

EISENHOWER L.T.-Alldes. Wed. Jan. 13 - '60.

President Eisenhower's news conference -- was his first in six weeks. The first since the President set out -- on his tour of Europe, Asia and Africa. Mr. Eisenhower, ^{looking} ~~making~~ fit today. And -- in good humor.

At least ~~he was~~ in good humor -- until one particular question came up. ^Q One member of the audience asking -- if the President isn't "kissing off criticism" of his defense program -- as a partisan matter.

^{The} President ~~Eisenhower~~ interrupted his questioner -- to say emphatically, he doesn't like accusations like that one. Repeating what he has said so often -- ~~that~~ he knows something about national defense. And thinks his program is just what we need -- to be safe from aggression. Adding, ^{that} partisanship on a question as vital as defense -- is a disservice to the nation.

Apart from this moment of irritation the President went through the usual battery of questions - with his famous aplomb.

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RUSSIANS - FOLLOW EISENHOWER

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those forthcoming Soviet missile tests -- in the
Pacific. Khrushchev declaring ^{that} ~~X~~ Russian scientists
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ROCKEFELLER - FOLLOW RUSSIANS

Regarding Nelson Rockefeller's sudden withdrawal - from the presidential race, President Eisenhower says he was as surprised as anyone. The Governor of New York intended to let the President know - in advance. But the news leaked out - and that was how the White House first learned there would be no Nixon-Rockefeller duel for the G.O.P. nomination.

Today President Eisenhower refused to be drawn into - a discussion of the Rockefeller decision. He insisted that he takes the Governor's decision at its face value. The President agreed with newsmen - that there probably won't be much competition at the Republican convention, except for the 2nd place on the ticket.

Will the lack of competition for the top spot - hurt the G.O.P.? President Eisenhower doesn't think so.

Today he recalled that he had no opposition at the
Nineteen Fifty-six convention -- and yet, won the
election by a landslide.

SPACE

The future of our space program is clearer tonight -- following that Washington announcement about the Saturn missile. The Saturn -- designed to explore the solar system out beyond the moon. Today, the Government told Huntsville, Alabama, to go ahead -- with work on the rocket's upper stages.

The Saturn -- a three-stage rocket. Powered by -- liquid fuel. ^{Blasting} ~~Starting~~ off with // a million and a half pounds of thrust.

Probable first targets of the Saturn -- the planets Mars and Venus.

APALACHIN

^{Twenty}
~~thirteen~~ leaders of New York's notorious
Apalachin crime convention -- convicted of conspiracy.
Judge Irving Kaufman, denouncing them for -- a
conspiracy of silence. All ^{twenty}~~thirteen~~ -- refusing to say
what brought them to Joseph Barbara's plush home --
all at the same time. The guess is -- they were
dividing up their crime empire -- following the gangland
assassination of Albert Anastasia.

But the defendants all insist -- ~~that~~
they ~~are~~ legitimate businessmen ^{— and merely} ~~just~~ stopping in to
see their old friend, Joseph Barbara. Nothing sinister
about it -- according to their testimony.

Today, Judge Kaufman retorted:-- "these
defendants have defied law and order for years."
The Judge, describing them as -- a threat to America.
Then -- handing out the sentences. Three to five years
in jail, and fines of -- ten thousand dollars.

PINAY

France may be heading for -- the worst domestic crisis of the Fifth Republic. Antoine Pinay, resigning from the DeGaulle Cabinet. Pinay, architect of DeGaulle's financial policy, ~~Now~~ opposing DeGaulle -- on key issues of finance and foreign policy. Pinay, wanting -- more French support for Nato. And less Government interference in private industry.

QUAKE

Peru's second largest city - a mass of rubble.

Beautiful Arequipa, in Southern Peru - devastated by today's earthquake - which lasted over a minute.

Arequipa - five hundred miles southeast of Lima - at the foot of Misti Volcano - an almost perfect cone-shaped mountain. The quake levelled - most of the city. Knocking over buildings - tearing up railroad lines - cutting communications. Arequipa - a disaster area tonight. The toll - some 38 or 40 killed; more than two hundred injured. Many - missing.

WEATHER

Tonight's weather story -- picks up where we dropped it last night. The worst storm of the season -- still raging across the East. Snow, sleet, and rain -- and the forecast is for more of the same. Five inches of snow have fallen in New York State. Another five inches expected by the weather ~~men~~ ^{experts.}

Speaking of weather-men -- I've a protest from one in Chicago. Last night I reported ~~that~~ the experts had predicted -- heavy snow for the mid-west, ~~but were~~ ^{but were} ~~experts~~ confounded by ~~an~~ unseasonably high temperatures.

Well, Weather Man J. R. Fulks, tells me I ~~was~~ ^{had that} ~~is~~ ^{He} wrong, ^{merely} says he predicted that if snow came -- it would be heavy. ~~But~~ ^{However} he denies he predicted snow -- for Chicago.

WEDDING

The scene of Nineteen Sixty's first colorful wedding -- Britain's historic Romsey Abbey. The bride, Lady Pamela Mountbatten -- daughter of the ~~Earl~~ ^{Earl} of Mountbatten. The groom, David Hicks, an art student -- minus titles.

The real show -- provided by the spectators. Looking on at the Hicks-Mountbatten union -- most of the royal family, excepting the Queen:--The Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen Mother, Princess Margaret, Prince Charles, Princess Anne -- all present. Also, the Queen of Sweden. Along with a ~~congregation~~ ^{host} of -- Dukes, Duchesses, Lords, Ladies, and lesser aristocrats.

Twelve hundred guests, crowded into the medieval building, which has five hundred seats. Most of the guests bundled up -- in ~~splendid~~ ^{their} fur coats. ~~The~~ ^{Hicks} furnace of Romsey Abbey -- hasn't caught up with the modern world.

OPERATION

In Ragusa, Sicily, Rosa Salinitro has her voice back [^] all because of an operation ^{that} ~~^~~ she didn't go through with.

Rosa, who lost her ability to speak -- after an accident. Her doctors -- trying every kind of cure. Finally deciding -- to operate.

Today, the hospital orderlies ^{wheeled Rosa into} ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ the operating room. Rosa, getting a good look at -- the surgeon and his scalpels, also, the nurse, ready with the anesthetic.

Suddenly the patient sat up -- and said loudly: "I don't need an operation." The thought of being operated on -- had shocked ^{her} ~~the patient~~ out of her speechlessness. Her voice -- as good as ever. So they wheeled her [|] out of the operating room -- and discharged her from the hospital.

Rosa Salinitro of Sicily -- cured by an operation -- she never had.