

L.T.-DELCO. MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1956.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

President Eisenhower has interrupted his campaign trip, returning to Washington for an emergency conference with Secretary of State Dulles, to discuss the sudden Israeli attack on Egypt. There's talk of a special session of congress to consider the new state of affairs.

## PALESTINE

Tonight, Israeli forces are reported to be -  
halfway to the Suez Canal. Said to be digging in to the west  
of a road junction in the Sinai Desert - some ~~at~~ seventy-two  
miles from the great waterway.

One rumor in Jerusalem, <sup>in</sup> the Israeli sector, <sup>1</sup> says  
~~that~~ <sup>have</sup> they ~~are~~ penetrated "west of Suez". Which would mean,  
<sup>have</sup> they ~~are~~ crossed the Canal. This is totally unconfirmed, in  
that the Israeli communique makes no such claim. And it seems  
most ~~it~~ unlikely - for it would mean an advance of one-hundred-and  
forty miles. However, we may note, that the dispatch, tonight,  
from Jerusalem, states - that Israeli paratroopers may be in  
the battle. So, ~~possibly~~ there might be a paratroop  
penetration "west" of the Suez Canal. Although - that's mere  
conjecture.

Anyway, war between Israel and Egypt seems to be <sup>in full swing</sup> ~~on~~

The first report, this morning, was an Army communique stating -  
that a drive was on against bases ten miles inside ~~the~~ Egyptian  
territory. Bases of Arab suicide squads, which had been raiding

Israel. This attack, perhaps, might seem - merely a raid of retaliation. But the later news indicates - an Israeli drive toward the Suez Canal.



## PALESTINE - WEEKEND

The Israeli ~~stroke~~<sup>move</sup> today, follows quickly on events, over the weekend. The government of Israel - ordering a military mobilization. Soldiers - flocking to their units from all over the country. President Eisenhower - making two appeals to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion -- urging against any ~~furth~~ military action. State Department officials -- gravely apprehensive of an outbreak of war. Clearly - the government in Washington knew something, and was anxiously on the alert.

Today's news of the Israeli drive into Egyptian territory was instantly communicated to President Eisenhower, as he was campaigning in Florida. The President - greeted at Jacksonville and Miami by airport crowds estimated at ten thousand, in each place. The President - fresh from his weekend medical check-up. With its ~~nt~~ favorable report on his health. But it certainly must have been a headache to hear the news, which might signify - that war, finally, has broken out in the Middle East.

Over the weekend, the question was asked with some

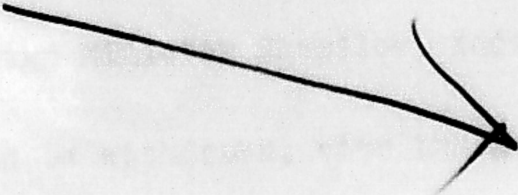


surprise - why the sudden military moves by Israel? And, tonight, we still wonder - what happened, bringing about the attack on Egypt? The Israeli statement mentions - raids by Egyptian commandos, and Egyptian interference with Israeli shipping. But those things have been going on for a long time.

The belief in Washington is that Israel may be taking advantage of a combination of international factors. The United States - absorbed in the last week of a presidential campaign. Washington - unlikely to make important decisions, until after election. It is to be noted that the United States, together with Britain and France, have pledged - they ~~are~~ be ~~again~~ against anybody who starts a war in the Middle East. Either side - Israel or the Arabs. But, Egypt is in a quarrel with Western powers - over the Suez Canal. Egypt - less likely to *be the object of* ~~have~~ much sympathy. Moreover, the Egyptian army is concentrated at the canal - largely withdrawn from the desert area ~~to~~ *into* which troops of Israel have driven.

And, furthermore, there's the situation in the Communist world - which has been backing the Arabs. Soviet Russia, facing a crisis with the Red satellites. The revolution in Hungary - providing Moscow with plenty to think about.

After all, Israel is surrounded by bitter enemies, the large Arab states - which <sup>are sure to</sup> ~~might~~ become stronger, as time goes on. So the idea of striking first, with a preventive war - has been talked about. The present moment, and the present international situation - perhaps considered favorable <sup>by Ben</sup> ~~Gurion and his associates.~~



## HUNGARY

Dispatches from Hungary, tonight, are - confusing. Yesterday, Premier Nagy, the Titoist, promised the nation in rebellion - that Russian troops would be withdrawn from Budapest. The number one demand of the insurgents; and ~~today~~, the news reports told of <sup>large</sup> Soviet military <sup>forces</sup> ~~parties~~ moving out of the devastated city.

But, then, came another statement from the Titoist authorities. Declaring - that some Russian troops would remain in Budapest - until twenty-four hours after all rebels had surrendered ~~their~~ weapons. The idea being, obviously - to end resistance in the city, while Soviet forces were still there. Which scheme, apparently, was concocted on order from Moscow. Where Soviet Foreign Minister Shepilov, today, declared that the Russians would be withdrawn, when the rebels lay down their arms and order is restored.

He added - that no Russian reinforcements have entered Hungary in more than two days. And - that Soviet soldiers, already in Hungary, have "actually ceased firing."




The British Foreign Office, however, says - it has information that Russian military units are being moved into Hungary. <sup>And</sup> The word from Budapest is - that, in some parts of the city, the Russians are still shooting.

The government radio declares - that resistance groups in Budapest have already begun to hand over their armament. But a strong rebel force, concentrated some sixty miles from the city, has instructed all nationalists - to keep their guns. Denouncing - " Communist promises."

On the whole, today's news might suggest - that the Titoist regime in Budapest has promised the insurgents - that Russian troops would go. The pledge - being carried out, in large part. But some Russian troops - remaining in the city. With signs - that the Reds may be reneging on their promise, which might bring about an advance of the rebels, who control so much of the country. Maybe - a second battle for Budapest.

Reports continue to ~~stat~~ tell - of the removal of signs of Communism. The Hungarian army - ordered to remove

the hated Red Star from the uniforms of the soldiers. Stalin Street, Stalin Bridge, Stalin Square - renamed. The Communist title "comrade" dropped from orders issued by the Ministry of Defense.



## FOLLOW HUNGARY

The latest - a dispatch stating that two thousand Hungarians are fighting, tonight, in the heart of Budapest.

Besieged, by a ring of Russian tanks and artillery.



## HUNGARY -REPORTER

Here's an eye-witness account from a United Press reporter -- who got into Budapest. First, flying with a planeload of plasma for the wounded. Then -- continuing his way ~~into~~ the city by automobile and <sup>the final mile</sup> on foot. <sup>He met, along</sup> the road, the Russians ~~were~~ leaving -- taking their dead away.

"Suddenly," relates Anthony Cavendish, "we came upon a massive Soviet convoy -- ten tanks, with red stars. Bodies were piled in trucks, which followed the tanks. Hungarians lined the roads -- to stare triumphantly and to glare with hate."

Then he continues: "The closer we got to Budapest, the more Soviet troops and tanks could be seen leaving. I counted sixty tanks in one convoy, lumbering and lurching from side to side like huge elephants. A peasant," he adds, "an arm's length away from a tank, spat on it."

Along the street in Budapest, U.P. Correspondent Cavendish had to dodge, as a Russian tank came charging. "Hungarian women," says he, "stood out defiantly and swept the tank with looks of such cold hatred -- it seemed they penetrated the steel sides of the tank like x-rays."

In the center of Budapest, he saw an interesting sight. "I passed one crowd," he relates, "happily hacking away souvenir pieces, from the great bronze statue of Stalin, which was toppled last Tuesday night." And he adds: "Hungarian flags flew proudly from the windows -- white, red and green."

## HUNGARY - NEWSPAPER

Here's a graphic picture - of how astonishing those events in Hungary have really been. An article, today, in the official newspaper of the Hungarian Communist Party. Which hurls a blast - at Pravda, the official Soviet newspaper in Moscow. Refuting the Pravda charge - that the Americans are to blame for the Hungarian revolution. Americans - inciting Hungarian "terrorists."

Today's article in the Hungarian Communist paper was broadcast by the radio station of the Red Hungarian government, and states: "Pravda's allegations that American imperialists were behind the Hungarian uprising must be regarded - as an insult to our people. The fact is," the article goes on, "that the revolt was directed by the free will of the people, since the whole population seems to have backed the rebels. There were no terrorists," the newspaper declares.

Adding - that the insurgents have gained "full victory" in the withdrawal of Russian troops <sup>at</sup> ~~in~~ Budapest and the abolition of the Hungarian secret police.



## HUNGARY - FUGITIVES

Among the many signs of the times - an astonishing reversal along the <sup>U</sup>Astro-Hungarian border. Refugees from Hungary crossing the border to Austria, and asking for - "political asylum." Recalling - the many stories of anti-Communist refugees fleeing to freedom. But these, today, were Communists - seventeen of them. Among them apparently - several members of the Red secret police.

These Communist refugees from the Hungarian revolution, now being questioned by the Austrian police.

## POLAND - CARDINAL

In Warsaw today a huge crowd gathered in front of a stately building -- the residence of the Cardinal. There to hail -- the Primate of Poland now released by the Reds. Cardinal <sup>(Wi-zin'ski)</sup> Wyszynski -- who, for three years, was a captive of the Communists.

The Cardinal appeared on a balcony -- so the people could see he had been restored to his ecclesiastical position. He addressed the crowd -- which cheered him with patriotic slogans and the singing of hymns.

Three times today, Cardinal Wyszynski made an appearance on that balcony -- as vast throngs acclaimed him.

There's a report that the Primate of Poland will make a trip to Rome soon to report to Pope Pius the Twelfth. And -- to receive the Red Hat. He was named a Cardinal before his imprisonment, and could

have gone to Rome -- but was afraid the Reds wouldn't let him come back to Poland. Now, however, he will be able to make the journey and receive the traditional symbol -- the Red Hat.



## CUBA

A wild outbreak of gunfire - in Havana. When police raiders invaded the Haitian Embassy - looking for suspects in the assassination of Colonel Blanco Rico, Chief of the Cuban Army Intelligence, who - was shot at a night club, early Sunday morning. The conspirators in the killing - believed to have taken refuge in the Embassy of Haiti.

When they ~~knocked~~ knocked for admission at the Embassy door - the police were met by gunfire, and the shooting match was on - lasting from twenty to thirty minutes. The chief of the Cuban national police - hit repeatedly, and dangerously wounded. The raiders - forcing their way into the Embassy, and killing nine men, labeled "gangsters." Three of them - known opponents of the government at Havana.

STEVENSON

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## STATUE OF LIBERTY

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New York will send an invitation to - a descendant of the Statue of Liberty. A granddaughter or a great grand daughter - of the stately lady who stands at the entrance of New York harbor. Of course, the Statue of Liberty never had any children - not that anybody ever heard of. But how about the model who posed for the sculptured figure?

Yesterday they celebrated the Seventieth Anniversary of the dedication of the Statue of Liberty by President Grover Cleveland. Bedloe's Island - now to be called "Liberty Island". A museum to be established at the base of the statue - "The American Museum of Immigration", in memory of millions of immigrants. So, in connection with all this, they plan to bring over from France - a descendant of the model who posed for the Statue of Liberty.

The sculptor was - Bartholdi. And, for a model -

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he used his Mother. Posing in the flowing robes - and holding aloft the torch of liberty.

A great, great granddaughter of Madame Bartholdi lives in Paris today - a beautiful eighteen year old blonde, named Ariane. So she's to be brought over here.

No, the Statue of Liberty, herself, didn't have any children. If she had, <sup>Henry,</sup> we would have had to include this in our Cinerama list of the "Seven Wonders of the World."

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