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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Good Friday in the Holy City. A solemn procession made its way through Jerusalem today - ten thousand pilgrims, following the steps of the Saviour on the way to Calvary. The pilgrims, moving along the "Via Dolorosa" in the old city.

The procession included both Catholics and Protestants, from many lands - some from America. Each national group stopped to pray in its own language - at the so-called stations of the Cross, which historians and archaeologists say are not authentic.

The pilgrims ended their journey at the famous Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

BULGANIN

The Soviet Premier received India's Ambassador to Moscow for a conference today. Bulganin and Menon, apparently discussing Nehru's efforts for a cease-fire in the Formosa Strait.

Some diplomats in London believe that Bulganin and Menon were setting the stage for a meeting between Nehru and Chou En-Lai at Bandung, Indonesia.

Britain's new Prime Minister, is getting his government under way in a hurry. Sir Anthony Eden, inviting Cabinet members to be his weekend guests, at "Chequers", official country residence of Prime Ministers.

Eden has sent messages to both President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles. In his message to ~~our~~ *President the new* ~~Eisenhower~~ *the* Prime Minister *expressed a hope for* ~~declared that he wants~~ close cooperation with America, just as in the past. And to Secretary Dulles, *he said: -* ~~Eden remarked:~~ "I look forward to continuing our friendship." *The usual.*

Meanwhile, Secretary Dulles has sent a message of his own to Britain's new Foreign ~~Min~~ Secretary, Harold MacMillan. ~~Dulles~~ welcoming MacMillan to what our Secretary terms, "the hardest working labor union". Meaning - the union of Foreign Ministers.

CHURCHILL

*Last night we heard*  
*how* Two members of Congress <sup>were planned</sup> ~~are going~~ to introduce

legislation to make Sir Winston Churchill ~~of~~ an Honorary Citizen of the United States. ~~We had that last night.~~

And tonight <sup>early</sup> ~~we have~~ the reactions of some of the colleagues, <sup>5</sup>  
~~of Senator George Smathers and representative Hale Boggs.~~

Senator Sparkman of ~~Alabama~~ Alabama is enthusiastic,  
~~about the idea.~~ He says he'll vote for the proposal if it comes up in the Senate.

*But* Senator Mundt of South Dakota is doubtful. He declares he'd like to see Churchill saluted by Congress - for his service to the free world. But ~~Senator Mundt thinks~~ that to give the former Prime Minister Honorary Citizenship would cause complications, unless Churchill wants to move to this country.

Senator Wiley of Wisconsin hedges on his opinion. He says he'll wait to see how the bill looks before he decides how to vote.

INDO CHINA

Another truce in Indo China, as Premier Diem prepares for a conference with leaders of the rebellious religious sects.

In Washington it's reported that a high level conference will be convened later this month - with French and American representatives on hand to try and work out some common approach to the Indo China problem.

FORMOSA

Communist China has at least forty Russian MIGS on a new air field, just north of Formosa. A nationalist newspaper also says the Reds are building a new air base at Foo Chow -- thirty five miles west of the Matsus.

KNOWLAND

Senator Knowland stated today that we should <sup>rely</sup>~~rely~~ on the manpower of our allies -in dealing with local wars. The Californian thinks that the cold war may last for fifty years - and the financial strain <sup>far</sup>~~for~~ too great for us if we continue as we are now - so many men under ~~ARMED~~.arms.

The Senator's statement is ~~is~~ an answer to Democratic critics of the Administration who say it is wrong to suggest reducing our armed forces now - when the possibility of small wars exists. Senator Knowland however, agrees with President Eisenhower on this. He's for the reduction. Rely more on our allies for any future ~~KOREAN~~ Koreas.

President Eisenhower believes that military secrets have been revealed unwittingly through information made available to newsmen. This came out today, when Press Secretary ~~James~~ Hagerty was talking to reporters. He was asked about an order issued by Defense Secretary Wilson - an order that no information was to be given out without clearance by the Secretary's office.

Hagerty said that President Eisenhower does not believe in censorship - but neither does he believe in giving information to the enemy. So, <sup>he</sup> ~~Mr. Eisenhower~~ wants secret data kept from the press - whenever it would be helpful to a possible enemy abroad.

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~~It is expected that~~ Secretary Wilson will be questioned directly about his order - at his news conference on Tuesday.



MACARTHUR

The Defense Department announces that it will make public some of its information - on how General MacArthur felt about Russian entry into the war in Nineteen Forty-five.

We have heard how former Defense Secretary, Forrestal, in his diary had a note to the effect that the General said at a meeting with the Secretary, that the Soviets should be brought into the fighting against Japan as quickly as ~~fast~~ possible. But General MacArthur has denied ~~that~~ also that the note in the Forrestal diary was not in Secretary Forrestal's handwriting. Other discrepancies too.

Now the Defense Department says it will contribute something to the controversy. Some ~~infrom~~ information to be made public shortly.

Meanwhile General MacArthur insists there should be either publication of all information on this - or none.

CORSI

Secretary of State Dulles declares that he has no doubt at all about the security status of Edward Corsi.

Last night Corsi said that his job as Consultant on refugee problems was being taken from him - and ~~he said~~ that he was shocked ~~by it~~. Congressman Francis Walter of Pennsylvania had accused Corsi of past association with Communist front organizations.

Corsi and the State Department both have denied the charge. And now Secretary Dulles ~~is~~ reveals that he is offering his consultant a new job - one involving land settlement for immigrants in Latin America and ~~in~~ other areas.

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During the day, Corsi was summoned to the State Department to confer with the Secretary. They were still talking, when the Dulles announcement was handed to newsmen.

The next step is up to Corsi - to accept the offer of a new job, or not.

BANK

The <sup>at</sup> biggest <sup>of all</sup> bank robbery <sup>ies</sup> ~~in history~~, may have

occurred because of failure to heed an F B I warning. The branch of the Chase-Manhattan Bank in Woodside, Queens - ~~was~~ robbed of more than three hundred thousand dollars on Wednesday. The crime taking place - only a month after J. Edgar Hoover ~~had~~ warned the banks of the nation about an upsurge in robberies. *A warning that |*

~~The F B I warning~~ went to nearly thirty thousand banks, ~~officials~~ and other <sup>s.</sup> groups. ~~The Chase Bank was on the mailing list.~~

The warning said that every bank should have a special alarm system - along with a tear gas mechanism. The F B I ~~was~~ calling these "essential," <sup>to</sup> ~~in~~ protecting ~~Banks~~ against robbers. The warning <sup>also</sup> added that employees should be given staggered lunch hours - and that deliveries of cash should be on an irregular schedule.

The <sup>is</sup> F B I warning went out as part of a nationwide campaign to stem the tide of bank robberies - the figure

now the highest in history. J. Edgar Hoover declared that banks are the obvious target of men - who want a lot of money, in a hurry.

But that Chase-Manhattan, in Queens - had neither an adequate alarm nor guards. And, the robbers got away with three hundred thousand dollars! A record.

## APACHE

Here's a dispatch from Ruidoso, New Mexico, that mentions a famous name. Geronimo - who led the Indians of Mexico, New Mexico and Arizona - in those savage Apache wars of the Eighteen Seventies and Eighties.

Today's dispatch says that Geronimo's nephew has just died. Asa Daklugie, eighty-three years old - the patriarch of his band. He remembered the Apache wars - when his Uncle was on the ~~NE~~ war path - Geronimo, terrorizing the southwest.

After his warpath adventures with Geronimo Apache Daklugie was sent to the famous Indian school at Carlisle, Pennsylvania. And then he used his education to help his fellow Apache tribesmen understand the strange ways of the white man.

Becoming a man of peace. Now dead at eighty-three. One of the last links with Geronimo, and the Apaches, who tried desperately to drive the white man out of the southwest.

## CAR

A boy and a girl were saved from drowning in a river near Bristol, New Hampshire, today. The story is an odd one - because Alfred Paine and Nancy Witley- were trapped in a car that swerved off the highway and dove into the river. There water pressure locked the doors, tight. Alfred and Nancy - their heads out of water, trapped - watching the current swirling around the car.

And they ~~WERE~~ were not in there for mere minutes, or even hours. There they remained for two days, until a passerby - a high school friend, just happened to ~~see~~ spot them out in that nearly submerged car. Hurrying for help firemen were soon at the scene, and the pair were rescued after an ordeal that almost cost them their lives. In a car - in the middle of <sup>a</sup> ~~the~~ river - for two days!

## DRINK

The mail man brought a book to my desk, today.

The title - "Man Takes A Drink." Subject - the facts about alcohol. The author, the Reverend John C. Ford, Jesuit Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology at Weston College.

What caught my eye was a bit of rhyme, printed on the jacket - "An adage from the Orient," which goes like this:

At the punch bowl's brink  
Let the thirsty think

What they say in Japan:

"First a man takes a drink,  
Then the drink takes a drink,  
Then the drink takes the man."

Sounds like the wisdom of the Orient, all right.

## GAMBLER

A lot of things have been lost in gambling - but here's one of the strangest. A load of shrimp - worth more than twelve thousand dollars. Robert Brewer was driving the shrimp by truck from Brownsville, Texas, to Detroit. He drove as far as Houston, Texas - stopped for a moment, and got into a poker game.

First he lost his money. Then he offered to put up the shrimp - and the gamblers said, okay. Brewer's luck - still bad. He lost and lost - until that whole load of shrimp was gone.

After that, he tried to bet his truck. But the others in the game refused. And so Robert Brewer drove off.

Now the F B I is hunting for him. The gamblers who won, were picked up - after they sold five thousand dollars' worth of shrimp to dozens of restaurants in Texas.



ALBANIA

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An Albanian refugee, who managed to escape from his Communist dominated country - says he's not too pleased with the West either. For an unusual reason. Mehmet Metalia has two wives - which he finds is one too many for the free world - at least one too many .

Mehmet Metalia got as far as the International Refugee Camp in Trieste - he and the missus - I mean the two missus. All okay according to the laws of the Prophet. But at the Refugee Camp not okay. There they asked him to give up one of them.

Furthermore Albanian Mehmet Metalia wants to come to this country - and Uncle Sam says he can only bring one to the Land of the Free. All of which he doesn't understand at all. At home he's a respected man. Doubly so with two wives. He didn't like Communism. So he fled to the West - thinking he would find freedom on this side of the Iron Curtain.

Today he remarked: "Now they tell me to get rid  
of one of my help<sup>meets</sup> ~~mates~~ - the little women <sup>a</sup> ~~of~~ one of them.

I ask you, what kind of freedom is that?" said Mehmet

Metalia ~~and~~ sadly. <sup>Hugh</sup> And then he added: "There is a terrible

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confusion in this world."