

BUDGET

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President Eisenhower, today, made a reply to Congress. Giving his comment - on the resolution ~~passed~~ passed by the House of Representatives. Which calls on the White House to make suggestions for cutting the budget. Tossing the problem - to the President.

At his news conference, today, Mr. Eisenhower said the lawmakers, themselves, will have to decide. He has given them his figures - totaling Seventy-one-billion, eight-hundred-~~and~~ million dollars. And it is up to them to make up their minds - where and how to cut the spending.

He noted that, if any great reductions are to be made, they will have to be on such basic ^{matters} ~~problems~~ - as national defense, benefits for veterans, and aid for the farmers. Otherwise, there can be no great savings.

In other words, ^{he passes} the buck ~~is passed~~ back to the legislators.

Whereupon, Congress made a prompt reply -

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cutting four million dollars from the funds to run the White House.

The White House announces - that President Eisenhower will sail for Bermuda, tomorrow. Although his meeting with British Prime Minister, McMillan, it is not scheduled until March Twentieth, a week from now. The President intending to take a leisurely cruise aboard a warship at sea - for ^{some} days before arriving in Bermuda.

Which represents a change of plans. The President having expected to spend a few days in Florida sunshine. Hoping it would help his cough, and cold, and ear inflammation. But, instead, he will get the sunshine aboard a cruiser, loafing along to Bermuda.

Yesterday, the President was at ~~the~~ Walter Reed Hospital, where he had a chest examination. The result - signs of improvement. At this news conference, today, he seemed a lot better than when he met the reporters last week. His ~~sm~~ voice much clearer - not so hoarse. Nor did he show any sign of coughing. Last

week, he asked the reporters to talk loud^{er} because
his ear inflammation interfered with his hearing.
Today, no trouble at all in hearing questions. Even
a whisper.

MIDDLE EAST

The United States has presented new proposals to the U N -- to deal with the Middle Eastern situation. President Eisenhower, today, said -- we were giving the U N our "views". The views of the United States ~~is~~ of great consequence, obviously. At his news conference, President Eisenhower did not reveal what the new suggestions might be. He said, the U N bears the chief responsibility for settling the ~~dispute~~ dispute-- and our government backs the U N.

The acute crisis is, of course, Gaza. Where a bit of spectacular violence is reported -- the blowing up of a section of the railroad out of Gaza into Israel. The sabotage -- the doing of *Moslem* *raiders* -- or *Egyptians*.

Today, in Jerusalem, Premier Ben Gurion spoke menacing words -- on the subject of Gaza. Telling the Knesset -- that, if the Egyptians go back into the Gaza Strip, Israel will resort to military measures. Which he indicated, might be taken --

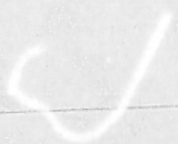
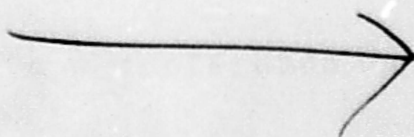
without advance notice. Ben Gurion assailed the attitude of the U N -- in its assumption that the Gaza Strip, legally, belongs to Egypt.

One thing left undecided -- in the Ben Gurion threat:-- He didn't say whether he meant -- Egyptian military occupation, or Egyptian civilian administration. There's no telling which he meant, when he said -- Israel might resort to military force.

In Cairo, Egyptian Premier Nasser indicates -- that he'll go easy with any notion of taking military possession of Gaza. Which, so likely, might mean a new outbreak of war between Israel and Egypt -- if Egyptian soldiers march in. But the Egyptians continue to demand ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ from the civilian administration of the strip, while U N soldiers remain in control.

One report is that Dr. Ralph Bunche, ~~XX~~ Assistant Secretary General of the U N has stated ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ in Cairo -- that the United States recognizes the right of Egypt to administer Gaza, with civilian officials. But the word, in general, is that our

government is pressing Wasser -- to ^{(hold off} ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
in his demand for ^{the} civilian administration of Gaza.
Take it easy, delay things -- and don't upset the
Middle Eastern apple cart.



FOLLOW MIDDLE EAST

Tonight, a dispatch from Cairo states -- that an agreement has been reached, whereby Egypt will take over the civil administration of the Gaza Strip. So decided -- in a conference between U N Assistant Secretary General Ralph Bunche, and Egyptian President Nasser.

~~the~~ Israel, tonight, told the United States that the Gaza Strip ^{situation is} -- "grave".

Israeli Ambassador Eban cut short a Florida vacation -- to present ^{all this} ~~the~~ Israeli alarm before the State Department in Washington.

CUBA

A sudden revolt broke out in Havana, today. Insurgents - attacking the Presidential Palace, - headquarters of "strong man" Batista.

The assailants - young men in civilian clothes, university students, apparently. Who drove to the Palace in a truck and in a bus - dashing out, trying to storm the palace.

A gun fight ensued - the shooting going on for quite a while. The rebels - attacking with rifles, machine guns, and hand grenades. The Batista government bringing up armored cars to disperse the insurgents.

The revolt was suppressed, after an hour of heavy fire. In their surprise rush, the assailants got into the lobby of Batista's palace -- before the astonished guards were able to rally. *The* Insurgents driven out, took refuge in buildings nearby, and the shooting went on -- until government tanks decided the issue. Seven rebels are known to have been killed - four captured.

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RACKETS

The Senate rackets investigation produced new blasts of evidence, today - reflecting on the Teamsters Union, at Portland, Oregon. Committee member Senator Mundt, of South Dakota, charging - that the Union had "falsified" its books. Examining the records, ~~RM~~ Senator Mundt pounced on an entry showing a payment of ~~Two-hundred-and-forty-one-dollars-and-fifty cents~~. Listed - under expense allowance for union officers. The money actually, was used to pay a hotel bill for Thomas E. Maloney, of Portland. Maloney - called a gambler, implicated in Oregon racketting. Which would seem to have a meaning - in relation to the charge that officials of the Teamsters Union were in league with gamblers and crooked politics.

Another item found in the union financial ~~records shows a payment of five thousand financial~~ records shows a payment of five thousand dollars to K.C. Tanner, identified as a lawyer representing the District Attorney at Portland, William E. Langley.

Previous testimony indicated - that the Union played a part in putting Langley into the District Attorney's office. The charge being - that this was part of a conspiracy to control the rackets in Portland.

Other testimony developed the fact - that part of the records of the Teamsters Union have been destroyed. Union Treasurer R.R. Mikesell explaining - that there was no room for them in the vault.

The investigating committee is waiting to hear testimony from Union President Dave Beck. Who says - he will appear. But he told reporters he might take the Fifth Amendment on certain questions, and he might refuse to produce personal financial records. Unless - advised to do so by his attorney.

Today President Eisenhower gave a reply - to a charge made by the President of the Teamsters Union. Who declared that the administration "pre-judged" his case, ~~when~~ when it cancelled his appointment as a U S delegate to an international labor conference in Geneva. Following a racketeering charge against

officials of his union.

President Eisenhower answers it was the other way around. The Administration thought, if Beck were retained on the American delegation - that would pre-judge the case in his favor.

The implication^s of the Senate investigation are illustrated by a statement from committee counsel, Robert Kennedy, today. Who told ~~the~~ newsmen - the committee has received complaints about labor racketeering from every major city in the United States.

BLIMP

A new duration record - for flight with refueling. Made - by a Navy blimp, today, in the air for two-hundred-hours-and-twelve minutes - which broke the previous mark. Also - made by a blimp.

Today's flight began at Weymouth, Massachusetts, on March fourth, the ^{blimp} ~~bag~~ touring - around over the Atlantic, Portugal, the Canary Islands, and the Coast of Africa.

RESCUE

Last night, off the coast of Massachusetts, the Coast Guard Cutter "Castle Rock" was towing a disabled fishing trawler doing a good rescue job - getting the storm-battered vessel back to port at Boston. When, in the murky North Atlantic weather, they spied - a flare in the distance. Which signaled - another life-saving job.

The Coast Guardsmen found a lifeboat, with nine sailors aboard - survivors - of the freighter "Patricia Sweeney" of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Who told a harrowing story - of a sudden shipwreck.

They were bound for Port Reading, New Jersey, with a cargo of coal when ^A they were ~~seen~~ caught in a violent storm. The cargo of coal - shifting. The freighter - suddenly capsizing. They had hardly enough time to get into their lifeboat, when their ship sunk. "She went down like a stone," they say.

That was on Sunday and they had food aboard the lifeboat. As for water, too much of it - in a

down-pour of rain. The trouble - the cold. In an icy storm - on the North Atlantic. They nearly froze to death - as they drifted helplessly - for three days. Two of them - barefoot, suffering badly from frostbite.

The Coast Guard cutter "Castle Rock" kept on its way to Boston, towing the ~~the~~ disabled fishing trawler - and bringing to safety the nine survivors of the coal ship.

ALEUTIANS

The Coast Guard is making an aerial survey of the volcano on Unak Island, at the western end of the Aleutians. To determine how much danger there is - of a major eruption. The fire mountain today - continuing to spout clouds of steam in addition to which - Unak Island was shaken by an earthquake today.

All - part of ^{the recent} a series of quakes on the floor of the ocean, off the Aleutians.

If today's survey should indicate the likelihood of a major Volvanic eruption - the natives of the island will be evacuated. Taken - from Unak ~~island~~ to the Island of Unalaska, ^{way} to the East.

FAT WOMEN

In Paris - an association of plump ladies.
Called "The sympathetic club for overweight women".

Headed by Mademoiselle Cournou. Who weighs a good
sound two-hundred-and-thirty pounds, *- without even a smidgen of lencene.* The slogan *of the*
association is
down with diet. "We are comfortably proportioned"
says Mlle. Cournou, "our very size makes us gay and
balanced.

This new club for *plump* ladies - making a
huge success. Founded only a couple of months ago,
it has already more than one thousand members. Madame
and Mademoiselle, *with* a large spread of curves -
hastening to join.

The association has a beguiling advertising
line. A motto - illustrated with a reproduction, in
colors, of a figure from ~~an~~ a painting by Rubens. You
know how the Dutch old master liked to paint buxom
beauties. So the motto is: "The fat woman is a
Rubens masterpiece who doesn't realize it."

- Henry -
To which, the echo responds: "Dear lady,
you are not fat, you are a Rubens."

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Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

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Let's take ~~xxx~~ a look at the news of today, a year ago. Congress - voting against the cancellation of excise and corporation taxes. Which had been slapped on during the Korean war. The vote - ending the hope of a tax cut of three billion dollars. Today - Congress once again is ^{re} ~~l~~acking its brain about financial matters: - ~~G~~overnment spending, the budget and taxation.

Today, next year, I suppose we'll be hearing the same thing. The cost of government and the plague of high taxes.

And so long until tomorrow.