

May 1 - '58.

- as a May Day present -
President Eisenhower ~~is~~ wins a major victory in

Congress. The House, passing a slightly modified version - of ~~the~~ ^{the} Eisenhower ~~bill~~ bill to extend unemployment compensation.

The vote - two-hundred-and-twenty-two to one-hundred-and-sixty-four.

The measure just passed, agrees with the President - that benefits for the jobless should be extended by fifty percent. The increased number of payments, covering a few weeks in some states - a few months in others. The money, to be provided by federal loans - which the states eventually would have to repay.

The measure ~~not~~ ^{the original} modifies ~~the~~ ^{the original} Eisenhower's ~~original~~ ^{original}

proposal - in one way. The House ruling - it should not be mandatory for any state to participate in this program.

The modification, designed to placate states rights Congressmen from the South.

Vice President Nixon - late for the ceremony that was the main reason for his trip to South America. He wasn't in his seat - when Arturo Frondizi was sworn in as President of Argentina. Nixon was at the Chamber of Deputies early enough - but, ~~he~~ got caught in a crowd. A thousand people ~~was~~ jamming in - to see the ceremony. Vice President Nixon, and American Ambassador Willard Beaulac - unable to get through the entrance. They struggled for ten minutes. Beaulac had his vest torn - and his tie twisted ~~in~~ in the jostle. Nixon's clothes - mussed up. Finally, a guard managed to get them through to their seats - just as President Frondizi was beginning his inaugural address. The ~~swearing~~ swearing in, over. ~~The~~ ~~is~~ twenty one gun salute, ~~just going~~ *blasting* away.

In his address, President Frondizi promised that civilians will rule Argentina from now on. No more military coups. And, he offers followers of Peron - ~~a~~ full amnesty. President Frondizi proclaiming a new era for Argentine democracy.

LONDON FOLLOW MAY DAY

May Day celebrations in Europe today, went off smoothly everywhere but in London. The town hall at St. Pancras; where the borough council is controlled by the Socialists.

Today Socialist Councillor John Lawrence - hoisted the red flag over the town hall. Although he said most Englishmen would prefer the Union Jack, he contended that on one day in the year - May Day "the international workers flag" should go up.

Some in the crowd cheered. Others were furious. One man walked through the area shouting "shame, shame." Another a dignified looking man walked ~~up~~ up to the town hall, waved his umbrella at the red flag and shouted "we'll show 'em."

It all ended in a patriotic demonstration. Tonight, London's St. Pancras borough crowded with men and women waving union jacks while London Bobbies ~~are~~ patrol the district.

MAY DAY

Moscow's May Day, not ~~quite~~ as spectacular ~~as~~
~~as the ones we're used to.~~ *expected,* Soviet troops took only
twelve minutes to pass the reviewing stand. ~~The~~ ^Q parade ~~Q~~
~~including~~ anti-aircraft guns, light tanks, and rocket
launchers. But no new weapons.

On the reviewing stand -- Khrushchev, and his
Egyptian guest, ~~Colonel~~ ^{Colonel} ~~Samal Nasser~~ Nasser. The keynote speech -
delivered by Marshal Malinovsky, Soviet Defense Minister.
Malinovsky, condemning the United States - for those bombers
flights over the Arctic regions. The Soviet Marshal, warning
his men to remain on guard - against what he called "imperialist
reaction."

We might reduce bomber flights over the North Pole region - if Russia ~~is~~ accepts our inspection plan for the Arctic. So ~~revealed by~~ ^{said the} Secretary of State ~~Dulles~~ ^{today} at his news conference. Secretary Dulles saying ~~an~~ ^{that} adequate inspection by air ~~is~~ would be much more dependable than the present radar system. If such an inspection system showed ~~no~~ no Russian weapons aimed at this country - then there wouldn't be the same need for the bombers. So we'd be willing to reduce those flights - about which Moscow has been making so much propaganda.

Secretary Dulles adds - the Russians already know about our proposal. He described it in a private conference ~~with~~ with Ambassador Menshikov at the State Department.

Laughter and shouting - in the House of Commons

today. The laughter when President Eisenhower was mentioned during the debate; a Laborite wanting to know whether Prime Minister MacMillan uses a portable radio to keep in constant contact with the R A F? The Socialist, pointing out that - President Eisenhower always has a portable radio with him - even when playing golf.

A conservative replied that this was criticizing the head of a friendly power - our President. Rejoined the Prime Minister: "the only criticism I heard of the eminent gentleman - was that he played golf." Then he added: "I do not consider that - a derogatory expression". Much laughter!

Later, Laborite Philip Noel-Baker, condemning MacMillan for allowing the Russians to get ahead of Britain in the drive ~~in~~ toward disarmament. To this the Prime Minister angrily replied that the Laborite was distorting what has happened at the disarmament negotiations. Said he to M P Noel-

Baker: "You are one of those who always thinks his own country is wrong."

At this the Laborites shouted that the Prime Minister was being discourteous. "Withdraw, withdraw" they shouted until the Speaker restored order.

JORDAN

The King of Jordan signs away his power to declare war. King Hussein putting his signature to a royal decree in Amman - giving that right to his cousin, King Feisal of Iraq. Feisal, Senior Monarch in the new federation of Iraq and Jordan.

At the same time, Amman announces ^{that} new talks ^{will} begin on Monday in Baghdad. The purpose of the talks - ■■ to unify the currency system of the two Arab monarchies.

ADEN

A communique from Aden in South Arabia - sounds like something from the old days of the British empire. A fort in the desert, besieged by hundreds of native tribesmen. Trapped inside the fort, the British political officer. A column of British troops - driving to the rescue.

The rescue column running into stiff resistance. The battle - lasting twelve hours. The commanding general calling for artillery and jet fighters with rockets. Then the troops to the rescue broke through, and relieved the fort. The tribesmen, retreating back into Yemen.

INDONESIA

Indonesian rebel planes - have hit another western freighter. The "Flying Lark" of Panamanian registry. The "Flying Lark" anchored at Ambon Island - when the planes came down, ■ bombing and strafing. The report is - twelve men aboard the freighter, killed.

Meanwhile, the rebels flatly deny any Americans are flying for them. They describe all of their pilots - as Indonesians.

MALTA

The ex-Premier of Malta - lambasting the British.

Speaking to a crowd of Maltese in the empire football stadium in Valletta - the Malta capitol, he denounced Governor Laycock's prohibition of demonstrations by the Maltese.

At the same time the former Premier called British Police Commissioner Vivian DeGray, the "greatest traitor in Malta". He wound up his May Day address - with another demand for new elections.

Could it be that Russian gold is stirring up trouble in another strategic Mediterranean isle?

CONFERENCE

Yesterday we had the story of how President Eisenhower at his news conference gave his opinion of presidential news conferences. Today, some statistics on this were assembled by United Press correspondent Dayton Moore.

One is impressive:

That President Eisenhower has held one-hundred and thirty four news conferences ~~since~~ ^{since} entering the White House.

For instance eight in eight consecutive weeks, in the summer of Nineteen Fifty Four.

Two of them held outside Washington. In Nineteen Fifty Six, one at Key West, Florida, and the other in San Francisco. The San Francisco news conference - the only one televised live.

What about attendance? The record high for newsmen present - three hundred and eleven. This twice, in Nineteen Fifty Six. The first when we were wondering whether he would run for a second term. The second, after his ileitis operation.

What about the future? Around the White House they say - President Eisenhower intends to keep up his weekly news conference - on a regular basis. The only exceptions - when he has some other pressing engagement.

MARINES

The Commandant of the Marine Corps doesn't want his outfit to get ^{as he put it:-} ~~in his words~~ "the bum's rush." General Randolph Pate, testifying before the House Armed Services committee, ^{said} ~~saying~~ he fully supports President Eisenhower's plan ~~For~~ reorganizing the Defense Department - with one or two reservations. One ~~of these~~ - the plan to allow the shifting of men between the different branches of the armed services. In particular, he doesn't want to see the Marine Corps disappear - by the transfer of its personnel into the Army, the Navy, or the Air Force. ^π General Pate declaring he is afraid that some future Secretary of Defense - might misuse some features of the Eisenhower bill - and decide there's ~~was~~ no point in keeping the leathernecks as a distinct entity, in the Armed Forces.

But Secretary of Defense McElroy assures the committee - there ^{is} ~~is~~ no possibility of this. ^{That the} ~~McElroy declaring~~ - President ~~Eisenhower's~~ reorganization of the Defense Department - will maintain the integrity of army, navy, and Air Force. Also - the Marines.

SPACE

One of our top scientists believes - travelers into space will have to be shielded by a hundred pounds of lead. Professor James Van Allen, of the University of Iowa - referring to the strange radiation that envelops the earth - about six hundred miles up. The radiation - discovered by our artificial satellites - which relayed ^{is} the information by radio.

Dr. Van Allen speaks of a "reservoir of radiation" - this "reservoir" throws ^{ing} off rays a thousand ~~more~~ times more powerful than cosmic rays - ^{some} for eight thousand miles out into space. The only shield against it - lead. The amount needed, in Dr. Van Allen's opinion, a hundred pounds for every space traveler.

TOM TOM

Here's one more indication of how civilization is spreading - in the Twentieth Century. Or is it? A dispatch from Blantyre, Nyasaland, telling us that Tom Tom thumpers will have to have a license from now on.

The drum - traditional means of communication - in Africa. African tribes passing messages along -- by the pulsating beat of the tom-tom or a single big drum. Many a white man has admitted to a thrill of fear, at the throbbing of those jungle drums.

It was the fastest means of communication until the white man brought the telegraph. It's still fast enough for vast areas of Africa. Professional drummers still carry on their trade. And now they get the bad news. In the future, they won't be allowed to work - without a license - which they must buy - if they are drum beaters in Nyasaland. As civilization spreads in Africa.

And now, Don - wherever you are - will you beat the drum for Deles!

ETNA

Europe's tallest volcano - in another display of fireworks. Sicily's Mt. Etna, erupting. Molten lava -- pouring down the sides of the volcano. Dense black smoke - rising high in the sky. A spectacular red halo - surrounding the summit - at almost eleven thousand feet.

The lava, lapping around nearby fields - and some villages' may have to be evacuated. The people of Sicily witnessing another awesome display - one they've seen so often in their history. Mt. Etna -erupting.