Japanese woman was dead.

BIG THREE

The Big Three of the Western world - again accuse Russia of stirring up trouble in the Middle East. Britain, France, and America - presenting identical notes in Moscow. The notes refer to the shipment of Soviet arms to Egypt and Syria. And the Kremlin is charged with spreading hostile propaganda throughout the Middle East - especially, distorting the meaning of the Eisenhower Doctrine.

Meanwhile, at the United Nations, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd told the General Assembly - that the Communist arms in Syria may be intended for use by Soviet troops. Selwyn Lloyd, asking the Russians to think twice before they touch off a shooting war in the Middle East.

EGYPT

Egyptian officials say they've just seized an Israeli fishing boat - engaged in espionage. According to Cairo, the ship entered Egyptian waters - with spies disguised as fishermen. The ship, towed into Port Said - the spies, now in jail.

POUND

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer announces -

that he will borrow five hundred million dollars from the U.S.

Export-Import Bank. Peter Thorneycroft, telling a meeting of

the International Monetary Fund in Washington - the purpose is

to strengthen the pound. Thorneycroft declaring, his

government wants to restore international faith in British

currency. The point is - that the pound will not be devalued.

It's pegged at two dollars and eighty cents on the world market -

and that's where Thorneycroft intends to keep it. At the same

time, London is tightening up its control of home finances -

to help check inflation. The MacMillan government, to use the

loan of five hundred million dollars - to keep Britain from

sliding toward economic chaos.

TASK FORCE

Seventy-five ships of the U.S. Navy are steaming towards Turkey tonight. Aboard the ships, eight thousand marines - who will stage the biggest amphibious landing exercises in the Mediterranean, since World War Two. Nato commanders deny this is a show-of-force -- because of the crisis in Syria. But all of them admit - the whole area of the Middle East is sure to be impressed - and the rest of the world too.

The destination of the flotilla is a spot famous in history - Gallipoli - where the British landed a task force during World War One. Gallipoli, a fiasco ^{— almost a success —} the British, eventually driven out by the Turks.

The current exercise will be under different conditions than that. For one thing, the Turkish forces are now allied with the invading marines. And the exercise will have the most modern equipment - including a helicopter air-lift. Once ashore, the marines will go into action - simulating a defense of the Dardanelles - against a hypothetical enemy, trying to force its way through from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean.

PASSAGE

Three ships sailed into the harbor of Bristol, Rhode Island, today - and received a thunderous welcome. The reason - they're the first of Uncle Sam's vessels - ever to sail the Northwest Passage.

The cutters, "Storis", "Bramble", and "Spar" - achieving what explorers ^{hoped to do -} ~~have attempted~~ for centuries. Back in the Sixteenth Century, John Cabot sailed north along the American continent - trying to find open water, that would take him through on the route to the Far East. Of course, he failed. And many others also failed - including Henry Hudson, who got as far as Hudson's Bay - when he was cast adrift by his crew.

Well, modern geographers have known for a long time - that there is a Northwest Passage - only it cuts far up into the Arctic. And today's story tells of the first successful American voyage along the Northwest Passage.

The three cutters made it from west to east. They

left Seattle in July - to carry supplies for our northern bases. Then they were ordered to go on and probe through the area above the Arctic Circle. So the convoy continued on under the command of Commander Harold Wood, of the Coast Guard. They crossed the Arctic Circle into Bering Strait - then pushed on through uncharted waters. And finally they came out in the North Atlantic. They had marked out a Northwest Passage - for other ships to follow. ~~and~~ Then they sailed down to Bristol - for today's enthusiastic reception.

Of course Amundsen made it years ago. And the Canadians went thru not long ago. This, the 1st time for ~~an~~ craft flying the Stars & Stripes.

INSOMNIA

The Russians claim to have invented something new - and if it really works, a lot of us are going to be grateful to them. It's a "sleeping machine" - ~~and~~ In Moscow they say it's a sure-fire cure for insomnia.

An American scientist, Dr. Horsley Gantt, of Johns Hopkins, saw the Russian "sleeping machine" at the Medical Institute in Kiev. According to Dr. Gantt, it has two small electrodes - which are fastened to the eyelids of the patient. A battery transmits mild electrical impulses - through the electrodes. And the patient is supposed to drop off to sleep - after a few minutes of this, ~~treatment.~~

Dr. Gantt didn't see the ~~the~~ Soviet "sleeping machine" in operation. But he was impressed with the gadget. And he adds ^{that} for once, he hopes Russian claims are correct. He hopes that medical science has finally arrived at something - to cure one of the world's terrible afflictions - insomnia.

^{I mean JOE}
Mama _T where are my electrodes?

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Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

L.T.: A dispatch from Newport, Rhode Island, reminds me of what happened exactly two years ago today. The dispatch, issued by President Eisenhower's private physician, General Howard Snyder. It states that Mr. Eisenhower is in good health. "His general condition is fine", says the report.

~~It~~ It was just two years ago today - that ~~the~~ ^{the} President Eisenhower suffered his heart attack. ^{Recall how many} ~~and a lot of people~~ ^{were saying that surely} ~~began to say~~ - his public career was finished? Since then, he's won his second term in the White House - and is back in good condition - weighing one hundred and seventy-two pounds - exactly his weight when he entered West Point forty odd years ago.

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ANNOUNCER: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

L.T.: Tonight I'm reminded by an INS report of how other Presidents used Federal troops to uphold the law. The list, going all the way back to George Washington - who moved into Pennsylvania, to put down the whiskey rebellion. And - in our own day - my CBS engineer Gene Nicks - who is a reservoir of unusual information, points out that there have been three Presidents who did the same thing. In Nineteen Fourteen, Woodrow Wilson sent troops into a western state during a strike, in the coal mines. In Nineteen Thirty-Two, Herbert Hoover ordered Douglas MacArthur to move the bonus Army out of Washington. MacArthur's Aid - Major Dwight D. Eisenhower. And in Nineteen Forty-One, FDR acted to deal with a strike at an aircraft factory in California.

Now President Eisenhower sending troops into
Arkansas.